



NEWSLETTER

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President's Corner

For those Rakers members that signed up for the Hadlock Days Parade on July 12, please meet at the ball field near the Sheriff's office at 10 AM. [That is this coming Saturday.](#)

Our June 28th car show was a great success. Our thanks to Karl Jacobsen and Bill Eldridge for taking charge of the show organization and making it run so smoothly. We had a lot of comments from participants about how organized and enjoyable it was. Thank you also to all of the Rakers members who helped park cars, sell tickets, run the check-in lines, clean up and do all of the little things that add up to a successful show.

Thank you to the Lions Club members who ran the food service booth all day. I asked them if there was enough food sales volume to make it worthwhile. They all said the sales were good and that they would want to do it again next year.

Bob Pontius deserves our praise and thanks for the great after show party. Elvis was great—no surprise there. The food was fine and I think everyone thoroughly enjoyed the evening.

The Clouse/Franklin barbeque was held at Fort Worden this year and was really fun for those who attended. Thank you to Justin, Joe, John, Darci and Tina for all their time and work. Next to the car show, their barbeque has become the premier summer event for the Rakers.

There was much discussion at our last meeting about the Roadhouse facility and our future there. I spoke to Hank and he told me the plans were to bring in two more pool tables. He didn't think the change would affect our ability to seat everyone for our monthly meetings.

As for food service, I met with Connie and she was going to get back to me with her thoughts about again serving food upstairs. As of this writing I have not heard back from her. We will send an e-mail to our members who are on the e-mail list if more information is available before the August meeting.

Sharon will have the drive-in movie tickets at the August meeting. Be sure to attend the meeting if you signed up for the movie so you can get your ticket. **Admission is by ticket only and no one will be able to pay at the gate.** At last count, we had about eight tickets left.

Don't forget the July 20th visit to Seaport Landing. It's just a couple of hours and it means a lot to the residents when a group visits them.

On a personal note, I want to thank all of you who were so kind and accepting of my daughter's sister-in-law at the party. Christine knows when others are uncomfortable in her presence and she was made to feel welcome by everyone. She danced, ate, got a teddy bear from Elvis and even had a "yellow pop" (draft beer). Now she won't wear anything other than the Rakers car show t-shirt except for church. My daughter sent a very nice letter addressed to the Rakers Car Club and I'll have the letter at the August meeting for those who want to read it.

Mike Hammers, President

July 1, 2008 Minutes

President Mike Hammers called the meeting to order at 7:06 pm.

Karl Jacobsen read the treasurer's report, approved as read.

Chuck McNab introduced Alex Aasen who was visiting from California. They are doing a joint venture Carmen Gia fuel into electric project!

Gayle Thorne read the minutes of the June 3rd meeting, Karl Jacobsen corrected the minutes to say that he was not collecting the money for the Movie Night event; he was just depositing the money. Minutes were approved as corrected.

Mike Hammers said there are 10 tickets remaining.

Committees/Activities

Mike Hammers & Karl Jacobsen said the Rakers Car Show was a success. Attendance was low due to fuel costs, limited ferry service and the big Greenwood Show. There were 101 Paid Entries and 41 Rakers Members. The club received a lot of compliments on how well the show was run and the parking worked out great!

It was a great success because of all the volunteers that participated.

Other dragsters heard about the Kings being present & offered to come too. Jim Krotzer expressed concern of possible complaints regarding noise by the neighbors. In 2006 there was one request that the noise was over before 1:00 pm because of a wedding at the Palace Hotel!

Franchesca Franklin was working the booth and said that people wandering around outside heard the "cacklers" and it drew them in!

Keith Marzan helped parked Rakers vehicles and said it was simple and very effective. He said he'll be willing to help out next year, but welcomes others too.

Mike Hammers read a nice letter from the Port Townsend Lighthouse Lions Club. With the proceeds they were able to purchase hearing aids for an elderly person in our community. Marvin Miller said the Lion's Club would be pleased to provide food & beverages again and we all applauded their efforts and service. (Ken Franklin said it was the best burger he'd had in a long time, too!)

Jim Krotzer also said that having "one price" for all and kids free worked out slick and made it easier for everyone.

Jim Franklin said he unavoidably arrived to the show late and parked in the 2nd row ... no harm no penalty!

Karl has posters and dash plaques for anyone that wants them.

Gary Wiles said an umbrella tipped over and scratched a vehicle, but it rubbed out okay.

Next year's event will be June 27, 2009 and the club is looking for volunteers to organize the show.

Jim Franklin said for the Annual Kiwanis Car Show Washington will be closed off from 7:30 am-9:30 am. It costs \$100, with \$50 refundable after the event. Well worth it. He also got 4 police folks to volunteer their time to help out.

Jim Franklin will be hosting his last Kiwanis Car Show event and will have a runoff for "Best of the Best, a 1918 Pierce Arrow, 1931 Essex Cadillac from a Museum, the local Dwarf Racing Cars, a Poker Walk for the women of the car show entrants with local vendors participating and a Silent Auction with memorabilia from Jay Leno's garage walls!

Jim Krotzer said he attended the Shelton Car Show and said OVAC had an area with about 20 cars.

Mike Hammers reminded everyone of Hadlock Days coming up July 12-13, parade on the 12th, and car show on the 13th.

Gary Wiles asked for a show of hands for the July 20th gathering at Seaport Landing at the end of Hancock Street (next to Discovery View)

from Noon to 2:00 pm in the parking lot. Hot dogs & beverages will be provided by the facility. Please try to attend as the retirees/assisted living residences really get a kick out of seeing the cars!

July 19th seems to be a very popular day for events, Mike Hammers said Courtesy Ford invited Rakers members to come to the dealership Saturday and they would provide food & beverages.

July 19th, the 3rd Annual Darlene Marihugh Memorial Scholarship Cruise at JACE Realty (by the old A&W) in PA is also that day. 360-424-9908

Also Tacoma Classic Weekend hosted by The Foss Waterway Seaport, July 19, 10 am to 4 pm, 705 Dock Street Tacoma.

July 19th, Fabulous 50's Sock Hop & Car Show, Noon w/sock hop from 6 to 11 pm at Wauconda Community Hall.

Mike Hammers said the 1st Tuesday of each month (same day as Rakers meetings) there is a Cool Car Cruise at 6pm (April through September) at 6th & Pacific Avenue in Bremerton sponsored by Westsound Bank. There are up to 200 cars at the show and the bank provides hamburgers/hot dogs. They also have one on New Years Day.

Gary Schryver suggested having our September 2nd meeting (day after Labor Day this year) at the "cruise". Ken Franklin asked if we'd all go together. Many were interested and we'll discuss at the next meeting.

Friday, July 11, Ruddell Auto Mall Car Show from 5:30-9:00 pm in PA.

New Business / New Members

Bob Engel, Butch & Gayle Hurd and Bill Leavitt were all approved as new members after some discussion of what was considered a "qualifying Rakers event". Welcome Bob, Butch, Gayle & Bill!

Much discussion of low attendance at Ferino's Pizza by a show of hands it appears a once a month gathering at Ferino's seemed more appropriate. Someone suggested the 2nd Wednesday of each month. Mike Hammers

volunteered to contact them to let them know they do not need to bring in extra staff. If possible try to come on July 9th!

John Franklin thanked everyone that participated in the 8th Annual Clouse-Franklin BBQ Picnic Poker Run. Food that was collected for the food bank was donated in Coralie Guenther's name on behalf of the Rakers Car Club.

Old/Unfinished Business

Roadhouse meeting facility – rumor has it they are considering putting the pool tables upstairs, which could make meeting upstairs more difficult.

Dave Harrah & Bill Eldridge will check into the possibility of holding the meetings at the Elks Lodge 317. More discussions will follow at the next meeting.

South County Car Club meets 1st Monday of each month and has a cruz-in the 4th Monday at the Timberhouse (old Hungry Bear) in Quilcene.

Bill Eldridge said the Rakers poster called our "Car Show" a cruz-in and it caused some confusion with attendees thinking that maybe there would be a Poker Run, etc. He suggested we use Rakers Car Show for next year. All members were in agreement.

Michael Hinojos said he ran some numbers on the current 81 members and it averages out to 1.88 cars per member.

The Raffle brought in \$88.00. Volunteers for the August 5th meeting are: Karl Jacobsen, Shawn Wiles, Jerry Hampton, Ken Franklin & Bob Pontius

Meeting was adjourned at 8:35 pm.

Gayle Thorne, Newsletter Editor

Note: If anyone has changes to their vehicles, telephone, address, email, PLEASE email (gayle3@q.com) or call me (385-1344) so that we can keep our membership list up to date, thanks! Gayle

June 28, 2008 51st year of the "RAKERS" Party. The place provided by the Road House Restaurant. The room set up by volunteers Tina Austin and Peggy Obert with the help of Toni Austin and others. Entertainment by Danny Vernon & Marsha contacted by Bob, Tina and Toni. Parking security volunteer Dave Mann and others. Spaghetti, Hamburgers, French Fries, Salad and Soft Drinks paid for by our Club. The Club paid for the Entertainment as well. Keeping everything moving was taken care of by the Road Houses own, Connie. There was plenty for her to do and she took very good care of us. The No Host Bar was tended by Mallory and Jessie they took care of everyone. No one felt left out and no one got 86'ed. Jeremy cooked the fare and everyone thought the food was great. A great time was had by all that attended. The day ended all too soon. I also want to thank Brian Austin for the welding he did on Danny and Marsha's trailer so they could get home.

P.S: Someone said "it was Hot in here!" I replied it's going to get Hotter! Little did I know how Hot.

Respectfully submitted by Bob Pontius

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August 2008

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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3	4	5 Rakers Club Meeting 7:00 pm	6	7 Port Gamble Cruise In 5 pm * weather permitting	8	9
10 Shucks 3rd Annual Show & Shine 253-848-7877	11	12	13 Ferino's Pizza Cruz-In 5:30 pm	14 Port Gamble Cruise In 5 pm	15	16 19th Kiwanis Classic Car Show 8am-4pm Memorial Field
17	18	19 Rakers PT Wheel In Motor Movie 7 pm	20	21 Port Gamble Cruise In 5 pm	22	23
24	25	26	27	28 Port Gamble Cruise In 5 pm	29	30
31	Sept 1 Labor Day	2 Rakers Sept. Meeting in Bremerton ?	3	4	5	6 2

Current July Events

Friday, July 11 - Ruddell Auto Mall Car Show in Port Angeles, 5:30 to 9 pm

July 12-13 Hadlock Days, 11 am Saturday Parade & Sunday Noon to 3 pm Car Show

Lawnmower races, live music both days

July 19th

Tacoma Classic Weekend, 10 am to 4 pm, contact: www.TacomaClassic.com

Fabulous 50's Sock Hop & Car Show, Noon w/sock hop from 6 to 11 pm at Wauconda Community Hall.

Call 509-779-4081 for more info or visit: www.waucondahall.org/sockhop

Darlene Marihugh Memorial Scholarship Cruise in PA, contact: 360-424-9908

July 20th 2:00 pm – RAKERS meet at Seaport Landing Retirement & Assisted Living Center on Hancock in Port Townsend

September Events

Sept 20th, 9 am to 4 pm - South County Classic Cruisers Car Show & Shine

11 am Quilcene Parade & Fair 2 pm 4th Annual Burnout Demonstration

**1st Annual Carl's Clam Cruise 2008 Fort Flagler
(to celebrate Carl Johnson's 87th birthday!)**



**Clouse-Franklin 8th Annual BBQ Picnic &
Poker Run @ Fort Worden**



Mike Lindsey making a basket...no 'blue pill' necessary!



Poker Run Fun!



Poker Hand Draw



Thanks Darci/Joe Clouse & Tina/John Franklin for hosting a great event!

2008 Rakers 5th Annual Car Show



Winner: Dick Ellison's 58 Corvette

