

NEWSLETTER



Established 1957 – Celebrating 53 Years

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Secretary: Gayle Hurd
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Gayle Thorne, Newsletter Editor

President's Corner

Well, we close out another year as Rakers. As with any year, we've lost a few and gained a few. From my perspective it's been a good year and I'm happy to move on knowing the club is in good hands. The new, incoming officers are enthusiastic and energetic. I'm looking forward to good things (and maybe a surprise or two).

Thank you to all who helped and encouraged me and even to those who tried to give constructive criticism. Thank you.

Hope your holiday season will be filled with goodness that lasts all through the coming year!

See ya in 2010.

Michael Hinojos
Exiting President

December 1, 2009 Minutes

Some 60+ people attended the Rakers' annual Christmas dinner-meeting on Tuesday, December the 1st held at the Road House. Connie and her crew served the members, their spouses and guests an enjoyable ham or turkey dinner paid for by the club. After the dinner a brief meeting with 2010 club officer elections was held. Thank you to Ron Rogers for working with Connie to organize the evening.

The Rakers' Board of Directors nominated members for the following positions:

President: Bob Robbins
Vice & Co-Vice Presidents: Marvin Miller & Dave Mann
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A motion was made to elect the nominees, seconded and voted upon with club approval.

Several members agreed to continue in their current club positions:

Newsletter Editor: Gayle Thorne
Guest Speaker Chairman: Jim Franklin
Activities Chairman: Keith Marzan

Mike Hinojos threw his hat in the ring for **Rakers Car Show Chairman** and *Chuck McNab* also volunteered to help Mike.

The dinner was Warren Grondahl's third club event. Warren has a 1954 Chevy Truck, 1976 L82 and 1999 C5 Corvettes. He was voted in by Raker members. Welcome to the club!

Jim Franklin showed the members a current issue of **Hot Rod DeLuxe** containing a six page feature article by Coy Thomas about honorary Raker Member, 84 year old Walt Rose. A number of old photos of Walt's car are shown in the magazine. This magazine is only available at places like Safeway, QFC, Barnes & Noble, etc.

Jim Franklin brought the members up-to-date on the **April 24, 2010 Washington State Hot Rod Hall of Fame** award dinner to be held in the Tacoma Convention Hall. The Rakers will be honored for the Car Club's years of involvement in the car hobby. The club has reserved three 8-person tables for the dinner. Jim (360-385-1986) is doing the event sign-up

and will be requesting an additional fourth table. The cost is \$40.00 per person and is due no later than December 31st and payable to Rakers Car Club, P O Box 166, Port Townsend, WA 98368 or contact Treasurer Don Thorne (360-385-1344).

Along with the Award event the **"Mild to Wild" Car Show** will be held in the **Tacoma Dome** the same weekend. Discounted tickets are available to club members and guests.

Club President Mike Hinojos closed the meeting out, thanking people for coming to Christmas dinner meeting and he thanked those members who assisted him during 2009.

Editor's Comments:

Charlene Engel, Bob's wife, won the raffle drawing and Bob gracefully declined the opportunity to have his dues waived for 2010. So, in all fairness to Charlene for purchasing the winning ticket...the Rakers Car Club would like to give Charlene a Rakers T-Shirt.

I would also like to say thank you to the new officers for volunteering to serve and want them to know that we will support them throughout the year.

*Thank you Mike Hinojos and Dave Mann (with assistance from wife, Nancy) for getting the **President's Corner** and **Meeting Minutes** to me in a timely fashion so that I can get the newsletter out as soon as possible!*

I said this last year and am saying it again this year....I feel if more members get involved early on for our Rakers Car Show in June...the more successful the event will be. Please contact Committee Chair, Mike Hinojos to offer your help and/or suggestions. Mike's contact information: 385-7044 or email: imawino@cablespeed.com. We need to get the word out early and often!

*Another huge thank you to our website designer and aficionado, **Sandy Hershelman**, for her endless work on behalf of our car club! Please visit the website for current and previous newsletters and members' car photos.*

It's time to renew your membership. Thank you to the many that have already filled out their dues forms and paid! Please mail or bring your 2010 dues form (enclosed) and money to the **January 5th, 2010 meeting**. All dues are payable **no later than the February 2nd Rakers Meeting**. Also remember to list any changes in vehicles (so we can keep the

website current), address, phone, or email address [emailing the newsletter saves postage, printing, label and envelope costs].

Thank you to all the members that either brought food or money to the Christmas Party AND throughout the year to help support our local food banks, they were very appreciative of your generosity.

Don and I want to wish everyone a very Merry Christmas and a healthy, happy & prosperous New Year.

Upcoming 2010 Events

February 13-14

Early Bird Swap Meet at Puyallup Fairgrounds
www.earlybirdswap.org
Free Parking. No Guns and No Pets

March 13-14 Gallopin' Gertie Ford Club's ALMOST SPRING SWAP MEET @ Puyallup Fairgrounds, registration form : www.gertieas.org Under 12 free with adult customer.

April 24: WASHINGTON STATE HOT ROD HALL OF FAME – If you want to spend the night, LaQuinta is offering special rates.

La Quinta Inn & Suites
Tacoma Seattle
1425 E. 27th St.
Tacoma, WA 98421-2200
Phone: 1-253-383-0146

June 26 – Rakers Car Show

Member **Brian Austin**...The only guy that can be seen with the same smile at both the beginning and the end of the project (usually sold before complete and sometimes re-purchased and project continued).



December 1, 2009 Christmas Party



January 2010

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1 Happy New Year!	2
3	4	5 Rakers Club Meeting 7:00 pm	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
31	Feb 1	2	3	4	5	6

RAKERS MONTHLY MEMBERSHIP MEETINGS

Are held every First Tuesday of the month at 7 p.m.
at the Highway 20 Roadhouse Downstairs Lounge area

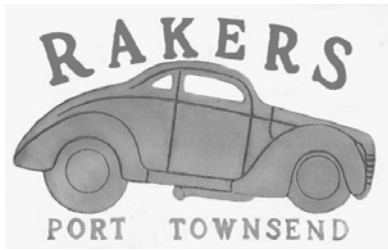
Next Meeting: January 5, 2010

Please remember to sign in.

Edits/Comments/Suggestions write or email:

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2010 Dues

PLEASE PRINT

Name: _____

Spouse/Domestic Partner: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ Zip: _____

Phone(s): Home: _____ Cell: _____

Email: _____

Vehicles: _____

Valid Drivers License: _____

Valid Insurance: _____

Dues: \$25.00 Cash Check # _____ Date: _____

Rakers' Officer Signature: _____

Mail OR bring to next meeting

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