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# NEWSLETTER

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## President's Message

I was hoping to not have to address this issue again. When I was elected President in December of 2004 I sent out a message to the membership addressing the subject of Charity. I stated at that time that "the Rakers are a Car Club, not a Civic Organization and our purpose is to have fun and enjoyment associated with Cars". Several members have contacted me since our May meeting expressing their feelings about this issue and a letter from one of our members appears in this newsletter.

I think most of us have been involved in some sort of Car Club activity this past month as the good weather arrived. This week is the Sequim Show and all of their associated activities, check out [www.irrigationfestival.com](http://www.irrigationfestival.com). The following week is the Rhododendron Festival [www.rhodyfestival.org](http://www.rhodyfestival.org).

Members participating in Sequim on Saturday May 13 will meet at the 'Trains' in Discovery Bay at 8:30 a.m. and drive to Sequim as a group.

The Rhody Parade, Saturday May 20, has not given us our position so you will need to look in the **Leader** on Wednesday to find our number and arrive at that position in the line up by 10:30 a.m. on Saturday morning.

On Saturday, May 27<sup>th</sup> a Car Show is being held at **First Federal Savings and Loan** in Port Townsend from Noon - 3:00 pm. Registration starts at 11:30 a.m. and entry fee is \$10.00. For more info contact Candice @ 344-4917.

Ferino's Summer Cruise-In begins on June 7<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 and continues every Wednesday throughout the Summer.

Bill

## **Rakers Minutes May 2, 2006**

President Bill called the meeting to order at 7:25 p.m.  
[Late start due to box of supplies, gavel & raffle tickets missing, so alternate provided]

Guests & prospective new members: Don Thorne's neighbor, Mike Hinjos, 1936 Ford 4-door Sedan and Dan Kleman, 1956 Chevy ½ ton.

Minutes of April 4<sup>th</sup> meeting read and approved.

Treasurer's Report read and approved.

### **Committees:**

*Car Show* – Don Riggle had smaller posters for businesses and distributed many, also at previous car shows (he noticed people picking them up). Don believes 18 people are sponsoring trophies. Cut off was May 2<sup>nd</sup>, so please get in touch with Gary Wiles. He introduced Scoutmaster, Jeff & Scout, Tom, who will head up coffee/donuts for the car show. Gary talked with WestBay regarding ticket drawing for a Grand Prize, but not sure about Les Schwab and there was a change in ownership at Napa (not sure what their participation will be, if any, at this time. Sign-up sheets were on the table. Don needs more helpers. Please get in touch with him. Trophies cost \$35 and each sponsor is responsible for judging. New this year, pre-registration for car show.

*Activities* – Mike Keller "Top of the Mount" Run, Saturday, June 17<sup>th</sup>. Meet at Poulsbo Wal-Mart at 9:00 a.m. Should be in Elbe at Noon for lunch. Will know if lodge will be open at the next meeting. You all come for a full day of beautiful, spectacular sightseeing!

**Choo Choo Project** – Jim Franklin said all is going well, but not going to be ready for the Rhody Festival. However, the "tender" will be with Jr. Royalty. Hopefully the Choo Choo will be done by the end of July, with remembrance to the Rakers & George Earl, with a presentation to Mrs. Earl. Would be nice if we could get a Raker's vehicle to tow the tender! Jim couldn't praise the Rakers enough for those who worked so hard & well on this project! Please check newspaper for time of parade, etc. entries (some may need to be re-submitted due to computer glitch).

### **Old Business:**

Helen's garage sale went pretty well, still has Paul's '79 Ford "Boom" truck to sell, as well as a few other items. (Thank you to those who came & helped, especially Sharon & Joel Clark on Friday and Paul's friends Jim Jones & Jack Tice, Sr.)

### **New Business:**

Karl Jacobsen passed around flyers for Clouse-Franklin picnic, Saturday, July 8<sup>th</sup>. Note new location: 353 Nelsons Land, from Noon to ?? Please RSVP: 385-1941.

### **Announcements:**

Mike Keller read an article recommending changing fuel line hoses to 30R9 with changes in new type of gasoline. He has cars and a trailer for sale at his house.

Ron Rogers: **Sequim Irrigation Festival**, Saturday, May 13<sup>th</sup>. Registration: 7-10:30 am, \$15. Meet at Fifth Avenue Furniture Store. May 11<sup>th</sup>, Thursday, Wolfman will be at the Seven Cedars Casino and Friday Pizza Place at the end of town, 4-8:00 pm. Meet at the RR cars on Discovery Bay Saturday at 8:30 a.m.

Ron Bishop has Expo at Fairgrounds T-shirts, \$5.00/each.

"Relay for Life" Car Show at First Federal Savings & Loan in Port Townsend, Saturday, May 27<sup>th</sup> (BBQ, too).

Morris James: Hadlock Days, July 7-9. No Charge, Poker Run & Prizes. 11:00 a.m. at H.J. Carroll Park on Rhody Drive.

Ferino's April 22<sup>nd</sup> Fifties gathering was well represented by Rakers (see pictures by Bill Eldridge). June 7<sup>th</sup>, Wednesday, starts the Raker's Cruise-In Ferinos!

Port Gamble has a cruise every Thursday at 5:30 p.m.

Bob Pontius shared another Brian Austin "new car" story! Bill Eldridge announced that Bob Pontius is running for County Commissioner. Bill Eldridge also welcomed Honorary Member Walt Rose who attended the meeting...great to see him!

Raffle brought in \$135.

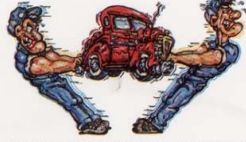
June Donors: Jim Patterson, Shawn Wiles, Don Riggle, Mike Keller & Greg Jacobson

Meeting Adjourned 8:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Helen Wagar

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## Contribution Confusion?

“Thank you for letting me speak about my opposition to a grassroots donation to First Federal’s Relay For Life Car Show.

We can either be a Community Service Club, such as Rotary, Kiwanis or Lions, OR the Rakers can be a car club promoting car fun. We cannot be both!!!!

It would really help if our Directors showed backbone and made a statement for all members to see, **PRINTED IN THE NEWSLETTER**, and added to our club’s Statement of Purpose, as to what we are.

Our club will end up confused, without direction, and Statement of Purpose as to what we are.

Everybody has a favorite charity...everybody has opportunities to donate to that charity. I have many. The Rakers Car Club is not a charity and should not support them as a club.

We need to have car-related events, cruises, swap meets and car shows to support the car hobby.

I think a defined mission is important to our group. Lets post one so we can put the "from the hip" donation requests to rest.”

Thanks, Keith Marzan

You have my permission to post this in our newsletter.

If anybody has a different view, lets get it on the table now.

# June 2006

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1 Port Gamble Cruise 5:30 pm	2	3
4 Shelton Forest Festival Car Show	5	6 Rakers Meeting 7:00 p.m.	7 Rakers at Ferino's Pizza 5:30 pm	8 Port Gamble Cruise 5:30 pm	9	10
11	12	13	14 Rakers at Ferino's Pizza 5:30 pm	15 Port Gamble Cruise 5:30 pm	16 Rakers @ Rainier Road Trip... Overnighter	17 "Top of the Mountain Run"
18	19	20	21 Rakers at Ferino's Pizza 5:30 pm	22 Port Gamble Cruise 5:30 pm	23	24 Rakers Car Show!
25	26	27	28 Rakers at Ferino's Pizza 5:30 pm	29 Port Gamble Cruise 5:30 pm	30	July 1

## Please Drive Safely

### May Events:

May 13

Super Cruzz III & Car Show n'Shine during the  
111<sup>th</sup> Irrigation Festival "The Garden of Dreams"

Sequim

May 20

Rhody Parade

Port Townsend

May 20-21

Monroe Swap Meet

Evergreen Fairgrounds

May 27

First Annual First Federal Car Show for Relay for Life

Port Townsend

### June Events:

June 4

Shelton Forest Festival Car Show

Shelton

June 17-18

Rakers at Top of the Mountain (Rainier) Road Trip

Overnight

June 24

Rakers Car Show

Port Townsend

### July Events:

July 7-9

Hadlock Days Poker Run & Prizes

H.J. Carroll Park, no charge!

July 8 (Noon-?)

Clouse-Franklin Picnic (bring your fav dish & drink)

353 Nelsons Landing

RSVP: 360-385-1941 or 360-301-0998

July 8

Port Hadlock Chamber of Commerce Car Show

Port Hadlock

July 15-16

Good Guys Car Show

Puyallup

July 20

Mell Chev 5<sup>th</sup> Bowtie Car Show

Shelton

## **Ferino's – Fifties Gathering**

April 22, 2006

Photos by Bill Eldridge



**Karl Sebastian's '37 Plymouth PU**



**Danny Pierce's '50 Chev PU**



**Gary Schryver's '47 Plymouth Coupe**



**Some of the Rakers**



**More of the Rakers**

Scott, the owner of Ferino's, extended an invitation to the Rakers to be part of the Ferino's Fifties Party on April 22, 2006. It was a top down day, warm and sunny, which I'm sure contributed to the large turn out.

Gary Schryver brought his 1947 Plymouth Coupe out for the first time. It is the nicest 47 Plymouth Coupe I have seen "it is perfect" he has captured the "right look".

Karl Sebastian arrived with his completed 1937 Plymouth Pickup which is "outstanding".

Not all of the cars participating in this event are shown, do to space limitations.