



NEWSLETTER

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President's Message

Our April meeting was one of our best. Rakers events for the coming months are well-planned and organized. Thanks to Mike Keller, Karl Jacobsen, Bill Eldridge, Sharon and Joel Clark and Keith Marzan for all their hard work.

I want to encourage all members to participate in the swap meet during the Jeffco Expo. We have a lot of space and it is covered. Bring the parts, pieces, tools and equipment you no longer need or want and put some green in your pocket. It is an "eye-of-the-beholder" thing—your junk may be someone's lucky find.

With the car show in June we would like to see everyone signing up to help. The more people we have working the show, the less time each of us has to spend on assigned tasks. I like the suggestion made at the Tuesday meeting that we all wear black Rakers shirts and hats as a kind of official uniform for show staff.

Be sure to set aside June 14th for the Clouse/Franklin barbeque and poker run at Fort Worden. It is one of the best events that we have all year.

Finally, I want to thank all of you for making the meetings so productive. More and more members are participating with comments and ideas. I apologize for the way we sometimes jump around from one topic to another and then back to the first one but I don't want to close discussion on any topic when someone still has something to say. We will get it right soon.

Mike Hammers, President

April 1, 2008 Meeting Minutes

President Mike Hammers called the meeting to order at 7:03 pm.

Secretary Gayle Thorne read the minutes of the March 4th meeting; minutes were approved as read.

Karl Jacobsen gave the treasurer's report and members approved the report.

COMMITTEES:

Activities - Mike Keller reminded everyone of the Portland Swap Meet April 4th & 5th.

He said the Mayfield Restoration run was fun and encouraged others to consider recommending/using the facility if you have the need.

April 26/27 Jeffco Expo & Rakers Booth coming up.

Sharon Clark said she spoke with the Port Townsend Drive-In owner about having a Rakers Movie Night on **Tuesday, August 19th**. The concession stand will be open and she'll know the cost and name of the featured movie by the next meeting. It will be for the Rakers and their families. We also might invite other car clubs.

Rakers Car Show - Karl Jacobson said they are working on the poster, dash plaques and trophies for the June 28th Rakers Car Show. He needs volunteers for parking and getting trophies. \$50 for trophies and the business that sponsors a trophy gets to pick the recipient. The Lions Club will be providing coffee & donuts this year.

Bob Pontius would like to sponsor two trophies: Best Sports Car and Best Project.

Mike Hammers would like to sponsor a Best Unfinished trophy.

Robin Bergstrom would like to sponsor a trophy, just doesn't know for what, yet!

Jim Krotzer suggested that Rakers club members park at the back this year and that all members wear their black Rakers Hats & T-Shirts so that if anyone has any questions you can be easily picked out.

Bob Pontius said the After Party Club Member Show will be a repeat of last year, Danny Vernon (Elvis) will be "in the house". If you missed it last year you'll sure want to attend this year.

T-Shirts - Jerry Hampton said he hasn't ordered any more at this point, trying to sell what we have.

Jeffco Expo April 26-27 Rakers Booth - Keith Marzan says everything is set for the Rakers Booth. Members should be there between 7:30-8:00 a.m. (both days) and tell the person at the gate that you are a vendor. You still have to pay the entry fee (\$5) and that gets you into Expo for the entire day. Bring your automotive-related stuff such as parts, tools, literature and memorabilia. We have a covered area. **Please—no whole cars for sale & no old tires.** No security Saturday night so stay with your stuff, take it home or leave it overnight at your own risk. Everything must be removed by Sunday afternoon. The club is paying for the space and you keep 100% of your own proceeds.

OLD & UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Bill Smith found the wire to hook up his horn!!

NEW BUSINESS/ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Mike Hammers says that Mayfield Restorations also does hulk hauling for no charge, but you must have a title. Someone reported that if you call the WSP they'll come examine the car and give you paperwork that serves as a valid title. Mike suggested that you check with the Mayfield people about paperwork other than a title.

Jake Johnson invited all Rakers Car Club Members to gather for a First Annual Rod Run to honor his dad's 87th birthday. **But REMEMBER, IT'S A SURPRISE Party** for his dad, Carl Johnson, on Saturday, May 24th at Fort Flagler State Park. Their family and friends will all be attending. The story goes Ted Bucklin? Stole Carl's 1930 Model A Ford Coup 6-8 months ago (it's been under a tarp) and replaced it with Jake's tractor so, under the tarp, so no one could tell the Model A was gone. Bob Robbins & Ron Rogers have been restoring the car and it will be presented to Carl at the party.

Mike Hammers said in recent Board of Director's meetings there has been mention of consideration in purchasing a site for a Rakers meeting space.....so several club members stopped out at Don Thorne's shop near the Jefferson International Airport to check out space. Feel free to come to any board meeting with comments/questions.

Mike Hinojos won a genuine simulated leather "letter" jacket and was looking to sell/auction the jacket off so that he could purchase a Rakers' jacket. He also has a couple of flathead Edelbrock intake manifolds, one 7 bolt and one 8 bolt if anyone is interested. He also noted that the Rakers are not listed under car clubs in **CruZin' Magazine**.

Karl Jacobsen will be putting an ad in the May/June issue for our Annual Car Show in the magazine and he'll see what the cost is to be added to that list.

Jack Harris has a few more fire extinguishers and this will be the last meeting he'll be bringing them to.

Joe Clouse announced the **ANNUAL CLOUSE-FRANKLIN Picnic & Poker Run is set for Saturday, June 14th at Fort Worden Kitchen**. More details will be provided at the next meeting.

Bob Frambach (prospective member and his 2nd meeting) said he knows of a 63 split window Vet for sale, \$50K. He also has a 55 Chevy for sale.

Mike Hammers suggested two organizations that the Rakers Car Club may want to consider joining:

#1 SEMA as an Associate Membership, \$150/year, includes a Newsletter & 2 tickets to the annual trade show in Las Vegas each year. The organization keeps an eye on registrations that could/would affect the motor hobby world. Motion was put forth, 2nd & approved. [Keith Marzan suggested that the tickets be given as a raffle prize in order to give everyone a fair chance at attending]

#2 LeMay Museum Organization in Tacoma, it is a non-profit organization with different levels of membership. Robin Bergstrom is a volunteer for the organization.

Mike Hammers mentioned the passing of community-spirited James "Bonzo" DeLeo. John Franklin said that Bonzo's Italian Squad Car would be in this year's Rhody Parade and will be pulled on a trailer. Mike was also going to talk to Jason & Linda to see if there was anything the Rakers could do to help.

Mike thanked Morris James for his donation of the lock for the display case.

Dave Harrah was recognized as the recently installed Exalted Ruler of the Elks Club!

Rachel Wiles was crowned Queen for the Annual Rhody Festival and she is the daughter of club member Shawn Wiles and granddaughter to our past President, Gary Wiles. She was also voted Miss Congeniality! Way to go Rachel!!

Ed Green said that the Rhody Float could use some help and anyone that would like to volunteer could contact Rhody President, Stacy Richards at 643-3165. The float is currently at the Jeffco Fairgrounds.

Jim Krotzer bought a Chevy S-10 with neon lighting!

Raffle brought in \$119 and volunteers for the May 6th meeting are: Charlotte Rutter, Joe Clouse, Don Thorne, Jon Parsons, Bob Robbins & Mike Keller.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:03 pm.

Gayle Thorne, Secretary



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May 2008

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1	2	3
4	5	6 Rakers Club Meeting 7:00 pm	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17 Monroe Swap Meet Rhody Parade Port Townsend
18 Monroe Swap Meet Sat & Sun Mayfield 2 nd Annual Hot Rod & Race Car Parts Swap Meet	19	20	21	22	23	24 Cruz to Colby 425-337-9335
25 Cruz to Colby	26	27	28	29	30	31 Shucks Poker Run, Shelton 360-426-6403

Current [April] Events

Apr 4-6 8th Del Mar Rod & Custom Nationals, Del Mar, CA
 Apr 4-6 Portland Swapmeet
 Apr 19 Mt. Vernon Swap Meet Skagit Co. Fairgrounds
Apr 26-27 Jeffco Expo & Raker's "Booth"
 Apr 19 OVAC Invite @ Ferinos Pizza

June Events

June 1 Yakima Rods & Custom Picnic, Naches 509-452-6477
June 14 – Clouse/Franklin Annual Picnic and Poker Run, Fort Worden Kitchen
 June 14 Maple Valley Days Car Show, 206-763-1314
 June 14 Old Town Show Shine, Arlington, 360-435-5287
 June 15 Father's Day Car Show, Burien, 206-941-7199
 June 15 Father's Day Car Show, Bothell, 425-483-2250
 June 21 Lions Club Car Show, Lacey, 360-943-3218
 June 27-29 30t W.V.S.R. Apple Run, Wenatchee, 509-884-7053
June 28 – Rakers Summer Cruise Annual Car Show Memorial Field