

The Wishbone Alley Gazette

January, 2013 *Rainier Auto Sports Club*

The RASC Christmas Party was a success, entirely due to Dan and Louise Comden sacrificing their home and managing the feast.

Dan said, "We enjoyed having the Rainier crew for the Christmas party. I am not sure how many people showed up - maybe twenty-five or thirty? Regardless, it was fun catching up with folks outside the usual 'Veloce' venue or at a rally.

"With two teenage boys, leftovers are not at all a problem!

"The dog, on the other hand, is more spoiled than ever. She has SLED - Serious Labrador Eating Disorder and the holiday era always seems to cause flareups for her, as visitors who don't know the "No Human Food" rule end up on the receiving end of some rather honed canine begging skills."

Rally News

* The small group that creates the Olympus stage rally decided not to go with Rally America in 2013. A sanction (read: insurance) deal was set up with USAC. Soon thereafter, Rally America announced an alliance with USAC.

USAC is a convenient way to access the FIA, via ACCUS. Other ACCUS member organizations, such as NASCAR, NHRA, SCCA, IMSA, and IRL aren't as good a fit. Since FIA is the listing agency for the entire world, this linkage provides some benefits.

* Jerry says that the 2014 Alcan (August 19-26) entry list is filling fast. He has started a waiting list to deal with all the motorcycle adventurers.

Club News

*Dues remain \$30 for family, \$25 for individual membership. No increase since 2006! Treasurer Cristy would like everyone paid up by the end of February. (Or was it January??? -ed)

Trivia

* Brian and Christine Palidar are planning an informal open house on January 11, from 6pm - 9pm, with a toast or two at 7:31. "We are collecting memories for our family, and to share with our children. If you would like to share any thoughts or photos, please send via email (brian@grouparch.com) and we'll get them on display for everyone to enjoy. You may also bring photos and we will include them. We appreciate your generosity in our dedication in keeping Tom's memory with us, always. Thank you for sharing this time with us, we looking forward to seeing you."

(address and ph. number available, just not published to the Internet world- ed)

* Another Service Hero identified: A broken speaker jack required service beyond (meager) abilities, so Nolte sent his ancient ICOM mobile ham radio off to Comtek in Paulsbo. Being the slow season, the repair was quick and the radio was back in a week. That particular radio (2710H) is known to benefit from a microphone mod with one of those resistors smaller than a pinky fingernail clipping. The proprietor, Kuni Okuma, even gave me a call to advise that the work was done. Highly recommended.

For Sale

* I just replaced all four-door cards on my Impreza wagon. I didn't like the grey and found a set of black ones, which I just installed. All four doors and it's my understanding that these will fit any 2002 to 2004 Impreza wagon or sedan (check for yourself since I can only speak for my own wagon). \$60 OBO with pickup in the Seattle area. I could ship but it would cost you for the shipping.

Pics can be found in my Stuff for Sale album:

<http://www.ultimatesubaru.org/forum/...php?albumid=43>
e.rachner@comcast.net or my cell phone at 206-499-8271.

* 2004 BMW 330ix. Silver, black interior. automatic transmission, 17" wheels. Cheap at \$2900 because of a bad head gasket and much labor involved in the fix. (Shipping to Seattle from Henderson, NV for less than \$600) Jerry Hines, 206-227-6343

*For Sale: PIAA LP-570 LED driving 2-lamp kit, includes relay, harness and switch. New in box. PIAA store lists for \$549. Amazon is \$208 plus tax. I need cash -- \$220.00 takes the kit They ARE bright!!!

ALSO: New in box Hella 192 Driving lamp. Super Oscar size, discontinued. \$50? ! ronsorem @ gmail .com

*PIAA fog lights (2). Spread isn't good, not much good at either end of a car. Typical fog "band of light". Smallish at 6-3/8 x 3" tall, 3" deep. Much used at some point in their long life. \$40. Mark Nolte: mnolte@blarg.net



RASC Calendar - Too early for all the dates to be set in floating bridge-grade concrete yet.

Look for Olympus to go with the 3rd weekend of June.

RASC:

April 14 -Raindrop

June 1-2 - No Alibi-

HAM events-

March 9 - Mike and Key annual flea market, Puyallup, \$8

June 22-23- Field Day, everywhere

Rally America

Jan 25-26- Sno*Drift, Atlanta, MI

Feb 22-23 -100 Acre Wood, Salem, MO

May 3-5 - Oregon Trail, Portland, OR

May 31-Jun 1 - Susquehannock Trail, Wellsboro, PA

Jul 26-27 - New England Forest, Newry, ME

Aug 23-24 - Ojibwe Forest, Detroit Lakes, MN

Oct 18-19 - Lake Superior, Houghton, MI

TSD- Washington, British Columbia

Feb 16-17 - Thunderbird, Merritt>Kamloops>Merritt

Rainier Auto Sports Club will meet this coming Monday, January 14 at 7:30 PM at Café Veloce (Totem Lake shopping center). Best way I can think of to get there via north on I-405, take the "NE 124th" exit, then keep right under NE 124th and Straight at the signal. This puts you on Totem Lake Blvd, not whatever the frontage road is next to I-405. Then right first poss, with the Café on your right at that point.

Monthly meetings are *usually* the second Monday of each month. Past Members, visitors, and spectators are welcomed.

Agenda: Introduction of the 2013 club officers. Treasurer will collect Dues (\$30 family, \$25 individual). The Raindrop organizing committee will be discussed.

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