



Willamette Valley Corvette Association Member Profile: Wayne and Janet Kreger

By Wayne Kreger

Members Since: 2007

Corvette(s) currently owned: 2004 Medium Spiral Gray Metallic Coupe

Corvette(s) previously owned: None

Corvette(s) you would like to own: I would like a C1 or C2 series. My first Corvette was a 1961. The owner along with Janet and myself took it to the 1962 Seattle World Fair. The owner was injured in the 1962 Columbus Day Storm and I got to take care of it for a few months.

Current Office (if appropriate): I am President of WVCA.

Past Offices/committees (if appropriate): Janet is on the 2011 nomination committee WVCA.

Joined WVCA because: We like the people. The friendly, fun-based members of differing backgrounds sharing one common link - our Corvettes - is invigorating.

Drives a Corvette because: It was our dream to have one from our high school days, and finally after 47 years our dream came true.

Favorite Corvette Drive and/or Activity (WVCA or other): This is a tough one. We haven't attended any WVCA drives or events that we didn't enjoy. A favorite non-WVCA drive was California Highway One from Bodega Bay to Leggett. This was like driving the moguls on a ski slope.

Other /Corvette/car clubs current or past: None.

Employed or Retired: Retired but busier than ever.

Career: My career includes 14 years in Oregon Public Education as a shop teacher, vocational director, assistant high school principal, and middle school principal. I worked for Saudi Aramco, Saudi Arabia for 18 years in the company's Training and Career Department. My major assignment was supervisor of job skills curriculum development. This material was used to train Saudi Arabs in maintenance and operations of the company's 70,000-employee work force. I served as safety and personnel officer in addition to project estimator for an Oregon-based general contractor.

Janet worked and put me through college and transitioned into a stay-at-home mother until the children were out of the home. She worked as a clerk for a Saudi Aramco business line head until the 1991 Desert Storm war.

Hobbies or Interests: Both of us enjoy travel. I finished a seven-year project of building a 1952 Ford pick-up in 2010. I caught my first fish on a fly in the fall of 2010 and plan to tune my fly fishing skills at every possible opportunity. I am a fan of **NASCAR**; my interest in NASCAR began in 1992 with Jeff Gordon. I also enjoy - most of the time - care taking my landscape and my Mother's 29-acre property.

Janet is an exquisite cook, and willingly branches her skills into culinary adventures. Christmas is her favorite time of year and her collection of decorations from around the world is displayed throughout the house. Our Grandchildren - ages 6 to 18 - are one of her greatest loves.

Something you may not know about Wayne and/or Janet: We are a pretty boring couple with nothing juicy to report. We were high school sweethearts that married December 1, 1962. This was the most beautiful wedding based on a winter theme of the bridesmaids dressed in red velvet with white muffs and poinsettias.

Family is a top priority for us. We have two daughters and a son. Shelly and Jennifer are married to super son-in-laws and each has two children - our four grandchildren. Michael is single. The family enjoys each other's company.

Our 18 years in Saudi Arabia afforded us the opportunity to travel and see worldly sites we never thought possible. A Long Island Ice Tea (or two) was our destination drink. The best served is a toss-up between Kuala Lumpur, Indonesia and Amman, Jordan.