



# CONNECTING ROD



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## Governing Board Meeting

When: September 25<sup>th</sup>; 4:30pm

Where: Room 1G; Freightliner Corporate Building (4747 N Channel Ave, Portland OR)

Meeting minutes and agenda are located at <http://www.oregonsae.org/GovBoard.html>

## Lunch Meeting

What: FINDING CAUSES & LIABILITY IN TRUCK CRASHES

Why did the Class 8 Truck T-Bone the pickup, and how do we know?

Who: Wayne Slagle, PE – President of [Accident Reconstruction Engineering, Inc.](http://www.AccidentReconstructionEngineering.com)

When: September 21<sup>st</sup>; 11:45am

Where: Elmer's Restaurant - Delta Park 9848 N. Whitaker Road, Portland, OR 97217

RSVP required by Sept 19 to George Freund 503-297-2776 or [george@gnfreund.com](mailto:george@gnfreund.com)

## Evening Tech Meeting

What: CORVETTE, AMERICA'S SPORTS CAR YESTERDAY, TODAY AND TOMORROW

Who: Jerry Burton; author and founding editor of Corvette Quarterly

When: September 19<sup>th</sup>; Dinner at 5:30pm and presentation starts at 6:30pm

Where: [Freightliner Corporate Conference Center – 4575 N Channel Ave, Portland OR](http://www.FreightlinerCorporateConferenceCenter.com)

RSVP required by September 17<sup>th</sup> by contacting Tony Corless at [tonycorless@freightliner.com](mailto:tonycorless@freightliner.com)

## News/Announcements

If you are interested going to Pat's Acres to do some karting as a group, please contact Tony Corless at [tonycorless@freightliner.com](mailto:tonycorless@freightliner.com). We'll have an informal group outing on September 15<sup>th</sup> or 29<sup>th</sup>. See more info at [www.patsacres.com](http://www.patsacres.com)

### Meeting Costs for September 2007:

\$9 Lunch Meeting with meals for members and guests	\$15 Evening Tech Meeting with meals for members and guests
\$5 Lunch Meeting with meals for students	\$10 Evening Tech Meeting with meals for students
\$10 Lunch Meeting with meals for non members	\$20 Evening Tech Meeting with meals for non members
Free Lunch Meeting with no meals for members and guests	\$10 Evening Tech Meeting with no meal for members and guests

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SAE Oregon Section Presents...

Wednesday,  
Sept. 19, 2007

Freightliner Corporate  
Conference Center

## "Corvette, America's Sports Car, Yesterday, Today, and Tomorrow"

### Presentation:

During its 50-year plus history, the Corvette has developed into much more than an automotive nameplate. It has become one of the world's most recognized automobiles. How the Corvette came to be one of the most popular sports cars in the world — and the longest running nameplate in Chevrolet history — is a rich and compelling story that combines engineering, politics, passion, performance, design and popular culture.



Author and *Corvette Quarterly* magazine editor Jerry Burton takes us on a journey through the history of the Corvette, from the fledgling days under first chief engineer Zora Arkus-Duntov to today under Tom Wallace where the sixth-generation Corvette has become a new performance benchmark for two-seat sports cars.

Burton is the author of *Corvette, America's Sports Car, Yesterday, Today and Tomorrow*, Hugh Lauter Levin (2006) and *Zora Arkus-Duntov, The Legend Behind Corvette*, Bentley Publishers (2002).

### Meeting Overview:

Come early to view several Corvettes that will be on display. Dinner will be provided between 5:30 – 6:15pm. Presentation will begin at 6:30pm.

Location: Freightliner Corporate Conference Center (formerly Shenanigan's Ballroom)  
4575 N. Channel Ave.  
Portland, OR 97217

### Directions:

From I-5 N: Take exit 303 toward Swan Island, merge onto N. Going St down the hill, stay left onto Lagoon at the fork, L at Anchor, L onto channel, parking lot is next to Freightliner Corporate Headquarters

From I-5 S: Take exit 303 for Alberta St. toward Swan Island, continue toward N Going St, keep right at the fork, follow signs for Swan Is. and merge onto N. Going St down the hill, stay left onto Lagoon at the fork, L at Anchor, L onto channel, parking lot is next to Freightliner Corporate Headquarters

Dinner: Dinner will be provided between 5:30 - 6:15pm.

Cost: \$15 includes dinner, \$10 without dinner.

### Reservations:

Reservations must be made no later than Sept. 14<sup>th</sup>, Early RSVP by August 17<sup>th</sup> for a \$5 discount!

## Finding Causes & Liability in Truck Crashes

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Wayne Slagle, P.E. has been providing professional services and expert testimony for over 20 years. He has examined thousands of vehicles and testified in hundreds of trials throughout the United States. His background in heavy vehicles and manufacturing design has helped prepare him for all aspects of vehicle systems from airbags to tires and wheels.

