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DETROIT AREA CORVAIR CLUB ESTABLISHED 1974

CHRISTMAS MEETING

Tuesday December 3, 2013
Pontiac / Waterford Elks Club
Regular Monthly Meeting
and Christmas Party

Something a little different this year, last month we had over 50 people at the meeting and a few "regulars" were not there. So maybe having the Christmas Party at the Elks and ordering your favorite dinner off the menu just like a normal first Tuesday evening will work. Remember to bring that unwrapped toy for the boys and girls at Haven House and make a donation if you can. The tables will be decorated we will have a tree in the room and music to make it feel like home.

PETE Cimbala

THE YEAR IN REVIEW

It was another great year with several new events that worked out very well. The second Saturday breakfast brought out several cars and people who can't always make the Tuesday meetings. The tech session at Ken Pepke's really helped get his project moving forward this year. Thanks to Bill Johnson and Pete Koehler for planning these fun events. The last Sunday tours also had Corvairs on the road more often, and the Telegraph, Gratiot, Woodward, Jackson Rd. and Bricks Rolling Cruise added to the fun too. We hope to do it all again next year and maybe even add a couple new locations; If you have any good ideas give the details to Bill and Pete.

We added a few new members and cars to our fine group but we also lost a couple of good friends, so please remember them during the Christmas season.

The Homecoming had some big changes this year and our guest from out of town had a great experience as usual. The big changes came from Ken Pepke not being behind the food table everyday, he was there but not as much as he wanted to be.

A big thanks to everyone that stepped up and made it the World Class Hospitality Room that we are known for. The new owners spent a couple million and brought the place up a few notches, a few of us missed the old stair case but the new breakfast area more than made up for any loss. We watched the movie where the old pool used to be, enjoyed some really good hamburgers and brats and had lot's of different stuff to drink.

This year thanks to Marilyn Knapp we had goodie bags for everyone, and Eva McGuire found a way to entertain the kids and a few big kids too. The valve cover race had a few new entries and the 2014 calendar has several new cars and trucks for next year. The Sunday Hines Dr. Cruise was fun and will be included in the schedule from now on.

Merry Christmas and A Happy New Year

PETE Cimbala

The Calendars are in!!!

The 2014 calendar featuring the Top 25 People's Choice vehicles from the 2013 Homecoming have arrived. Everyone that registered for Homecoming receives a calendar. If you were at the November meeting, you saw them.

If you attended Homecoming and have not received your calendar either at the last meeting or in the mail, I will have your calendar at the December Christmas Party. If you can't make the party, I will send your calendar the day after the party.

Extra calendars are available for \$10 each. If you would like to purchase a calendar and won't be at the party, you can send check or money order for \$10 each plus \$2 S&H per order to:

John Allesee P.O.Box 549 Saline, NI 48176

Make checks payable to John Allesee.

If you reside outside of USA or Canada, send me an email telling me how many and where you live, and I will let you know the postage cost.

http://www.allesee.com/calendar



Corvair powered lawn tractor

The Last Sale of a New 1960 Corvair

Pay attention all of you Corvair History buffs out there. The 1960 Model Year Close-out is finally over! That's right. The sales year started way back on October 2nd 1959 when the brand new Chevrolet Corvair was introduced to the American Public is finally winding down. Sales were brisk in late '59 and many dealers couldn't get enough of the new 1960 Corvairs to satisfy the demand. Out in Pierce, Nebraska Rav Lambrecht, sole proprietor of Lambrecht Chevrolet, ordered up some of the newfangled rearengined wonders from Detroit to try to sell to his mostly agrarian clientele.

When the next model year 1961 Corvairs were introduced Ray still had four of the first year versions sitting on his lot. His solution? Run 'em out to the farm and park 'em under some trees. And let 'em rot 'cause Ray Lambrecht never dickered on price. You want one of those "old" last model year Corvairs? Pay the price. Same as last year. No discounts. Of course nobody in or around Pierce, Nebraska wanted last year's model when the current model was the same price. So these four forlorn '60's sat out in the woods near Ray's farm. And they didn't get any better with age!

Fast forward to September 2013. Ray and his wife were ready to retire and sell off his left-over dealership inventory. The Corvairs and several other "new" Chevies were still owned by Ray and were on an "MSO" (Manufacturers Statement of Origin). These babies were never retailed. They were "Brand New!" The State of

Nebraska didn't quite see it that way. Only New Car Dealers are

allowed to sell New Cars (ones on an MSO) in Nebraska, and most other States for that matter. The auction company hired by the Lambrecht's had to arrange a waiver from the State to be able to sell these cars and trucks without fear of penalty (\$5,000 PER UNIT fine!!)

That done the auction sale happened in September and you have probably already heard enough about it and the crazy prices these "new" cars brought.

The first unit on the block was a 1958 Chevrolet Cameo Carrier pickup truck with some roof damage and a mileage reading of 00001.7. Now you could go to Hemming's Motor News and pick up the best restored '58 Cameo on the Planet for around \$40k at the time of the auction. This one sold, warts and all, for \$140k! Wow! Glad I didn't rush out to Pierce to be a part of that spectacle. The "new" 1963 Monza coupes that were stored inside rather than out in the field or in the woods were in much better preserved shape and sold for a whopping \$40k and \$42k. A pretty amazing price for a Corvair ... Any Corvair!

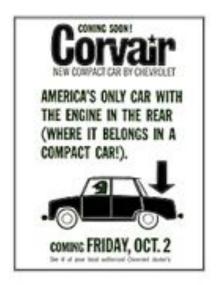
The four unsold 1960 Corvairs were offered and sold for between \$13,500 for the red 500 coupe and \$3,360 for a white 700 sedan. That should have been the last time any new 1960 Corvair would be sold and should be the closing chapter in the 1960 Corvair model year. Right? Nope!

Seems that several of the 496 units offered at the sale in Pierce that Saturday and Sunday were nosales. In the case of the lone 1960 Corvair 500 sedan with an identical odometer reading of 00001.7 miles the winning on-line bidder defaulted on payment. The auction house had no other recourse but to open up a Second Chance Auction to dispose of these last few units.

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The Second Chance Auction is online only and will close at Midnight Saturday, November 23rd. As I am writing this for Ken the auction is running. The 1960 Corvair model year is still active - but with just one more car to sell. I'm signed up for the auction. I'm bidding. I want to be the last guy in the world to buy a brand new 1960 Corvair! Will I win? Will I pay too much? Am I nuts? Come to the DACC meeting in December and find out.

by Caveman Pete





Meeting Minutes November 5, 2013

The November meeting was called to order by Pete Cimbala with 52 Corvair enthusiasts present.

A recap of the Fall Color Tour revealed that approximately 200 miles of mostly back roads provided a colorful venue on the way to Uncle John's Cider Mill. Apparently a lot of other people also had the same idea.

The club wants to hear your stories about your Corvair. Send all stories to Ken Pepke for entry in the Aircooler.

Les Schaud suggested that a club trip to the Stahl Automotive Foundation might be in order. Due to very limited operating hours more details are required. The Stahl Foundation houses a gallery of the finest collectible automobiles from important time frames in automotive history

Pete advised that "Skirts" is averaging about 3,000 miles per year and the details of next year's "Back to the Bricks" tour is well underway. In 2014, the BttB tour will head south from Lansing through Michigan toward Auburn and Elkhart Indiana and back through Battle Creek.

The 50/50 was won by Margaux Scott Piche. The Attendance award went to Les and Shelly Schlaud. Les also let us know that, what was the old Packard Proving Grounds and Operations Garage in Utica, has been restored and open to the public. A section of the old track has also been reopened.

On a sad note we learned that Elaine's husband, Bob Roerink, succumbed to pancreatic cancer at age 71.

Respectfully submitted, **Judy O'Leary**

DACC Board Meeting Minutes November 5, 2013

A Board Meeting was called following the regular meeting to address the several inputs, suggestions and recommendations received to ensure the success of the Christmas Event replacing the next general membership meeting. The purpose is to try to do a bit more for Haven House this year. Several members have signed up to volunteer at Haven House to help in preparations and conducting this annual event.

It is hoped that by having the party at the Elks Club we can do more. A cash bar and bartender will be added, tablecloths and additional wait-staff have been requested and entertainment options are being considered. Judy O'Leary will add centerpieces. Karen will investigate a "Cupcake" cake.

In Tim Bramble's absence, even another round of Corvair Bingo becomes an option.

As we will order from the menu for this event, the Club will provide a dessert, and donate the Club's portion of the 50/50 to Haven House. A table for gifts to Haven House will also be provided along with a donation from the Club.

Things are rough, times are tough, but all that melts away when you hear the stories from Haven House both in the challenges and the rewards. Merry Christmas!

Judy O'Leary

PLEASE REMEMBER HAVEN HOUSE

The DACC and a great number of other organizations recognize the special needs of Haven House, especially at Christmas time. There is little cause for celebration among the families and individuals surviving domestic and sexual violence. The DACC can help. Several of our members have volunteered to help receive and organize donations and many of our members help support this worthy cause every year.

-Volunteers (must register): Needed December 8, thru 12, 2013 St Paul United Methodist Church 165 East Square Lake Rd. Bloomfield Hills, MI 48302

Contact: Adreena Harley aharley@haven-oakland.org (248) 322-3707

Please bring a gift or donation to the DACC Christmas Party. \$10 Gift cards from Target, Meier, Kroger, etc are fine. Any new, unwrapped items (No toys with weapons, violent themes, No edibles, No used items).

Winter clothing, pajamas, socks, scarves, mittens, action figures, books, toys, electronics

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Test	SAE 30	SAE 40	SAE 50	SAE 60
Vis @ 100°C (cSt)	11.5	14.5	20.0	24.0
Vis @ 40°C (cSt)	94.87	136.8	219.3	293.4
Viscosity Index	113	105	105	104
Spec Gravity @ 60°F	0.8816	0.8851	0.8901	0.8931
Density (lbs/gal)	7.35	7.38	7.42	7.45
Total Base No.	8.5	8.5	8.5	8.5
Flash COC (°C)	212	248	254	254
Pour Point (°C)	-30	-27	-18	-18
Noack % off @ 250C	<15	<15	<15	<15
Sulfated Ash	1	1	1	1
Zinc/Phosphorus	0.14/0.13	0.14/0.13	0.14/0.13	0.14/0.13
Calcium	0.210	0.210	0.210	0.210
Sodium	0.049	0.049	0.049	0.049

^{*} Obsolete category

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Treasure report November 19th 2013

Beginning Balance: \$7,446,46

Income: 50-50: \$143.00

Dues: \$200.00 Fine: \$15.00

Total: \$358.00

Expenses: \$72.00 50-50:

> \$10.00 Attendance: Total: \$267.39

Ending Balance: \$7.727.08

Prepared by Paul Piche



SELL & SWAP

ADS ARE FREE TO ALL - SEND TO kenpepke@yahoo.com

FOR SALE: 4 - 13x7.5 Bill Waddell 5-bolt Rims w/ BFG Radial TA 205/60R-13 worn, still a couple of auto crosses left - \$150 ALSO 4 NOS Hoosier Dirt-Stocker 205/60-13 Tires ALSO 4 Dayton Mag or Alum Rims 13 x 7 LM 5-bolt - \$200 -- Bob Storc bstorc@comcast.net







WANTED: 1965 to 1969 Corvair engines Bob Conklin (586) 344-2318

FOR SALE: LM parts, VGC –ALSO– 36 Ford Fire Truck, runs / drives - Clint McNett 517 592 5177 Brooklyn, MI

FOR SALE: FOR SALE: 66 Monza cpe 140hp 4 spd Maroon ext blk int AM runs \$1075 OBO incl Clarks ultimate manual kit & cover Bill 231 325 1017 Traverse City

FOR SALE: LM w/ comp new brake system, flr pans, W/S, carb overhaul, clutch, tune up, exhaust, 90% body work done. trim & bumpers removed have pieces, hubcaps. over \$2500 spent, ask \$1500. Jerry 248 404-5884.

FOR SALE: Nice driver side door for an FC No rust-thru - no window -- Located in Southeast Michigan. \$50 if you come and get it. - Caveman

WANTED: one 1964 Corvair front compartment lid call Cecil 734-262-0068

FOR SALE: 64 Monza accessory parts, emblems, lens and too many parts to list - call Cecil Rollins

DACC MEMBERSHIP REPORT

November 20, 2013 by Clark Hartzel

Welcome new members: Colin & Shirley McColgen, Komoka, Ont. '64 conv/Tomothy Shires of Bloomfield

Thanks for keeping your membership up to date:

Dubia, Jacoby, Heath, J.Kelava, Light, Parsons, Slater, Staudacher, Ullery.

Will Be Dropped: Balow, G.Burt, Dood, S.Gillson, R.Jennings, Koths, Lindh

Expired in Sept: Berta, Boulan, Elder, Hilton, R.Kelava, Malo, McCormick, Raker, Ramsay, Storc, Yoscovits.

Exp in Oct: Belfontaine, Browne, Harriss, Kulback, Wholehan

Due in Nov.: Beckly, M.Granger, D.Jennings, Johnson, Witte.

Due in Nov.: Avery, Hensley, McDonald, Schesky.

We have 113 paid members and 28 who owe dues. We are mailing 13 complementary newsletters to other clubs and the Ypsilanti museum Let's get those checks in folks!!!

If you can't make it to the next meeting, send a check for \$20.00 dues [\$23], payable to: Detroit Area Corvair Club, 16911 Anita Ave., Fraser, MI 48026-2275

If you wish to receive only an on-line newsletter let me know by email so I can verify your email address.

Any questions about your membership or if you have an address or e-mail change: chartzel@comcast.net or phone 586-293-1587

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The Detroit Area Corvair Club is a charter chapter of CORSA, Inc. Monthly meetings are held on the First Tuesday of each month, 7PM, at the **WATERFORD ELKS Club**, on Scott Lake Rd, Waterford, MI 4/10 mi south of Dixie Hwy. Meetings are open to DACC Members, friends, and all interested in the Corvair. Come early; join us for dinner in the ELKS dining room. Choose entries from their menu.

MEETING TUESDAY, December 3rd CHRISTMAS PARTY

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Event Calendar

- Dec 3 Meeting and Christmas Celebration at Elks Club
- Dec 14 Second Saturday Breakfast Event
- Jan 7 DACC Meeting at Elks Club
- Jan 11 Second Saturday Breakfast Event
- Feb 4 DACC Meeting at Elks Club
- Feb 8 Second Saturday Breakfast Event
- Mar 4 DACC Meeting at Elks Club
- Mar 8 Second Saturday Breakfast Event

Activities, Bill Johnson C/313-333-9707 H/313-535-6934 mommajo@twmi.rr.com Sive Thanks

Christ is the Reason for the Season

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