

Corvair Houston Newsletter



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This month: 40th Anniversary Celebration on Saturday, Sept. 20th
at 6:00 pm at Venture Tech facility and
Ride for Recovery on Sunday, Sept. 21st



Have you registered for CHDV?

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Driver's Seat

by Mark Clarke



I hope that everyone is doing well and that you are looking forward to the 40th Anniversary celebration as much as I am. We have an exciting program planned and we are expecting almost 100 current and former members to be in attendance. See page 7 for the program..

Please be sure to join us this Sunday for the 9th Annual Ride for Recovery charity fundraiser sponsored by Memorial Hermann PaRC. Our club members have participated in this worthy cause the

last several years by pointing out the major turns and distributing fresh water.

If you have not signed up for the 5th annual Corvair Heritage Day, time is running short. In fact, the block for the hotel (Hampton Inn in Hurst) will be lifted on Friday. I know that we have at least a dozen members who plan to attend and participate in the AutoCross on Saturday. Since CHDV is on the 3rd weekend of October, we plan to move up the October meeting to the 2nd Friday (Octo-

ber 10th) and the meeting will be back at the Party Barn on 6914 Guhn Road.

I apologize for getting the newsletter out a little later than normal, but my mother-in-law, Twila Worsham recently passed away due to complications from cancer and chemotherapy treatment. This was quite unexpected and has hit our family hard. Twila was a very special person and she had a profound influence on her family and friends. For the last several years, Twila and Waymon (my father-in-law) have supported our

Heart of Texas events and in fact joined the club about 3 years ago to further express their support for my efforts with Corvair Houston. Be sure to take a look at some of her HOT photo albums that will be at the Memorabilia table on Saturday. I would like to thank the club for the floral arrangement that was sent for the funeral last Saturday. Waynette and I sincerely appreciate the kind words and support from the club.



9th Annual Ride for Recovery

by Matt Feehery

The 9th Annual Ride for Recovery is this Sunday, September 21st. Every year for many years members of Corvair Houston have provided support for the Memorial Hermann PaRC Ride For Recovery, a charity motorcycle ride that benefits two local programs that house homeless/down-and-out men and women who suffer with alcohol and drug addiction. Our club members support the ride by marking a few

of the major turns on the route (in our Corvairs of course!), providing bottled water at the halfway rest stop, and following the riders back to the PaRC (Memorial Hermann Prevention and Recovery Center), located at 3033 Gessner Rd in Houston, for a barbeque lunch and R4R tee-shirt. We also chronicle the ride by taking a few photos of the motorcyclists at the turns.

This year's route is the same as last year. Riders

will leave the PaRC at 9:00am, ride out 290 to Waller, head south on FM 362/529/359/1458 to Pattison, winding up at the rest stop on FM 1458 & I-10 near Sealy (around 10:00am). The riders take the same roads back to PaRC, arriving by 11:30. We will mark the turns on the FMs on the way out, with the Corvairs following the riders after they pass. It is a police escorted ride and always a lot of fun. If you think you can make it please

email or call Matt Feehery so he can coordinate the intersection coverage and times. That's okay if you can't make it to PaRC for the barbeque lunch; some folks just mark the turns and have to carry on. This is our ninth ride and we have had Corvairs involved in every one of them. Thanks to all the past R4R supporters and welcome to any one able to attend this year's event. Hope to see you there!



Rearview Mirror

by Jon Protteau



Since August is not the best month in Texas to enjoy the great outdoors, Corvair Houston ventured forth on a steamy, hot Saturday afternoon just long enough to drive to The Woodlands for a round of golf at Shankz Black Light Miniature Golf which is an indoor, air-conditioned course located just off the Highway 242 exit from Interstate 45. Coming in from the blazing afternoon sunlight is like entering a cave, and that is how the course is laid out: it is like wandering through a dark cave with the only illumination coming from the black-lit glowing dinosaurs, gorillas, crocodiles, and other strange sights; it's like the "Small World" ride at Disneyworld, except you don't ride, you walk, and there is no cute song in a hundred different languages, the melody of which will stick in your head forever. The Corvair Houston members who gathered in the darkness for this sporting event were, in reverse alphabetical order, Greg and Sandra Wrobleske, Ed Walsh, Joe

Vogt and Dixie Thomas, Jon Protteau with Old Blue, Tony and Gail Pomponio, Jerry and Jo Ann Miller, Richard Jonec with Kelly Finley's '65 Monza 4 door, Kelly Finley, Bruce and Vicki Eichenberg, and Mark Clarke with his Aggie maroon '63 Monza convertible. As is the practice at any golf course, we split up into three foursomes and one threesome so as not to impede the progress of faster players, but just like at any golf course, we jammed up anyway. We didn't really mind, because it was fun to watch what other players were doing to putt from hole to hole. The

course had just enough challenges to make it interesting without making it frustrating. It was a good way to spend a couple of hours enjoying the company of fellow Corvairians, but it wasn't just for fun; we kept score cards.

Later, we walked to a nearby giant hamburger restaurant where the regular burgers are half-pounders on a bun the size of a loaf of bread. Fortunately, the restaurant allowed adults to order from the children's menu; those were quarter-pound burgers which were plenty big enough to suit most of us. While we waited for our food, cooked to

order because this was not your typical fast-food kind of place, Mark Clarke calculated the scores using a system of averaging scores devised by accountant/golfers so that the lone threesome would not have an advantage over the three foursomes. (These were the same people who discovered income averaging and other esoteric methods of tricking the Internal Revenue Service into giving us some of our money back.) As it turned out, the team with the lowest score was the threesome: Kelly Finley, Richard Jonec, and Jon Protteau. The individual low score was a tie: Greg Wrobleske and Jon Protteau. Automotive-type prizes were awarded to the participants, and we adjourned for the day.

The idea for this golfing activity originated with Kelly Finley at a board meeting back in February. It was definitely a good way to socialize during the summer heat.



Black Light Miniature Golf outing at Shankz



Celebrating 40 years of

Corvair
HOUSTON

1974-2014

Fajitas & Tea
Door Prizes, 50-50 Jar, Games from the 1960's
Friendship & Memories

Come share your
Corvair
memories



SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 20
TWO THOUSAND FOURTEEN
6:00PM

VENTURE TECH
6901 Alabonson
Houston, Texas 77058

Please mail in your reservations before July 31, 2014



the Corvair
Houston**Bulletin Board****Happy Birthday To:**

Sally Mhire	Sept. 4th
Waymon Worsham	Sept. 10th
Joan Clarke	Sept. 13th
Gene Marshall	Sept. 17th
Tomy Pomponio	Sept. 20th
Andrew Spenn	Sept. 20th
Jordan Wrobleske	Sept. 21st
Guy Bobkoff	Sept. 26th

Happy Anniversary To:

Bruce & Kathy Parker	35 years	Sept. 16
Greg & Sandra Wrobleske	27 years	Sept. 19
Jim & Dee Watkins	41 years	Sept. 21

Welcome New Members!

Larry & Denise Patterson (Humble, TX)
1962 Monza Coupe & 1966 Monza

George & Shirle Lapp (Wadsworth, TX)
1962 Monza Coupe

Karl & Michell James (Fulshear, TX)
son Kevin & daughter Clara
1965 Monza Convertible (Kevin's car from grandfather)

Gasoline Tip

With gas prices going up again, it can be useful to shop around for the cheapest prices in your area. The website at <http://autos.msn.com/everyday/gasstations.aspx> allows you to enter your zip code and will provide the prices for gas at all the stations near you. The data is updated daily.

**The Corvair Society of America (CORSA)**

"Founded in 1969 by and for those who still appreciate the Corvair automobile"



Corvair Houston strongly encourages all members to become members of the Corvair Society of America (CORSA). Anyone with a fondness of the Corvair automobile will benefit from CORSA membership. In addition, we will all benefit by maintaining a strong national presence to lobby our interests and organize our collective purposes.

PLEASE do not overlook the potential value of a CORSA membership. Try it out. Your first year will cost only \$45. For more information, contact any of the Corvair Houston officers listed on the back of this newsletter, or contact:

CORSA
P.O. BOX 607
Lemont, IL
60439-0607
www.corvair.org

Corvair Houston Calendar

DATE	EVENT	LOCATION	CONTACT
Sept. 20th	40th Anniversary	Venture Tech	M. Clarke
Sept. 21st	Ride for Recovery	NW Houston	M. Feehery
Oct. 10th	Club meeting	Party Barn	M. Clarke
Oct. 17-19	CHDV	Hurst TX	G. Grimes
Nov. 21st	Club Meeting	TBD	M. Clarke
Nov. 27-30	Autorama	G. Brown CC	R. Jannise

Bulletin Board

Our 40th Year!

Get the New 2013-2018 Catalog
March 1 - December 24, 2013

When you place your first order over
\$40.00 you get a FREE Catalog as a
40th Anniversary Thank You

(additional catalogs \$3 with an order)

The new Catalog includes parts from the last 5
Supplements as well as 100's of improvements
(including better descriptions, more photos &
new charts). Changes / additions to over 70% of
the pages, this is our most major revision ever.



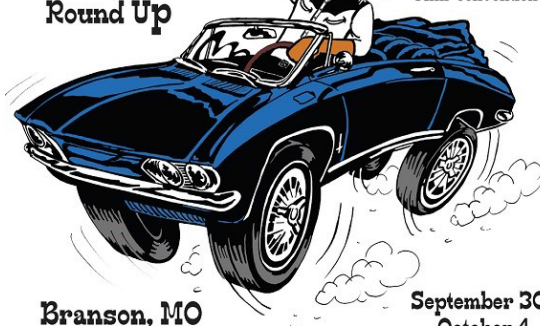
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2014 Great Plains
Corvair
Round Up

A Corvair Society
of America
sanctioned
Mini-convention



Branson, MO

September 30-
October 4

TREASURY REPORT

REPORT AS OF AUGUST 31, 2014

Beginning Balance	\$7,350.39
Receipts	
Deposits	-0-
Subtotal	\$7,350.39
Withdrawals:	
Expenses	-0-
Service Fee	\$15.00
Ending Balance	\$7,335.39

North Texas Corvair Association presents

Corvair Heratage Day V

October 17-19

Come join us for our fifth great year! Friday evening dinner
and valve cover races, Saturday 8 a.m. - 4 p.m. autocross,
evening car show and awards dinner. Sunday breakfast
send-off. Details, and registration WWW.Northtexascorvair.org



Host hotel is Hampton Inn & Suites, 1600 Hurst Town Center
Dr., Hurst, TX, 817/503-7777, \$89 + tax Contact ;
Tom Wright, twmotorcraft@msn.com, (972)345-3449
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Mark your Calendar!!

The annual club Christmas Party will be held on
Saturday, December 13th. at the Jannises.



***40th Anniversary Celebration
September 20, 2014
Order of Events***

***Welcome
Mark Clarke (Club President)
Dee Watkins (Event Chairman)***

Dinner

***The Early Years
Guy Bobkoff, Gene Marshall & Charles Lee***

***Recognition of Past Presidents
All past Presidents in Attendance***

Honorary Life Member Recognition

Recognition to our Host (Larry Keast)

Closing Thoughts

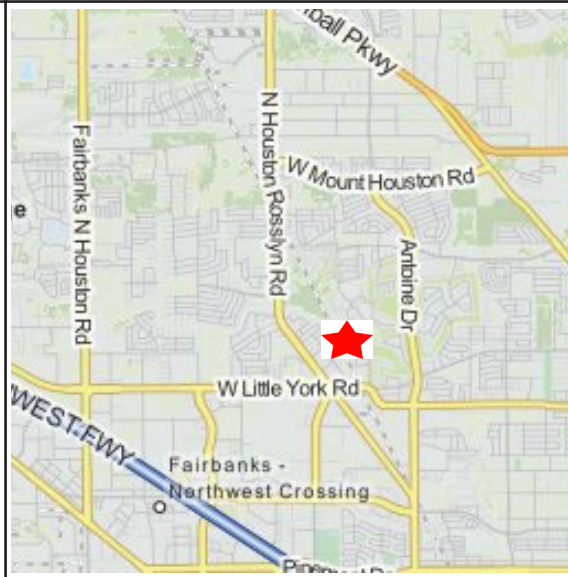
Corvair Houston
 13102 N. Decker Drive
 Magnolia, TX 77355-8461

Deliver to:



Twila Faye Tynes Worsham
 November 5, 1936 - September 8, 2014

Map to the Venture Tech
 6901 Alabonson
 Houston, TX 77058
 40th Anniversary Celebration
 6:00 pm Saturday, Sept. 20th



Corvair Houston



Corvair Houston, the local chapter of the Corvair Society of America, is a non-profit association dedicated to the preservation of the Corvair automobile. Dues are \$25 per year (\$20 for CORSA members). The club conducts regular monthly meetings, and also sponsors or participates in other activities through the year: local and national car shows, picnics and barbecues, races and museum events, and road trips to locations within and about the Houston area. If you are interested in the Corvair and would like information about our organization, please call one of our club officers.

2014 Officers:

President	Mark Clarke	281-217-8573
Vice President	Ed Walsh	281-825-6361
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