

Corvair Houston Newsletter



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Friday, January 15th**



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Driver's Seat

| by Ed Walsh



Happy New Year Corvair Houston. I wish all of you a healthy and happy 2016. We have a whole new Corvair year ahead of us. I reflect back at the past year and think "What an adventure!". Everything from the fun run to the Bush Library, all the way to the Christmas party gift exchange. I thank everyone for making Corvair Houston the successful group effort that it is. We are very fortunate to turn the presidency over to Mike Tidwell. I would like to thank Mike and the board members for their contributions and for their

commitment to making the club so special.

The January meeting will be held at the Party Barn on January 15th at 6:30p.m. We have much to cover, as we will be holding elections and discussing plans for Calendar 2016. We are accepting nominations for all positions from directors to the Presidency. Even though the Vice President usually becomes President, any one that wants to run still can. One of the great things about Corvair Houston is that the exchange of ideas and planning for events club is easy. Everything

from attending board meetings to holding office is what leads us to the fun things we do. I encourage members old and new to get involved in the group effort and run for a position. New members getting involved in any organization is what makes them thrive. Board meetings are a fun time where we share a meal and have an open exchange of ideas. This is a great opportunity to get involved in the club. We will also discuss the future of the Autocross car and possible future autocross events at the meeting. Also

coming up is the February Pancake Breakfast at the Jannise's home on Saturday, February 20th. I look forward to a new Corvair year. What makes Corvair Houston different is that it is not just about the great cars. It is about shared interests, friendships and adventures. The great people, places and events that the Corvair Club journey takes us on are the reasons that this club is so special. I look forward to seeing all of you at the January meeting. We need everyone's support. Happy Motoring.



Don't forget to join Corvair Houston on Facebook. You will see reminders of events and meetings along with photos. You will be able to post your own photos, questions about our club or your Corvair. You will also be able to post any parts and Corvairs that you might have for sale.

Contact Dee Watkins if any questions.



Mark your Calendar!

HOT 2016 - GRANBURY, TX

Hosted by North Texas Corvair Association

April 22-24, 2014

Hilton Garden Inn

817-579-1300

Complete details and registration form to be provided soon..

Stand up and Take Part

by Howard King



January is the time that the Club nominates and elects offices and directors for the coming year. Another year has gone by and you may have wanted to contribute in a meaningful way to the direction of the Club. If so, now is the time. What does it require, you ask? Well that is a good question, and I think deserves some thought. A large part of getting involved, in this way, is the heartfelt desire that you can contribute to the effort of leading the Club through this year.

It is a team endeavor but new ideas are needed and welcomed. Like any part of a team you will need to be responsible and attend as many functions as possible. After all isn't that part of what it is all about. The members in this club are the glue that binds all the trappings here and there together.

We have been fortunate to have an outstanding group of folks as Club members. Collectively we gather together on various occasions to enjoy the Corvair and the technical

aspects to owning and driving a unique vehicle, and also to enjoy those activities with other like minded people. Well I have digressed, but maybe not so far. In other words it is about being involved with the Club and enjoying the Corvair. There is always room for new thoughts or a confirming opinion on that voiced by someone else so we continue to have fun.

We had a great attendance at the annual Christmas party, thanks to hosts Ricki and Sally so we know

you are out there, now get involved. Don't you think that the folks in leadership would like a break from doing what they do year after year? It is always a good time to attend a board meeting and hear how it functions. It is only one additional meeting and meal out a month.

What do you say? Come to the January meeting and put your name in as a nominee for an office. There are some positions opening up that will need to be filled.



Greenbrier Memories

As shared by Gene Marshall
Honorary and founding Club Member

Desert Air Cleaner. The color is a school bus yellow; mine was used as a school bus in rural Indiana. I wonder if that School District ordered several identical Greenbriers. I drove my Greenbrier throughout Mexico almost to Guatemala and climbed Pikes Peak in it (mostly in 1st gear on a 4-spd). Unfortunately, close inspection of the photos shows bad rust in the same areas as mine - rocker panels, floor and doors - which

caused me to give up on it and sell it. Although it was a rust bucket, the thing ran just fine when

it left me and I never saw it again. I learned of its demise in a call from a junk yard in the Beaumont

area where it resided after being rear-ended at high speed on Interstate 10. The fellow I sold it to never transferred title and the junk yard was preparing to crush it. The photos show front end collision damage but I can't tell if any rear damage is shown.

My '65 (only 1,530 built this last year of production) was shown at the first Autorama that the club participated in.



Autorama 2015



2015 Christmas Party

by Howard King



Yet again, another grand Christmas Party for Corvair Houston club members hosted by Ricki and Sally Jannise. Organization this year seemed a bit smoother when it came to the gift exchange as there was less worry about the gift gender. Sally has now done the party for several years and enjoys doing so. Yea Sally!

Thanks for another one.

Photos this year were done by Dee Watkins, with props, of course! In case you have not seen all of them they can be found on the Club Facebook page that she keeps up to date with the current happenings.

There were only a few members not present and

largely because of health circumstances. Not to mention the rainy weather also. Nonetheless, there was plenty of food and tons of fun to go round.

The gift exchange had many great gifts. One was a portable floor jack with wings and some Santas, complete with sleigh, or so it seemed, as

they flew around the room and did not stay with any one person for very long.

It seems like the year has flown by and as I reflect back there have been many events to be involved in and enjoy by getting out in the Corvair. I am looking forward to more during this New Year.



Bulletin Board

Our 42nd Year!

Get the 2013-2018 Catalog. If you did not get the catalog in 2013 or 2014, you can get one FREE on your first \$50 order during 2015. (Additional catalogs \$3 with an order) Over 100 new repro parts in the past 3 years.



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For Sale: 1963 Monza Sedan

1963 four door with very cold A/C. Asking \$5,000 (REDUCED FROM \$7,000). Phone is 281-324-1617 or e-mail news2me@yahoo.com to Jerry Miller

TREASURY REPORT

REPORT AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2015

Beginning Balance	\$4,782.11
Receipts	
Deposits	\$404.58
Subtotal	\$5,186.69
Withdrawals:	\$551.35
Ending Balance	\$4,635.34

Tech Session Ideas?

Have an interesting technical project you worked on recently? Need to see a technical demonstration of a procedure that will help you with your restoration or repair project? Your Corvair Houston Officers are looking for ideas for technical demonstration sessions for our monthly club meetings. These technical sessions can be helpful for those of us restoring or performing maintenance on our Corvairs.

If you have an idea, please notify one of your officers listed on page 8 of this newsletter. Have a project to present? Presentation assistance is available. Email any submissions to newsletter editor at mwclarke01@hotmail.com

-----ANNUAL DUES REMINDER-----

As always, our club dues expire at the end of the club year and are due as of January 31st. If you are a Corvair Houston member only, dues are \$25/year. If you are also a CORSA member, your dues are \$20/year. You can pay at the meeting(s) by cash or check or you can mail them to: Corvair Houston c/o Ricki Jannise at 13102 N. Decker Dr, Magnolia, TX 77355-8461. Please make checks out to: Corvair Houston. The March issue of the newsletter will be the last for those who have not paid their dues for 2016.

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

Audrey Tidwell	Jan. 7
Alex Hemleb	Jan. 7
Andrew Brennan	Jan 7
Pam Massey	Jan 7
Roger Garrett	Jan. 8
Costa Kouzounis	Jan. 8
Jerry Miller	Jan. 8
Michell James	Jan. 11
Larry Keast	Jan. 15
Kathy Parker	Jan. 17
Joe Vogt	Jan. 17
Mike Murphy	Jan. 18
Alan Dunlap	Jan. 18
Ed Walsh	Jan. 21

Happy Anniversary To:

Bill & Kay Ranshaw	53 years	Jan. 26
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Welcome New Members!

Ed & Susan Stock (Porter, TX)
1965 Monza Convertible

**For Sale: 1966 Corsa \$15,000**

Let's keep this one in the club. Costa Kouzounis is selling his Corsa. Contact either Mike Tidwell (281-748-4576) or Costa (713-526-3781) for more information.

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

<u>DATE</u>	<u>EVENT</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>CONTACT</u>
Jan. 15	Meeting/Elections	Party Barn	Ed Walsh
Feb. 1	Board Meeting	Hickory Hollow	Mike Tidwell
Feb. 20	Pancake Brkfst	Jannise's home	Sally Jannise
Mar. 18	Meeting	TBA	Mike Tidwell
April 22-24	HOT 2016	Granbury, TX	Greg Wrobleske
May 20	Meeting	TBA	Mike Tidwell

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 Magnolia, TX 77355-8461

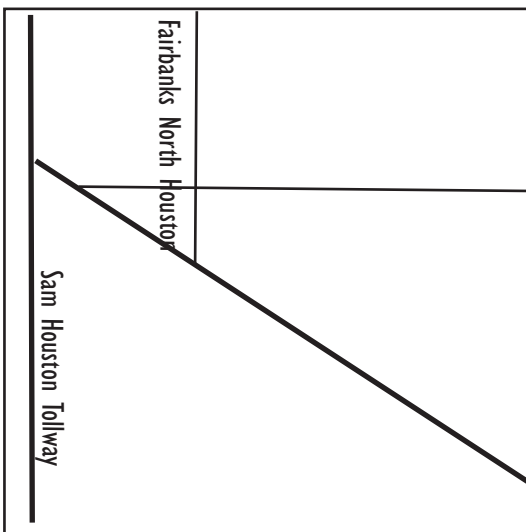
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Fun time at the Christmas Party

**CLUB MEETING TO BE
 HELD ON FRIDAY
 JAN 15TH AT THE
 FEEHERRY PARTY BARN**

Map to the Meeting Location
 6914 Guhn Road



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.

2015 Officers:

President	Ed Walsh	281-825-6361
Vice President	Mike Tidwell	281-748-4576
Secretary	Jon Protteau	936-520-2395
Treasurer	Audrey Tidwell	832-434-1154
Director	Todd Hasford	281-704-3848
Director	Howard King	832-687-8251
Director	Bruce Eichenberg	281-380-1809

Committees:

Membership & Library	Ricki Jannise	281-259-2256
Historian/Car Locator	Guy Bobkoff	713-666-0475
Merchandise	Dee Watkins	979-848-6713
Newsletter	Mark Clarke	281-217-8573
Website	Dave Keseian	936-689-8179
Events Coord./Photographer	Jim Watkins	979-824-6225
H.O.T. Chairperson	Greg Wrobleske	281-356-5542
Social Chair	Sally Jannise	281-259-2256
Technical Chair	Mike Tidwell	281-748-4576
Club Email	Richard Jonec	832-559-1629