THE AIRCOOLER



DETROIT AREA CORVAIR CLUB ESTABLISHED 1974

Regular Monthly Meeting NOVEMBER 7, 2016

Pontiac / Waterford Elks Club

2nd SATURDAY BREAKFAST CLUB MEET

November 12th is the day. Mark your calendars! Mayberry's Restaurant in Farmington is the place. 9 AM for eats and 10 AM for the BoD meeting. All are welcome. You can come just for the feeding frenzy and/or stay for the boring Board meeting.

Mayberry's is located at the corner of Grand River and 8 Mile in Farmington. The restaurant is themed like the old Andy Griffith TV show. We've met there before and had a good time so plan to come out and join us.

PETE K, President

HAVEN HOUSE GIVEAWAY

It's that special time of year...time for us to help the many families of HAVEN HOUSE experience the wonders and excitement of Christmas. With our help, and the help of our communities, HAVEN has provided for over 281 families, including 610 children and made Christmas special and unforgettable. Our generous donations are important to make HAVEN GIVEAWAY a success.

If you would like to join us again please bring a new, unwrapped toy or gift to the DACC December Meeting. Gift cards from area merchants are also welcome. Haven serves all ages and all needs and they need our help to continue.

All gifts, and donations to be delivered to HAVEN for their annual GIFTAWAY. - **Iudv O'Learv**

DACC Limerick Challenge

Warning: As we anticipate the change of seasons we realize that some activities begin to taper off and we seek new or different challenges. A "Limerick-Like" event will serve to stimulate at least our mental abilities. I will start. They must be original, entertaining and suitable. Please do not look up the definition of a 'limerick' as that will only confuse you and stifle any interest I can generate. We want "Burma-Shave" style. So here goes;

"So he said to the nurse It could be worse But, you see, I forgot my purse. Her attempt to reverse was rather terse.

So, I guess we'll just call a hearse!"
Simply send your entries to Ken Pepke by the 17th of the month to be included in the **Aircooler**.

From the President

Pete Koehler Welcome to Fall in Michigan! I'm writing this right at the deadline so I can fill you in on some of the late month happenings around the club. We just finished up a two-day event at Detroit City Airport with the folks from Hagerty Insurance. I supplied two early model Corvairs for them to test and see if in fact Corvairs were unsafe at any speed. I can tell you that they did get the cars up to speed and every time with every maneuver the Corvairs were recoverable. That means no body work was required at the conclusion of the event. The tires were pretty beat up, though! Hope to get a positive write-up as a result of this activity. Look for the story in the Spring 2017 issue of your Hagerty quarterly magazine.

This past weekend we had a very nice "Tech Session" up at Pete Cimbala's shop in Swartz Creek. Look for more details elsewhere in this issue of the Aircooler. The Corvair Event of the Year is happening this weekend (Oct. 22nd) just before our annual Frankenmuth Color Tour. I'm talking about the auction of the Ed McFarland Car Collection in Shelby Township...If you didn't go you missed seeing a massive collection of Corvairs that were stored away in a barn way back in the '70's. Most of the cars will either need a heap of work or serve as a parts donor for other projects. Hopefully not too many of these 'Vairs ended up heading for the scrapper!

How about some Board of Directors business? At the last BoD meeting we decided to return to the Comfort Inn in Plymouth next year for the DACC Homecoming. All of the hard work from our Secretary Lori paid off and we will probably be able to re-run the same deal with the land owner next door and park in the Bennigans lot. We also reviewed the financial results from the 2016 Homecoming and decided that the entry fees for next vear will remain the same. How about that? The Homecoming has to be the best Corvair value in the entire universe!! I have spoken to the Hagerty Rep and it looks like they will be on-board again next year to sponsor the BB-Q. And finally a teaser: There is a good chance that Clark's Corvair parts will attend the Homecoming and vend all those cool parts that helps keep our Corvairs on the road. Cash discounts and no shipping charges. What could be better?

The November meeting will be the last for long time members Paul Piche and Margeau. Please plan to attend to wish them well as they head down to Sunny Florida to enjoy their golden years. We will miss them and of course the Ultra Van at our events. There might even be a special feature at the meeting so come out to the Waterford Elks on the 7th and be a part of it!

Pete Koehler

Meeting Minutes OCTOBER 3

Great fall night we had 43 members and 7 great cars show up. Yesterday was the 1st day the Corvair was introduced. It looked like a few got out and drove their car yesterday. We had 3 new and / or long time since being apart of the group tonight. Rex and Sue have re-joined the club they have a 63 Spyder. Then we had Mark join us for the 1st time he has a 65 Evening Orchid Corsa and a 66 Monza, and Steve who has a 66 Turbo. We had John and Karen's folks join us this evening as well.

Pete happily reported that he is doing well with his recovery. It has been 109 days since his heart attack.

Clark let us know we have 19 people who owe dues, 2 new members and 1 paid two months early!

Casey gave us an update on funds we currently have \$8470.57 in our account.

The Davisburg car show we had 6 Corvairs attend and all walked away with an award.

The holidays are fast approaching and we must remember to help support Haven House this year with a gift for a child or cash donation. This goes

to help single abused moms and their children.

The Orphan Car Show we had 18 cars attend with their drivers. This is 3 more than last year. Paul Schneider won the Best of Show with his 65 Corvair Monza.

Well Pete Koehler has done it again he bought another car. This one is very unique. It was once owned by Ralph Nader it is a 63 Corvair. Ralph had asked Pete at the Automotive Hall of Fame event if he could help sell his car and of course Pete said sure no problem. So Pete himself bought it and went to Winsted, Connecticut to pick it up. It has seen better days the salt air has not been kind to the car.

On October 12 & 13 Pete is taking the car to the Detroit City Airport and Hagerty Insurance it going to see how the car can handle being driven at fast speeds going around corners.

Tim Duve told us he sold his 65 Monza that he had been working on for 5/6 years. It needed more work (floor repairs, carpet, brakes, and some rust) Jeff Grohovic from Philadelphia came and looked, he drove it around and fell in love with it. Went home, he then came back and bought it. Tim was a happy man.

DETROIT AREA CORVAIR CLUB Activities

Fall Color Tours usually signal the end of another great DACC year, and a great year it was. With Planned Monthly Tours and impromptu tours and our E-Blast communications we see more activities, more people involved and most importantly, more Corvairs. It is not too soon to think 2017. If you have joined us on any of our ventures, please tell us what you enjoyed or didn't enjoy, or would like to see or do. If you haven't joined and have something we should know, please share it. Some events will be repeated, but some won't ...

Some will be added and some will be dropped.

Our guidelines are few and we understand that opportunities will come up on short notice. Some enjoy driving events and some enjoy destination events.

We respect reasonable geographical boundaries without defining any. We welcome input, enjoy Corvairs, know how to have fun and welcome all comers and want to hear from you.

-John O'Leary, Activities Director

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Clark and Joanne went on their yearly Vermont Corvair Tour. It was a 600 mile trip they had a fun time. In the past they would have quite a few cars. Over the years and as people have aged they were down to only 2 Corvairs on the tour and many water pumpers. On the way home they stopped and picked up some parts for Pete K. Wheels, tires and a deck lid.

Tonight's 50/50 went to Keith Cutter he went home with \$68. The attendance moneys went home with Joanne Hartzel. **Lori Komora**

October Board Meeting

Attended by Pete Koehler, Ian Smith, John O'Leary, Clark Hartzel, Casey Schesky, Lori Komora & Ken Pepke.

We talked about the upcoming October events.

Casey gave us a detailed update with totals from Homecoming. If anyone is interested in the line by line expenses please feel free to ask any of the board members. At this time it looks like we are going to stay at the Comfort Inn for next year. Next year we will be charging for every swap space used. Clarks Corvair Parts has been asked to come to Homecoming next year. We do not know at this time if they will but it has been discussed. We are going to recruit more help for Pete C. in the registration room next year. Beth Hilton has agreed to be the Registrar, and Eva McGuire has agreed to be Cochair again. Lori Komora will be the sole contact for communication with Randee (owner of the adjoining property) to get permission to use her lot for overflow again next vear.

It has been agreed that the club will buy dinner and a going away cake for Paul and Margo before they leave us and move to Florida. You both will be greatly missed!!!

DACC WEST FALL COLOR TOUR AND ENDURANCE RUN









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December's meeting will be our annual Christmas meeting. PLEASE remember to bring a gift for our friends in need at Haven House. We will be doing a gift swap like we did last year. If vou would like to participate bring a wrapped gift auto themed (value of \$10). Also if anyone who is musically inclined either vocally or playing an instrument would like to be apart of our listening enjoyment please bring whatever you might need to assist for the evening.

October 12 &13 at Detroit City Airport Larry Webster will be driving the Nader car to get up close and personal with the car and see how it handles the curves. Haggerty Monthly Magazine and Corsa Communique will publish an article about the outcome of the day. Lori Komora, Secretary

SECRET AUTOMOTIVE SANTA RETURNS

Due to the popularity of last year's secret Automotive Santa gift exchange, we will be doing it again this year at our Waterford DACC Monday night December 5th meeting. We will also be introducing it to our DACC-WEST Sunday, December 11th 2nd Annual Corvair Christmas party held at the Sidetrack restaurant in Ypsilanti, Michigan at 2 p.m. The rules are as follows: purchase an automotive-related gift item under \$10, gift wrap it, and bring it to the meeting/party you will be attending and then the anonymous gift exchange will take place with a fun twist. Only those bringing a gift can participate with the exchange. So start thinking of what to get. It can be anything related to cars. Presented by:

Corvair Lady (Eva McGuire)

DACC December Meeting Christmas Celebration Monday December 5, 2016

Gather we shall on Monday December 5, 2016 for a combined regular meeting and Christmas Celebration. Details to follow, but mark your calendars and plan to ioin your friends at the regular time and place. Once again we will adopt the good work done at HAVEN as our cause. We can support HAVEN by bringing a new, unwrapped gift or gift card to our December Meeting. Judy O'Leary has again volunteered to collect all gifts and contributions and deliver them to HAVEN after the meeting. If you would like to volunteer or get more information, please contact Katie Lamb at HAVEN at (249) 322-3707.

PLEASE: No toys with weapons (includes squirt guns). No DVD's, or gifts with violent themes.

TOP PRIORITY: Winter Coats and clothing, Gift Cards, diapers, dolls, books, games etc.

October Tech Session

The weather was fine but host Pete C was under the weather at the start of our October Tech Session at Motor City Auto Sales in lovely Swartz Creek. The plan was to pull the turbo engine out of Pete's 1964 Spyder convertible and haul the rest of the car down to Ian Smith's garage in Westland. Ian plans to customize the car to his tastes so that should be interesting to watch! Also on the schedule was the repair of Pete's very late late model Corvair coupe. How late you say? How about a production date of the first week in May of 1969? Remember, they halted production on May 14th so this car is very near the end.

A hearty group of volunteers showed up to get the jobs done. We broke into two teams: Team Turbo consisted of Bill "The Swazall Surgeon" Johnson and

new owner Ian Smith. Team 69 counted Brian Granger, returning member Rex Hamill and long-time member Mark Kidd and Pete C helped in between phone calls and Motor City duties. Watching over this crew was our very own Corsa guru Ken Hand! He offered helpful tips to both teams and really got into the work of the day. Thanks, Ken!! What did I do? Mostly just sit around and watch. I'm still milking this heart attack excuse for being lazy...

The turbo engine came out first. Then Pete C showed up with pizzas and pop! He knows how to have a DACC event. If you feed them, they will come! After lunch the '69's engine came out and the "new" engine was bolted in. I say new because it was really just a used but running engine that we pulled out of a very rusty 1964 Monza coupe at a previous Tech Session.

By 3 o'clock the Spyder (Boris) was heading South to Westland

and Pete C was sweeping up the debris left from our efforts. Pete's earlier morning jitters had gone and I'm sure he was appreciative of the team's work. We may not be able to have any more Tech Sessions this year as the weather turns cooler and more unpredictable. But next year's outlook is bright and your next President Ian Smith is onboard with continuing this tradition of meeting on a Saturday to rip into a Corvair or two, hang out with your friends from the club and even get a free lunch ... Such a deal!

PETE K

































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DACC MEMBERSHIP REPORT

November 17, 2016 by Clark Hartzel

Welcome back old members: Rex & Sue Hamil, Waterford Thanks for keeping membership up to date: Boulan, Bramble, Dood, Jean, McGuire, Mann, Schmidt, M.Smith, Riggs, Spaulding, Urbain.

Exp in July: Debbrecht, Haight, North, Ronayne. Dropped **Due in Aug.:** Balow, Dailey, Duerden, Fultz, Pataluch,

Sharer, Sitterly, Spiess, Yenko **Due in Sept:** Schlaud, Simms.

Due in Oct: Dubia, Eichstaedt, K.Hand, Light, Shires,

Wholehan.

<u>Due in Nov.:</u> Grumblatt, Heberling, Hatala, Johnson,

McColgen, Munaco, O'Guinn, Ullery.

<u>Due in Dec.:</u> Adair, Avery, Belfontaine, Cavataio, Dixon,

Hensley, Nugent, Schesky, Schwartz, Wittmann.

We have 123 paid members and 22 who owe dues. We are mailing 13 complementary newsletters to other clubs and the Ypsilanti museum Please don't pay in cash. I can forget who gives it to me! Get those checks in folks!!!

If you can't make it to the next meeting, send a

\$20.00 check

dues, 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.

Questions about membership or change address or e-mail chartzel@comcast.net or phone 586-293-1587

We have an **email blast list** to notify members of quickie tours or last minute changes. Please send me your email address so I can keep the list up to date.

OCTOBER TREASURY REPORT

10-5-16 Checking account:

September ending balance: \$8470.57

Deposits as of 10/5/16: \$658.50

Checks out as of 10/5/16: \$175.10

Balance as of 10/5/16: \$8953.97

from Casey Schesky, Treasurer

SELL & SWAP

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

WANTED: Just the extension piece that goes on the end of the gearshift to make it a Quick shift. Colin McColgan 519 657 5527 cmccolgan@execulink.com (Nov)

HELP: where I can obtain a wind restrictor behind the seats of a convertible Corvair. Colin cmccolgan@execulink.com (Sept)

FOR SALE: 4 Goodyear Eagle white letter tires. 3 on wheels 1 tire new never been on wheel size P195 70R 13 tires have lots of tread. Also 4 1965 corvair hub caps, good shape. offer no longer have car. Tim Kribs 424-6122 after 9am - Utica MI (Sept)

WANTED: 64-65 FC 4 spd trans & late model 3:08 gears. Steve - 810-282-8480 (Sept)

FOR SALE: 64 Monza conv, Red w/ black top & int. 110 HP PG. Georgia car, clean in & out. Runs great. Award winner. 586-883-1301(no texts, no calls after 9:00pm) Jerry Sheffer -- \$9,850 FIRM (Aug)

FOR SALE: 78 450SL, \$8,500.00 (Would like to trade for a like price Rampside) ALSO: 61 700 4 Dr Police Car, \$2,500.00, Marvin Granger, 1965fourdoor@gmail.com 810 869 4876 (June)

FOR SALE: 60 Monza, disassembled, many extra parts, Price: TBD **ALSO:** 60 500 Sedan (wrecked) Will part out or sell all, Price: TBD Robert W. Jennings robertwjennings43@gmail.com, 810 516 2839 (June)

FOR SALE: 64 Monza 110 PG conv. Red & red w/white top. In great cond; no rust, good driver. Pics \$7800. (Jan) Brighton area. 810-229-4749 (June)

The Detroit Area Corvair Club is a charter chapter of CORSA, Inc. Monthly meetings are held on the First Monday 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.

*** NOTICE ***
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MONDAY 11-7-2016

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DACC ACTIVITIES

Anytime you can gather 110 (+/-) Corvairs in the same place at the same time as the DACC Homecoming, you know you will have a good time and look forward to doing it again next year. People that come for the first time tend to return, often bringing more friends. The Homecoming is our big annual event, but not the end of the good times. Join us as we gather again at some other interesting events

Check **YOUTUBE** for visual recaps of many of the DACC events. This is a great way to share many of your memories with friends and family. Authored by such famous people as *ADDA*, *CORVAIRLADY* and *CORVAIRWILD* it is now possible to relive, refresh and fill in the gaps of many of our events.

The DACC Activities calendar consists of one "planned" activity & a Saturday & a Sunday event each month.

John O'Leary, Activities Director. Direct questions & comments to:

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North American Classic Cars – 27222 Plymouth Rd. Redford, MI 48239 <u>www.northamericanclassics.com</u>
On line ads provide our members with a quick reference guide to satisfy their Corvair needs
DACC members wishing to be included on this list should submit their information to Editor Ken Pepke