

Corvair Houston Newsletter



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Friday, January 20th at the Party Barn



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by Mike Tidwell



This is Election month so make sure you come to the meeting on Friday January 20th at the Party Barn. There are several Officer and Board members positions open so if you want to participate in your club let it be known at the meeting. Mike Feehery will not be able to cook for us so we will go to one of the local restaurants after the meeting. Please make plans to join us. I want to thank everyone for all of their help

and support this past year. This is my last article as President. Audrey and I will still be participating in the club, but we need to slow down a little bit.

The Club has so much to offer from outings, get-togethers and tech talks not to mention some amazing friends. If you want to make a difference or have ideas for outings or fun runs please join the Board. Mark is also looking to start training a new newsletter editor. He has

done a fantastic job for the past several years. He will train someone for the next year to take over the newsletter. Please let him know if you are interested in taking over the duties.

Last month at the Jannise's, the Christmas Party was great. There were a lot of great gifts that were stolen/exchanged. Wonderful food was served and a lot of old and new members had a great time visiting and catching up. This has

been a fun year for outing and fun runs. From the Camping trip, Ship Channel Tour, the Massey pool party, Galveston run and flight museum, Kolache Festival in Caldwell and so much more. Thank you to everyone for all of their input and suggestions to make this club be an active club. I can't wait to see what is on the calendar for next year. See ya at the meeting. Drive your Corvair too!



Christmas Party at the Jannise's



Rearview Mirror

by Howard King



As I look back at this past year it seems as if it has flown by. All of my huge plans to get Corvair projects done seem to have slipped through the cracks at the speed of fast moving racers. Does it seem that yours have too? But, I digress from the topic at hand in case you were not present at the November meeting or missed the Christmas party.

The November meeting was held at the Party Barn with some pot luck and some really great food cooked up by our host Mike Feehery. Much of

the evening before dinner was spent snacking and discussing the usual Corvair related subjects. The meeting was held just a few days before the Thanksgiving holiday and spirits were bright. A sizeable crowd of about 30 folks came out that Friday. In Mike Tidwell's absence, VP/President elect, Richard Jonec took the reigns to bring the meeting to order. The main focus was the upcoming Autorama participation and schedule for loading, setup and unloading for the club display.

After that there was the topic of the upcoming elections and nominees for 2017 officers. There will be some new faces up for election at the January meeting.

The new president Richard Jonec will be presiding this coming year and there are still needs for other positions. Please be present for this important meeting and offer yourself as a participant. Unless someone steps forward to take the newsletter over later this year, it will be a thing of the past. Mark Clarke has served as editor

for the last several years and is ready to take a break or serve in a different role.

We need your participation as active members to step up and contribute a little time. After all, it is your club too. We have a diverse and great group of members with tons of talent, right? See you at the meeting.

Oh, and I cannot forget to give a big thanks to Mike and Audrey Tidwell for their leadership in 2016. Be sure and let them know that you appreciate their efforts.



Autorama 2016



2017 Heart of Texas Great Hill Country Driving Tour

| by Greg Wrobleske



Corvair Houston is excited to be hosting this year's 21st "Heart of Texas" event. It is hard to believe that this is the 20th year for this great event! I never dreamed that I would be involved with this for so many years. Whether this is your first H.O.T. or you been to all twenty-one events I'm sure you will have a "vairy" wonderful time.

Corvair Houston used the Y.O. Ranch Hotel venue back in 2005. What was so notable about this H.O.T. event was the Hotel and the rally which we have recreated for you. First a little about the Y.O. Ranch Hotel. Is located in the heart of peaceful Texas Hill Country in the city of Kerrville. The authentic décor of the main lobby provides your first taste of the 1880s. Within the soaring native stone

walls lies an impressive collection of fine antiques gathered from ranches and small towns throughout the West. The massive lobby is a showcase of wildlife animal trophies, five nine-foot wide grand chandeliers and a huge stone fireplace. You can kick up your heels in Elm Waterhole Saloon where you can take you back in time to 1880s 30-foot antique mahogany bar. The Y.O. Ranch Hotel will be where all the events will be held with the exception of the drive.

Our focus this year will be on "The Great Hill Country Driving Tour" so the agenda will be quite different this year. Registration will open at 11 am in the Guadalupe Room on Friday, April 21st. The Car Show will be held at

the Y.O. Resort in the back parking lot starting at 3 pm. You may dine at the hotel that evening or at one of the local restaurants. Our goal is for you to relax after your drive with your fellow Corvair family. We will kick tires, eat and have a welcome party to get things going!

Saturday is reserved for "The Great Hill Country Driving Tour". We are going to give you five hours for a three hour route. The views and scenery that you will experience will be like no other in Texas. I promise you, don't miss this! We want you to take it all in. We have arranged a "Food Truck" lunch stop during your drive. Eating locations are very limited so be sure you register for lunch. After

the drive we have a Tech Talk between 5 and 6 pm presented by American Flat 6 Performance.

Now if you haven't registered for your hotel room you have until March 15. I strongly advise you not to wait. Do it now! Registration fees do increase from \$35 to \$50 after this date. Rooms are \$109.00 per night and includes a wonderful hot breakfast. Call 877-967-3767 to reserve under "Corvair" group. Car trailer parking will be available. You may elect to arrive on Thursday, April 20 and give you more time to tour James Avery, Fredericksburg and Willow City Loop. So get those Corvair's ready! We can't wait to see you!



Calendar of Events

JANUARY 2017

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FRIDAY AT 6:30 P.M.

CLUB MEETING/ELECTION

PARTY BARN

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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Color is green and white.

Has been custom painted for about 4 or 5 year's and looks great. Never been outside or seen rain since it has been painted.

Will have to be put back together by buyer

All interior custom work done

Have everything for van to complete
\$5,000.00

Contact Mike Tidwell 281-748-4576

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TREASURY REPORT

REPORT AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2016

Beginning Balance	\$5,849.54
Receipts	
Deposits (T-shirt sales)	<u>\$245.00</u>
Subtotal	\$6,094.54
Withdrawals (Autorama)	-0-
Bank Service Charge - 2 months	<u>(\$30.00)</u>
Ending Balance	<u>\$6,064.54</u>

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
Claudia House	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	54 years	Jan. 26
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Mark your Calendar!**HOT 2017 - KERRVILLE TX**

Hosted by Corvair Houston

April 21-23, 2017

Y.O. Ranch Resort

817-579-1300

Complete details and registration can be found on the club website at:

www.corvairhouston.com

Newsletter Editor needed!!

We need a volunteer to take over the duties of Newsletter Editor. It is a fun role and a great opportunity to serve the club. Please contact Mark Clarke at 281-217-8573 or by email at mwclarke01@hotmail.com if you would like 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

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.



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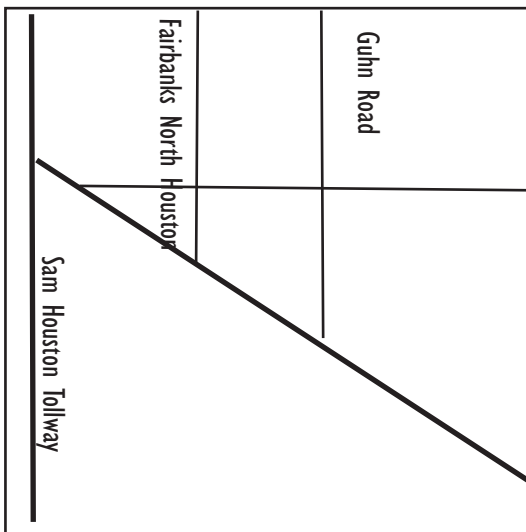
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A great time at the Christmas Party at the Jannise's

**CLUB MEETING TO BE
 HELD ON FRIDAY
 JANUARY 20TH 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.

2016 Officers:

President	Mike Tidwell	281-748-4576
Vice President	Richard Jonec	832-559-1629
Secretary	Howard King	832-687-8251
Treasurer	Audrey Tidwell	832-434-1154
Director	Alan Dunlap	281-203-9977
Director	Ken Boysen	281-831-5049
Director	Jim Watkins	979-824-6225

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
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