



ELECTION NIGHT

Monthly Meeting

MARCH 6, 2017

Pontiac / Waterford Elks Club

2nd SATURDAY BREAKFAST CLUB

Meet at Marko's Restaurant in Redford. 9 AM for the eats. 10 AM for a Board of Directors meeting at next door Jerry North's North American Classic Car shop. Marko's is at the northeast corner of Inkster Road and Plymouth Road just past the Redford Car Wash. All are welcome. **PETE K,**

DACC-WEST MEETING

On Sunday, March 12, 2017, Mike McKeel will be giving a Tech Session on "Electrical Systems on the Corvaire." Our meeting will take place at an undisclosed location within the city of Ypsilanti. Due to the one way streets getting there, we will meet in the parking lot at the Ypsilanti Automotive Heritage Museum and I will lead everyone to the meeting site. We will leave the parking lot promptly at 1:30pm.

Corvaire Lady (Eva McGuire)

OFFICERS ELECTION

Well DACC members, the time is HERE for the DACC officers election. At the March meeting you may place your name on the ballot to join the board in any of the positions:

V.P., — Marvin Granger

Treasurer, — Casey Schesky

Secretary, — Lori Komora

Events Coordinator, — Bob Wittmann

Membership, — Clark Hartzel

Editor, — Ken Pepke

from Ian Smith: VP - President Elect

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My Last Aircooler Article as your President

Well, it is that time again. Time for a new club member to take center stage and preside over this fun loving group of Corvaire enthusiasts. Your new man is the one and only Ian Charles Smith. You know, the guy who looks like Chris Farley. His work shirt even says Farley on it. Maybe he is confused as well?

This past year has been both interesting and challenging. The interesting part was running the meetings and attending the various Corvaire functions and events with you. The challenging part was when my health took a detour down a bumpy road. Fortunately it wasn't a dead end and I hope to be back to 100% for this year's driving season. There will be plenty of opportunities to enjoy the Corvaire hobby with your friends in the DACC. Ian has a lot of great ideas to expand those opportunities so you better make sure your favorite Corvaire is road ready.

In closing I'd like to thank the club for their support during my year in front of you. I'd especially like to thank Ian for stepping up and running a few of the meetings when I lacked the strength to do so. Also a thank you to all of the members on the Board of Directors for giving their time and energy so the club runs smoothly and continuously. Let's all have fun in 2017!
- Pete Koehler, Past President

A Few Words from the President

Along with the hopes of nice weather coming soon, March also brings the election of our officers for DACC.

As President, I look forward to another busy, fun filled year at DACC. Together we will orchestrate many activities that I hope will draw folks out with their Corvaires. We will have scheduled events as well as some that will pop up from time to time. Local cruises as well as interstate trips will hopefully peak the interest of our members enough to bring the old Corvaires out and hang out with like-minded folks!

As in the past, we will continue our 2nd Saturday strapping on of the feed bag and board meeting in various locations that usually end up in a tech session to try to get more member's rides on the road. Our second Sunday with DACC-West will also continue to offer up very informative technical meetings as well. It is my goal as Prez to entice the masses to break out your wonderful rides and show them off and enjoy them.

Finally, thanks go out to all of the membership for the opportunity to serve you in what I am sure will be a spectacular year!
Ian Smith, President

Homecoming Help Wanted

I know it's early to ask for some help for an event in August but all of us will feel better knowing that someone is in place for some important jobs. With Paul Piche now living in Florida we need someone to take over the duties he did so well. We talked about the valve cover race track at the Feb meeting and found some interested volunteers to cover the set up and tear down. What we really need is someone to take over the pop, water, plastic cups and ice supply during the 3 days of the event. Also order the multiple pizzas on Saturday with an established vendor we have used in the past. I am sure Paul can provide the details from all the years that he handled this and assist whoever takes over the job. We are revamping the registration process this year, no more writing things down on a legal pad and we will be making up packets with all the ballots, schedule and name tags to hand out. Beth Hilton will be taking over this area and will need some help all 3 days. As always Ken P. will need help in the world class hospitality room. The ladies and kids activities could use a director with some new ideas, We have time but before you know it August will be here and I am throwing this out now so that we are not scrambling at the last minute. For some reason people keep coming back and telling their friends to put this event on their calendars so we need to keep up the good work behind the scenes and take good care of our guest. There could be a time and I think it will be quite soon that we may need to find a larger venue and make even more changes, guess time will tell on this if we keep growing.

Pete Cimbala

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Corvairs At Applewood

Last year during the Sloan Summer Auto Fair we had a several Corvairs parked near the gardens for a first time event on the grounds of the C.S Mott Estate in Flint. We made a quick stop there on the way to Frankenmuth last Oct during the fall color tour. Again this year we will have several Corvairs on site as part of a 30 car exhibit along with an open house so guest can see both floors of the Mott home and enjoy the gardens and lawn area. The organizers of the Summer Fair show have been hoping to include cars at Applewood for several years and having Corvairs there really opened the doors (gates) so we need to support this event. As usual we will have our special parking area with the Vintage Chevy Club and the Sunday picnic so we will need a lot of Corvairs onsite for both days. New this year you can receive a \$5.00 discount on the event registration cost if you belong to a car club. There will be registration forms at the upcoming meetings and you can register online however it will cost \$2.00 extra. So mailing in a check with the discount is the way to go, watch the DACC Facebook page, Webpage and the Aircooler for more info each month.

Pete Cimbala

ENGINES EXPOSED

On February 4th, ten people gathered at the Henry Ford Museum in Dearborn, MI to tour the "Engines Exposed" special event where the engine lids to 40 vintage cars were opened. I invited former Willow Run Corvair Fisher Body auto worker, Tommy Espy, to join us to answer questions about the Corvair.

John Tucker, Jr., was also with us to talk about the Tucker automobile. We hope to be able to have one of Pete Koehler's Corvair engines on special display at next year's Engines Exposed event (pending the museum's approval...I'm working on it).

Corvair Lady (Eva McGuire)

DACC MEMBER OF LONG STANDING

Ab Ives had been cured of bladder cancer and was, two weeks ago, hanging out at the Casino. But, he took a fast turn with his lung/liver cancer and is now bedridden. He is at the Dr. Y. Emara Centre, 1453 Prince Rd, Windsor, Ontario, Canada N9C 3Z4 Room 3242.

He is in good spirits and mind and is greatly relieved that Mom is no longer his caregiver. She weighs about 90 pounds and needs some sleep.

The facility he is in now is fabulous, but this was all so unexpected.

Kathryn (Ives) Rutherford
(Past DACC President)

DACC West Update:

Our DACC-West meeting on Sunday February 12th was well supported when 14 members turned out for a group discussion on "Auto-Body Repair and Paint".

A brief PowerPoint was provided showing typical rust areas and discussions ensued regarding how we may approach various repairs. Many tools were on hand, such as body hammers, blocks, air-driven linear sander, tin snips, various grinding tools, clamps for TIG welding, and paint sprayers, both old-style and LPHV. We also covered POR-15 and other rust preventative techniques.

Some members brought their own tools to show, such as those used when handling lead. There was much interest in the subject and members expressed that they would like to go more in-depth into TIG welding and painting, in particular.

So if you are fluent in such topics and would like to put on a little Dog & Pony show for us, please contact Jay Nugent to make arrangements. The next DACC-West meeting at the museum will be Sunday April 9th at 2pm.

--- Jay Nugent

NEW PUBLICIST FOR CPF

I am pleased and honored to announce that I have accepted the position of Publicist for the Corvair Preservation Foundation, a non-profit foundation dedicated to preserving and promoting the history of the Corvair. I want to thank CPF President, Mike Hall, for asking me to come on board.

I look forward to bringing more awareness about CPF and the role it plays in preserving our Corvair history. Part of that awareness will be me continuing to write historical articles for the CORSA Communiqué magazine from interviews I've conducted of the former GM designers, engineers, and auto workers from my "Meet the Makers of the Chevrolet Corvair" historical preservation project. If anyone knows of someone who has a story to tell about working on the Corvair during design or production years,

please contact me at corvailady@gmail.com. Corvair Preservation Foundation has also recently created a new Facebook page...please come and join us.

The CORSA Board of Directors has also recently contacted me to write stories from these same interviews and share photographs which will be posted on the CORSA web site in the near future. I'm excited as this has been a passion of mine to preserve the first hand accounts of the men and women who helped build our beloved air-cooled friend for future generations of Corvair enthusiasts to enjoy. For anyone who may have (or know someone who has) any significant Corvair artifacts/memorabilia (including Corvair cars) and would like to donate them, contact Pete Cimballa, CPF Museum Curator at corvailkid1963@lentel.com. For those who would like to make a financial donation to help support and maintain the efforts provided by this valuable foundation, please send your check made payable to CPF & mail to P.O. Box 607 Lemont, IL 60439-0607.

Please consider a donation through a provision by your estate planning. Thank you.

Eva McGuire, Publicist for CPF

Meeting Minutes

February 6th

Well, when we are unable to drive our Corvairs to the meeting due to weather, you come with your model cars instead. We had quite a few cars (models) make it to the meeting so we took the time to admire them all. We sure do like our Corvairs big and small! We had a nice turn out of folks at the meeting we had 46 in attendance.

Clark informed us that we currently have 139 paid members. Cassey updated us with our current balance as of January 30th we have \$7058.54 in our account.

Bob Whitman is doing a great job keeping us informed with upcoming and past events. In Jan. we had the DACC west meeting, Sat. breakfast, tour of John and Karen's barn, and then off to slot car racing. We had an additional Sat. breakfast gathering and tech session on the car that Pete bought from John to see if it could be revived to hum again. In February we have Engines Exposed at Henry Ford Museum, Sat. breakfast then Chrome & Ice car show, February 24-26 we have Autorama, Feb. 28 the Homecoming committee is going to meet. May 19& 20th we have the Mad Anthony gathering in Ft. Wayne. Then May 26 or June 2nd at Meadow Brook Theatre in Rochester we have a classic car night and a theater performance of "Why Do Fools Fall In Love". June 24-25 Sloane Museum and cars will be at Applewood again.

Pete K is keeping us informed of some of the goods and services in the area. Tire Wholesale in Redford has tires that will fit the Corvairs. Novi Motive for and

wheel alignments 248-349-0290. Monks Motors for alignment and other Corvair work 248-335-5424. Classic 2 Current Fabrication great for floor pans-543-3227. Simbol Auto Glass for windshields \$199 with tint and shaded 248-683-7200. If you want to do your own work and just need a bay with or without a hoist or paint booth try My Mechanics Place in Livonia 734-743-5808.

Next month we will be voting for new board members. It would be great to have some new people on the board. Step up and get involved.

Homecoming will be here before we know it. We could use some help with many tasks. If Paul and Margo don't make it to Homecoming we will need help with getting pop, water and ice for the weekend. Someone to make arrangements with the pizzeria for our pizza party. Setting up the valve cover track. Helping in the registration room. Coming up with ideas for some ladies activities.

We have updated the Homecoming flier with a few revisions. In the swap meet area all spaces will cost \$10 each. To receive \$5 dollars off for early registration you have to pay by Aug 5th to receive this.

The main attraction for this months meeting was miniatures/models. Pete C., Clark, Casey, Marvin, Handlebar Bill, Stu and Pete K.

50/50 was won by John Tucker \$70 and the attendance went to Jerry.

Eva was contacted to be the new publicists at Corsa and she will also be putting into print about "Meet the Makers"

Corsa will be having their elections soon both Mike Hall (current president) and Ken Hand (past president) are going to be running against each other.

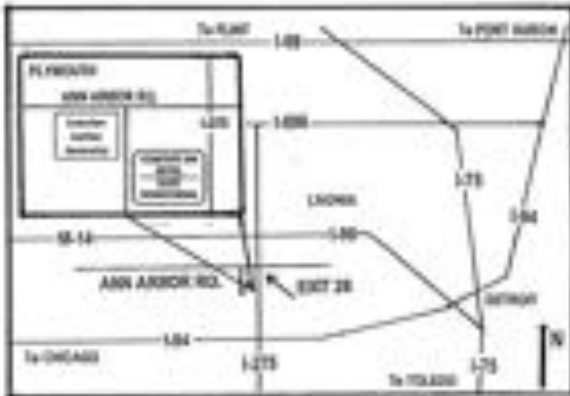
Lori Komora ~ Secretary

TENTATIVE SCHEDULE
from LORI KOROMA



39th DACC Homecoming

Featuring
GM Heritage Center on Friday
August 23 -26, 2017



For additional information contact
PETE CIMBALA
810-621-9888 or 810-241-8593
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- THURSDAY**
- Registration 2 – 6
 - Ken Pepke's World Class Hospitality Room 2-6
 - Corvair Museum, Firehouse Museum and Cruise
 - Swap Meet set up & Car Care Clinic
- FRIDAY**
- Registration 8 am – 6 pm
 - Ken Pepke's World Class Hospitality Room
 - Kids & Women's Activities as posted
 - GM Heritage Center (\$10 extra)
 - Valve Cover Races
 - Swap Meet & Car Care Clinic
 - Cook Out / Picnic
 - Drive In Movie (Circumstances Permitting)
- SATURDAY**
- Registration 9 am – 2 pm
 - Ken Pepke's World Class Hospitality Room
 - People's Choice Car Show, Model & Toy Show
 - Swap Meet & Car Care Clinic
 - Tech Session
 - Road Tour
 - Live Auction // '50 – 70's' Vintage dress up
 - Pizza Party
 - Winner announced for **FREE** room this weekend
 - Calendar Winners "Drive Thru" Show
 - Wine & Cheese Event (\$10 extra) Hotel guests only
- SUNDAY**
- Leftovers, Farewell
 - Cruisin Hines Dr. – Classics Only

When making your reservations, be sure to mention "CORVAIR EVENT" to receive the special room rate of \$84 plus tax, per night. The \$84 special rate also includes Thursday night.

Fill in the form below and mail with check payable to DACC: DACC c/o Beth Hilton 887 Allen Dr. Northville, MI 48167

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DACC HOMECOMING REGISTRATION

NAME (for name tag) _____ Additional Names _____

Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone (____) _____ E-mail _____

Car Year (x) and Model (x) _____

Did you drive your Corvair here? Yes / No — If yes how many miles _____

REGISTRATION COST: SINGLE \$35.00 FAMILY \$50.00 (family consists of 2 adults and children under 21) \$ _____

How many will be attending? Adults _____ Under 21 _____ One Registration Pack per Individual or Family

GM Heritage Tour Yes Cost is \$10 per person No How many tickets needed _____ \$ _____

Additional cars \$5 each (1st car is included) How many cars _____ \$ _____

Swap space Yes \$10 for each space No How many spaces needed _____ \$ _____

Wine & Cheese Event Yes Cost is \$10 per person No How many tickets needed _____ \$ _____

Take a chance to get your room at Comfort Inn this weekend for free \$3 each ticket How many tickets wanted _____ \$ _____

If payment is received by August 5th subtract \$5.00 from total for early registration discount

The Board of Directors for the DACC reserve the right to reject applications at their discretion Total Enclosed \$ _____



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FEBRUARY TREASURY REPORT

Balance as of January 30th we have \$7058.54

from Casey Schesky, Treasurer

SELL & SWAP

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

WANTED: Rust free rear deck lid for 65 2 door — Ken Pepke 734 476 9616 kenpepke@yahoo.com (Feb)

WANTED: Looking for a set of 13" wire wheels for my 1964 Monza, 4 bolt McColgan 519 657 5527 cmccolgan@execulink.com (Jan)

FOR SALE: 66 Monza 140hp 4 spd, 2 dr, vgc body, need minor paint & electric work - has new exh, batt, u-joints, dis & coil, extras \$8500 OBO Jim Mandelik - 440 392 0520 - wormchile@aol.com is a former museum car (Dec)

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: 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)

DACC CALENDARS

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Thanks,
John Allesee

DACC MEMBERSHIP REPORT

February 17, 2017 by Clark Hartzel

Welcome: new member Byron Babbish of Bloomfield

Thanks for keeping membership up to date: M.Granger, K.Hand, Jacoby, Bry.Johnson, Major, McKean, Nugent, Sanger, G.Shreve.

Exp. in Oct: Eichstaedt, Wholehan. Will be dropped.

Due in Dec.: Adair, Belfontaine, Dropped

Due in Feb.: Allesee, Blanchard, Deptulski, L.Hand, Lindh, Schlack, Wolter.

Due in Mar.: Dewald, Flinn, Ives, Maciejewski, Pleitner, Rutherford, Weeks.Dewald, Flinn, Ives, Maciejewski, Murray, Pleitner, Rutherford, Sheffer, Weeks.

Due in Apr.: Anstine, Bluhm, B.Granger, Gross, Mascia, Rider, Schultz, J.Shreve, Shuster.

We have 134 paid members and 11 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 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.

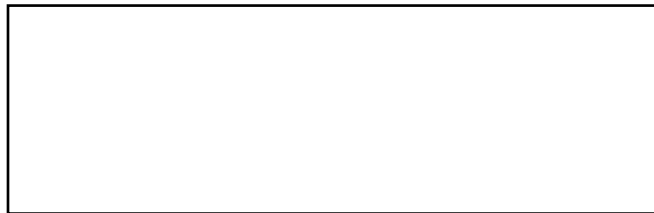
The Detroit Area Corvair Club is a charter chapter of CORSA, Inc. Monthly meetings are held on the First Monday of each month, 7PM, at the **WATERFORD ELKS Club**, on Scott Lake Rd, Waterford, MI 4/10 mi south of Dixie Hwy. Meetings are open to DACC Members, friends, and all interested in the Corvair.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

MEETING
MONDAY, MARCH 6, 2017

The AIRCOOLER

Ken Pepke, Editor
126 S Riverbank
Wyandotte, MI 48192

FIRST CLASS



DACC Calendar

May 19-20 Fort Wayne, Indiana is officially ON!!
Jun 17, The Gilmore Car Museum - Air Cooled Gathering
Jun 24 - 25, Sloan Museum Auto Fair
Jun 27 – Jul 1, CORSA International Convention, Independence, MO
Jul 29, Concours d'LeMons
Aug 19 - 20, Back to the Bricks - "Main Event"; Berkley Parade; Woodward Dream Cruise
Aug 24 - 26, DACC Homecoming
Aug 27, Hines Drive Cruise
Sept 17, Orphan Car Show
Oct 7, Davisburg Antique Festival
Questions/Comments to John O'Leary
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