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Sweet Tooth Table

Quite the crowd is gathering around the "Sweet Tooth Table" to sample an endless array of ice creams, cakes, pies and cookies. Not one person brought broccoli!



✧ Ice Cream Social ✧

A "sweet" time was had by all!

For ice cream and car lovers, the Ice Cream Social hosted by Reggie and Cindy Nash on Sunday, August 13, was a crème de la crème event, pun intended! The Nash's are members of the Richmond Chapter of the AACA and invited CVCC members to attend their annual Ice Cream Social at their house.



CVCC members that attended were David Robertson, Mike

DeJong and Sue Adams, Marty and Jean Berens, and Phyllis and Wade Lanning. When arrived at the 2:00 pm start time, many antique cars were in the Nash's spacious back yard

that borders the James River and more were rolling in. Two long tables were set up, one with ice cream and the other with

cakes, pies, cobblers, cookies and beverages. Mike brought a

September Birthdays

- 1- Bill Eldred
- 9- Garland Ray
- 13-Aubrey Thacker

- 25- Phyllis Lanning
- 25- Charlie Reilly
- 29- Bill Clemens
- 30 - J.B. Rintels





More From the Ice Cream Social

Corvair cake which not only tasted great, but had the attendees talking about the cool Corvair picture on top. The ice cream served up included both homemade and store

bought with every flavor you could imagine, along with a wide selection of toppings.

After a few words by Reggie and the blessing, folks lined for ice cream

and the other sweet tooth delights, throwing their diets and dental care out the window. It was great weather for an August afternoon, a little cooler and lower humidity than

we had during the previous week, and with a nice breeze coming off the James River at the Nash's back yard.

People drove their collectible cars consisting

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

SEPT 16
Fall Classic at
Clark's

SEPT 23
Corvair Day
Hershey, PA

OCT 13
Vairs in the
Valley

JULY 2018
CORSA
Pittsburgh, PA

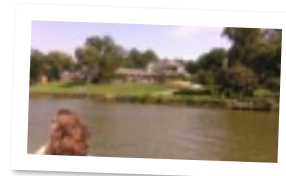
of numerous makes and models, representing a period of about 100 years of automotive history, probably at least 50 – 60 cars in total if not more. A lot of folks were checking out our Corvairs.



his brass-era Model T Ford and he let folks drive it too, with his supervision of course. Reggie and Cindy also own a boat that holds about 10 people on which anyone that wanted could take a ride, piloted by one of Reggie's friends.

We got to see many beautiful homes that are on the James River nearby.

Some photographs are included with this article, but many more can be seen at the following



website.

<https://www.flickr.com/photos/rr-aaca/sets/72157685087088020>

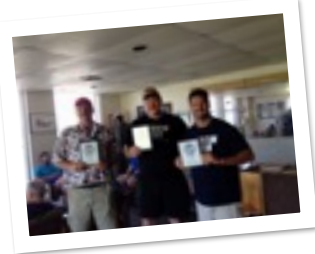


A big "Thank You" is extended to Reggie and Cindy for

hosting the social and inviting us.



Reggie was giving rides in



Double-Mint Twins

Most of us can tell story after story about friendships that have developed because of a mutual interest in our beloved Corvairs. Having something in common that you both care deeply about is a great starting point for a friendship. John Persinger ('63 Convertible) and Alan White (3 Corvair's) did it backwards. They did the friendship thing first and then morphed into Corvairs.

To be fair, they did become friends due to their shared love of a motor vehicle. It wasn't a Corvair though...and it had wings! Both John and Alan are pilots and own Beechcraft Sundowners. These are low-wing, single engine, four seat airplanes and much like the Corvair, are often-times considered to be less desirable than most of their contemporaries. For Alan, one of the same things that drew him to the Corvair, also drew him to the Sundowner. Both are much more rare than the more popular models and they are unique to the genre. Everyone knows about the Mustang and Camaro but it's a much smaller following that appreciates the qualities of the Corvair. The same can be said about the Piper Cherokee and Cessna-172. While they are much better known and, ok, so they are a little faster, they don't have near the roominess of the Sundowner and the Sundowner is built to be much more robust.



Alan and John were both members of the Beech Aero Club which is the type club for these aircraft. This is similar to CORSA for the Corvair. Even though they belonged to the same club and even lived in the same state, the two had never met before running for office in BAC. Both ran for Regional Director (similar to CVCC President) and began communicating during the campaign. Unlike politicians of today, these two actually discovered that they had a lot in common and liked each other. They arranged to meet and play a round of golf and discuss future plans for BAC. It didn't matter which one won, they both wanted the same thing. They flew their planes into





Luray and then decided to go to Bryce to play golf. Alan's plane wouldn't start as he had been having a battery issue so they hooked it up to a charger and jumped into John's plane for the short hop over to Bryce. The two bonded quickly over the flight and a

Newsletter Editor. It all started with John! After a couple of years, John moved on to become the BAC Treasurer and Alan took over as Regional Director. Alan's prowess at newsletters attracted attention and eventually, he became the Newsletter editor for all of BAC. John,

them and the upcoming Vair Fair in Lexington, VA in 2015. Alan invited John and his wife Andrea to come down and enjoy the festivities. They could even have use of Alan's '65 convertible Monza while they were down. You know how



round of golf. One of the first things they realized was that neither one of them was very good at golf!

meanwhile, has become the President of BAC. Through it all, their friendship has continued to grow.

oftentimes you will invite someone but think there's no way they are going to follow through with

John won the election. If you listen to him tell it, he won by a percentage landslide. Alan will tell you it was only by a couple of votes.

One of the first actions taken by John was to appoint Alan as the newsletter editor for the Region. Yes, you have John to thank (or blame) for Alan's eventually becoming the CVCC



So where do Corvair's come in? Well, Alan has had Corvair's for many years and he was telling John about

it? Well, that's the way Alan felt about this invite. There was one fact, however, that Alan wasn't privy to. It turns out that John's wife Andrea's grew up loving Corvairs! She had wanted one and when her dad brought



Double-Mint Twins (Cont)

has never forgiven him for such a miscarriage of justice! When she heard about the event, she was chomping at the bit. The two arrived at the Vair Fair and the two wives met and hit it off as well! John and Andrea drove Alan's convertible in the Rally and the fate was sealed! Andrea wanted a Corvair! They decided on an early model convertible. At the 2016 Vair Fair, John wanted to purchase Ray Davis' car but Andrea would have none of it because it was a manual transmission and she wanted a power glide so that she would feel comfortable driving it! Finally, John found his baby on eBay. It was a '63 white convertible and soon, it made the move to Virginia and it's new home. Like most Corvair purchases, John's car needed some TLC so he went feverishly to work because he had a deadline! He wanted to bring it to Vair Fair 2017!

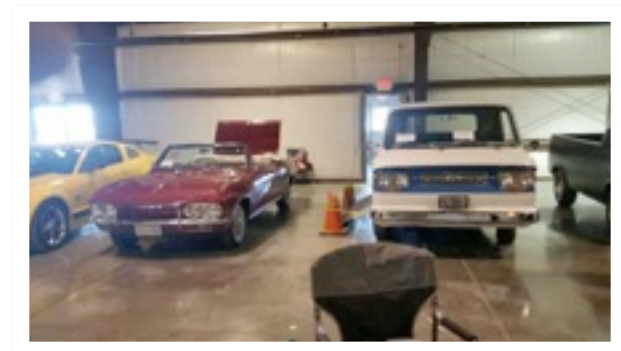
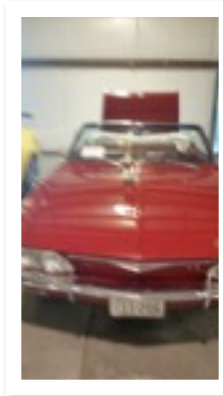
John had the car ready and he and Andrea made the trip down I-81 to Lexington and to their first Car Show in their very own Corvair. This time, they got to compete in the Rally in their own car and it must have made a difference because they finished in 2nd place! Later, the foursome attended the movie at Hull's and enjoyed parking side-by-side to watch the movie. The four can't wait for their next adventure together. That will be in New Bedford, MA for the BAC National Convention. Just like the Double-Mint Twins, with both Corvairs and airplanes in common, they get to double their fun!

Rex Buel Does it Again!

Not to sound like a broken record, but Rex Buel has won yet another award with his '65 Turbo Corsa. Rex and I displayed our vehicles at the Expoland Big Truck and Car Show. Notice that "Truck" was first as the emphasis is on trucks. Since I have a '62 Rampside, it seemed only logical to display the truck in the truck show. Surely, if either of us were to bring home a trophy, this time it would be me! Rex took home trophies in the recent

Memorial Day car show in Staunton and then came home with a top three award from the CORSA National Convention in Missouri. It's got to be my time, right? WRONG! Rex once again pulled down a top vehicle trophy while my poor Rampside was treated like chopped liver! I'm getting tired of writing about Rex winning! It's time some of the rest of you go out and bring home some hardware so I can write about you instead! Congrats Rex!

--Alan White--



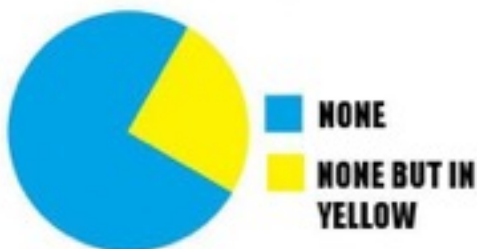
Did you know that Amazon offers a charitable program that donates money from every sale back to designated 501c3 charity groups? It's true, it's easy to use, and it's no cost to you! It's called Amazon Smile, and it works just like Amazon, but uses a different access link and only requires users to designate their select charity.

The link is <https://smile.amazon.com/> if you want to take a look and/or pre-load your designated charity...may I suggest Corvair's own 501c3 non-profit arm, the CORVAIR PRESERVATION FOUNDATION?!

To be fair, Amazon Smile's donation of .5% for every sale may seem small, but every penny adds up, and the greater the level of participation, the greater the value to the CPF!



Chances of finishing my project car:



FOR SALE 2016 Camaro 2SS Coupe, 6.2L, 8 Speed Auto, Stock, Rear Vision, Side Blind Alert, Power Seats Heated and Ventilated, Heads Up Display, 20" Alum Wheels, Dual Exhaust, Garnet Red, 1,500 miles, Garage kept covered. \$38,500

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WANTED!

Two chrome trim sticks for 65/66 door panels "nails"
Must be good quality.

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