



## Monthly Meeting

APRIL 2, 2018

Pontiac / Waterford Elks Club

6: pm eat — 7: pm meet

## Homecoming updates

As you all saw in last months Aircooler the registration form and this year we have the option to get Homecoming T-Shirts. Thank you Bob Wittmann for making this happen. I have been looking for help with a few tasks for the event, at the meeting I had sent around a sign up list and I would like to thank all that have stepped up to help. We still need to have someone sign up to do the Road Rally and the Kids Activities, if we don't get anyone to sign up to assist with these we will take the events off of the schedule. It would be a sad if these two events get eliminated from the fun weekend we all enjoy.

**Lori Komora ~ Assistant Chair**

## Winter Wonderland ... my eye!

For many years, my brother Mark and I have made the pilgrimage to downtown Detroit to attend the mecca of hot rod enthusiasts ... the Detroit Autorama at Cobo Hall. It used to take place in January following the new car show, but in recent years has moved back farther on the calendar. This year's show was the weekend of March 2nd. The show has changed its format over the years with the main show on the main floor display area and the newest trends in the hobby relegated to the basement. Main floor is where you find gorgeous rides with awesome paint jobs and endless chrome.

In the basement, the "Extreme" show is the "dark side" that I prefer with it's rat rods, not so shiny but cool, crude customs, Bettie Page inspired gals and rock-a-billy bands blaring. I have always wanted a car in that show but never did ... until this year. I filled the application and mailed it in ... only to have a rejection letter stating that my cool little black coupe didn't meet the criteria of the "Extreme" crowd. SERIOUSLY???? This car has barn fresh patina, Rat Fink stickers and wide white porta-walls! Disappointed ... heck ya! Until I got a call from Craig Balow.

He asked if I would like to add my car to the club display upstairs

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## PRESIDENT

Well...another meeting of the DACC has come and gone. Though I wasn't able to attend, my agents tell me all went well and that I'm still president.

I would like to welcome the new and nearly new members to the family. I would also invite them to take a few minutes of their day to write a short story on how they came to be infected with the Corvaire. This is easier than you would think. Once you get started, you should find it to be quite therapeutic. The first step to recovery is to admit there is a problem...or so I am told. I have had "Corvaire" for 40 years or so and it hasn't killed me yet.

**MARVIN GRANGER**

## Grand Opening Corvaire Museum

May 18-20, 2018

### Chevrolet Hall of Fame

Corvaire Museum Annex

3635 US-36,

Decatur, Illinois

### REGISTRATION:

Registration \$35 per person, includes Museum Admission, Meals and Fun. We'll be posting a registration form here on the CORSA website for you to use.

More events being added as our first ever Corvaire Preservation Foundation Show and Shine weekend evolves.

Event merchandise available,

### LODGING:

For those of you staying over, we arranged special room rates here, at the **Hampton Inn.**

**4855 E. Evergreen Ct.**

**Decatur, IL 62521**

(217) 864-3297

[www.hamptoninn3.hilton.com](http://www.hamptoninn3.hilton.com)

Mention: Convention Code "COR" to get this discounted room rate:

Rate: \$129 per night (plus tax) for:

One Regular King (up to 2 ppl)

Two Queen beds (up to 4 ppl)

\*Free breakfast for each occupant

### Friday... (May 18)

Car Show Prep -- Corvaire Discussions -- Dinner

### Saturday... (May 19)

Swap Meet -- Peoples Choice Car Show — Museum Ribbon Cutting Fun activities -- Catered Dinner -- Awards

### Sunday (May 20)

Swap Meet -- Wrap up & Farewell

## HOMECOMING PLANS

### Volunteers

Please join us in helping put on this event. Please e-mail me ([lkomora1@yahoo.com](mailto:lkomora1@yahoo.com)) with the job you would like to take on and help with.

**Lori Komora, Assistant Chair**

## HOMECOMING DUTIES

Homecoming Chair	Pete Cimbala
Assistant Chair	Lori Komora
Registration Desk	Ruth Riedeman Karen Sterzik —> need 2 more
Pre-registration	Bob Wittmann
Hospitality Chair	Ken & Ruth
Hospitality Internship	—> need
Hospitality Assistants	—> call Ruth (248) 909-9902
BBQ	Paul Koehler
Pop and Water	—> need
Pizza Ordering	—> need
Beer Runs	Gary Komora
Swap Space	Pete Koehler
Calendars	John Allesee
Drive Thru Photos	John Allesee
Ballot Counting	Karen Sterzik
Trailer Hauling	Tim Bramble
Grill and Refrigerator	Tim Bramble
Auction	Marvin Granger
Tent, tables & chairs	Ian Smith
GM Heritage Center	Stu Shuster
Make tickets for GM	Karen Sterzik
Valve Cover Track	Clark Hartzel Ken Heberling
Wine~n~Cheese	Lori, Judy & Anna
Goodie bags collection	Marilyn and Lori
50/50 tickets [Fri]	Gigi & Judy
[Sat]	Donna & Adam
Publicity & Media	Casey Schesky
Tech Talk 1	Mike McKeel
Tech Talk 2	Bill Vellner
Community Liaison	Casey Schesky
(contact Police/Mayor)	—
Road Rally	—> need
Kids Activities	—> need
Hagerty contact	Casey Schesky
Mary Kay contact	Ruth Sweeney
Restaurant contact	—> need
(Discount coupons)	

## March Meeting

Well the new president was supposed to start this month, but to things beyond his control Marvin was unable to make it to the meeting. So we had fun talking behind his back. LOL Bill did a great job stepping into his new role as VP. Bill started off with all of the Board members reports. Bob told us how great the turn out was for the 2nd Saturday event at Ken Hand a lot of learning was going on after a great breakfast. Our next 2nd Saturday breakfast and event will be on March 10th at Daly's for breakfast and going to My Mechanics Place to work on Casey's "60".

Casey gave us an updated Treasury amount of \$7717.38 and was asked why no report in the Aircooler and he indicated that he had submitted one and was unsure why it wasn't in the Aircooler.

My report was we still need help for Homecoming more information elsewhere in the Aircooler.

Clarks last report for membership was that we currently have 130 paid members.

We had a few first time visitors to the meeting tonight, they were, Tom and he has 3 Corvairs a "60, 66 and 68". Mark has a "62" that is almost done. Shawn has a "66". Steve has a previous owned by Pete "60". Mike has a "64" that he is currently trying to sell. More info in Sell & Swap space.

We held our yearly election we were filling the vacancy of Membership Clark is stepping down. We had two crazy men who were throwing their hat into the ring to be our new membership chair. The two crazies were Ken Helbring and John Allesee. The vote took place and our new Membership Chair is going to be John Allesee.

Swap and Sell, John has calendars, Pete has DACC license plates, Sawzall Bill has "62" Blue convertible front seats good condition.

50/50 drawing goes to Steve he walks away with \$60.00 and Attendance \$10 goes to me (Lori).

Ian spoke about Autorama we had a total of 5 Corvairs in attendance, 4 upstairs and 1 Rampside downstairs. He told us it was not a fun task getting his car down to the show. He did not have a trailer to transport the car so he drove it down. We all know of fickle Michigan weather can be. This day it was raining and slushy snow coming down, and of course his heater was not working so he had no defrosters. So down goes the windows and in comes the rain and snow. But it was well worth the time and effort to attend. He recommends that more sign up next year to enter their cars. The ride home was uneventful. **Lori Komora ~ Secretary**

## Board Meeting

Bill V, Clark, John A., Bob W, Pete C, Casey and Lori.

John has revived our registration form on line and over the past month we have been testing it and it appears to be working. Bob has already received 5 registrations online with T-shirt orders as well. Bob had taken the address list from last year and a list that John had from previous years and created a email blast and forwarded to all the registration form and T-shirt order form. If they did not have an email address he created a mailing list and will be mailing off the same to them. **continued on pg. 3**

**Wonderland** continued from pg. 1

... Heck yeah! Take a time machine ahead to move in day, Thursday the 1st. In my infinite wisdom, I decided to drive my car down to Cobo Hall. A fifteen mile drive ... what could happen? Well, I'll tell ya. 30 degrees with a rain and snow mix. Mark followed me to the Show and Go custom car shop to hook up with Craig and his son ... Craig. Did I mention that my car has no heat or defroster? I drove toward I-94 east as the rain turned to heavy snow. As we drove past the big Uniroyal tire on 94, it was now an absolute white out. Driving with the windows down to equalize the temperature inside the car, it was an endless dance of toweling the foggy windshield and reaching around the "A" pillar to slap the 50 year old wipers to get ice off of them while driving between semi's was a challenge. By the time we left the shop with Craig and his son...and his beautiful red '65 coupe ... my car looked like a snow globe. We got into Cobo and set up our spots with my coupe, Craig's coupe, Bill Owens' 1962 Suburbanites tribute drag car. His brother,

Tom, brought a beautiful 1961 Lakewood. Clark Hartzel came along and stayed late on set up day and we all had a blast. The next 3 days, quite a few DACC members showed up and made new friends as well. Everyone seems to have a Corvair story. At the end of it all ... Craig's car won a trophy for compact custom and Bill Owen took home a trophy for a cool mini bike he brought. Great experience! I'll be back ... maybe next time in the basement with the rats!  
**IAN SMITH**

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Casey has been looking into some swag items for homecoming. He also has been looking into new embroidered club shirts for both men and women. Bill suggested it would be nice to get a new club sign to put out at the road for Homecoming and any other event we need signage for. He is going to see what our options are.

It was also discussed that when people renew their memberships to have them confirm that we have correct mailing and email addresses.  
**Lori ~ Secretary**

**The Real Reason for Michigan's Pot Holes**  
 by Harvey Tirebiter

Did you ever wonder why Michigan has so many potholes in the highways and byways around our home State? Well, I'm going to tell you why right now. Yes, it is a conspiracy. The Safety Nazis and Nader's Raiders have conspired with the local DPW agencies across the State to let the roads deteriorate and force us to slow down and take care when trying to get from Point A to Point B. Those of us who don't heed the warnings will eventually pay up in the form of blown tires, bent wheels and even broken suspension parts. Another benefit to this action should be reduced highway maintenance costs and these savings could be returned to the taxpaying public. Yeah. Right!

Here is another take on the problem: I think they are trying to punish tailgaters. Why, you ask? Well, when driving in traffic you really need to stay a safe distance back from the driver in front of you. This will give you a better scan of the road surface you are about to try to traverse. If you are too close to the guy in front you won't see that huge hole that your right front tire is about to disappear into, with disastrous results.

As a result of my study of the road conditions here in Michigan I offer you this sage advice:

1. Take it easy out there. Slow and steady will hopefully get you to your destination with your car's undercarriage still intact.
2. Leave sufficient space between you and the guy in front so you can map out a plan of where to place your tires in between all of the various "imperfections" in the road surface. Your tires, wheels and shock absorbers will thank you.
3. Finally, if you can't slow down and still insist on tailgating and are tired of inflicting damage to your cherished ride, perhaps you should consider a move to another State that has more concern for the condition of their roads. Have you thought about Ohio?

**CAVEMAN PETE KOEHLER**

DACC Homecoming T-Shirts  
 Only \$20



Car Choices			
ES Early Sedan	LW Lakewood/Wagon	RS Loadside/Rampside	LS Late Sedan
EC Early Coupe	GB Greenbrier	CV Corvan	LC Late Coupe
EV Early Convertible			LV Late Convertible

Order Your DACCHomecoming Shirts! Pick up at Homecoming Check-In - \$20 each.

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Make checks payable to DACC. Mail to Bob Wittmann 2830 Treyburn Ln., West Bloomfield, MI 48234

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

Quantity	Car Choice <small>See 2-Letter Codes Above!</small>	Style <small>Women's V-Neck Men's Crew Neck</small>	Size <small>S M L XL 2X 3X</small>	Color <small>White Shirt w/ Black Print Black Shirt w/ White Print</small>	Total <small>\$20 each</small>
Total:					





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## MARCH TREASURY REPORT

\$7717.38  
from  
Casey Schesky, Treasurer

## CHANGING TIMES

I have been a member and participant of the DACC continuously since 1978. As far as I can remember there has been NO time that CLARK HARTZEL has not been an Officer. In fact, he is a founder of the DACC.

The March Election changed all that. Clark has RETIRED from Office. I am sure I speak for all in saying his services will be missed. We wish Clark a HAPPY RETIREMENT! Of course next March will see another election and who knows?

Ken Pepke, EDITOR

## DACC MEMBERSHIP REPORT

MARCH 15, 2018 by John Allesee

**New members:** Gary Szuch, Tom & Jamie Tennant, Jeff and Heather Wise

**Thanks for keeping membership up to date:** Blanchard, Bryan Johnson, Jacobs, Gjokaj, Nugent, Maciejewski, Mascia

**Due in Jan.:** Babbish

**Due in Feb.:** Irons, McCormick, McKean. McKean.

**Due in Mar.:** Sheffer, Spry.

**Due in Apr.:** Anstine, Blhum, Kay Graham, Kurt Graham, B. Granger, Gross, Roerink, Shultz, Shuster.

**Due in May:** Ambrozy, Beaver, Duve, Euesden, Hartzel Joachim, Lehman, Menzing, Monk, Poskie, Rollins.

**Due in June:** Chapman, Grahovac, O'Leary, Reisig.

We have 136 paid members and 6 who owe dues.

We are mailing 10 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, John Allesee – DACC P. O. Box 549 Saline, MI 48176-0549

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 membership@detroitcorvairs.com  
phone (734) 216-3332

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.

**AIRCOOLER SUBMISSION DEADLINE**

17<sup>th</sup>

## SELL & SWAP

ADS ARE FREE TO ALL – SEND TO [kenpepke@yahoo.com](mailto:kenpepke@yahoo.com)

**FOR SALE:** 64 Monza Burgundy/Blk. 2 dr. PG. A/C Florida, no rust. old repaint & orig. int. tint glass. Brake & fuel system work + many new parts. \$7000 Mike DePetla 1-248-652-7199 Rochester, MI -- Incls big box parts (April)

**FOR SALE:** Eastwood Body Cart - next best to rotisserie for restoring vehicle. Width & Length adjustable; 4 4 inch casters, (2 lockable). apart for transport. \$375.00 (OBO) [done28@comcast.net](mailto:done28@comcast.net) Don Eichstaedt, 248-552-8030 Southfield MI (Nov)

**FOR SALE:** 66 500 2dr – 110hp 4spd? white, red int - not run, possible resto \$500 OBO **ALSO:** 61 Monza 4 dr pg – eng apart – gold & gold int \$500 OBO Dennis O'Neal 231 3474759 2778 River Rd. Petosky, MI 490770 **ALSO:** 2 '78 Chevy PU & 84 Lincoln MK VII turbo diesel – open to offers (Nov)

**FOR SALE:** 1968 Monza coupe. 110 HP Pg. Engine by Ken Hand. Red carpet trunk w/ wiper motor & master cyl cover - Blk bucket int. Wire wheel covers. 4 rear brake lights. Chrome rack on deck lid. Trailer hitch & wiring plug. Pin striping & rub rail - Bumper guards front & rear. \$5500 Dave Guindon Warren, MI 586-758-6915 **Also for sale:** small utility trailer enclosed with clam shell lid. Painted red to match car. \$600. (Oct)

**FOR SALE:** (4) 13" hubcaps with spoke going out from the center. have nuts on them - Chevy emblem in the middle. look good. Mike Simms 313-386-1754 (Sept)

## 2018 DACC CALENDARS

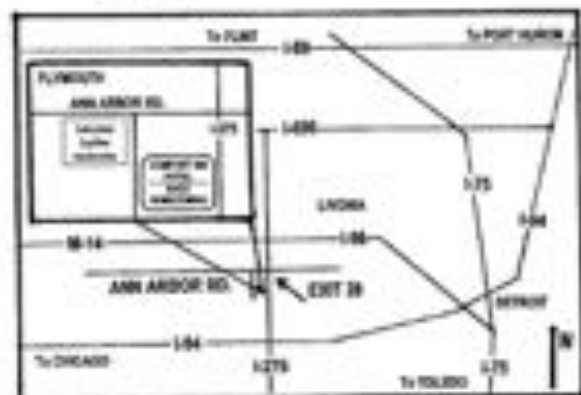
order at [www.allesee.com/calendar](http://www.allesee.com/calendar).

Thanks, John Allesee



# 39th DACC Homecoming

Featuring  
GM Heritage Center  
August 23 -26, 2018



For additional information contact  
**PETE CIMBALA**  
810-621-9866 or 810-241-8593  
Email: hcinfo@detroitcorvairs.com

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Hotel location for most activities:  
**COMFORT INN of PLYMOUTH**  
40455 Ann Arbor Rd, Plymouth, MI 48170  
Phone: 734-455-8100

- 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
  - Women's Activities as posted
  - GM Heritage Center (\$10 extra)
  - Valve Cover Races
  - Swap Meet // Car Care Clinic // Tech Session
  - 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
  - Women's Activities as posted
  - 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 \$89 plus tax, per night. The \$89 special rate also includes Thursday night.

Fill in the form below and mail with check payable to DACC: DACC c/o Bob Wilhann 2830 Treyburn Ln, West Bloomfield, MI 48234  
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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 (s) 2 or 4 Door \_\_\_\_\_

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 (1<sup>st</sup> 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 \_\_\_\_\_ \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Calendar \$10 (1<sup>st</sup> calendar is included) How many extra calendars \_\_\_\_\_ \$ \_\_\_\_\_

T-Shirts See attached sheet for cost and options **MUST be paid by Aug 1<sup>st</sup>** \_\_\_\_\_ \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Take a chance to get your room at Comfort Inn this weekend for free \$5 each ticket How many tickets wanted \_\_\_\_\_ \$ \_\_\_\_\_

If payment is received by August 7<sup>th</sup> 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 \$ \_\_\_\_\_



**DACC ACTIVITIES**

**Here is the lineup for 2018:**

- Ann Arbor
- Back to the Bricks
- Concours d’Lemons
  - Davisburg
  - Decatur
  - Gilmore
- Homecoming
- Orphan Car Show
  - Pittsburgh
- Plunkett Estate
  - Sloan
  - Stahl’s

Be healthy, be happy, be there!

**John O’Leary – Activities + Bob Wittmann — “Communication”**

**2018  
DACC CALENDARS**

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**Thanks,  
John Allesee**

**MECHANICAL REPAIRS / BODY WORK:**

Show and Go Collision 9103 Chalmers Detroit, MI 48213 Tom Cavatio (313) 371-9085

**PARTS & SERVICES:**

Mike McKeel - Mechanical Repairs / Parts & Tech Advice (734) 485-2729 [vaircare67@gmail.com](mailto:vaircare67@gmail.com)  
Clark’s Corvair parts 400 Mohawk Trail, Shelburne Falls, MA. 01370 (413) 625-9776

**CONSIGNMENT SALES:**

North American Classic Cars – 27222 Plymouth Rd. Redford, MI 48239 [www.northamericanclassics.com](http://www.northamericanclassics.com)

On line ads provide our members with a quick reference guide to satisfy their Corvair needs

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