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THE MONTHLY NEWSLETTER OF
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CORSA CHAPTER 217

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NOTES FROM THE MARCH MEETING: President Tom Rahochik called the meeting to order at 7 pm with 14 members present on a chilly night. While we were all looking forward to the first day of Spring the following week with thoughts of warmer weather and clear roads, Mother Nature threw us a curve with 8+ inches of snow!

TREASURER'S REPORT: Treasurer Bob Millard reports that the current balance is \$1,491.58. He is deeply involved with preparation for final exams coming up at school and hopes to be here for the May meeting

NEW BUSINESS

In the past, our club would venture out to Pizza Hut for the April Meeting to enjoy their offerings. However, after a bad experience there a few years ago we discontinued the practice. Your secretary sought out the management at the dealership and learned that they would have no objection to us bringing pizza in for our meeting. So it was motioned and approved for the club to pay for the pizza and President Tom offered to bring in soda and cups, Bruce Culp is bringing ice, Debbie Maynard is bringing tossed salad and Carletta Moats is bringing cookies for dessert. Members are requested to reply to an Advanced Meeting Notice sent I sent out to let me know how many are attending. As a gesture of appreciation, we also decided to include sufficient pizzas to supply the 14/15 dealership employees on site on meeting nights.

OLD BUSINESS

Dick Kaetzel reports that the Rohrersville Show will include two Corvair Classes and the Fire Company will provide the trophies. We will assist with show field set up on the night before the event scheduled for Saturday, August 4.

A Spring Driving Tour is in the planning stage with Dick Kaetzel taking care of arrangements. Our route will focus on Southern Washington County/Jefferson County WV with a stop in Halltown and Williamsport to tour auto collections. Details to follow.

Logo/Banner design concepts were circulated by your Secretary and the consensus was to update the design used on tee shirts and jackets from back in the 90's. I am also consulting with Ellen Frazier of the FSK club on producing the design on her graphics program. In addition, I am getting quotes on a banner from some sign shops in Frederick – will have that info for the meeting.

OTHER TOPICS

We talked about having a facebook page but there was just lukewarm interest by the members present. However, it may be beneficial for us to have our own Facebook page particularly to attract some younger members. Your secretary will set up a page as time permits and will advise when it's up and running.

A current Membership Roster is included with this Newsletter, please review your information and let me know if there are updates, additions or corrections. If you want us to recognize your birthdays and anniversaries but don't want to give the year, that information is optional.

As we went around the room we heard about everyone's latest triumphs or tribulations with their Corvairs. There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:45

2018 CAR SHOW/EVENT CALENDAR:

Here are Corvair Only shows and events that are not listed on the Car Show Calendar attached to this newsletter/

May 18-20 Virginia Vair Fair, Winchester, VA Each year in the spring, the three Corvair clubs in Virginia hold a weekend event called the "Vair Fair". A number of activities are held over the weekend including a Corvair show, rally and parts sales. 2018 Vair Fair will be held May 18-20 in Winchester, VA. The link to the hotel (Hampton Inn) is below and if you reserve a room before April 20, you will get the cheaper rate of \$96/night. After April 20, the price goes up to over a \$100/night. for more details visit [-sites.google.com/site/centralvirginiacorvairclub/home](https://sites.google.com/site/centralvirginiacorvairclub/home) or call Jeff Roadcap 540-908-0010. Event registration \$20/\$25 Car Show \$15/18 Rally \$10/12

May 18-19 Corvair Museum Grand Opening with swap meet, car show, food and fun. Decatur, Illinois. Ribbon Cutting Ceremonies scheduled for noon on Saturday

May 20 Corvair Ranch Open House Car Show and Free Lunch 9am to 4 pm rain or shine. Raffle Tickets for prizes, Corvair Trivia Questions for Prizes, Demonstration of "One New Tech- the Thermistor Replacement" by our member Pete Faulkner, Demonstration of Gas Heaters by Jeb and Maeve Anderson. Anyone interested in buying parts are requested to pre order so Jeff and his crew can enjoy the day.

July 23-28, 2018 CORSA INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION - PITTSBURGH, PA

It looks like we have 6-8 members planning to attend so far. Check the website for full details
www.corvairpittsburgh.com

Western PA Club sent out the following communication: Conventioneers - - The host hotel, the DoubleTree Hotel in Greentree, PA has 460 rooms. They are not blocking any for us. Instead they are releasing rooms as needed with no limit. If we take up the whole hotel so be it. As of today (?) There are 167 rooms reserved. With that said, sometimes they are slow to release more rooms for our convention. This is at the corporate level, not the people in Greentree. We have run into this unfortunately before, but gets cleared up rather quickly, Usually a day or two. Hilton corporate says they will not take reservations if you call the front desk, the computer will show that there is no convention at all. That is why if you don't reserve online at www.corvairpittsburgh.com or call their reservation line at 1-800-222-8733 and use code CCA, there may be an issue. If any other requests or problems exist, please email call or fill out the contact information on the website and I will get back to you
Jim Weppelman 412-577-6447 cell/text Western PA Corvair Club

August 18 FSK AAC Rose Hill Show – we have 3 pre-registered of the ten we need for a Corvair Class

September 22 Central PA's Corvair Day AACA Museum, Hershey PA so save the date and details will be forthcoming. We do know that there will not be any moving events.

CORVAIRS FOR SALE

1964 Spyder Convertible 30 years with same owner, Very good condition, tan exterior/brown interior/tan top wire wheel covers, \$16,000.00 Jerry 717-860-3524

1965 Monza Convertible, 110, PG, new white top, new tires, new brakes, new gas tank, new ignition, parts, rebuilt carbs, red w/red Interior. Runs great thanks to Dick and Dale A. Needs body work. 60k miles
\$2,000.00 obo Julia Glendenning 410-848-2715

1965 Monza Convertible 140/PG belonged to Norm Masenheimer of CPCC, being sold by his family contact Lou Trimper 717-359-0712

1965 Corvair Corsa Coupe, 140 hp, 4-speed. Yellow with black interior. This car belonged to a former Group Corvair member and has been parked in a dry garage for about the last 27 years, the odometer indicates 63,779 miles on the car. The engine can be turned by hand. The interior is in generally decent condition although the side of the driver's seat has been patched with tape. The body has some rust in the usual places but it is not excessive; the floors and trunk seem to be in good condition. There has been some sheet metal damage that appears to be relatively easy to straighten out. The car will need a brake overhaul, tires and a cleaning of the fuel system in order to make it run. Overall this Corsa appears to be a sound basis for a restoration. Asking \$2,000. Please contact the owner at ldgray1@yahoo.com for more information.

CORVAIRS IN THE MEDIA

Once again *Hemmings Classic Cars* May Edition gives Corvairs attention in Richard Lintenello's editorial. The article has a picture probably taken at Clarks/Bay State event showing a show field full of Corvairs. He also says he will be at the Grand Opening of the Corvair Museum in Illinois and will attend the CORSA International Convention in Pittsburgh. Tom showed us a new Burger King commercial which shows an early Corvair along the side of the road with heavy smoke coming out of the front. As passerby's come rushing with their fire extinguishers, the Burger King character appears with an assistant wielding a spatula and they are flipping burgers on a blazing grill in the trunk. There was an MSN article that originated on Road & Track magazine listing 15 cars that were ahead of their time and the '62 Olds F85 Jetfire and the '62 Corvair Monza Spyder were included for the first use of turbocharging in a production auto. Others on the list included 1948 Tucker, 1955 Mercedes Benz 300SL, 1986 Porsche 959, 1976 Aston Martin Lagonda, Lamborghini Miura. Those are some awesome automobiles to be included on the same list with.

UPCOMING BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

On April 9, Web and Doris Utz will be celebrating their 64th Wedding Anniversary!!!! **Congratulations Web and Doris.**



April 21 Web Utz We hear that Web is having some medical issues and has been unable to drive. Get Well Soon Web and we hope to see you back at meetings in the near future!

CORVAIR TRIVIA

This month's question – What popular comedian/TV personality of the 50's and early 60's was fatally injured when he crashed his 1961 Corvair Lakewood into a utility pole?

Answer for March Corvair Trivia How many Corvairs were produced worldwide 1960-1969? - 1,839,439
1960-64 1,449,998 (78.8%) 1965-69 389,451 (21.2%)

NEXT MEETING:

Our next meeting will be **PIZZA NIGHT** on Wednesday April 11, 2018 at 7:00 in the Conference Room adjacent to the Service Customer Waiting Area at Fitzgerald's Auto Mall, 116 Baughmans Lane, Frederick, Maryland

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