

# The Flat Six Journal

Mid Continent Corvair Association Newsletter

November 2019



Thirty Corvairs were on display in the Courthouse Square of Carthage, MO for the '19 Great Plains Corvair Roundup. The Corvair event was part of the Maple Leaf Festival . Story on pgs 4 & 5. Lareina Saindon photo.

## Italian Dinner Meeting

A proper ending for an outstanding year for MCCA will be the Italian Dinner/Meeting hosted by Bob and Lee Bright on November 9th. The dinner will start at 6 pm at Bob's Garage 210 E. Walnut in Derby.

Bob is cooking up a variety of Italian main dishes, providing tables, dinner ware and a warm spot. Attendees are asked to bring a side dish and if they don't want to stand to eat, chairs.

The October MCCA meeting was combined with Luna Tuna on

October 12, due to the 2019 Great Plains Corvair Roundup landing on the third Saturday of October. There was good weather and a good turnout for the Tuna/Meeting. See the story on pages 4 & 5

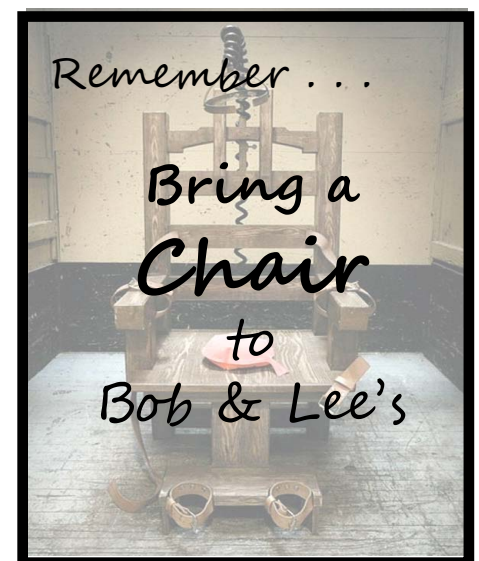
Several MCCA members attended the Great Plains Corvair Roundup in Carthage, MO on October 19. Coverage of the Roundup hosted by the Green Country Corvair Association out of Tulsa is on pages 6 & 7. Next year's Roundup will be hosted by the Arkansas Corvair club.

The only MCCA business that needs to be wrapped up for 2019 is getting photos and putting together a 2020 MCCA Corvair Calendar. Help is needed on this project. Terry Kalp reported that he only has about half the photos he needs for a year calendar. Check out the story on page 3 for information on how you can help.

Looking forward to another great MCCA year in 2020

**Nov. Meeting**  
**Saturday,**  
**Nov. 9th 6 pm**

Bob and Lee Bright's  
210 E. Walnut, Derby, KS



# Corvair for Sale

**\*\*\*LOWER PRICE\*\*\* \$7000**  
**FOR SALE** Orange Crush 1966  
 Corvair 500 Sport Sedan 4 door.  
 110 hp engine with automatic  
 Factory Air Conditioning, clock  
 and folding rear seat. Beautiful  
 Orange Crush (Ford Color) exterior  
 with a fresh tan interior. A real  
 attention getting combination.  
 Supplemental electric fuel pump.

New Chrome Cragar Five spoke  
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 appearing modern AM/FM radio.  
 \$7000, contact **Ken Meyer at 316-  
 214-8020**. Selling because we just  
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 convertible Solid, clean driver.  
 110 hp engine with automatic  
 PowerGlide transmission. Rebuilt  
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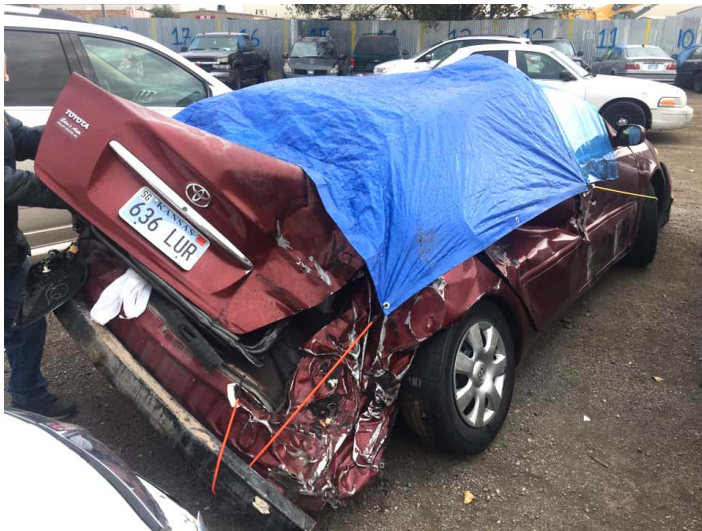
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## MCCA '20 Calendar

We only have about half the number of photos we need for the 2020 calendars. It is time for MCCA members to provide photos of their Corvairs for the 2020 MCCA calendar. There are many club Corvairs that should be in the calendar. Deadline for photos is Thanksgiving. If you have an interest in the calendar project contact Terry at 316-882-3056 or let him know at the November meeting.

The cost of the calendars should be between \$10-15. Existing photos may be used or new photos can be taken. Terry will take photos of your Corvair if needed. All Photos and orders will need to be to Terry by the end of November.

This is not a fund-raiser the calendars will be sold at cost. If you have questions contact Terry.



Tiffany Smith was involved in a bad accident last week when a large truck tried to park in her trunk on I 135. No major injuries, but she is quite stiff and sore.

## Check out MCCA On Facebook



Mid-Continent Corvair  
Association

[https://www.facebook.com/  
groups/105523176146520/](https://www.facebook.com/groups/105523176146520/)



Sean Whetstone had this running LM 110 hp Corvair engine for sale at the Hutchinson swap meet. Has a sticky lifter, wants \$400 for it. Sean is a student in the Restoration program at McPherson College.

## Hutch Swap Meet

There were a few more Corvair items than usual at the Fall swap meet at the Hutchinson Fair Grounds. Sean Whetstone was selling a running Corvair engine and he had some 140 hp parts, including heads he had reworked in his engine building class at McPherson College.

As usual there were hubcaps and a Road King 1:18 scale '69 Corvair convertible die cast. A couple of 1964 dealer show room signs were interesting.



This vintage dealer show room poster featuring the 1964 Corvair and Chevy II model lineup was in excellent shape and priced accordingly.

# LUNA TUNA

By Terry Kalp

When I arrived to open the doors to the Kalp Shop for Luna Tuna, there was one person waiting for me. Dave Larsen traveled the longest distance and was there first. He came from Lincoln, Nebraska, but arrived on Friday and stayed at a nearby hotel.

Following the usual pattern people trickled in after the doors were open the the wood stove loaded and lit. Mike B. from Salina arrived with his project. He had a freshly rebuilt LM differential that had been powder coated and loosely assembled. It was needing the bearing preloads set and tooth pattern adjusted.

When Mike Dawson arrived with Scott Allison from Kansas



Greg Renfro, Roy Juenemann and Lyle Ackerman parked their Corvairs out front. Dennis Fuller trailered a EM coupe that Bill Smith purchased.

City, Mike Dawson dove in the the differential. As we all know not every project runs smooth. This one had a couple of hiccups. First the added thickness of the powder coating on some surfaces kept the side bearing adjusters from seating deep enough to preload the side bearings. Of course powder coating is not designed to come off very easily. With some encouragement

from a few sharp knives, some sandpaper, and the wire wheel the offending surfaces were cleaned.

The next bump in the process was creating a tool that would engage the internal splines of the pinion shaft on one end and provide a nut on the other for the inch-pound torque wrench.

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Mike B uses to remove some powdercoating from a mating surface.



Bob Frenc, Secretary, reads last month's minutes at the short business meeting held after lunch. Then members went back to work or naps.



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Luckily, I had an old mainshaft in the back of the shop . . . and I could find it. Some of the gears were stripped off the shaft, a nut was welded on the end and it was ready to go. The differential setup process was on the down hill run.

Another major project was Bill Smith working on Tiffany's EM sedan. The engine shrouding had been removed, blasted and painted. He needed to replace the gaskets on the oil cooler adapter on both the oil cooler and block sides. Bill replaced the top cover gaskets, and choke thermostats. That kept him busy.

For the pot-luck lunch, Greg Renfro brought a Crock Pot of his infamous "Spicy" Chilli. For the less adventuresome there was stew, plus a lot of tasty side dishes and dessert. Lonene Ackerman pro-



After lunch and most projects wound up, members inspect a 10' x 10' dining fly donated by Ken and Nora Meyer, and repaired by Terry Kalp.

vided excellent fall themed decorations for the table.

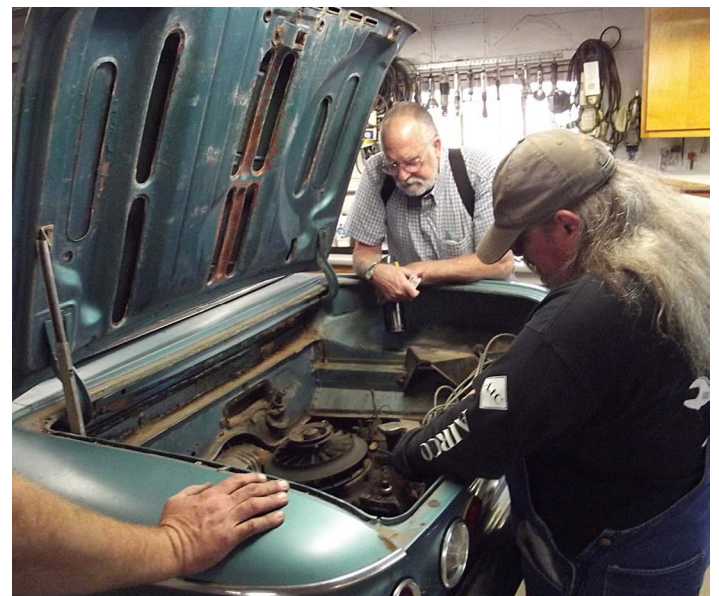
After the meal was a quick business meeting. It was decided to purchase a 10' x 10' dining fly to match the one donated by the Meyers.

The final project was Lloyds

Yellow '64 convertible. It had been stolen and recovered the day before. The generator wasn't charging. Mike Dawson took charge and thru testing decided the generator was bad. Couldn't find a decent replacement at the shop. Mike did a quick tune up and it ran better.



Mike Dawson and Mike B work on solving the issue of the side adjuster sleeves not snuging down enough to set the bearing pre-load.



Roy Juenemann and Dennis Fuller check out Bill Smith's progress on the engine compartment of Tiffany's EM. Bill was resealing and installing shrouds.



Friday night some of the Roundup Corvairs gathered up in front of the Courthouse Lyle Ackerman photo.

## '19 Roundup

The morning of the Roundup was initially drizzly but ended rather quickly, becoming partly sunny and warm by midday. Approximately 350 vehicles of all makes participated in the Maple Leaf Car Show. Thirty of those were Corvairs in the Corvair Roundup. The car show was on and around the Courthouse Square in Carthage, MO.

For Saturday evening dinner Roundup organizers rented the entire Cascade Steakhouse. The count for dinner was 53. Host hotel was the Precious Moments Quality Inn Hotel near the Precious Moments Chapel and Museum.

MCCA members attending were Mark and Darlene Welte in their '65 Corsa turbo coupe, Lyle and



Mark Welte's '65 Corsa is always a car show favorite. The black paint pops. Photo by Lareina Sainden.

Lonene Ackerman no Corvair, Scott Allison cruised in his green '67 Monza Sport Sedan and Keith Hammet arrived in style with his '65 Corsa convertible.

Winners in the Corvair Class were: 1st Patty Hodkin, evening orchid 65 Corsa Coupe. 2nd Greg King, Burgundy 1965 Corsa Coupe. He drove from Snohomish Washington 2500+ miles. 3rd place: Robin Renner, but from Joplin. 1962 Seafoam Monza. This car is a survivor of the Joplin tornado.



Lots of shiny Corvairs and shade in the Carthage Courthouse Square. Photo by Lareina Sainden

## 2019 Roundup . . .



Before: Lloyd Folger's 8-door '61 Corvan for sale at the 2013 Wichita Roundup. Jerry Pentzer bought it.



After: Jerry completely revamped the 8-door and displayed it at the '19 Roundup. Photo by Marilyn Ash



Mark and Darlene Welte joined the OKC Corvair table for Saturday night Roundup dinner at the Kaskadee Steak House. Photo by Scott Allison

## 2019 Events

**November 9, 2019: Saturday** November MCCA Pot Luck dinner and meeting at Bob and Lee Bright's 210 E. Walnut, Derby, KS, 6 pm. Bring a chair and a side dish.. Contact Bill Smith 316-469-9882

### No December Meeting

## 2020 Events

**January 11, 2020: Saturday** January MCCA Regular meeting. Oaklawn Activity Center, 4904 S. Clifton, Ave. Wichita, KS 7 pm. Contact Bill Smith 316-469-9882

**February 8, 2020: Saturday** February MCCA Pre-Spring Fling dinner meeting at 6 pm. Location to be announced. Contact Bill Smith 316-469-9882

**February 15, 2020: Saturday** Cold Tuna. Kalp Shop 2140 W. 101st Street North, Valley Center, KS 8 am till ????. Contact Terry Kalp 316-882-3056

**March 14, 2020: Saturday** March MCCA Regular meeting. Oaklawn Activity Center, 4904 S. Clifton, Ave. Wichita, KS 7 pm. Contact Bill Smith 316-469-9882

**April 3, 2020: Friday** April MCCA Central and West Show & Shine. Corner of Central and West streets in Wichita, KS 5-9 pm. Contact Bill Smith 316-469-9882

**April 11, 2019: Saturday** April MCCA Regular meeting. Oaklawn Activity Center, 4904 S. Clifton, Ave. Wichita, KS 7 pm. Contact Bill Smith 316-469-9882



# Ran When Parked . . .

The Roundup was part of the Maple Leaf Festival Car Show. Included in the show was a group of vintage tractors. Lyle and Loniene Ackerman spotted this display of a tractor in over the axles.



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**6 pm**  
**Nov. 10th**

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# Ten Years Ago Photo



2009 Luna Tuna. Scott Allison "schools" his help on repair methods for the notorious manual choke Y used on 1961 Corvairs. Scott drove his LM sedan down from Kansas City, brought some treats, then spent his day helping others on their projects.



## Calendar

November Dinner Meeting  
 at Bob & Lee's Nov. 9

NO December Meeting

January Meeting Jan. 11

February Dinner Meeting  
 Pre-Spring Fling Feb. 8

Cold Tuna Feb. 15

March Meeting March 14

April Meeting April 11