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club

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Formed By And For Those Who Still Appreciate The CORVAIR Automobile

*** Celebrating our 50th anniversary 1973 - 2023 ***



The NFCC June meeting had four members bring their Corvairs to the NY State Travel Plaza on Grand Island. So after the meeting we could do a bit of "Car Talk", especially regarding Tom Koprevich's blow through turbo set up on his 140 Monza Spyder. Quite impressive!



MEMBERSHIP DUES

Club Membership - \$10.00 per year for e-mail newsletter. Dues may be paid at monthly meeting or by mailing to:

Dick Dahmer 53 Melberry Trail, Orchard Park, NY 14127 Membership year runs from July 1 to June 30.

-----Membership APPLICATION-----

NIAGARA FRONTIER CORVAIR CLUB

NAME _____ CORSA Member? Yes/No _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____

PHONE _____ E-MAIL ADDRESS _____

DATE _____

MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO: NIAGARA FRONTIER CORVAIR CLUB

Niagara Frontier Corvair Club
C/O Gary Swiatowy
7838 Chestnut Ridge Road,
Gasport, NY 14067

-----ESTABLISHED 1973-----

A Chartered Chapter of the Corvair Society of America

President	Pat Murphy	(716) 861-8749
Vice President	Gary Swiatowy	(716) 716-439-5194
Secretary	John Dawley/volunteer fill in	(716) 832-8551
Treasurer	Dick Dahmer	(716) 480-7713
Membership	Dick Dahmer	(716) 480-7713

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NFCC Events and more!

NFCC MEETING SCHEDULE

NFCC Meeting Wednesday August 23rd, 7:00 PM at the First Trinity Lutheran Church 1570 Niagara Falls Boulevard Tonawanda **If anyone is interested in meeting for dinner at 5:30 PM before the meeting.** Buffalo Wild Wings on Niagara Falls Boulevard. Anyone interested please let me know ahead of time so I know how big a table to get.

In case you don't know. There are newsletter options. Your membership includes our monthly NFCC newsletter, but you also have the option to receive several other clubs newsletters as well. This could be 10 or more additional Corvair club newsletters from across the country, filled with cars for sale, tech tips and more. Most of you already receive the additional newsletters, If you are not receiving them, and want them you have to let me know by e-mail, If you are receiving them and do not want them, you have to let me know that as well by e-mail. gswiatowy@rochester.rr.com

CLARK'S CORVAIR PARTS OUR 50TH ANNIVERSARY -2023

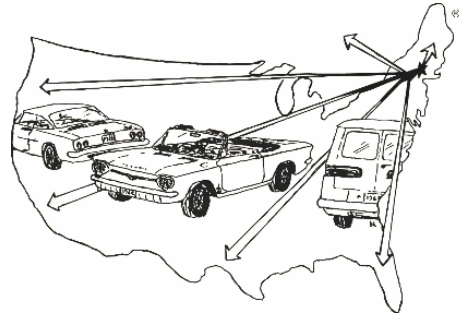
Thanks to the support of 1,000's of Corvair owners over the last 50 years we continue to grow and reproduce more parts every year. We respect your trust and always put our customers first. We would also like to thank our 24 employees, 10 have been with us over 20 years and some as long as 46! Have a great year and enjoy our monthly sales and specials all year-Joan & Cal Clark

SPECIAL SALES EVERY MONTH- each month we'll send an email (if you have signed up) and also list in a special sale section on our Home page www.corvair.com

FREE 50th MEMENTO gifts with your first order in 2023

FREE CATALOG WITH AN ORDER- if you have not received a free 2019-2025 catalog yet, just ask for one.

LIST YOUR CORVAIR FOR SALE- NO CHARGE- sell your Corvair or a spare you just don't have time for! For all of 2023 we will list it on our website at NO CHARGE- check the website for details (Corvairs For Sale)



WHEELS FOR WHISKERS

TO BENEFIT
PETS ALIVE, WNY



THANK YOU
FOR YOUR SUPPORT!!

PEDALS FOR PAWS

Saturday, August 12, 2023 ~ 12NOON-4PM

raindate: Sunday, August 13, 2023

Pets Alive WNY, 7007 Campbell Blvd., Pendleton, NY 14120

Gates Open/Registration: 11AM *no early arrivals, please*

Awards: 4PM

\$12.00 Pre-Registration, by August 1, 2023 ~ \$15.00 Day-Of Registration

Pre-Register to enter drawing for \$25 restaurant gift certificate

Dash Plaques for 1st 50 registered cars, compliments of Niagara Frontier Corvair Club

Cruisers' Choice, Club Participation, & Sponsors' Choice Awards

50/50

Basket Raffle

coffee, hot dogs, potato chips, & soft drinks available

Tunes 'n Trivia

Basket O' Booze Raffle ★ 1 free ticket for each Friskees Cat Food can donated or tickets available for purchase ★

FOR MORE INFO & RAINDATE STATUS, CALL PAT (716) 861-8749

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NAME: _____ CITY/STATE/ZIP CODE: _____
ADDRESS: _____ PHONE #: _____
E-MAIL ADDRESS: _____ CLUB AFFILIATION: _____
CAR YEAR/MAKE/MODEL: _____ DATE: _____
SIGNATURE: _____

* please make \$12.00 pre-registration check payable to Pets Alive WNY *

* please mail to Wheels for Whiskers - Pedals for Paws, c/o Pets Alive WNY, 7007 Campbell Blvd., Pendleton NY 14120 by August 1, 2023 *

July 26th Meeting Minutes

Persons in attendance:

This meeting was held at the Grand Island Travel Center. Those in attendance were:

John Dawley
Pat Murphy
Dick Dahmer

Gary Swiatowy
Tom Koprevich

Treasurers / Membership Report:

Dick Dahmer read off the Treasury status. It was approved by all. Dick also advised notice has been sent to all persons owing club dues for this year. So far there are 24 paid members and 9 are past due.

Old Business:

Club By-Laws / Constitution

Dick Dahmer advised he was willing to add his expertise and take on up-dating this document. A motion was made and seconded agreeing to Dick's offer in organizing an update.

Wheels for Whiskers cruise

Pat gave a quick rundown for this up coming event on Aug 12th. Since much work will be needed, volunteers will be greatly appreciated. The show will run from 12:00 am to 4:00 pm and help will be needed prior to its start time.

New Business:

Meeting Location

Our next meeting on 8/23 will be returning to the Church and starting at 7:00pm.

Clark's gift certificates

Our second \$10.00 Clark gift certificate was awarded after a drawing from a deck of cards. Dick Dahmer was the lucky recipient.

NFCC Road Trip

More plans for our 9/10 road trip to Grant's Toy Farm were discussed. Contact was made with Cliff Grant to confirm our visit. Details for lunch and possible winery visit are being firmed-up. So far, the following applies:

Meeting place ----- Tim Horton's in Lockport on Transit Rd

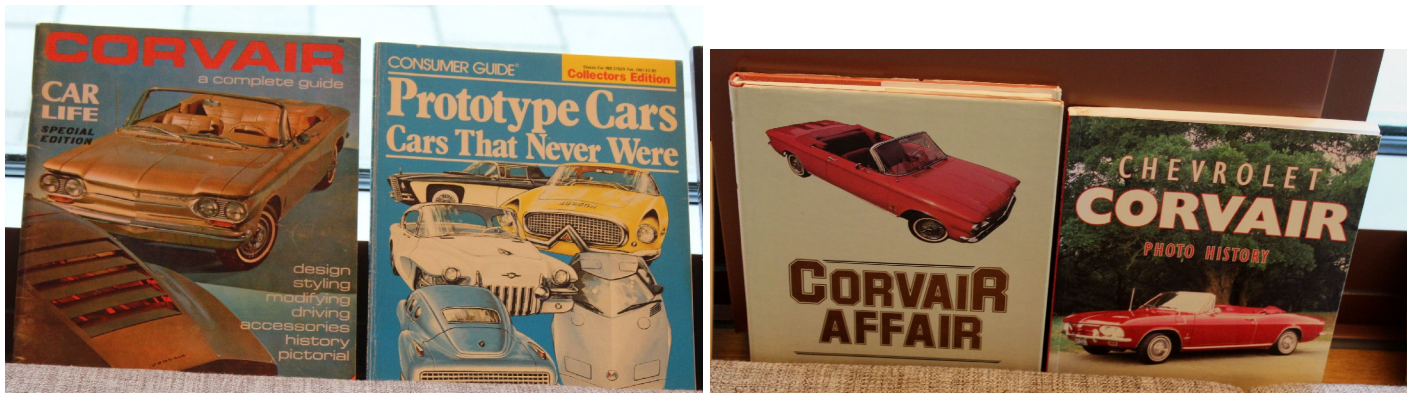
Leave Tim Horton's ----- 9:15 am

Arrival at Toy Farm ----- 10:00 am approx..

Lunch at Willow Brook Golf Club --- Roughly 1:30 to 2:00 pm

I hope everyone has had a good month and I am looking forward to seeing you at our August 23rd meeting.

John Dawley



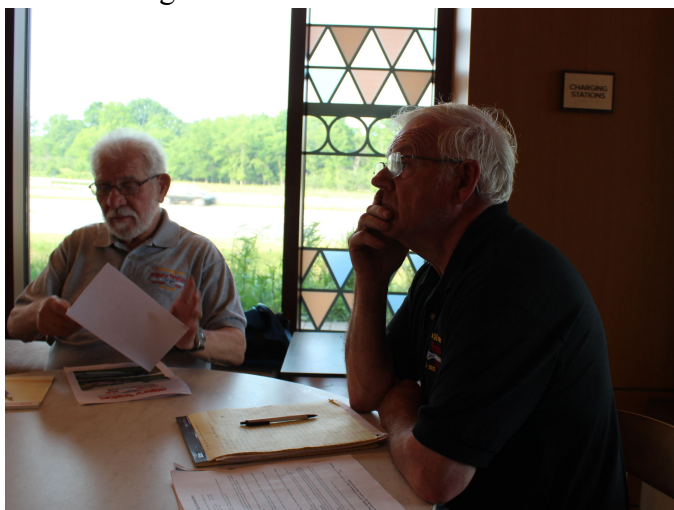
Joe Grifasi brought along several of his Corvair book collection to the June meeting, thanks for sharing.



More of Joe Grifasi's literature collection



June meeting at the Travel Plaza





Well after owning the car for 37 years now Luke is taking it to a show. On Grand Island "Tom's Garage" had a car show on his front lawn on Sunday 7/30. About 70 cars shoed up after the planned Sat show was postponed, due to rain. Luke was given a First Place trophy made from engine parts. It now sits on his dresser.....Bill Gworek Sr.

SHUFFLE *off to* **BUFFALO**

FOR NIAGARA FRONTIER ANTIQUE & CLASSIC BOATS
44TH ANNUAL BOAT AND CAR SHOW

FEATURING CENTURY BOATS

9.09.23 BUFFALO LAUNCH CLUB GRAND ISLAND, NY

This is a great setting for a car and boat show. Music, classic boats, buffet breakfast available, In a beautiful setting with lots to see and do.

the new Root Beer Float Cruise Night

Presented by Peregrine SENIOR LIVING

to benefit **ALZHEIMER'S ASSOCIATION®**
WNY Chapter

Thursday, September 21, 2023 ~ 6-8pm
Gates open: 5:30pm (no early arrivals, please) ~ Awards: 7:30pm

Peregrine Senior Living at Cheektowaga
575 Cayuga Creek Rd, Cheektowaga NY 14227

Dash Plaques to 1st 35 cars

Free Root Beer Floats	Raffles & 50/50	Live Music by: Come for the music, stay for the Madness!	\$1.00 Hot Dogs, Pizza, & Drinks	Resident's Choice & Sponsor Awards
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All proceeds to benefit
The WNY Chapter of the Alzheimer's Association

Special appearance from "Pin Ups for a Cause"

For more information, please call
Kelly ~ 716.393.7929 or Joe ~ 716.240.1471

This is a smoke free & alcohol free event—Thank you for your cooperation!

YES! The Rootbeer Float Cruise has returned, but not at Beechwood (which got cancelled this year due to Canadian fire smoke) But a different nursing home venue.

\$1 hot dogs, pizza, and drinks, what a bargain!

See flyer above, hope to see you all there!

I would like to thank Chuck Facklam for including us for the special event at the Buffalo Transportation Museum. We got to hear Jeff Mahl tell the story of his grandfather George Schuster's epic journey driving a 1907 Buffalo built Thomas Flyer from NY to Paris to win the Great Race of 1908! The story is interesting as it started in the dead of winter, no heat, no windshield, no AAA, no anti-freeze, no snowplows, and very few roads! 22,000 miles in 169 days. The car and driver remain Buffalo's only championship win.



Jeff Mahl seated behind the wheel of the Thomas Flyer with the American flag his grandfather carried around the world in 1908



Chuck had quite the busy week at the Transportation Museum.



We also got to see two Thomas Flyers run and drive on museum property This one had a 784 cubic inch, 6-cylinder with 2 spark plugs per cylinder, developing 70 horsepower with 5 and 1/2 inch bore and 5 and 1/2 inch stroke.



This 1903 Thomas on the other hand had a 106 cubic inch one cylinder motor. Fenders shook on this one.



Pat Murphy and I had to have our picture taken with the Historic Thomas Flyer.



Hey, I actually got my picture in for a change!.....Gary For more pictures I have 2 albums posted:

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