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Formed By And For Those Who Still Appreciate The CORVAIR Automobile

*** Celebrating our 53nd anniversary 1973 - 2026 ***



Pat Murphy won his first award with the 60 horn slot cat at the final Williamsville-Amherst Rotary Club car show. I won an award as well with my 65 Monza.....gary

Dues and Membership

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-----

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Niagara Frontier Corvair Club

C/O Gary Swiatowy

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

A Chartered Chapter of the Corvair Society of America

President	Pat Murphy	(716) 861-8749
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NFCC Events and more!

NFCC MEETING SCHEDULE

October meeting Wednesday October 27th at 7:00 PM at the First Trinity Lutheran church on Niagara Falls Boulevard, Tonawanda. Dinner for those interested at Buffalo Wild Wings 5:30 PM. Contact Pat Murphy to see if he is going to Wild Wiings, Gary will not be there this month

November & December meetings.....canceled due to Holidays. Next meeting in January

January meeting Wednesday January 28th at 7:00 PM at the First Trinity Lutheran church on Niagara Falls Boulevard, Tonawanda. Dinner for those interested at Buffalo Wild Wings 5:30 PM. Contact Gary and let me know if anyone is coming.

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



Editor's thoughts.....

Wow, did summer go by fast or what? Seems like I was just getting the cars out for the season, and today I just finished putting 3 of my Corvairs away. Still have 2 at home if I need them. 3 of my other cars I never even got out this year. Where does the time go.....

For those of you who have not heard. NFCC member Angelo Rizzo passed away in early September. Angelo had the 63 Spyder Convertible. He had been sick for several months with pneumonia, and other issues and had been hospitalized. I have not heard anything regarding a memorial service. If I do I will let you know.

Many of you may have heard about the incident at American Harley Davidson's end of summer cruise and car show in North Tonawanda. A street rodder leaving his parking spot lost control and hit 8 spectators, pinning some of them to the building. He has been charged with DWI in this incident. It was posted that the throttle had stuck open as the car went forward, fast. This ends up being a black mark on the hobby and may effect future car shows and events once the lawsuits start, which they surely will.

I will miss the October meeting, So may not see you until January as it was decided to skip the November and December meetings due to the holidays.

Gary



September 23rd Meeting Minutes

This meeting was held at the Trinity Lutheran Church. Those in attendance were:

**John Dawley Gary Swiatowy Tom Koprevich
Pat Pilon Pat Murphy Chuck Facklam
Dick Dahmer Joe Grifasi**

Treasurers / Membership Report:

Dick Dahmer read off our Treasury status. It was approved by all. At this time there are 17 paid and 1 honorary members.

Old Business:

As mentioned earlier, we have had a loss in our group. Angelo Rizzo passed away earlier this month. His son has been in touch with Gary and advised Angelo's '64 Spyder is up for sale and various parts such as doors are also available. Gary has more details and contact information concerning these items.

New Business:

1) Pat Murphy mentioned there will be a quality car show at Roswell Park Saturday the 26th.

2) Pat also mentioned there will be a car show next summer at Sandy Beach, on Grand Island, along with the Boat show we have been to in past years.

3) Discussion ensued about planning a Holiday Season Banquet. Details to be addressed during our next meeting.

I hope everyone has had a good month and I am looking forward to seeing you in the future.

John Dawley



Mark Lafler at Lockport Labor Day Super Cruise



Bill & Sandy Gworek at Blessed Sacrament show



Ricky Cousineau with Ruby and Pat Pilon at the Blessed Sacrament car show



Pat Pilon early in the morning, waiting in line to get a good spot for the last Olcott beach car show.



Mike Burgio's van at the Williamsville Depot Car Show



Pat Pilon at Hoover's Dairy Sunday Cruise.

**Rotary Club of Niagara USA
Annual Auto Parts Swap Meet**
Sunday, November 1st, 2026
9:00am to 1:00pm

American Legion Wheatfield Post 1451
6525 Ward Road
Sanborn, New York 14132



Indoor auto parts & automotive related swap meet. 30 vendors. \$5.00 admission. Children under 12 are free. Basket auction. Handicapped accessible. Food available. All Proceeds benefit the Rotary Scholarship Fund. Indoor Vendor spots available: 8 x 6' booth \$20. (Includes one 8ft table & 2 chairs)

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I made it out to the Pembroke, Corfu, Darien Car show for their annual car show. Probably 500 cars or so. One of my favorites of the year. Their “dash plaque” is better than most of the awards given at other shows.



Above is this years participation plaque for the PCD Kiwanis show. About 6 inches tall and is made out of an ignition part of some sort. First 200 participants get one of these. There were well over 200 pre-registered. So people who registered late, or just showed up the day of the show did not get one. I register early every year.