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October 14 CCE Meeting at Villa Park VFW at 7:00

The October 14 CCE membership meeting will be held upstairs in the main meeting room of the Villa Park VFW, 39 E. St. Charles Road, Villa Park. Doors open at 6:30 PM. **Meeting starts at 7:00 PM.** All members are welcome. **Room closes at 9:30, with further socialization down stairs in the bar until 11:00.**

November 11 CCE Board of Directors Meeting at Manny's Ale House

The November 11 board meeting will be held at Manny's Ale House, 683 St Charles Road, Elmhurst. **Meeting starts at 7:00 PM. New start time.** All members are welcome. Come at 6:30 and eat dinner.

From the President

Lin Parro

Sunday, September 20th was CCE's Fall Tour. Weather wasn't so pleasant, the day was a chilly rainy/misty, overcast day. Not a Corvair day, although I do give Jeff and Ann Wentz a lot of credit for being brave and bringing their Corvair out. Kudo's Mr. and Mrs. Wentz.



Anyhoo, despite the weather, most of us met at the Lake Forest Oasis and proceeded to Racine, WI where we met with the rest of our people to take the Frank Lloyd Wright Architectural Tour at the SC Johnson Business Campus. When we entered the parking lot, you could see an airplane hanging inside of a giant glass enclosure. (Spoiler Alert: you find out about the plane during the tour.)

When making the reservation, our large group was to be separated into two tour groups. It was nice to find out that we were able to stay as one group when we checked in.

From this point on I am going to describe my experience of the day. I am not going to go into the details of the tour, after all, we must peak your curiosity somehow.

Our tour guide, Darlene, was phenomenal. You felt her enthusiasm and you knew she really enjoyed what she was doing. She also gives you a bit of her background, working for the Johnson business empire, which explains that enthusiasm

and knowledge.

Our first stop was at the Administration building. Walking into the building with the lighting the way it was provoked a serene feeling. As our tour guide was explaining details of the area, I was struck by the curious design of the desks-the drawers *swung* out, rather than pulled. Having been part of the Corporate World and being in many administrative positions, I could see myself sitting at one of these desks carrying out a job assignment, hearing the adding machines clacking and various conversations going on. One thing I did not notice then, but realize now, there were no telephones on the desks.

Our next building was the Research Tower. This curious building was separated into two-level "suites" that alternated between square and round floors. The entire building was clad in glass tubes that allowed a great deal of light but leaked badly after the sealer between the tubes aged. There was a single narrow spiral staircase for the entire tower. OSHA would have had a field day with Mr. Wright!

To get to the last building, Fortaleza Hall, we walked through an underground tunnel that displayed ALL of SC Johnson products. When we entered the Hall, we saw the seaplane observed from outside. Also, in the Hall was an area that displayed a few of Frank Lloyd Wright's furniture pieces. Also on display were models, built to scale, of many Frank Lloyd Wright homes. Unfortunately, I don't remember the name of the person who built these models. And, of course, there was the souvenir shop.

After the tour we took the back roads passing farms, some subdivisions, and horse ranches to Franklin, WI for lunch at the On Cloud Wine restaurant. While having lunch there was live music and great conversations along with good food.

We ended the tour with an optional stop to Mars Cheese Castle.

How many times have we all passed Mars Cheese Castle over the years, but never stopped in?

I came home with not just cheese curds but two different types of Chocolate Cheese. Yes, Chocolate Cheese. If you happen to come across Chocolate Cheese, have a taste.

To sum things up, it was a great day despite the weather. If you are looking for something to do, plan a day trip to Racine and take the tour at SC Johnson's Business Campus. (You will have to register online to reserve your spot(s), and it's a free tour.) It is so well worth it, you'll be surprised.

From the Director

Liam Coyne

Hi everyone,

It has once again fallen upon me to compose my tri-annual director's article and unleash my car-related ramblings on the wider CCE populace. Last we left off, I had just gotten my 1962 Corvair Monza back on the road after pulling engine for a second time to diagnose and repair what turned out to be an overheated and warped pressure plate. After everything went back together, the car ran and drove great but needed a few adjustments. Adjusting the clutch properly has been an ongoing problem for over a year now. Because my car is equipped the 3-speed, adjusting the clutch correctly is a far less forgiving process than doing so on a 4-speed. I believe my clutch is dragging, as once everything heats up and expands, First and reverse grind hard. I have yet to address this again, mainly because the trial and error process of getting it to where it should be is a huge pain without a lift.[Image 1]



In July, I drove the car roughly 400 miles round trip to southern Michigan to spend the weekend with car friends. We all drove various old cars – the convoy consisted of my '62 Corvair, a 1972 Ford Galaxie, and a 1991 Lincoln Town Car with 270,000 miles on it, and infamous among our friend group for burning about a quart of oil per 50 miles. Overall, my Corvair did fantastic with lots of heavy driving, and I only experienced a few minor issues: the clutch adjustment problem, as mentioned before, a hanging idle issue, and an intermittent charging light. Unfortunately, that charging light was indicative of what would turn out to be a bigger issue after my trip.[Image 2]



A week later, I started up the car and was greeted with a solid bright FAN/GEN light. With my fan belt still perfectly intact, I figured my voltage regulator had gone bad during my trip, seeing as it was the only part of my charging system I hadn't yet replaced. After some trial and error with a few used voltage regulators loaned to me by Larry Claypool and Ray Johnson, I was sadly forced to conclude that my generator was the issue. Multiple different voltage regulators made no difference, and I noticed sparks can no longer be seen through the side of my generator. Frustratingly, I rebuilt the generator a bit over a year ago and was hoping it would last longer than it did. It seems that my trip to Michigan didn't do it any favors. As of now, that is how things sit with my Corvair for the moment. I will return to working on it sometime this fall and winter, and hopefully get these issues resolved. I'd like to take it for another ride before it gets too cold. We shall see.

And now for something completely different: last article I mentioned my newest automotive acquisition, a 1973 Chrysler Imperial. As it happens, 2026 is the 100th anniversary of the Chrysler Imperial, so relevance to Corvairs be damned, here's the story about mine. Two years ago, I decided I really wanted to find an Imperial. And not just any Imperial, a '73 sedan, ideally in green. The 1973 Imperial has the distinction of being the biggest (non-limousine) production American car of all time, measuring 19.7 feet long, 6.6 feet wide, and weighing 5,000 pounds. Powered by a Chrysler 440, and equipped with every option one could imagine, these cars were intended to be a step above the nicest Lincolns and Cadillacs of the day.[Image 3]



Unfortunately, as is the case with so many of these giant 70s land yachts, few were cared for and saved through the 90s and early 2000s, all too many becoming champions of local demolition derbies. I'd say that demo derbies are one of the biggest factors for the rarity of '69-'73 Imperials today. One of the craziest things about these cars is that they are **unibody**. Imagine how much engineering and steel it takes to create a 5,000 pound 20 foot long car in the early 70s. This factor of their construction meant that they were very often undefeated in demo derbies, eventually resulting in Imperials being banned from these derbies altogether, simply because they weren't fair. If you brought one, you won. With only 14,166 produced for the 1973 model year, you can imagine how many are left.

Which brings us back to my Ahab-reminiscent hunt for one of these beasts. In the spring of 2024, right after I had bought my Corvair, I happened to stumble upon a Facebook listing for my holy grail Imperial – an olive green '73 Imperial with green leather interior and black vinyl top. The only problem was, it was in Northern Vermont. But, for listed price of \$2,000, I didn't care – I made a snap decision that I was buying the car. However, after messaging the owner, he informed me that about 90 other people had decided the same thing. The car needed work, lots of other people wanted it, a few of them were ahead of me in line, but he would keep me updated. Later that night, the owner got overwhelmed by all the attention the car was getting and took the listing down. I expected it to be re-listed within a few weeks or privately sold to a friend in Vermont, but it never resurfaced. For two years I would occasionally message the seller and ask about the car. He still had it, but life had gotten in the way, and he didn't know when he would get back to it. Months passed and I had nearly given up on the car, when out of nowhere, on St. Patrick's day, of all days, the seller messaged me. He told me that he would be selling the car soon – he was never going to get to it and someone down the street had made him an offer: \$3,500 without the drivetrain. He wanted me to know that the car needed a lot of work and had a decent amount of rust under the vinyl top. The real bad news, though, was that the buyer only wanted it for the front subframe and was intending to junk the rest.

Hearing this, I was dismayed that the car, by no means perfect, but very savable, would likely wind up scrapped like so many others. After a few days' deliberation, I decided I had to save it. I couldn't let this car that I had been chasing for two whole years go to the scrapper. So I made the seller an offer: I told him I'd give him \$3,500 for the complete car with the intention of saving it. Thankfully, the seller was happy to give me the deal, as he loved the car and intended to restore it when

he bought it. Two months later, having arranged for shipping all the way from Northern Vermont, my holy-grail 1973 Imperial was sitting in front of my house.[Image 4]



So, what am I doing with it now? I intend for it to be a long-term project. I want to fully restore it; paint, bodywork, interior, vinyl top, engine rebuild, all of it. All of that is a long way off, though. For now, I've focused on making it a reliable driver. I rebuilt the carburetor and gave it a full ignition tune up. It now runs excellently. I suspect the gas tank has some crap in it, as I've already clogged a fuel filter. The transmission leaks horrendously, even after a new pan gasket, so that is high on the list of issues to fix. The brakes are also sticky, so I expect it will need a pretty comprehensive brake overhaul. I eagerly await the day I can drive it on the highway and around town whenever I want. There's no rush, though. It's already come a long way from when I bought it, and it has a long way to go. Tune in next time for another update on my automotive escapades – there may be a 1969 Plymouth Fury in my future...

Until next time,
—Liam

From the Editor

Charley Biddle

Ramblings from your Humble Editor—

Email Hacks: At the September CCE meeting, Liam Coyne reported that his email identity has been used to send emails to various CCE members, asking them to send \$950 to CCE to cover some unexpected expense. Among others, I was the recipient of such an email request. It looked legitimate on the surface, identifying Liam Coyne as the club's treasurer. However, two things stuck out to me. Liam is the club's treasurer. The club has approximately \$16K in the treasurer. Liam has access to the club's bank. If the club had some kind of shortfall, Liam could easily access the club's bank account and transfer money from one account to the other. Secondly, there was no information about where to send \$950. Just a request to send \$950 to the club. I don't have access to CCE's bank

accounts. For such a general request, I would not have the foggiest idea where to send any money for the club.

Email Hacks Part Two: At the September CCE meeting, Shelly Claypool reported that Larry Claypool's email account had been hacked and that a parental control feature had been modified to request parental permission from some unknown email account. He has established a new email account and told all of use what it is.

Larry and Shelly both have gmail accounts. "gmail" stands for "Google email". I did some Internet research (on Google, coincidentally) and found that there is a way to rescue a parental controlled email account. You have to prove to Google that you are an adult of consenting age. This is done by taking a selfie picture from a smart phone of your face and a picture of a driver's license that has your picture on it (a state issued identification can be used in the event your driver's license is suspended). Submit both to a Google specific website. Google then uses facial recognition software to compare your selfie picture to the picture on your driver's license. Your driver's license or state ID has your date of birth on it. That is used to determine if you are an adult of consenting age. Only then can the parental control lock au your gmail email account be removed. I had to go thru this identification process about a year ago, for a financial institution. The selfie picture must look just like the driver's license picture. If the smart phone camera is not aligned exactly like the driver's license picture, you will not be recognized.

Email Hacks Part Three: Apparently, gmail is the only account with parental control features. I have XFINITY/Concast. It does not support parental controls. Neither does AOL. They both have complicated ways to block access to certain web sites, but that is on a site to site basis.

Email Hacks Part Four: In the course of my research, I easily found a fair number of web sites that provide or sell software that will use AI (Artificial Intelligence) to generate any kind of email you want. This is probably the process used to generate the emails purportedly from Liam Coyne. Over the last year or so, I have been receiving spoofed emails from various CCE members and even from CORSA members. My email identity is well known in these circles. The Chinese Communist Party has back doors in the big Chinese made routers that are used by some Internet backbones. They simply collect all Internet traffic and skim off the "good" stuff, meaning your emails, financial data, church bulletins and even the monthly Airhorn. These routers sell at a discount price. Some Internet providers who want to save money use them.

The Internet is written in indelible ink, quoted from the 2010 movie, *The Social Network*. Once your data is out there, there is no way to get it back.

World Serious Bummer; As of this writing, it was just announced that the White Sox lost the ALDS. The Cubs had already lost the NLDS. I was fervently hoping the Cubs would beat the White Sox by one run in the tenth inning of the seventh game of the World Series. This is Chicago; maybe next year. Well, there is always the Bears...

Thought: "People speak sometimes about the 'bestial' cruelty of man, but that is terribly unjust and offensive to beasts, no animal could ever be so cruel as a man, so artfully, so artistically cruel." — Fyodor Dostoevsky

Thought: "Being hated by idiots is the price you pay for not being one of them." — Friedrich Nietzsche

Thought: "The only true wisdom is in knowing that you know nothing." — Socrates

Board Meeting Minutes

Joe Falbo

Date: Sept 9th, 2026

Location: Manny's Ale House, Elmhurst, IL

Start time: 7:14 PM

Roll call: Board members present at meeting start:

President: Lin Parro, **Vice President:** John DiProva, **Treasurer:** Liam Coyne **Secretary:** Joe Falbo, **Director at Large:** Mike Schiera. **Absent:** None.

Committee Heads Present: **Activities:** Lin Parro. **Airhorn Editor and Membership:** Charley Biddle, **Absent:** Librarian: Diane Johnson.

Other Members Present: Kirk Parro, Jane Horak.

Welcome, Lin Parro, Presiding Board member.

- Lin welcomed everybody and called the meeting to order.

Treasurer's Report: Liam Coyne

- Fifth Third Checking account
 - Beginning Balance \$312.71
 - Ending Balance \$750.71
- Vanguard Savings Account
 - Beginning Balance \$16,305.92
 - Ending Balance \$15,755.79
- Total for all Accounts \$16,506.50

Airhorn Report: Charley Biddle

- Charley passed out an "under construction" *Airhorn*, and discussed its contents for final copy to be sent out.

Membership Report: Charley Biddle

- Returning member Leon Maupin – WELCOME BACK!
- Please see *Charley's Membership report* for more details in the upcoming *Airhorn*

Library Report: Diane Johnson

- No report, Diane was not present.

Special Reports or Announcements:

- No special reports or Announcements.

Activities: Lin Parro

- Reminder about Sunday Sept 13th – Worth car show.
- Reviewed info regarding Sept 16th General Meeting – Board nominations and Pizza night.
- Members' appreciation awards are to be given as well at General meeting.
- Discussed final details for CCE Fall tour Sept 20th at SC Johnson in Racine, to be announced at general meeting.
- October meeting will have a mini party with candy and snacks.
- November meeting will have announcements of new board members after election ballots are sent out and collected.
- Christmas party location and date determined Dec 5th at the Kloker residence.

- See *Lin's Activities report* for details and more upcoming activities.

Old Business:

- John discussed progress on the Tech group list.

New Business:

- Jane Horak bought a 1966 Convertible 110/PG. Congrats!

Adjournment

- Motion by: John DiProva, Seconded by: Liam Coyne, Time:7:51 PM

General Meeting Minutes

Joe Falbo

Date: September 16th, 2026

Location: VFW Hall Villa Park

Start time: 7:12 PM

Roll call: Board members present at meeting start:

President: Lin Parro, **Vice President:** John DiProva, **Treasurer:** Liam Coyne, **Secretary:** Joe Falbo, **Director at Large:** Mike Schiera. **Absent:** None.

Committee Heads Present: *Airhorn* Editor and **Membership:** Charley Biddle, **Activities:** Lin Parro, **Librarian:** Diane Johnson.

Welcome from Presiding Board Member:

- Lin Parro called the meeting to order welcoming everyone.
- Lin asked if there were any new attendees or members present. None at start of meeting.
- Lin asked for approval of last month's meeting minutes – Larry Claypool 1st and Kirk Parro 2nd of last month's meeting minutes.
- Lin's started by sharing unique features that automakers have added to cars over the years:
 - 1957 - Cadillac Eldorado brougham had a magnetic glove compartment stocked with metal shot glasses.
 - 1984 – The Toyota van offered an icemaker center console cooled by utilizing the cars air conditioning refrigerant.
 - Today – GMC Hummer EV offers a "Crabwalk" feature allowing all 4 wheels to turn the same direction to allow the vehicle to move like a crab.

Treasurer's Report: Liam Coyne

- ***Note*:** There was an email to a member that was posing to be Liam, requesting \$950. – IT IS FAKE! The Treasurer will not email members asking for money. Be alert for suspicion emails and DO NOT CLICK ANY LINKS if you suspect it to be fake.
- Total of all accounts: \$16,506.50.
- See Liam's Treasurer report for full details.

Airhorn Report: Charley Biddle

- Charley noted that the last *Airhorn* was missing an article regarding election process that he wrote but may add a "supplement" of the article with the mailed-out ballots for 2027 board elections.
- Charley also spoke briefly about the passing of **Diana Brodman Summers** and the mention of it in September's *Airhorn*.

- See the In Memoriam in last month's *Airborne* for more details.

Membership Report: Charley Biddle

- One returning additional new member, Leon Maupin. No other membership news.
- See Charley's Membership report for full details.

CORSA News: Larry Claypool

- CORSA elections are coming up. Look in the upcoming CORSA *Communique* for more info.
- The Corvair museum now has an eBay store. Look for *Corvair Historical Society* on eBay for items being auctioned and sold, as the move of the museum continues.
- See Larry's CORSA report for additional details, comments and/or stories.

Social Media: Shelly Claypool

- Shelly encouraged members to check their security setting on their email accounts as frequent as possible as that is an entry point to having your email spoofed for scammers and hackers to impersonate you and send out phishing emails to your contacts list. This has happened to Larry and herself, so it can happen to anyone! Set up two- factor verification, change passwords regularly and add recovery phone numbers for your online accounts. It's important to stay safe out there in the cyberworld.

Library Report: Diane Johnson

- Diane reported that the library continues to be stored and the Johnson residence garage. Contact Diane for any library needs, and as always, the library is free!
- Apparel season has ended and the opportunity to order any apparel has ended as of the end of August.

Special Reports or Announcements:

- Garage Squad has no new projects at this time, please reach out to Jeff Wentz if you would like to start a Garage Squad project.

Activities: Lin Parro

- The October general meeting and we can have a mini-Halloween party... Costumes optional ... but really, you should have fun and wear one!
- The November general meeting is the intro to the new board of directors and the Turkey Raffle.
- Dec 5th is the Annual Christmas potluck party will be held at the Kloker residence. Starts at around 6 PM. A sign up for the potluck items will be at the November meeting, or you can reach out to Lin as we get closer to December.
- The December general meeting you can bring store bought items to share and spread some holiday cheer while we wish our fellow members a Happy Holiday.
- See Lin's Activities report for more upcoming activities.

Old Business:

- John DiProva continues to work on the tech contacts project.

New Business:

- Appreciation Awards given to Jeff Wentz, Kevin Kloker, Paul Polster for past board service, Greg Richards, and Renee and Fritz Wiesner for

extraordinary club participation and assistance over the past year.

- 2027 CCE Board nominations continue.
- Current board members seeking a second term:
 - Liam Coyne
 - Joseph Falbo
 - Mike Schiera
- All three (3) will be on the ballot, only two (2) may stay on, so you will vote for Two (2) to serve for a 2nd term.
- Three (3) new members will also be voted on. Those nominations are as follows:
 - Paul Polster
 - Kirk Parro
 - Brad Adcock
 - Jane Horak
- Motion to close nominations: 1st Larry Claypool, 2nd Paul Polster.
- Charley reminded all that the ballots must have FIVE (5) votes to count, Two (2) from the 1st category of second term nominees, and Three (3) from the 2nd category of new nominees.
- There are NO WRITE INS.

Adjourn:

- 1st Motion by: Kirt Parro, 2nd by: Liam Coyne, Time: 8:32 PM.

Membership Report

Charley Biddle

No New Members

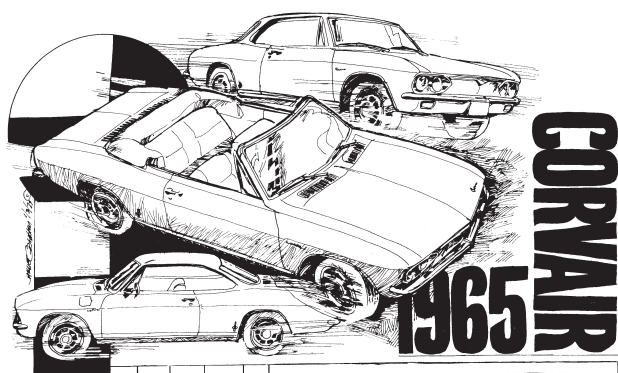
New Email Address:

Larry Claypool
vairshop72@gmail.com

Birthdays for 11/1 thru 11/30 are: 11/2—Ruth Ann Morgan; 11/7—Mike Charewicz, Allen Short; 11/9—Kenn Sinko; 11/20—Liam Coyne; 11/25—Steve Epstein; 11/27—Rick Herda; 11/3—John DiProva.

Anniversaries for 11/1 thru 11/30 are: 11/10—Robert & Mary Riley; 11/16—Gene & Jackie Miller; 11/20—Gary & Wanda Huntoon, Clarence & Peggy Izydorski.

CCE Numbers: CCE has 43 Active members, 60 Family members, 8 Honorary members



Treasurer's Report

Liam Coyne

09/01/2026 – 09/30/2026

Fifth Third Bank Checking Account

	Debit	Credit	Balance
09/01 Beginning Balance			750.71
09/09 CCE Award Plaques	138.43		
09/15 Flower Arrangement	90.95		
09/16 CCE Awards Pizza	355.79		
09/21 VFW Rent check (OVERDRAFT)	200.00		
09/22 Overdraft Fee	37.00		
09/28 Daily overdraft fee	64.00		
09/29 Daily overdraft fee	8.00		
09/30 Daily overdraft fee	8.00		
10/05 Transfer from Savings		600.00	
10/05 Overdraft fee check	170.00		

09/30 Ending Balance -151.46
10/07 Balance (After transfer from savings) 602.54

Vanguard Savings Account

	Debit	Credit	Balance
09/01 Beginning Balance			15,755.79
09/30 Dividend		47.85	

09/30 Ending Balance 15,803.64

09/30 Total All Accounts 15,652.18

Treasurer's Notes

NOTE: The most recent VFW rent check overdrafted the account and I failed to notice until writing this report. As a result, several overdraft fees accumulated. I have personally paid the fees, as it was my mistake, and have transferred \$600 from the savings account. A few days from October are included in this report for context.

Activities and Events

By: Lin Parro

October

General Meeting: Election Night for the New Board of Directors and Halloween Meeting

Voting will take place for the new Board of Directors. Also, members are welcome to bring a store/bakery bought item to share for a small Halloween party that will take place at the break while ballots are being counted and continue after the announcement of who will be the next Board of Directors. Costumes optional.

Monday, October 26th, TRUNKS WITH TREATS! 4 PM-8 PM

Join the **Worth Cruisers Car Club** for family night at the Water Edge Golf Course, 115th & Harlem, Worth, IL. There will be a kids & adult costume contest, trivia contests, music and dancing, and, of course, CANDY! CANDY! CANDY! for the Trick or Treaters. Bring candy, come in costume and enjoy the fun!

November

General Meeting: Introduction of the New Board of Directors, Turkey Raffle
All attendees will receive a raffle ticket to win a Jewel gift card for \$25. There will be three drawings after the break.

December

General Meeting: Christmas Meeting

Members are welcome to bring a store/bakery bought item to share for a Christmas party and wish everyone good cheer.

Saturday, December 5th, CCE Christmas Party, 6 PM–Closing

Audrey and Kevin Kloker are our hosts this year. As usual this will be potluck. Members are encouraged to bring a dish or two if they want. Categories to choose from are appetizer, entrée, side dish (which includes soups and green salads), and/or dessert. Also keep in mind this is a BYOB to beer and wine ONLY. No hard liquor is allowed. Signup sheets will be available starting at the October general meeting. Please refer to an upcoming flyer for details. Audrey and Kevin, thank you for hosting.

That's it for me, if you have any activity ideas for club outings, general meetings, or know of any non-CCE upcoming events, don't be shy...please send them my way to Lin Parro at (cell) 708-932-9966 (if texting, please identify yourself-thank you) or email to lindaparro@gmail.com.

Thanks everyone!

CORSA News You Can Use

CORSA Board of Directors

Fall is here which is a great season for driving your Corvair and attending car shows! Get out there and be sure to show off that CORSA window decal. Purchase on the website if your Corvair needs one.

It's Election Season in CORSA

In this issue, you will find the ballot and election information for the Board of Directors.

We are fortunate that the incumbent board members from each region are willing to run again. While they are running unopposed, ** please vote. ** Your vote still matters. It shows us our membership is engaged and it's easy to vote:

1. Starting on October 15th, log in to the CORSA Website and navigate to User Tools on the menu. There you will find the ballot. Presented will be the candidate for your division only.
2. You can also vote by mail using the paper ballot on the outside sleeve of the magazine. Be sure to vote only for the candidate in your division.



The election ends on December 1st.

The CORSA Election policy can be found here: [Policies & Procedures](#)

Corvairs on *Motorweek*- Television's Original Automotive Magazine

CORSA was honored to John Davis and the team from Motorweek attended the Gettysburg Convention to see and video our Corvairs! We appreciate their support. The show is scheduled to air nationwide on PBS on MotorWeek TV on Oct. 16th-22nd. To determine the days/times locally, check this link: [Where to Watch MotorWeek - MotorWeek](#) After it finishes airing on TV, the video will be posted to the MotorWeek YouTube Channel and website.

Gettysburg Convention Apparel: It is still available for another month! Hoodies, and T shirt in new colors- check out the GM Club Apparel site to purchase. [CORSA Club and CPF Museum Collection - GMClubapparel.com](#)

You can also find great Corvair Apparel there too. It's never too early to shop for gifts.

Keep your information current: Please contact the club office with any changes to your address. Let us know if you are using a new or different email address. And check that we have the right phone number. If you allow this information to be visible to members using the look up feature, you want it to be current.

Find members under Join or Renew, Search CORSA Membership Roster [CORSA Member Locator](#)

Candidate Statement

Brad Adcock

CCE Members,

Some of you may know me as the guy Lynda Neuner brought to club meetings. While I don't currently own my own Corvair, I do get the enjoyment of driving and caring for Lynda's. I'm a lover of vintage cars and other vintage items. I tend to favor all Chevrolets and GM cars.



I have owned my 62 Impala for 33 years, my 1960 Impala for about half that time. If someone can find me a Greenbrier in good shape that I can afford, it's about time to buy another collector vehicle.

I am a Member of the Vintage Chevrolet Club of America and the National Impala Association. I'm involved in multiple local car clubs; Northern Illinois Region of VCCA (Current Secretary, Past Director for 14 years, and Board Member), Northern Illinois Impala Club - Chapter of NIA (Past Event Director, Newsletter, Worked with small group to put on Local Convention). Retarded Sparks Car Club (General member Customs & Hot Rods). I Judge at MCACN,VCCA,NIA and had a chance to be a judge at my second CORSA Convention this year in Gettysburg.

Having only judged two Corvairs in the past this was enjoyable, even with all the rain! I find car people are some of the nicest people and of all the clubs I am involved in the CCE has by far the most Enthusiastic, Involved membership.

Candidate Statement

Jane Horak

My name is Jane Horak. I currently live in Plainfield but I grew up in Alsip. I have two daughters Gillian and Alexis. I am a licensed Respiratory Therapist. I currently work at a long-term Acute Care Hospital where the last 30 years have flown by.

I am running for the Board of the Chicagoland Corvair Enthusiasts. I enjoy this club and all the people. I have enjoyed the various activities and outings that we have done since I have been a member. I think the activities we do are fun and interesting. I think I would be an asset to the Board as I love volunteering at the various events we do. I enjoyed the 2026 CORSA Convention and I am looking forward to the 2027 Convention. I Look forward to volunteering there.

This club has become like a family to me and have met a lot of great people here.

Thank you for your consideration.



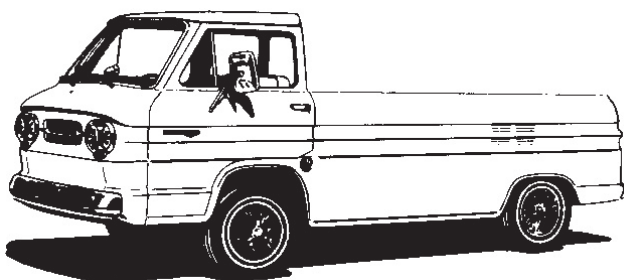
Candidate Statement

Joe Falbo

This will be brief. I have been so happy to serve on the 2026 board as your Secretary, and would be honored to continue for a second term with any of the other CCE members nominated for the 2027 board.

I have said it before and will say it again...CCE has the nicest car enthusiasts I have ever met! You all welcomed me over two years ago when I first joined and I didn't even own a Corvair yet! Then, thanks to some of our members, I found my first Corvair and have been blessed to receive help, advice and even parts from many others.

I would be proud to serve on the board for another year, if you are inclined to vote for me. Thank you so much, -Joe Falbo



Candidate Statement

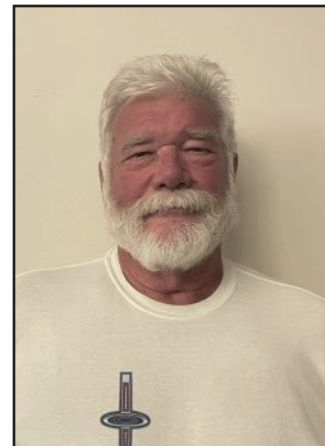
Kirk Parro.

Hi All,

My name is Kirk Parro and I am running for the CCE Board of Directors. Most of you know me—if not personally then by the fact that I have been a member of CCE since November of 1971.

I have served on the board many times (really, I have lost count) and have served as President of CCE three times. As I see it, the main aim for the board is to keep our club going and, preferably, growing. We need to provide fun and interesting things to do—that is the ONLY way to keep an old car marque-style club alive.

I have devoted many years and much effort (not to mention a few bucks here and there) to keep our organization alive, and I expect to keep doing that, if you think I deserve another crack at it.



Candidate Statement

Mike Schiera

Hello CCE, this is my candidate statement for re-election. Wow, how time flies. Well, most of you all know who I am for those who don't, my name is Mike Schiera and I've been a CCE member my whole life and that's no lie. Just ask some of the older members, and they will fill you in. I am running once again for my second

term. My first time serving on the board was back in 1999 to 2000 as a BOD member at large. My second time was 2016-2017 as secretary. If I were reelected again for the rest of 2026, I would like to move up to the secretary.

Being the board member at large, I feel like it's the weakest link, all because I really don't get to do much. That also gives other members the wrong idea and makes them think twice about voting for that person again. That's why I want to move myself up the ladder to the secretary. Also, we do have a few good people running this year for the board; that's also why I have a strong feeling that I am not going to make it on the board this year. If I don't get re-elected, it's fine, at least I know I did my best and those of you who voted for me believed in me.

I hope I have your vote once again. Thank you!

—Mike



Classified Ad

For Sale: 1966 Corvair convertible, 110hp, PowerGlide, black with white top. 10,000 miles on rebuilt engine. New battery. Very good condition. See pictures. \$14,500. Gale Dyskie, sunset4212@aol.com, (630) 964-7699. [submitted 2026-08]



CCE Constitution—ARTICLE SIX

[This is an excerpt from the CCE Constitution of the article that controls the election of members of the Board of Directors.]

Section One—Elections

- Elections shall be held annually to elect members of the Board of Directors.

Section Two—Control of Elections

- A person shall be selected by the Board of Directors to oversee the mechanics of the election. The duties of this person shall include, but not be limited to, recording the nominations, and counting the ballots.

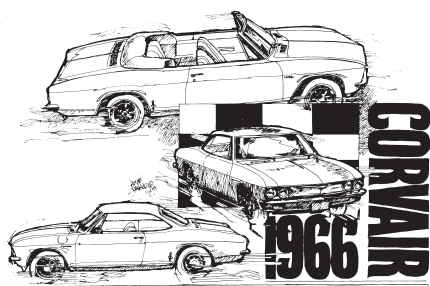
Section Three—Nomination Procedure

- Nominations for members of the Board of Directors shall be made by the Active Members at the August and September general meetings. Automatically nominated are those Board members who desire to continue on the Board of Directors and are eligible.
- A person nominated by either process may decline the nomination, if they so choose. A list of accepted nominations shall appear in the October issue of the club newspaper.

Section Four—Election Procedure

- Ballots listing all nominees shall be mailed to all Active Members no less than one week before the October General Meeting. The ballot shall list the two categories of nominees, the first category shall be the incumbent Board of Directors members who were nominated as per Section Three of this article.
- The second category shall be those nominees who are not currently serving on the Board of Directors.
- Active members shall cast five votes on their ballots; two of those votes are cast for any two of the nominees who are incumbent board members, the remaining three votes shall be cast for any three nominees in the second category.
- In the event that fewer than three incumbent Board of Directors members eligible for nomination choose to run for another term, then they shall automatically be elected. Active Members shall, in such case, cast their remaining votes for nominees in the second category. Any deviation from this procedure shall null and void the individual's ballot.

- The ballots shall be counted at the October general meeting. Nominees receiving the greatest number of votes in each category on the ballot shall be declared elected to the new Board of Directors.
- The newly elected Board of Directors shall take office in November. A joint meeting of the past board and the new board shall be held before the November general meeting.



Stock Is...

Larry Claypool

[This article was originally printed in the March 1989 issue of the CCE Airhorn. Larry has updated it to contain information as of 2026.]

Late Model Radios

This month we look at late model radios. It's an amazingly complex subject with many early and late design changes, and conflicting information. I'll do my best to wade through it all, but as always, readers who can add more are invited to write.

For late model Corvair cars there were usually three choices of radios — a manual tuning AM, a pushbutton AM, and a pushbutton AM/FM. Any model was available with any radio, although it's unlikely many Corsas came with a manual tune job or more than a few 500 buyers specified the AM/FM. The manual tune radio was apparently not a big seller and it was discontinued from the lineup after 1967.

All three radios shared the same basic design thus requiring only one set of knobs and bezel.

The manual tune radio features a large "Chevrolet" script where the pushbuttons would normally go. The AM pushbutton model features five black plastic pushbuttons, as does the AM/FM unit. Switching AM to FM is accomplished by moving a small chrome die cast knob at the top center of the dial lens left or right. This switches the dial itself to the appropriate band.

There are quite some number of detail differences between the various years, and even between early and late radios built in the same year. Let's see if I can help you sort it out.

The manual tune radio has the same styling features in all years of production aside from the volume and tuner knobs that were changed in 1967.

The AM pushbutton radio has three variations. The 1965-66 has flat pushbuttons and small control knobs that match other dash knobs such as the light and wiper switches. In '67 the knobs became big and flat ("Nader knobs" as they are sometimes referred to) and the pushbuttons became grooved

(a waterfall type effect) on their face. These features continued in '68 and '69 but the pushbuttons became thicker somewhere in the middle of the '68 run; the model number also changed at this point. The earlier pushbuttons are approximately .18 thick; the later buttons are .26.

The AM/FM radio went through quite some number of changes as one would expect on an all-new unit (just look at the '60 Corvair!). The new FM's included a multiplex adapter plug on the rear of the chassis so the dealer could add a multiplex if the customer so desired.

A second style for '65 occurred when the paint behind the "FM" letters on the dial was switched from red to blue. You can only tell this, of course, at night since the letters look white in normal daylight.

This style FM radio remained the same through the end of 1966. For '67, the pushbutton knobs changed to the same style as the '67 AM radio; the tuner and volume knobs did likewise. The '68-69 version again changed the pushbuttons to match those in the late '68 AM unit.

For '69, an additional service number was used on the radio tag, even though the model number remained as in '68. A special '69 feature was a slot cut into the top of the dial housing. The slot was then covered with black tape. You can't see any of this when the radio is installed, but it's a sure giveaway on a swap meet table.

Here's the radio model lineup as listed on the tag glued to the radio itself:

65-66 Manual	986113
65-66 Pushbutton	986116
65-66 AM/FM	986118
67 Manual	986863
67 Pushbutton	986864
67 AM/FM	986865
Early '68 Pushbutton	7299111
Late '68 Pushbutton	7307271 (only)
68 AM/FM	7299931
69 Pushbutton	7307271-912PB1
69 AM/FM	7304701-912FP1

Next time we'll get into multiplexes, tape players, and speakers. There's a real Pandora's box of conflicting information there, and thanks to Mike McKeel, Mark Zimmerli, and Mark Corbin I think we've sorted it out pretty well. All three of these gents also helped with the radio information presented here. There's also a guest writer for "Stock Is..." in a future column; I get to take a month off!



65-66 Corvair AM/FM radio, in FM mode.

(This picture is from an ad that appeared recently in the *Airhorn*. The radio has been sold.)

Nominations Results

Charley Biddle

New Director Results from August and September CCE Meetings:

The following current first term-board members were automatically nominated and accepted nomination:

- Liam Coyne
- Joe Falbo
- Mike Schiera.

Two of them can be elected.

The following members were proposed for and accepted nomination:

- Kirk Parro
- Paul Polster
- Jane Horak
- Brad Adcock

Three of them can be elected.

Counting Ballots:

: The ballots will be collected and counted at the October 21 CCE meeting. The results will be announced after the midmeeting break.

New Board and November:

The five newly elected directors will attend the November board of directors meeting. At that meeting, they will decide among themselves who will serve as President. That President will then select who will serve as Vice President, Treasurer, and Secretary. The remaining director will serve as Director at Large.

The new board will participate in a joint November board meeting with the old board. The new board will officially introduced take office at the November general membership meeting.

Activities Calendar

CCE Board

CCE SPONSORED OR RECOMMENDED EVENTS

Oct 14 – Board Meeting, 7:30 PM, in person at Manny's Ale House, 683 St. Charles Road, Elmhurst. This is about one half mile east of the Villa Park VFW Hall on St. Charles Road and about a quarter mile west of Route 83, on the north side of the street. All members are welcome. Ballots for the election of members to the 2027 CCE board of directors will be counted. The new board will be announced.

Oct 21 – General Meeting, 7:00 PM, at the Villa Park VFW on St. Charles Road. Meeting upstairs. Doors open 6:30, meeting starts at 7:00. **We have the room until 9:30 and no later.**

Oct 28 – Articles are due for the November Airhorn.

Nov 11 – Board Meeting, 7:30 PM, in person at Manny's Ale House, 683 St. Charles Road, Elmhurst. This is about one half mile east of the Villa Park VFW Hall on St. Charles Road and about a quarter mile west of Route 83, on the north side of the street.

Nov 18 – General Meeting, 7:00 PM, at the Villa Park VFW on St. Charles Road. Meeting upstairs. Doors open 6:30, meeting starts at 7:00. **We have the room until 9:30 and no later.** All members are welcome. Newly elected board of directors take office. Also, turkey raffle.

Nov 25 – Articles are due for the December Airhorn.

Dec 5 – CCE Christmas Party, the Kloker's in Paletine, starting at 6:00 PM. See Activities and Events for details.

Dec 9 – Board Meeting, 7:30 PM, in person at Manny's Ale House, 683 St. Charles Road, Elmhurst. This is about one half mile east of the Villa Park VFW Hall on St. Charles Road and about a quarter mile west of Route 83, on the north side of the street.

Dec 16 – General Meeting, 7:00 PM, at the Villa Park VFW on St. Charles Road. Meeting upstairs. Doors

open 6:30, meeting starts at 7:00. **We have the room until 9:30 and no later.** All members are welcome.

Dec 23 – Articles are due for the January Airhorn.

DOWN THE ROAD

Second Wednesday of the Month – CCE Board Meetings, 7:30 PM, in person at Manny's Ale House, 683 St. Charles Road, Elmhurst. This is about one half mile east of the Villa Park VFW Hall on St. Charles Road and about a quarter mile west of Route 83, on the north side of the street. If the parking lot in front of Manny's is full, there is a larger parking lot further west across side street Pick Avenue. The place we will meet in is the room with the pool table to the right when you come in the front door. The pool table is not being used during the time we will be meeting.

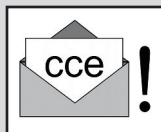
Third Wednesday of the Month – CCE General Meetings, 7:00 PM, Villa Park VFW Post 2801, 39 East St. Charles Road, Villa Park 60181, at the eastern end of the Jewel parking lot. Meeting is upstairs in the main hall. The bar is downstairs. Doors open at 6:30. Meeting starts 7:00 PM. We have the room until 9:30, by when the room must be cleaned up and all of us out of there.

OTHER EVENTS OF INTEREST

Please let us know about any other events that you think should be listed here.

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For alerts and reminders of these events and more, e-mail your name and e-mail address(es) to which you want the alerts sent, to **CCE.Corvair@gmail.com**, and specify "Alerts and Reminders" or "Alerts Only." Also, if you want text messages to your cell phone, include your phone number and your carrier, and whether you want "Alerts and Reminders" or "Alerts Only".





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