

**The DRIP LINE**

**Pikes Peak Corvair Club**

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**The Next Meeting of the Pikes Peak Corvair Club is  
Sunday, August 9th, 9:30am  
@ Golden Corral, 5410 E. Woodmen Rd, Colorado Springs, CO**



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**On The Cover:** *Ed & Cheryl Halpin's '67 4-Door Sport Sedan, back on the road after body, paint, and restoration.*

## PRESIDENT'S CORNER

By Randy Karl

Greetings,

I hope July was a good month for everyone and not too hot. We were in Yakima, Washington and had good weather between stretches of 100 degree days so we got lucky. Always keeping an eye out for Corvairs, we saw none.



Sorry we missed the meeting and the Tiny Town tour. Thanks to Wayne for organizing the tour and to Ed for hosting the July meeting.

There is a lot of discussion among the Colorado contingent on traveling to Palm Springs for the Great Western Fan Belt Toss and Swap Meet. I have to admit, I am intrigued. It would be a great challenge for me and my Monza. Ed has sent out registration forms and there are raffle tickets I will bring to the August meeting. Let me know in advance if you want me to reserve one for you.

Patricia Fox has done some great advance work on the 2016 Tri-State and has information on a hotel and possible dates. As is the tradition of the Tri-State, we will return to the original location, Montrose, Colorado. As we move closer we will be asking for volunteers to help plan and support what should be a great Tri-State Meet.

August will be a busy month starting with our PPCC meeting on the 9th and the Good Times Car Show, the Veterans Rally, both events on the 16th, and ending with the RMC Annual Dale Wilshire Picnic at the Wings over the Rockies Museum on the 23rd. We hope to see you all at one or all of these events.

Drive Safe.

Randy

*Greenbrier*

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**MEETING MINUTES - 7/19/2015**

submitted by Mary Ellen Feasel

**Golden Corral, Colorado Springs, CO**

Secretary

Meeting called to order at 9:35 am by Ed Halpin, Vice President. Sixteen members present and one guest, John Green.

Introduced John Green from Castle Rock. He had a '60 4dr. in college, sold when he went to graduate school. Looking for another car, no preference of early or late.

June meeting minutes were approved.

Treasurer report: John said "We're good." \$3143 in treasury before today's meeting. Make-A-Wish donation included \$270 from members, \$250 from the club. Dues received from membership for 2015 \$650. OCC dues of \$125 paid.

In the mail....registration form for Great Western Fan Belt Toss and Swap Meet in Palm Springs Oct. 23-25. Several members interested in attending. Form will be e-mailed to membership.

CCCC report: Fiero club was concerned that their cars weren't considered collector cars. New legislation has passed that 1978 and earlier years qualify for collector tags. Collector tags are exempt from emission testing.

PPCC's Drip Line won 1st place for best newsletter at the National Convention. Ed displayed the plaque received.

The PPCC was requested by CORSA to host the National Convention in 2017. Ed explained that CORSA will be changing drastically after 2017, so this could be the last Convention under the current charter. Ed and Randy had discussed prior to the meeting and passed. Ed forwarded the request to CNM and RMC. Harry Jensen at CORSA has a template on how to set up this type of event. There were no definite "No's" from membership. Will table the idea. Board will discuss further.

**Old Business:**

Upcoming events:

July 25 Tiny Town and Railroad. Wayne announced that this is the 100th anniversary. It's a tiny town and amusement park. There is an operating steam powered railroad. Arrival time btwn 10:30-11:00 am. Wayne will direct cars to a grass area within the park and on display for visitors. Recommend not taking Deer Creek Canyon due to the high volume of bicyclists on the road. Go 285, and go the speed limit. Lots of speed traps on 285.

August 16 Good Times Car Show. PPCC is a co-sponsor. Volunteers needed from PPCC. Contact Randy.

August 23 RMC Picnic at Wings over the Rockies Air and Space Museum. \$10 per person. Monies need to be to Jerry by August 18th. See July newsletter for address to send \$\$\$\$.

**New Business:**

August PPCC meeting moved to August 9 due to clubs involvement with Good Times Car



**MEETING MINUTES - 7/19/2015 (cont.)**

Show on regular meeting date of August 16.

Forney Museum Corvair display Sept. 1 thru November. Larry Schubert in charge of display. John Koll has asked for help getting his pickup cleaned up for the display as well as transporting it to and from the museum. Several members offered to help.

Aspen Run is Sept. 26, a Saturday. Lunch at AJ's Colorado Cafe in Cripple Creek. We have the entire upstairs. To caravan to lunch, meet at Rudy's (31st and Hwy 24) in Colorado Springs. Plan to arrive at AJ's between 11:30 and noon. Time TBD on meeting time at Rudy's. Wayne will look into possibility of touring the Victor Museum. More info on that later.

Open to membership.

Chris brought up her problems with her convertible top. Consensus from other sources is she needs a new top as there is no way to repair the break.

Wayne shared a Mechanic Illustrated magazine he found in an antique shop. The cover picture looked like a Corvair, but was actually a Ford Cardinal. (The secretary's research following the meeting, it is a German Ford produced between 1962 and 1968.

Garrie Fox reported that a former club member, Chris Klapp, who was transferred to Whiteman Air Force base in Missouri was involved in an accident in his shop. A flash fire occurred and seriously burned him. Garrie wanted to also stress the need for safety while working in our shops. Buddy system is good, but thankfully in this case no one else was hurt in this instance. After the meeting Patricia provided a site that is updated with Chris' progress. It's Caring-bridge.org. Cards were circulated for members to sign and be sent to Chris and his family.

Margaret, Bonni Russet's mom, turned 100 last month. We serenaded her with "Happy Birthday." She was delighted.

Meeting adjourned at 10:40.

**Upcoming 2015 Meeting Locations  
(3 months out)**

**Sunday, August 9th** - 9:30am, Golden Corral, 5410 E. Woodmen Rd, Colorado Springs, CO (*changed from 8/16 due to Club co-sponsoring the Old Colorado Car Show on the same day*)

**Sunday, September 20th** - 9:30am, Golden Corral, 5410 E. Woodmen Rd, Colorado Springs, CO

**Sunday, October 18th** - 9:30am, Golden Corral, 5410 E. Woodmen Rd, Colorado Springs, CO

## TINY TOWN RAILROAD EXCURSION!

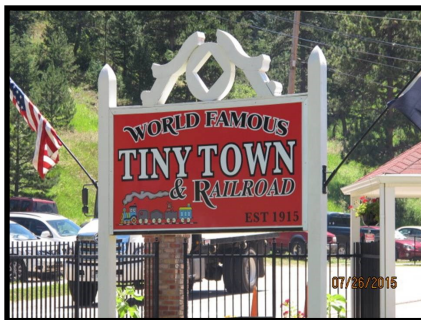
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Jonni Berkman (RMC)



PPCC members brought out to the park for the visitors to enjoy, and while taking a group shot, we were photo-bombed by 16-time NHRA Funny Car Champion, John Force ☺ (left to right) Mary Ellen & David Feasel with their '62 Greenbrier, Kelina Halpin with her '60 Monza Coupe, Cheryl Halpin & grandkids Gabe and Joslyn with her '67 Sport Sedan, and Debbie & Jon Anderson with their '65 500 Coupe. Wayne Russert's burgundy Convertible was also on display at the park, but off to the left of this picture.

On Saturday, July 25th, fifteen members of the PPCC and RMC made the short drive out to Morrison, CO to enjoy the day together, and help celebrate Tiny Town's 100th Anniversary. Coincidentally, Miss Margaret (Bonni Russert's Mother) recently turned 100 years old as well. Happy Birthday Margaret!!

PPCC members, Wayne and Bonni Russert coordinated for the Club event and were great hosts.



Wayne regularly volunteers at the park, helping to not only keep the trains running, but also refurbishing some of the many "tiny" buildings. We got a chance to see one of his most recent restorations as we toured the park area.

Wayne also secured permission to give us all a behind the scenes tour



The park is home to more than 90 kid-sized buildings, some almost 100 years old.

of the round-house area, where the trains are stored each night and repaired, as well as the long shed area where everything is stored during the winter months.



We also had the opportunity to put the Corvairs on display, in the park. Lots of good conversations with the park visitors. We even had a chance to chat with 16-time NHRA Funny Car Champion, John Force, as he and his family passed through the park. John was racing at Bandimere that weekend.

*Thank You Wayne and Bonni for a Great Day!!*



Long time RMC member, and Treasurer, John Dinsdale enjoys a ride on the coal fired steam train. Overwhelmed with excitement by the days events, John decided to join the PPCC right then and there!



**ANNUAL PICNIC WITH THE RMC, AUGUST 23rd**

This year, the annual Dale Wilshire Memorial Picnic will be held on August 23 at the Wings over the Rockies Air & Space Museum, located at 7711 East Academy Boulevard, Denver, CO



The main doors to the museum will be opened to the public at 11:00 a.m., however, access will be available for the RMC & PPCC Club members at 10:00 a.m., using the Northeast employee door. Cars can park together on the Northeast side (off of Spruce Street) or in the public lot on Academy Street. Admittance to the museum is free to Club members.

The event will be catered by Jim 'N Nick's Bar B Q. Lunch will be served promptly at 11:30 am.

Lunch fee is \$10.00 to the RMC and PPCC members. RMC has agreed to cover any meal costs over that amount. Thank you RMC!!

Make checks out to Rocky Mountain Corsa and send check to: Jerry Gerteisen, 1356 Highland Park Dr., Broomfield, CO, 80020


Lunch money **must be paid in advance**, and received by Jerry **prior to August 18th**, so that RMC can notify the caterer of the final head count. **If you don't pay ahead of time, you will not be able to enjoy the lunch meal.**





**Corvair Track Classic**  
August 28, 29, & 30<sup>th</sup> 2015  
in Hastings, Nebraska  
Register at [www.shadesclassiccars.com](http://www.shadesclassiccars.com)


## 2015 PPCC Activities Calendar


All of these events, and others are on the interactive calendar on our website @ <http://www.corvair.org/chapters/chapter809/calendar/calendar.htm>

 **Sunday, August 16th @ 9:00am: "Good Times Car Show"**, Old Colorado City, CO. Monies raised are donated to Canine Companions for Independence. *This year, the PPCC will join at least three other "HOST" clubs* (Southern Colorado Mopars, Rocky Mountain Mustangers and the Colorado Cruizers) to help put this even on. Volunteers will be needed, so be prepared to support this 2015 Club sponsored event in August. For more info see: <http://goodtimescarshow.com>


 **Sunday, August 23rd @ 10:00am: "Annual Dale Wilshire Memorial Picnic"**, Denver, CO. Sponsored by the Rocky Mountain Corsa Club, this annual event will be held in the Frontier Room at the "Wings over the Rockies" aircraft museum @ 7711 East Academy Blvd (formerly Lowery) in Denver. The museum admission is free, but each participant will have to pay for lunch, which will be \$10. Make checks out to Rocky Mountain Corsa and send to: Jerry Gerteisen, 1356 Highland Park Dr., Broomfield, CO, 80020. **Lunch money must be paid in advance, and received by Jerry prior to August 18th,** so that RMC can notify the caterer of the final head count.

 **August 28th thru 30th (Fri-Sun): "Corvair Track Classic"**, Hastings, NE. This 2-day event will include running on the 2.15 mile/14 turn Road Course, 1/8 mile Drag/"Grudge" racing, and 1.0 mile/8 turn Autocross Track at Motorsport Park Hastings (MPH - [www.racemph.com](http://www.racemph.com)). This event is open to ANY/ALL Corvair Race Enthusiasts. Check your email for the flyer. For more info see <http://www.shadesclassiccars.com/~shadescc/blog/corvair-track-classic>

 **September 1st thru November 30th: "Corvairs at the Forney"**, Denver, CO. A display of at least 12 Corvairs, several from both the RMC & PPCC will be at The Forney Museum of Transportation.

 **Saturday, September 26th @ TBD: "PPCC Fall Aspen Drive"**, Location for this year's drive will be Victor, CO. Take a nice cruise through the countryside, eat lunch, and enjoy the yearly change of the fall foliage from greens to yellow and oranges. Sponsored by PPCC, all invited. See July meeting minutes for latest details. Contact Patricia Fox for additional information.

**December (TBD): "PPCC Christmas Party"**, Location TBD, but put it on your calendars and plan those other holidays events around it. Great Fun every year!!

 denotes events where Corvairs have had a significant presence.



Cheryl Halpin  
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Randy & Sara Karl





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**Monthly Meetings:** Unless otherwise noted, the PPCC meets on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of each month, 9:30am at the Golden Corral, 5410 E. Woodmen Rd, Colorado Springs, CO.

**Membership & Dues:** PPCC dues are \$25 per year, and, membership in CORSA is a prerequisite for membership in PPCC. Please refer to the club's website below to obtain a copy of the membership application and guidance for submission. Checks should be made payable to "PPCC" and mailed to: PPCC, ATTN: Treasurer, P.O. Box 15034, Colorado Springs, CO 80935.  
<http://www.corvair.org/chapters/chapter809>

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