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PREZ SEZ

Here's hoping that Corvair Claus brought you everything you wanted for your Corvair since the elves were too busy to do it for you all year. And let's look forward to a Happy New Year full of car shows, car cruises, car flea markets, restoring cars, repairing cars, buying and selling cars. Did I mention cars? And better weather!!

Well, it's official. I ran unopposed and now I have to hope it's not a lifetime appointment. Only time will tell. I was Secretary and Treasurer in a former NFCC life in the eighties, I think. Hazel would have had something to say about my nomination and election. Don't get her wrong. She loved the Corvair wagon, the Sturbridge Convention, the cruises and car shows, just driving around, and *most* of the Corvair owners. Now she's either looking down with pride or laughing her head off. I'm not sure which.

The first thing I would like to accomplish is a new edition of the Constitution and Bylaws. It seems that while I was gone, the versions were changed but nowhere does there seem to be a current copy. Way back in my first years in the club, I was on the committee to rewrite those documents. I have searched my old paperwork from the club but have found no copies. If anyone has a copy of any iteration, please email or mail a copy so the starting point will be easier and closer to what it was.

Now, as to member participation. I have a question. Our meetings tend to be the same half dozen people every month while our paid membership in the club is large. I'm getting tired of talking to Joe P. all the time (gotta get my digs in because I'll only get them back). Not to discourage members from renewing their membership, but where are you? I know some of you have personal issues and some live too far away. But why do others pay dues and not participate in meetings, club outings, or cruises and shows? Is it the dates or times or locations that are a problem? If that is the case, let me know directly and we can discuss possible changes. What do you want to see at meetings? I have a 24/7 365 business yet I try to move heaven and earth to make meetings and cruises and shows. It doesn't always work but I put forth an effort. I have gone to meetings in Virginia that have food and spouse/family participation and they have more attendance and their membership roster is no bigger than ours. What incentives do you need to come out? There aren't many Corvairs and owners in this area and we need to keep this club going. I only know most of you only by name on a roster sheet and have never seen you or your car/van. Tell me what you would like to see. Tech Sessions? Repairs? Your identity can be confidential but your ideas will be brought up for discussion. But I would like to meet more of the club members.

We need to get together for cruises and club events and show strength in numbers. As an observer or a member, I have experienced other clubs attending. Doesn't your head turn when a fleet of Corvettes or a line of Mustangs or T-Birds enter a show or cruise lot? I have personally seen heads spin when three or four of us get together outside and enter together. You can hear the comments as you drive in. Come on. We're a CLUB, not a rag tag bunch of owners who don't know each other Wait a minute. Maybe we don't know each other. Well it's time to introduce yourselves. I'll bet there are a lot of you that have a fountain of info and experiences to enthrall us all and help us navigate our next project. Finally and most important. Keep Luke Gworek in your prayers. I know a lot of what the family is going through and I personally and, as representative of the club, would like to support them any way I/we can. Till next month.....

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MEMBERSHIP DUES

Club Membership - \$10.00 per year for e-mail newsletter. \$15 per year for postal newsletter. Dues may be paid at monthly meeting or by mailing:

Sending to the Club address: 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 _____ Check one: E-Mail _____ Postal _____

MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO: NIAGARA FRONTIER CORVAIR CLUB

Niagara Frontier Corvaire Club
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...NFCC EVENTS, AND OTHER GOOD STUFF

Jan 15th NFCC Dinner at Pane's Restaurant on 984 Payne Avenue North Tonawanda – 6:00 PM

Feb 2nd Snow Busters Automotive Swap Meet, Event Center at Hamburg Fairgrounds.

Feb 28=Mar 2nd 21st ANNUAL "CAVALCADE OF CARS". Event Center, The Fairgrounds, Hamburg, NY. INFO: Andy 716-656-9734,

May 4th Rod and Customs Automotive Swap Meet, NEW LOCATION, Sanborn Farm Museum 2660 Saunders Settlement Rd. Sanborn. Info 626-3619

March 21st-23rd Buffalo Motorama, Buffalo Convention Center

NOTE: This calendar of events is not complete, there are many more events that are listed on the Clutch Artists calendar of events list that I e-mailed to you. More info on the events I have listed here are on that list as well. If you are a member who does not receive your newsletter by e-mail, if you contact me I can e-mail you a copy of the calendar of events to an e-mail address you may have access to. Gary gswiatowy@rochester.rr.com 716-439-5194

And plenty of the details on upcoming shows and cruises can be found at the Show and Cruise News website: <http://showandcruisenews.com/> ore better yet subscribe and you may see your car in the pages!

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How to tell a good flywheel from a bad flywheel!

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pDvzX0RISBc&feature=youtu.be>

Rear Engined aircooled Admas-Farell long before Corvair.

http://www.youtube.com/embed/Y0XbqHUAL-0?feature=player_detailpage



Monza SS and Monza Jr. Prototype

Swi's Theory of Garage Space:

The amount of car parts and project cars accumulated is exponentially proportional to the space available. This holds true for tools, and equipment as well.

This theory also applies inversely to time available to complete projects, the more you accumulate in projects, the less time there will be available to complete them.

Since no matter can be created or destroyed (excluding nuclear), as one attempts to remove unwanted material (i.e., trash, or unused parts via e-bay or swap meet) from one's garage, the remaining material mutates so as to occupy 30 to 50 percent more than its original volume.

Addendum to theory:

If you buy a part for a project, it is quicker to buy another when you are ready to use it, than to find the one you bought originally.

With any garage, the adage in the movie "Field of Dreams" applies: "Build it, they will come."



Last month I published the above "Rat Fink" Corvan, but I failed to credit the artist. Actually, I didn't know who the artist was or how old the artwork was, so I couldn't. I have since found out the artist is Ben

Schack, from the backwoods of Hop Bottom which is near Scranton PA. If you would like to get hold of Ben to commission some artwork, his cell phone # is 570-767-1420. or you can e-mail him at: mr.schack@gmail.com. Ben sent along some additional artwork and gave me permission to use it in our newsletter. It is always great to receive some fresh material for our newsletter. Ben, how about an early model, a Rampside and a wagon? I was always a fan of the art of Ed "big Daddy" Roth and even met him years ago at a Car and toy Show at the Pendleton House in Lockport.



2014 Central NY Corvair Club Recall

I would like to take this time to invite all Corvair owners and lovers to Recall. Our first Recall was 1975.

Recall will take place on June 6,7 and 8 2014 at the Hilton Garden Inn, 6004 Fair Lakes Road, East Syracuse, NY 13057. Call (315) 431-4800 for room reservations and mention the Corvair Club for \$96 / night.

Clark's Covair will take orders on Saturday starting at 8AM

Recall will include our hospitality room with munchies available all the time and a Lunch Saturday at noon, Lunch will have sandwiches, chips, cold vegetables, and fruits. Sometimes the ladies surprise us with some great desserts. For all Registered Recall attendees.

A food vender is located on the Concours site if you want to buy a hot meal.

Friday 2pm travel to car Museum

Friday night we will attend a cruze-in at Kristy's at the Concours site.

Saturday Concurs will start at 9am

Autocross will start after lunch. Come prepared for a technical drive. The Funkhana and model car display will finish the afternoon.

The Awards Banquet is scheduled Saturday night, with plenty of good food.

18 trophies will be awarded.

The valve cover race scheduled for after cruze-in Friday night,

Syracuse has a large shopping mall for all who wish to visit.

The Erie canal museum is located nearby down town.

Dave Robinson Chairperson

FOR SALE: Fiberglass front valance for late model Corvair, includes Rt. Lower fender portion \$100 Gary 716-439-5194



Some of us went to Blocher Homes in Williamsville for the Cruise there, was a nice turn out for a first time event. Joe P. manages this Cruise as well as the Beachwood Cruise.



HAD A NICE TALK LAST MONTH WITH PHIL DOMSER, PRESIDENT OF THE CNYCC. HE HOPES SOME OF OUR MEMBERS WILL MAKE AN EFFORT TO THEIR CORVAIR RECALL IN JUNE. SEE INFO ON OPPOSITE COLUMN.....GARY SWIATOWY



You won't see one of these every day!