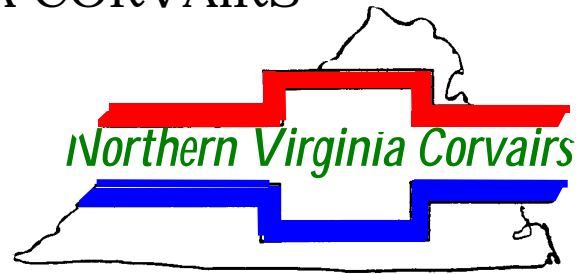


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CHAPTER CHATTER

By A. J. Paluska, Jr

Well, sometimes all of the planets align, the sun rises, the moon sets, and all of the conditions are present for the perfect storm. That is not what happened at July's meeting, but we had the largest attendance since the Christmas party. Long time members Jim and Janice Wallen were in attendance as well as new members Jason Matthys and Bill Leeman. Bill brought by his 1964 Monza sedan for a looksee. Greg Walthour had a "few" projects he wanted to accomplish.

First, he had one big project and many small projects, so there were few idle hands. The major project was to install at least the front, if not both the front and rear, anti-roll bars on his Greenbrier. He wants to keep the weight of the van on the suspension.

The number one minor project was to remove the spare tire and screw-in interior panel in the Greenbrier to remove the sound-deadening sheet, which fell in front of the outside cooling ducts. His concern here was overheating the engine due to lack of airflow.

The number two minor project: he needed to remove the rear axles from the blue Rampside that he is scrapping. The suspension is already out. He had the yokes well "soaked" before the meeting. He offered the suspension piece to anyone who wanted it. He only wanted

the axles. If he had no takers, it would go to the scrap yard.

The number three minor project was to work on Clarabel, the '60 sedan. Greg has not driven it since the last convention due to a "no-fuel" problem, and He has just not had the time to look into it. He was guessing the problem was the fuel pump; however, it could be a plugged in-line fuel filter, plugged stone filters, or collapsed line, etc.

The number four minor project: The brown Rampside runs well enough to drive down I95 to get a load of mulch at the Lorton landfill; however, ever since the club helped with installing the pointless ignition, it seems to want to shake itself apart! He was guessing timing? The screws that hold down the gas pedal also needed to be replaced. He wanted to use the ones from the Yellow GB. He thought that if we could accomplish any one of these projects, he would be grateful!

Well, as mentioned above, we had a large turnout so projects one and two were accomplished. Additionally, you editor, with the help of Curt Shimp, Ron Tumolo, and Darrin Hartzler was able to switch out the 13 inch autocross steering wheel for a 15 inch wooden one on his '64 Monza Coupe. It looks much better than the old one, especially against the backdrop of the Spyder dash and the new custom radio faceplate recently fabricated and installed.

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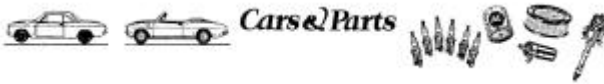
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*****AUTOMOTIVE CLASSIFIED*****

63 Greenbrier: Powerglide, white/blue exterior with blue interior. 115, 000 miles, runs well, good condition, no rust through, a few rust spots. Manuals included. \$2500.00. Call Jeremy at (703) 964-6999 (4/06)

63 Convertible: Red with good body and nice paint. Asking \$2500.00, condition 3 to 4 on scale of 5. Contact Jim at (540) 465-5066. (9/06)

65 Convertible: 140 HP PG, 44K miles, maroon and black. \$15000 OBO. Call Bob at (304) 263-2763. (7/07)

66 Corsa: 180 HP Turbo, dark blue, surface rust, 62K miles. Asking \$2000. Located in Mount Jackson, Virginia. Call (540) 984-3549. (7/07)

Parts/Miscellaneous For Sale

Late Model Parts: 1, new 195/15-50H BF Goodrich Euro Radial T/A: \$25. Free 65 front cross member. Call Curt Shimp at (540) 955-1516. (2/06)

Parts: From our club's 65 coupe parts car: Right hand door, 4 Monza Wheel disks. Call Venice Cox at (703) 791-6517. (1/05)

Parts: Darrin Hartzler has parts to clear out this spring. Does anybody need either a transaxle or a complete PG with transaxle? How about a late model 3 speed manual transmission? If so, let him know. Very cheap. (301) 365-7332 (2/06)

RARE HISTORICAL ARTIFACTS LOCATED!
Take this unusual opportunity to purchase a piece of Corvair history. Available for a limited time. Genuine 2003 Virginia Vair Fair T-shirts. A steal at \$8.00, two for \$15, in sizes S, M, L, XL. Hurry, this rare find won't last for long! Call Curt at (540) 955-1516.

COMING SOON: 2007 Vair Fair T-shirts. To be priced for quick sale. Another can't miss opportunity to own rare Corvair Memorabilia!

Corvair Parts: Large parts lot available. Will not be sold separately. For information contact Kim at kimpjason@juno.com or whitetiger@hereintown.net.

NVCC Calendar

2-5 August 2007, Das Awkscht Fescht, Macungie PA, Lehigh Valley Corvair Club: Cars, flea market, arts and crafts. Sunday is club day with LVCC. Contact Randy Kohler, (610) 398-3689 or rjkorvair@aol.com.

18 August 2007, 9:00 AM: The regular NVCC meeting at the home of Oren Rose to resurrect two Corvairs from their slumber.

8-9 September 2007, Corvair Days, Hershey PA, Central Pennsylvania Corvair Club: Concourses, swap meet, funkhana, tech sessions, and banquet. Contact Earl Holmes, (717) 921-8124 or w061772@comcast.net.

18 September 2007, 9:00 AM: The regular NVCC meeting at the home of Ron and Karen Tumolo.

29 September 2007, 9:00 AM, 2d Annual Super Kids Car Show: Prince George High School, 7801 Laurel Spring Road, Prince George, VA. For information contact Morris Hudgins at (804) 919-4246/458-8216 or Sally Sparks at (804) 458-6840.

20 October 2007, 9:00 AM: The regular NVCC meeting at the home of Mike Puglisi.

17 November 2007, 9:00 AM: The regular NVCC meeting at the home of Darren Hartzler.

23-27 July 2008, CORSA International Convention, CORSA West of Los Angeles: Ventura, CA.

Next Regular Meeting:

Saturday, 18 August 2007, 9:00 AM

Oren Rose
9021 Centreville Road, Manassas, VA
(703) 368-3631

Directions: Map/directions on the mailing cover.

Treasurer's Report:

Balance (6/22/07)	\$3,258.19
Dues	\$5.00
Closing Balance (6/22/07)	\$3,263.19

Not Corvair related, but funny. As a lifelong Yankee fan from New York City, I watched Yogi play on those great '50's and '60's Yankee teams. Reprinted from the 27 May 2007 *St. Louis Post Dispatch*.

By Dan O'Niell

Deadlines being what they are for this Sunday column, this essayist missed a momentous occasion recently. Yogi Berra accepted an honorary degree from St. Louis University and delivered the commencement speech for 1,900 graduates and 10,000 in attendance at Scottrade Center.

It's hard to imagine a more promising lingual event. Berra is to vocal communication what Don Cherry is to the fashion industry. Yogi doesn't so much command the English language as he corkscrews it. It is part of what makes the baseball Hall of Famer and pride of the Hill one of America's endearing figures.

While the oratory went unrecognized in this space last week, I was fortunate enough to secure -wink, wink -a copy of the discourse and felt compelled to share it with those who did not attend. So here is, in its entirety, Yogi's dissertation: "Thank you all for being here tonight. I know this is a busy time of year, and if you weren't here, you could probably be somewhere else. I especially want to thank the administration at St. Louis University for making this day necessary. It is an honor to receive this honorary degree.

It is wonderful to be here in St. Louis and to visit the old neighborhood. I haven't been back since the last time I was here. Everything looks the same, only different. Of course, things in the past are never as they used to be.

Before I speak, I have something I'd like to say. As you may know, I never went to college, or high school for that matter. To be honest, I'm not much of a public speaker, so I will try to keep this short as long as I can.

As I look out upon all of the young people here tonight, there are a number of words of wisdom I might depart. But I think the most irrelevant piece of advice I can pass along is this: "The most important things in life are the things that are least important."

I could have gone a number of directions in my life. Growing up on the Hill, I could have opened a restaurant or a bakery. But the more time I spent in places like that, the less time I wanted to spend there. I knew that if I wanted to play baseball, I was going to have to play baseball. My childhood friend, Joe Garagiola, also became a big-league ballplayer, as did my son, Dale. I think you'll find the similarities in our careers are quite different. You're probably wondering, how does a kid from the Hill become a New York Yankee and get in the Hall of Fame? Well, let me tell you something, if it was easy nobody would do it. Nothing is impossible until you make it possible.

Of course, times were different. To be honest, I was born at an early age. Things are much more confiscated now. It seems like a nickel ain't worth a dime anymore. But let me tell you, if the world was perfect, it wouldn't be. Even Napoleon had his Watergate. You'll make some wrong mistakes along the way, but only the wrong survive. Never put off until tomorrow what you can't do today.

Denial isn't just a river in Europe. Strive for success and remember you won't get what you want unless you want what you get. Some will choose a different path. If they don't want to come along, you can't stop them. Remember, none are so kind as those who will not see.

Keep the faith and follow the Commandments: Do not covet thy neighbor's wife, unless she has nothing else to wear. Treat others before you treat yourself. As Franklin Eleanor Roosevelt once said, 'The only thing you have to fear is beer itself.'

Hold on to your integrity, ladies and gentlemen. It's the one thing you really need to have; if you don't have it, that's why you need it. Work hard to reach your goals, and if you can't reach them, use a ladder. There may come a day when you get hurt and have to miss work. Don't worry, it won't hurt to miss work.

Over the years, I have realized that baseball is really just a menopause for life. We all have limitations, but we also know limitation is the greatest form of flattery. Beauty is in the eyes of Jim Holder. Half the lies you hear won't be true, and half the things you say, you won't ever say.

As parents you'll want to give your children all the things you didn't have. But don't buy them an encyclopedia, make them walk to school like you did. Teach them to have respect for others, especially the police. They are not here to create disorder, they are here to preserve it.

Throughout my career, I found good things always came in pairs of three. There will be times when you are an overwhelming underdog. Give 100 percent to everything you do, and when that's not enough, give everything you have left. 'Winning isn't everything, but it's better than rheumatism.' I think Guy Lombardo said that.

Finally, dear graduates and friends, cherish this moment; it is a memory you will never forget. You have your entire future ahead of you. "Good luck and Bob's speed." Always do right; this will gratify some people and astonish the rest.

Reprinted from the June 2007 *Vairifiable News*, the newsletter of the Central Virginia Corvair Club.

Corvair Motor Oil - Wade Lanning

All of you probably saw the note in the CORSA Communique by Larry Claypool about motor oil. He recommended using oil in our Corvairs with additives that give it both S and C certifications. A couple oils that he listed as having this certification are Shell Rotella and Chevron Delo 400. I checked at an Auto Zone but they did not carry these oils nor had any with both the S and C certifications. The oil they sold had either S or C certification, but not both. I have found both the Delo 400 and Rotella at Wal Mart for about \$9 to 9.50 in 1 gallon containers respectively. They also have these oils in quart containers, although at slightly higher unit prices. Rotella was less than \$9 per gallon at Sam's, but you have to buy a box with 4 1 gallon containers. As a side note, I recently found a few quarts of Pennzoil that was bought in the late 1990's, which had both the S & C certification.