

Lifter Noise

Newsletter of the West Michigan Corvair Club



What's Going On

This month we will be holding our membership meeting at Jake's Goodtime Bar and Grill on Tuesday, April 21 starting at 6:30 PM.

The date for our annual Spring Dust Off has been set for Saturday, May 9. We will be attending the Coldwater Swap Meet and Car Show. The show starts at 8 AM and runs until 4 PM. Immediately following the car show there will be a cruise through downtown Coldwater. For those who want to join the club caravan, meet at the Burger King on Broadmoor Ave. and 52nd St. at 7 AM.

We will also be having a regular membership meeting in May. On Tuesday, May 19 we will be meeting at Doug Halloran's Museum in Dorr at 6:30 PM. Following the tour of the museum we will cruise over to Old Mill Brewery in Plainwell.

Look for more details about our April and May meetings later in this newsletter.

To the right you will see other events for the next

Zoup Off!

For the past few years, we held an annual Chili Cook Off. This year we decided to change it up a little bit and have a soup cook off instead of a chili cook off.

Well it looks like that was a good decision as we had 10 different soups to judge! There were also 10 desserts to judge. If you went home hungry, it was your own fault.

WMCC Calendar

April 21 – WMCC Membership Meeting
April 28 – WMCC Board Meeting
May 9 – Spring Dust Off
May 14 – Meet the Makers in Ypsilanti
May 19 – WMCC Membership Meeting
May 23 – Tech Session
May 26 – WMCC Board Meeting
June 20 – All Air Cooled Show at Gilmore Car Museum

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month or two. For a complete list of events planned for the year as well as a listing of other area car shows, visit the events page on our club website at

www.corvair.org/chapters/chapter495/events.htm.

If you have not yet paid your 2015 dues, this will be your last newsletter.



April and May Meetings

by Dave Dykwell

Members ... get ready to start your season! Your Board has a great line-up of exciting Club Events planned for April and May sure to kick-start your spring.

On the pole, is a PIZZA & POP PARTY in the cozy confines of JAKE'S LIVING ROOM for our last indoor meeting of the season, **Tuesday, April 21st**, starting at 6:30pm. We'll start off with a delicious assortment of one-topping pizzas and unlimited sowe-pop for all. Afterward, our illustrious President will bring forth the latest of Club business like the awesome 2015 Calendar. Following our high-level discussions, we'll retreat to HIGH MARK LANES (same building) to partake in our first-ever Corvair Club Gutter Bowl. We'll have four (4) lanes reserved for us to enjoy two (2) games each with High and Low Gross winning terrific prizes of great value, not to mention the bragging rights. What more could you want? But wait, there's more. Taking advantage of our hard work on the Convention, your Board has elected to use our Treasury to bring you this exciting package for one meager payment of only **\$10 per person** (fee paid directly to our esteemed Treasurer). Why it even includes FREE rental of those highly fashionable and questionably sanitized bowling shoes. To further entice those who may be intimidated by the challenges of bowling, Bumpers and Ramps will be available. Of course, anyone wishing to hit the suds immediately upon arrival and forego the free pop may purchase their drinks separately. Note: due to this pre-recession pricing, members are encouraged to tip the

wait staff separately. So clear that calendar now!

For our **Tuesday, May 19th** General Meeting, we'll be visiting Doug Halloran's Petrolia Place in Dorr. I am certain everyone will thoroughly enjoy this amazing private museum. A hidden treasure, Doug has an outstanding personal collection of vintage gas pumps and petro memorabilia mixed in with an extensive collection of eclectic collectables everywhere you look. He has amassed a beautiful batch of Cushman and Harley Scooters, including a few Whizzers and early Harley and Honda cycles. He has hoards of antique pedal cars/tractors and several unusual antique one-off's such as a home-built Crosley-powered Ice Car and a '62 Cushman Custom Club Cart with a 3-speed that burns rubber and does 60mph! In addition to the above, he owns a '68 Camaro, '64 Vette, a Model T work truck and several restored Farm implements. All extremely nice stuff. This is an amazing place sure to get your eyes open wider than a kid in a candy store. Arrangements have been made for us to arrive at 6:30pm and stay as long as we care to. Ironically, Doug's is located just up the street from Jake's. His place is 1 mile West of US131, Dorr exit, across from Dorr Baptist Church, white farm house north side of street; 1503 142nd. Afterward, we'll take a leisurely cruise down to our meeting location in Plainwell for eats, refreshment and any Club business. This will be a memorable opportunity worth attending!

Winning Soup Recipe

Hearty Italian Soup – courtesy of Suzi Tengen

1 pkg. Italian sausage (hot or sweet) – Suzi prefers sweet

1 medium onion, chopped

1 medium green pepper, chopped

28 oz. can of tomatoes, crushed

2 – 8 oz. cans of tomato sauce

2 – 8 oz. cans of water

3 chicken bouillon cubes

$\frac{3}{4}$ tsp – 1 tsp garlic salt

$\frac{3}{4}$ - 1 cup of small shell macaroni

Shredded mozzarella cheese

In large saucepan, brown sausage, pepper and onion. Drain. Stir in remaining ingredients EXCEPT macaroni and cheese. Cover and simmer 15 minutes. Stir in macaroni, cover and simmer another 15 minutes or until the macaroni is tender. Top each serving with shredded cheese.

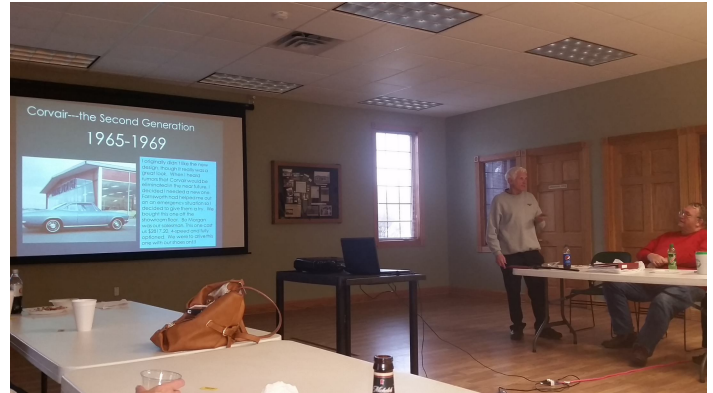
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The winning soup came from Gordon and Suzi Tengen (look for the recipe in this newsletter). There was a 3-way tie for second place among the Adams, Stroebe and Ziebarth. The winning dessert, peanut butter pie, came from Ryan Counterman. The Reinharts took second place.



Following the tasting/judging Keith Martin shared a

powerpoint presentation with us that showed his history with Corvairs. He said that he has owned approximately 50 Corvairs over the years. Some of them were the "beater" Corvairs that were driven everyday while some were never driven. Thank you Keith for a wonderful presentation!



Last but not least were the door prizes. We had a nice array of prizes that included bottles of wine and a six pack of Two Hearted Ale that was won by Carolyn Counterman (and she was not going to share it with Ryan).

Look for more pictures on the club website.

March Board Meeting Recap

The board meeting was held at Woody's on March 31.

Zoup Off

- Very pleased with the turnout for the Zoup Off
- Good variety of soups and desserts
- Great program by Keith Martin

April Meeting

- April 21
- Last meeting at Jake's for the season
- Bowling party after the regular meeting
- Cost will be \$12 per person
 - Club will pick up \$2
 - Cost \$10 per person

Spring Dust Off

- Coldwater Car Show on May 9
- Cruise through Coldwater after the show at 4 PM
- Meet at Burger King on Broadmoor at 7 AM

May Events

- Spring Dust Off on May 9

- Hollaran's Museum tour on May 19
- Tech Session – Bob's Resurrection – May 23

June Events

- Regular meeting at Fricano's
- Air Cooled Show at Gilmore Car Museum
- Tech Session – axle bearings

July Events

- Race night at Berlin
- Tech Session – Oil cooler gaskets
- Grand Lady Riverboat Cruise
- Chicken BBQ with pit master Koning

August Events

- Red Barns Spectacular at Gilmore Car Museum
- Regular meeting at Vitale's in Comstock Park
- Metro Cruise/All Chevy Show at Berger

September Events

- Regular meeting at Yellow Jacket Inn
- Grand Lady Cruise

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