



Prairie Capital Corvair Association

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The Flat Six

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From the President

Happy New Year everyone. 2008 is going to be a great year for the PCCA.

Bernie and I had a very good time at the Christmas party. It was nice to see all the brave souls that drove to Farmersville in such lousy weather. Congratulations to Beulah & Jim Collier who drove their 1965 Monza from Decatur IL. The only Corvair in the parking lot. There were 38 people in attendance.

Shelby Berta & Tim Mahler won the attendance awards for 2007.

Congratulations to you both.

We will have a Board of Directors meeting at 1:00 before the January meeting.

We have two books that were donated to the club by a past member. One is Corvair Affair, by Mick Kepper. The other one is the Corvair Basics book from Corsa.

There will be a silent auction for these books at the January meeting. The proceeds will go to our club treasury.

Lets have a good turnout at the meeting and start the year out with a Bang.



Jim Allen

Calendar of Events

Meeting Location – Is the Rochester Community Building located off Il Route 29 in Rochester Illinois. The community building is on the east end of Rochester at #1 Community Drive.

Jan 2008

Jan 12 Board Meeting 1-2 pm
Jan 12 PCCA Meeting 2-4 pm
Program: Tech Session led by Jim Allen
: Ladies Swap Meet

Feb 9 **PCCA Meeting Rochester Community Building**
Mar 8 PCCA Meeting Rochester Community Building.

June 23-28, 2008 CORSA International Convention. Ventura California.

PCCA Home Page may be found at <http://www.corvair.org/chapters/chapter627>

Join CORSA for 26 months
Receive a Corvair Basics book set FREE!

Fine print: Offer valid for new members including re-joining members if they have not been a member of CORSA for at least 3 years.



It is that time again, except for those new PCCA members, it is time to renew your membership. Some members have pre-paid already, if you are not sure, please check with Treasurer Lawrence Jahn.

Prairie Capital Corvair Association (PCCA) Application Membership Application (Dues are for one year: Jan. - Dec.)

Type of Membership Single _____ \$15
 Family _____ \$18 (2 adults at one address plus children under 18)

Name _____ Spouse/ 2nd Adult _____

Address _____

City _____ ST _____ ZIP _____

Corsa # _____ Home Phone _____ Work Phone _____

eMail Address _____

Cars, Corvair and other _____

Other interests _____

Return this completed application and dues to: Lawrence Jahn, Treasurer, 907 Sells Drive, Hoopston, IL 60942

CHRISTMAS AT ARTS

Story by Dick Moon

Pictures by Shelby Berta



The setting could have not been better for a car-related club's Christmas Dinner - a small restaurant, not pretentious and showing its age, located in a village through which famous RT66 at one time ushered countless travelers. Art's Motel and restaurant in Farmersville is where PCCA held its 2007 Christmas Dinner, December 8.

The weather was not accommodating, with a cold rain mixed at times with sleet being encountered by most of the Club members who attended. But accommodating describes Art's and their staff perfectly. Drinks were delivered almost before coats were removed even though this began over an hour

before the advertised starting time for the event. And again we were astounded when there were 38 PCCA members putting on their bibs at dinner time. Two tables that had been used to store ladies' and men's gifts for the exchange were cleared off so the last few arrivals could eat sitting down.



Everyone ordered from Art's menu - not fancy, but about what you would expect at a restaurant whose heritage is one of serving travelers in the midwest before Interstate highways. And the selections were certainly adequate. PCCA members dined on everything from grilled salmon to meatloaf. The two ladies waiting on the tables and the kitchen swung into action, and before long the meals began to appear. Not surprisingly, with a small kitchen and 38 simultaneous orders, it took some time for everyone to be served. We heard no complaints, however; everyone understood the situation.

A very brief meeting was held after the meal. This may not have happened had not Jim been prepared for the Pledge Of Allegiance by bringing a small flag which he held in one hand while his other was over his heart as the pledge was being said. Well done! Next, of course, was the gift exchange, which went much smoother this year than last year. Everyone got something appropriate in short order. We must also note that there was a sizeable mound of toys for the good little girls and boys who might not otherwise get



such at Christmas time. We are a generous group in that regard. Thanks, Tim, for delivering them on the Club's behalf.

I was prepared to title this account "FlatSixes at Art's", but on reflection could not do that. Only one Corvair was in the parking lot that day... Jim and Beulah Collier's. Let's give them a hand. Other regular Corvair drivers were intimidated by the weather possibilities. I know Neta and I were.



Anyway, partly because there had been socializing before dinner, and partly because of the conditions outside, our folks began leaving shortly after the gift exchange was over. As you will see from the following list, several members had quite a distance to cover before they were home again. Those attending:



Jim and Bernie Allen; Bill and Shelby Berta; Garry and Sue Biggs; Richard and Ruth Boxdorfer; John and Joan Cavagna; Jim and Beulah Collier; Mike and Rhona Hall; Larry and Gloria Jahn; Bud and Kay Laubach; Tim Mahler; Jerry and Thelma McKenzie; Mike and Marsha Meyers; Dick and Neta Moon; Brian and Teri Nicholson; Bob Nicholson; Bill and Thelma Pierson; Jess and Sharon Rogers; LC and Lorene Smith; Hal and Shirley Turngren; and Floyd and Clara Wood.

38 of them. Did I get 'em all?



And so, we got a major dose of Holiday (Christmas for us traditionalists) Cheer. Brian and Sharon had special headgear to remind us of the season. Thanks to Art's owners and staff for a job well done. We eagerly await the next opportunity for PCCA members to demonstrate their social side by exceeding expectations yet again at scheduled gatherings. This one was simply amazing.

Note: The Frank Winchell Memorial Corvair Scholarship

Every year, the CPF awards a scholarship to a young person to help with the many costs of attending college. It is aimed primary at students who are attending College for the first time. The scholarship is based on merit – grade point average, character, leadership. The scholarship committee encourages anyone that may be eligible to submit an application, more information should be in the Communique. Eligible students include any CORSA member in good standing (your dues are paid) or child, grandchild, or ward of a member in good standing. Contact Bill Pierson with any questions you may have. Recently, the several \$500 and one \$1,000 scholarships have been awarded to help with the school year. Every little bit helps. If you have a family member who is planning to attend, consider applying.

Thanks, tim mahler, CORSA/CPF president

Revisiting the Fall Corvair Affair in Charlotte, N.C.

by: Ruth Boxdorfer

Oct. 19 -21 was the date for this CORSA event. This was their 31st. event and our first time there.

We left a few days earlier in order to stop at a few Nascar shops on the way. Richard was lucky and got Richard Childress to sign one of his Nascar collectibles he had taken along. This alone was worth the trip!

We arrived in Charlotte Thursday afternoon, the first of the Corvairs to arrive. This gave us the chance to rest up before the activities started on Friday with the registration. He had pre-registered, so this part went fast.



As with all CORSA events there is the Concours Classification and then the operations check. This all is very time consuming. The Tow-Truck as entered in the Concours for the very first time. Richard kept thinking of not getting it judged and just putting it in People's Choice. Everyone said to go ahead and get it judged - that will tell you what you need to do to improve it (by looking at the score sheets later) So this is what he did.

Other members from the SMCC entered in the Concours were: Jim & Bernie Allen (Peoria, IL.), and Bill & Thelma Pierson (Murphysboro, IL.). Jim & Bill both, have had their car in Concours before. They have scored over 94 points in other CORSA events, which has put them in the Senior Division. Richard was entered in the Primary Division - Specialty Class.



Another member, Mike & Marsha Meyers & daughter, Marissa (Wood River, IL.) had their car (the one with the V-8 engine) entered in the "People's Choice" - Specialty Class.

Other members from SMCC & PCCA that attended this event and cheered the entrants on were, Bill & Shelby Berta (Rochester, IL.) and Dick & Neta Moon (Peoria, IL.).

Richard did not enter in the Auto Cross or Rally, but the others did. Mike Meyers entered in the Auto Cross (his very first time)! After it was over, we heard him say "It's harder than it looks"...



After watching the Valve Cover Races, bets are on that Marissa Meyers will be saving her old CD's for hers. (Dad, keep a close watch on all your valve covers and your extra orange paint!)

Everyone in attendance at this event had a wonderful time. We all did our best to eat as much food from the Hospitality Room as possible, and some of us needed a shopping cart to hold the door prizes that were won. I don't know how much was spent in the Vendor Rooms, but I'm sure we all did our part - as we need those "extra" parts.

The Banquet was well attended and the food was plentiful. The trophies we received were very nice. Each one had a picture of the vehicle you entered on it. For those that had been judged - your score was also on it. Mike Meyers received "1st.Place" in People's Choice - Specialty Class.

This event featured a reunion for Forward Control Corvairs with special judging and awards. Richard received "1st. Place" in the Primary Division - Specialty Class, with a score of 96.32 . He also received "2nd. Place" in F.C."Participant's Choice", and like all the ones entered in this reunion for Forward Controls, received a small award for participating. Now all this has really made it worth the trip!

There were 11 vehicles entered in Concours-Senior Division.

Jim Allen received a "2nd. Place" in Senior Division with a score of 98.73, and Bill Pierson received a "5th. Place" in Senior Division with a score of 97.7 .

Congratulations to each and every one ...

A very nice truck in the Senior Division won 1st. Place and "Best of Show" with a score of 98.88 . He didn't beat Jim Allen out by much, but look out next time!!

We met some very nice people in N.C. and are looking forward to going back sometime. Hopefully the next time there will be even more of us from the SMCC & PCCA that will go.



Shopping! PCCA Shirts

Contact Mike Hall 217/494-7105

Long sleeve Denim Mens -S-XL \$26.75; 2X \$28.45 Long Sleeve Denim Womens S-XL - \$25.45
Short Sleeve Denim Mens S-XL \$24.75 White Polo w pocket Mens S-XL \$15.00

Jackets are also available.

CORSA is offering a the Corvair Basics book FREE to new CORSA members. The Corvair Basics book retails at \$25 A 1 year membership is \$38, a 26 month is only \$76. Hurry, the program is scheduled to end Dec 31, 2006.

1st. Annual Ladies' Swap Meet 2008

Ruth Boxdorfer

Sorry guys! The Corvair ladies have decided to add another event for themselves. This event will have the same rules as our Plant exchange. It will be held during a "Tech" session meeting, which should be in January.

So, ladies, bring an item (or items) that you may have collected or received over the years but now have set it aside or replaced it with something that interests you more. Ladies, you know what I mean.. Something you have put in the closet or in the back of your dresser drawer, thinking that some day you might just drag it back out, but haven't. Bring it to the "Ladies' Swap Meet" and maybe it will be something another lady has been wanting or collecting. "ANYTHING", we ladies like.

This notice will give you plenty of time to start gathering up those items. If you have any questions you can call me (Ruth) at 618-377-8101, or call Shelby at 217-498-9259.

We're looking forward to this event. Hope you are too!



The Maroon 65 Coupe, Driven by James Collier with Beluah, to the 2007 PCCA Christmas get together. Although, the editor drove a Corvair to every meeting from February to November, the Ice, rather the salt, keeps his Corvairs in the garage. James braved the weather, and likely had more fun getting to the restaurant than anyone else at the party. I noted the white spots on the car as it sat in the parking lot. I hope James found a place to wash the car so we all may enjoy it for years. Thanks to Jim Allen for the Corvair enthusiast award. Next year, someone new needs to drive to every meeting in their Corvair. I will try to do the same. The challenge is on. Tim Mahler

Auction News:

Sullivan Fall Auction, Hamilton, Ill,
Sept 25-26, 2006 reported in OCW, Oct 26, 2006
1963 Corvair condition 3 \$2,100

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Another Ad from the 60s

PCCA Treasurer's Report Submitted by Treasurer Lawrence Jahn, December 8, 2007

Checking	Beginning Balance 11-10-2007			\$327.97
Expenses :	Garry Biggs - Rochester Community Room		\$ 90.00	
	Tim Mahler - Newsletter Expenses -09-12		\$132.11	
	Total Expenses			<u>\$222.11</u>
	Balance after Expenses			\$105.86
Income	50/50 Drawings	11/10	\$14.00	
		10/13	\$23.00	
2008 Dues				
	Jim and Bernie Allen	\$18.00	Jim and Beulah Collier	\$18.00
	Dick and Neta Moon	\$18.00	Lawrence and Gloria Jahn	\$18.00
	Richard and Ruth Boxdorfer	\$18.00	Floyd and Clara Wood	\$18.00
	Tim Mahler	\$15.00	Bob and Marg Gwin	\$18.00
Merchandise				
	John and Joan Cavagna	\$42.51	Hal and Shirlet Turngren	\$34.43
	Bob Nicholson	\$29.80	Bob and Marg Gwin	\$62.00
total Income				<u>\$346.74</u>
	Ending Balance 12-08-2007			\$452.60
Savings	balance 11-10-2007			
	State Farm CD, 1 Year, APY 5%		\$1,500.00	
	State Farm CD 90 Day APY4.65%		\$ 505.64	
	Savings Balance 12-08-2007			<u>\$2,005.64</u>
Checking and Savings Balance Total				\$2,458.24

PCCA Secretary's Report December 8, 2007 Submitted by Bud and Kay Laubach - Secretaries

Jim Allen, President opened the PCCA December Meeting at 2:42 at Arts Motel and Restaurant in Farmersville, Il. Forty-two people attended the meeting on the icy, snowy, wintery day. The members enjoyed a delicious meal and the meeting was opened with the pledge to the flag. Lawrence Jahn gave the treasurers report. The Treasurers report was approved. The Secretary's report as printed in the Flat Six was approved.

Jim Allen, President announced a Board Meeting is planned on January 12, 2008. This will be at 1:00 before the regular PCCA meeting. He asked all past and new board members to attend. Jim asked the members to bring ideas for Programs to be presented at our meeting in 2008. Bill Berta gave a report on his research to find programs for the upcoming year and as the members to give him any ideas they might have.

Jim Allen will give the program for the January Meeting. He will give a tech secession on Taillight housings. The ladies will have a treasure swap.

Dick Moon asked for more information about each member. He passed out a questionnaire for each member to fill out and return to him. He plans to feature members in the Flat Six newsletter. He stated it would be a good way for us to get to know each other better. The Meeting was adjourned at 3:00.

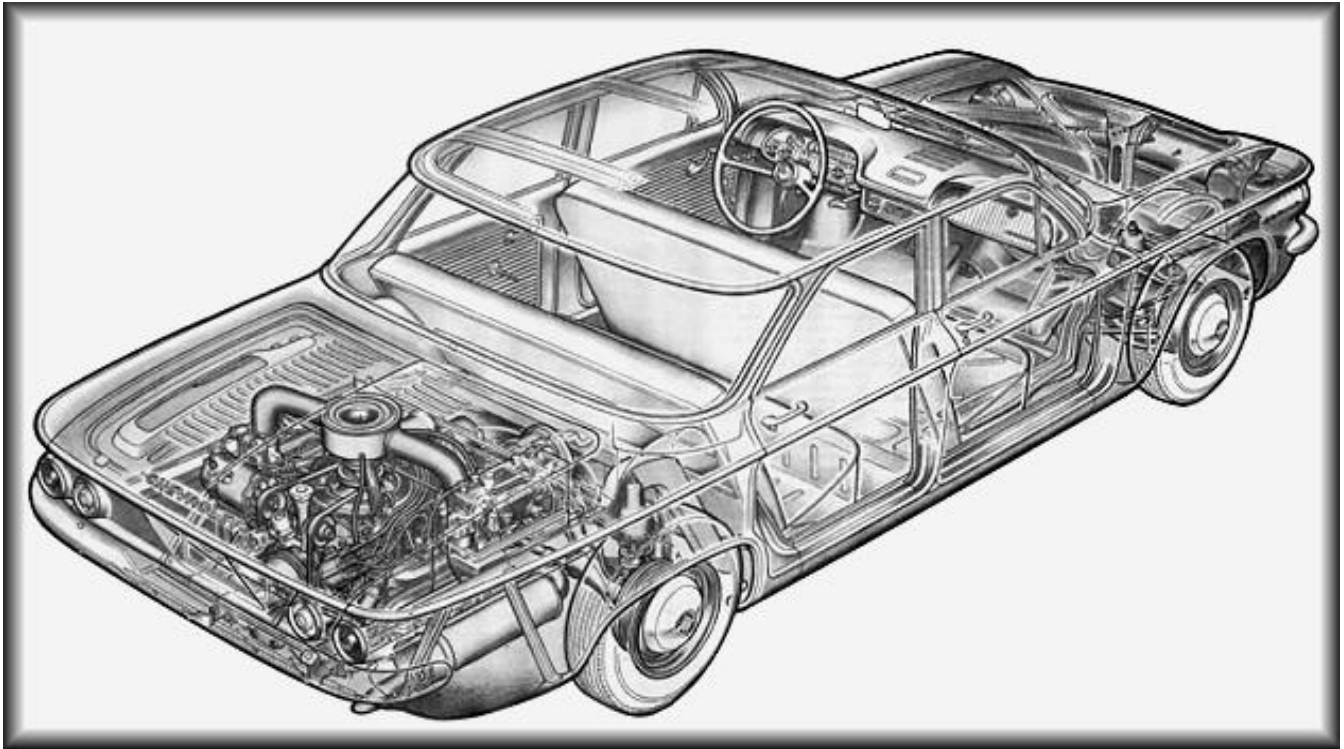
Brain Nicholson thanked the members for bringing toys for tots. This is an eight year tradition for the club members. Brain Nicholson and Sharon Rogers helped with the gift exchange.

Shelby Berta had a drawing for the ladies for a free machine embroidery gift. Beulah Collier was the winner.

President Jim Allen passed out awards to the members with the highest point average for the year's meeting attendances. Tim Mahler and Shelby Berta were the winner of gift certificates.

Bernie Allen passed out earrings for the ladies. A big thank you to Sue Biggs for making them for the ladies.

Jim Allen passed out 2008 car calendars to the men.



Car and Parts for Sale

For Sale: Set of five tires, 13 inch Corvair Imperial Steel belted radials W/W P185/70R13 wheels dans blasted and painted black, balanced. NEW \$200.00. 13 inch wheels, 4 hole and 5 hole. \$10 each. Alum wheels, Western Wheels, 14x7 multi holes fits?? Were on my Rampside and will fit Corvair-Chevy-?? Cleans and new center caps and chrome lug nuts. \$150. 65 posi trans axles (two) \$125.00 Four speed trans 65-66 \$100.00 each. 140 engine with 66 caerbs and linkage, rebuildable. \$450. 65 turbo engine, rebuildable. \$500. If interested or make offer, call Norbert (Bud) Laubach 1001 S 10th St, Keithburg, IL 6144. 309-374-2572. Norbert@frontiernet.net

Repeats:

For Sale: 1960 700 Sedan. Owner claims in near show room condition. Original. 20,000 miles, only engine compartment has been touched up. Located near Williamsville, IL. Asking \$7,500 Harold Carter, 217-725-6881

For Sale: We have a '63 red corvair, convertible, stick and are wanting to sell it. It's in good condition. Do you know of anyone who is looking to buy? Let us know, Nancy & Larry email:nannypooh45@sbcglobal.net or call 217-428-8322

For Sale: 1969 Monza coupe. 140motor. Fairly nice car, light green with light green interior. Interior good, exterior may need a repaint. Asking \$4,500. Located just outside of Rochester. Bill Berta has details.

For Sale: I would like to sell most of my parts inventory,. I am keeping some late model stuff. I have some new parts from Clarks and Corvair Underground. I have parted out a 62 Monza. I have lots of used stuff for lates and earlys including some heads, alternators, starters. Have a real nice used left door for and early coupe and some Clarks body panels for earlys. I would like to sell all at once for \$500. Bill Pierson 1829 Elm Murphysboro, IL 62966 618-684-3823 airvair65@aol.com

For Sale: 1963, 80 hp P/G transmission \$55.00 1962 102 hp distributor for all transmissions \$55.00. Four [4] Falken RV tires 225/75/15 about 5K miles on them, excellent condition \$100 **Bob Bauer 636 671 0762.**

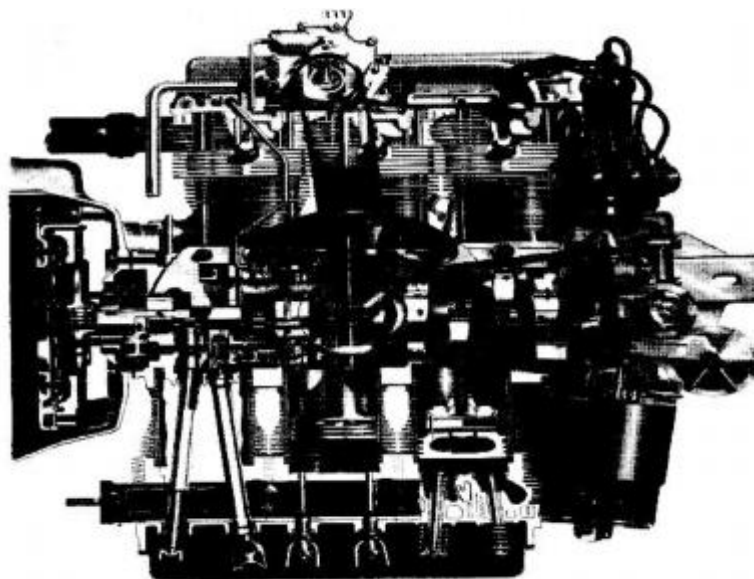
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The Flat Six is a newsletter publish 12 times a year by Prairie Capital Corvair Association. Parts and Cars advertising is currently free. PCCA reserves the right to reject any advertising within the newsletter. Article contributions are needed and welcomed. All articles and ads must be in the hands of the editor by the 15th of the month preceding the issue month. The Editor reserves the right to add, delete, and edit all copy.

Regular Meetings are held the second Saturday of each month at the Rochester Community Bldg in Rochester, IL. From 2 to 4 pm central time. These meetings may be held at alternative times to facilitate weather and club activities, check the published schedule in the newsletter or contact an officer. Guests are welcomed.

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