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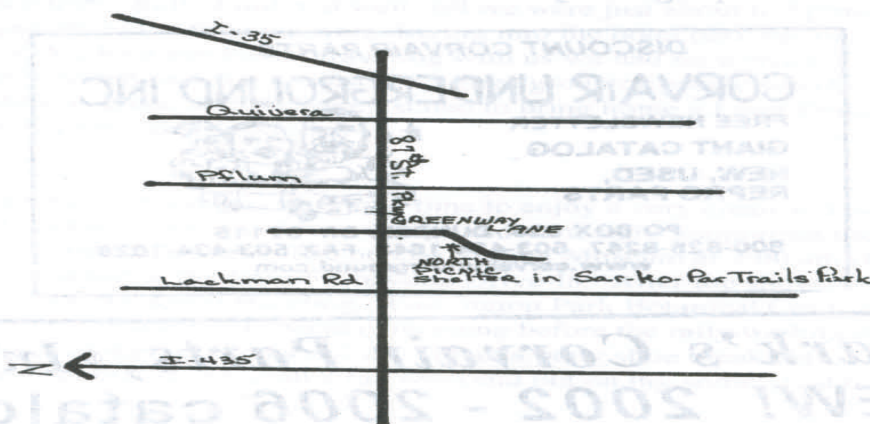
## June Meeting is in the Park

As in the past years we will be meeting in the park for our June meeting. For the last 3 or 4 years we have used Sar-Ko Park Trails in Lenexa KS. The park is located just south of 87th Street on Greenway Lane between Pflumm and Lackman Road. The 87th street exit from I-35 is closed but detours are well marked. You can also exit from I-435 in Kansas onto eastbound 87th Street. This meeting is more social than business; only necessary business will be discussed at the meetings. You are encouraged to bring a picnic if you desire. The club furnishes nothing – so include your own drink with your food. There are many fast food restaurants along 87th St.

Meeting usually starts around 7:00 so we can finish before darkness overtakes the day. Make your plans to be there!

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## From the President - Travis Bolton

I apologize for missing the May meeting. That was the night that my kids' daycare had their spring program. It's a lot of fun to watch a bunch of kids between 2 and five singing songs like "Twinkle, Twinkle Little Star" and "I've Got a Baby Bumblebee." It was also graduation for the kids who will be attending Kindergarten in the fall. These are times to cherish in your children's lives and they only happen once. Both Marie and Julia did great, and made us proud.

As I was preparing to write this, I realized this is my 6th column you have all been subjected to. Don't worry, we're halfway home now! As I look over the last 6 months, I feel pretty good about the first half of the year. We have had several new members join and I think the cruises we are hosting at Johnny Rays will be good exposure for us. If you didn't make it out to the April cruise, I hope you can make it to the June cruise. It was a lot of fun and should be even better in June, assuming the weather cooperates better. By the way, I'm not sure it has ever been mentioned that club members get a discount from Wayne Albertson at After-Market Specialists in Lee's Summit (816-246-1661) - the sponsor for the cruise. Unfortunately, I probably won't be able to make it. It's on June 17th, which is when we're having a birthday party for Julia, who will turn 3 on the 18th.

We also have a great new look for the newsletter. Many thanks to Gini and Dominique for their hard work on that. I still hope to improve the web site and now that we have a new look for the newsletter, I think we can incorporate that into the web site too. We do get some hits on our web site, including the cars for sale page. I have gotten quite a few emails from people that had cars and parts to sell that found that page. So, if you have a car or some parts to sell, send me an email and I'll add it to the site. It's FREE! Another thing I have still not accomplished is to get our meetings listed back in the KC Star's "Fun On Wheels" section. If I recall there was some sort of problem last time we tried, so I need to look into that some more. I have also had numerous inquiries from the web site on "where can I get my Corvair worked on?" - so if you know of a shop you trust that will work on Corvairs, send me a note. I'd like to add that information to our web site as a resource for new Corvair owners who don't want to or can't work on their own cars. Maybe we could work a deal with the shop to get a discount for club members in exchange for advertising for them on our website. So far, the only shop I have heard about is Built Right Engines in Parkville. If you need their services call 816-587-8521 and ask for Bob Burger. Thanks to new member Wendy Border for that information. Another shop that will work on Corvairs is owned by Corvair Racer Bob Macatte, near Merriam Lane. Give him a call at 913-262-4999. And if you'd be willing to work on someone's car if they needed let me know that too, and I'll compile a list. I won't give out your name without your permission, but I'd like to know who is willing. The June meeting is the meeting in the park, the details of which are covered in this newsletter. Hope to see you all there!

-Travis"

SEE THE USA, IN YOUR CHEVROLET (CORVAIR)

AMERICA IS ASKING YOU TO CALL

There are two Corvair meets you should be hoping and planning to attend this year. The first on the calendar is the National Convention being held in Buffalo, NY July 25 thru the 28. The 4 hosting clubs are Association of Corvair Nuts, Central New York Corvair Club, Corsa Ontario, and the Niagara Frontier Corvair Club. They have great plans to entertain us, and even arranged to keep the falls running while we are there! The second event you should plan to attend is in the fall, The Great Plains Corvair Round Up. The host chapter this year is the Green Country Corvair Group of the Tulsa OK area. The event is scheduled for September 22-24. The host hotel is the Marriott, Tulsa Southern Hills, 918-493-7000 or 800-228-9290, mention group rate code GPCGPCA for special rate of \$79.00. So you see, we do have the opportunity to see the USA IN OUR CHEVROLETS (CORVAIRS) again this year!

## Old Shawnee Days Parade - June 3rd - Gini Ragan

The morning of June 3 was about as pretty a morning one could hope for if one were planning a parade. 10 beautiful Corvair Convertibles were in place just waiting for the local politicians they would be transporting. We again were at the front of the parade. Somehow when the parade started moving, a couple of Brand X convertibles were moved in among the Corvairs, but we still showed well. Probably made those others look bad! We gathered at McDonald's when we had completed our assignment, had some refreshments and started home and noted the tail end of the parade was still waiting for their turn to march! It was a long one. Those members who brought their early convertibles out were; Val Dix, Ken Ragan and Don Barta. Late models were brought out by Don Wagner, Dominique Allen, Gini Ragan, Larry Vaught, Richard Stofer, Kevin Koch, and Jack Hill. Richard Stofer even brought two grandchildren. Jack, who is our parade chairman, thanked everyone for participating and reminded us there would be another opportunity to parade but that would be in September in Overland Park.

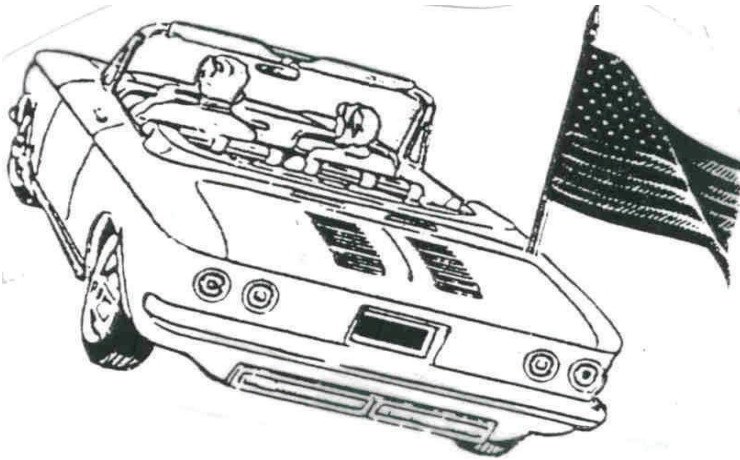


**True or False? Automotive Top 40 - Bob Vukas**

1. Most people are now smaller in size and require less room in a car especially in the back seat. Contortionists love a challenge.
2. People want engines that are low in power and gas mileage.
3. Engines should be rough running so you know when they are actually working.
4. Transmissions should be somewhat rough when they shift between gears so your can experience the up and down thrills while accelerating and decelerating.
5. Wind noise and other car sounds are welcome in a car so you can stay awake on long drives.
6. Vibrations in a car as you travel are a safety factor to keep you awake and to keep your muscles in tone.
7. Mechanical reliability is less preferred over low price and style.
8. On average, cars are lasting 8 years and 150,000 miles.
9. It is always cheaper to have a new car payment and to buy a new car when the old one starts to nickel and dime you.
10. Handling on the road during turns is no big deal. Most people want a car that will go fast straight.
11. \$3.00 a gallon gasoline will not affect the sales of large vehicles no matter who makes them.
12. One tire is as good as the next so buy which ever one is on sale. The same goes for batteries, shocks and struts.
13. Anti-freeze and coolant last forever. So do oil and transmission fluid so fluid changes are not neces sary.
14. Electronic ignitions last forever so then will your spark plugs, wires and fuel filters.
15. Air filters will last a lifetime too so there is no need to change them.
16. Gasoline brands and oils are all the same so it does not matter which one you buy.
17. Wiper blades do not wear out from use and exposure to the weather and all brands are of the same quality.
18. Everyone drives the speed limit to save gas, especially the large and high powered vehicles.
19. Driving 5 miles over the speed limit will never get you a ticket.
20. There are no grease fittings on modern cars so lubrication is of no consequence for constant velocity boots and locks and hinges.
21. People take better care of their cars today than in years past.
22. Pleasure driving is no longer a hobby. Most folks just drive from point "a" to point "b" to work or for shopping or appointments.
23. Local mechanics are thriving putting large dealers out of business.
24. Air pressure in car tires never fluctuates and does not need to be checked.
25. Rotating and balancing tires is no longer needed.
26. Fuel injection systems do not require any maintenance.
27. Clear coat paint on cars eliminates the need to polish and wax.
28. Bulbs, including headlights, never need to be replaced unless they burn out.
29. A long warranty always means good quality in the automotive world.
30. Smoking is done by less people now so ash trays and lighters are no longer important.
31. The use of R134A refrigerant for your air conditioner means maintenance free.
32. All season tires are just that and winter tires are never required regardless of where you live.
33. Front wheel drive cars solve any severe weather traction problems.
34. Pick up trucks no longer require extra weight in the bed for traction in winter.
35. Diesel technology has been embraced everywhere to help cars run more efficiently.
36. Hybrid powered vehicles are the magic solution to our energy needs.
37. The EPA can solve all our automotive energy problems with higher Corporate Average Fuel Economy requirements including vans, trucks and SUV's.
38. How you drive no longer effects fuel economy and vehicle life as the onboard computers do it all for you.
39. Having a relationship with a local mechanic is no longer needed. One shop is the same as another.
40. Drive it Forever has been replaced by Drive It and Don't Take Care of it till it drops.

LOCATOR

Having sold all of my Turbo cars I would now like to help you out with yours. I have a 65 Turbo engine reconditioned, and 1 small pick up load of parts, turbos, carbs, pipes, etc. \$1000.00 Bob St. John at 660-584-7106.



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**June**

**CALENDAR**

- June 13**                    **Meetings at Sar-Ko Park - Shawnee, KS**  
**6:45 Board    7:00 Social    Very Little Business**
- July 4**                    **Fourth of July**
- July 11**                    **Meetings**
- July 25-29**                **CORSA National Convention, Buffalo, NY**
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