

# The Flat Six Journal

Mid Continent Corvair Association Newsletter

October 2010

## A Fall harvest of Corvair activities

After a slow August, Corvair activities have picked up as the weather cooled. September started off with the MCCA monthly meeting on the 11th. The lot was filled early with three EMs (early model Corvairs). Later the LM's started to arrive, and arrive. The final tally was eight LMs in the lot, including Lloyd Folger's recently acquired '65 Corsa.

Upcoming activities were discussed at the September meeting. Plans were made to caravan to the Great Plains Corvair Roundup in Tulsa on September 24-26 (see story on pg. 4). Larry Lee presented information and registration sheets for the October 2nd show he was running in Goddard (see story pg 7).



**No we didn't stumble onto someone's old car stash, this is Greg Renfro's 1/25 scale tin building diorama that took first place at the 2010 Great Plains Corvair Roundup in Tulsa. (see story pg. 4)**

If you missed those events, too bad, but you can still make Luna Tuna, October 16th at the Kalp Shop and the Newton historic tour with the Vintage Chevrolet Club of America on, Saturday, October 23rd. Details on both of these events are inside this issue of the FlatSix Journal.

All you EM owners need to get your Corvairs out to the October meeting, don't get "spanked" again. At the October meeting plans will be made for the food for lunch at Luna Tuna and the scheduling of projects. Greg may bring his award winning Corvair model diorama, it is fantastic. Stories and Photos from the Roundup will be shared. If you want more road trips we need to get a good turnout of Corvair people for the trip to Newton on the 23rd.



**Sept. Meeting**  
EM 3 LM 8



**October Meeting**  
**Saturday, Oct. 9th 7 pm**  
Derby Recreation Center  
801 E. Market, Derby, KS

# Classifieds

## Tech Guide 3 Print & CD

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**FOR SALE:** 4-185/70x13 WalMart radials with less than 1000 miles on them, mounted on Corvair 13", 5 bolt steel wheels. I also have the stock wheel covers from a '65 Monza that I will throw in. Would like to get \$200 plus shipping out of them. The tires were bought in '07. Contact John Dailey, Fort Smith, Arkansas at: mayor86@hotmail.com

**FOR SALE:** 1963 Corvair Monza Convertible, 102hp 4-speed. Recent light metallic blue paint over a very straight body. Very solid light blue interior, good top. Runs and drives well. Aftermarket stereo and stock wire hubcaps. \$5000 contact Greg Renfro 316-641-1329 or grenfro@cox.net.

**FOR SALE:** 62 Monza 4dr. PowerGlide. White with red interior. Complete car not running, some rust, interior will need work. The car is located at Jerry Bergman's 7360 Pattie in Haysville. Contact Jerry at 316-524-8151

**FOR SALE:** 1965 Chevy Corvair Convertible - \$5500 (Wichita, KS) 1965 Monza convertible, 4-speed, Baby Blue. In good condition. Must see. Call Lyle or Mike to make an appointment to drive at: 316-262-8336.


**WANTED:** MCCA dues are due in January. If you haven't paid for 2010 Send \$12 to Ned Madsen, 1212 Patrick Henry, Derby, Kansas 67037



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No Dues  
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## "Ran when Parked"



This Rampside "project" was for sale on E-Bay during part of September. It would take a lot of time and money to bring this one back. If you find an interesting photo send it in. Remember to submit your candidates for "Ran when Parked" to Terry Kalp

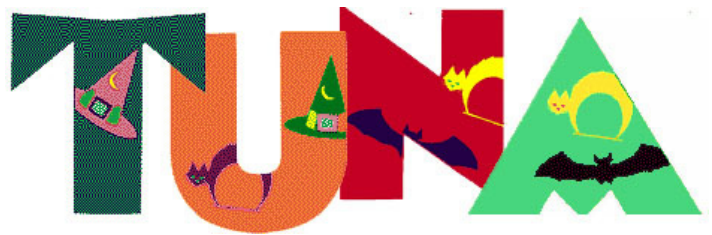
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**Ned will have Copies at the October Meeting, bring your money**



## MCCA Luna Tuna Oct. 16 at Kalp Shop

Two heads are better than one to solve a problem . . . so, a bunch of Corvair guys together fixing Corvairs should be amazing. This theory has been tested in multiple 'Tunas' as MCCA members gathered at Terry Kalp's shop for some tune-up, minor repair and problem solving on their Corvairs. If you missed any of the tune-up sessions, make sure you come out Saturday, October 16th Many of the cars that arrived at a Tuna on a trailer are now drivers and are attending meetings and other club events.

The event will be a drop-in and drop-out affair, lasting from 8 am thru the last car out the garage. It helps if you schedule your projects with Ned at 316-788-2458 or e-mail him at aeroned@aol.com. Possible projects include: Swapping a lifter on Lloyd's LM. Exhaust work on Kathy's LM, fuel pump checking, and more.

Terry's shop is located at 2140 W. on 101st Street North, between Seneca and Meridian. Just north of Valley Center. Take the 101st exit (Exit 19) then turn west for about 2 miles to reach the shop. Meridian is now open for those coming thru Valley Center The phone number for the Shop is 755-9821. If you have questions call Terry at the shop or home 755-2458.

# Roundup, Tulsa Time

What were you doing the weekend of Sept. 24-26? Kathy and I went to Tulsa with our daughter Shannon and her friend Beth for the Green Country hosted 2010 Great Plains Corvair Roundup. We caravanned down with Terry Kalp, Bernie and Julie Strecker, and Larry and Donna Lee. We took the "back roads" and stopped in Dexter at the Henry's candy store and factory. This was really just a convenient side trip, not a destination. It was also a good place to meet up with Tom and Kathy Stout.

We were welcomed as soon as we pulled in the hotel parking lot. The Corvairs had a special portion of the parking lot, a pretty big part. When we arrived around 3 pm, there were already several Corvairs and even a few Corvair powered Cords residing in the lot. It always takes me a long time to unload the car, because I'm easily distracted by the cars and my friends. I know you find that hard to believe.

Once we did get into the hotel, there was a beautiful 63 convertible in the lobby. The event registration was right across the lobby from the hotel check in. It was a very easy process. The hotel was huge, nine floors of rooms surrounding the restaurant/lounge in the center. The valve cover track was set up and Tulsa was registering the valve cover racers. Our room was a suite, I think all of them were, with 2 beds, 2 TVs and three sinks, as Shannon pointed out.

The first event was the Valve Cover race Friday night. The Tulsa

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The Corvairs were all lined up for Showtime in their reserved section of the parking lot. There were 16 Corvairs judged in Concours and many more in the People's Choice section.



Larry Lee's hand carved LM Coupe (right) squares off with a custom built Rampside during the Friday night valve cover races. Larry raced this car, Woody II and his previous racer Woody I successfully.

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club improved the track with some hard plastic liners on the “curbs” and they didn’t paint it green. As usual, the race was hugely popular with all of the hotel guests. The area around the track was packed with all the spectators. The MCCA cars did well but no trophies this year. Maybe we need a VC Tuna?

Saturday morning started off with the concours. Don Wagner makes the concours run very smooth, despite my efforts. There were 16 cars entered this year. We had a little time after judging to look at the “People’s Choice” cars. One thing I thought was amazing was where the Corvairs were rounded up from. Of course they came from Oklahoma, Kansas and Missouri, but Arkansas, Dallas, Houston and even Colorado. Truly, the event is living up to its name.

This year the moving event was an off site cruise. First we went to a nice place for lunch. The second destination was a car show at a lake where we have a special parking spot reserved for us. It was almost too small for all the Cor-

vairs that went. The ride home was down Route 66 and we stopped at the “Blue Whale.” This is an old swimming hole and the whale is the dock. Another Route 66 icon visited.

Saturday ended with the banquet. The food was very good, both chicken and beef, and so was the service. The new spin was the swing band. When it came time to

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**ABOVE LEFT:** A big band and singer filled the banquet hall with music from the 1940s era and on to more modern songs.

**ABOVE RIGHT:** The famous Rt 66 landmark the Blue Whale was one of the stops on the way home from Saturdays lunch tour.

**BELOW:** Raffee of Wister, Oklahoma brought new and used Corvair parts to sell.



# Tulsa . . .

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hand out the trophies, no one was surprised that Greg Renfro's tin building diorama (pictured on pg. 1) took first prize in his class. Terry Kalp's model railroad car full of '69 Corvair convertibles was awarded second place in the same class. Terry also won first place in Late model closed people's choice for his LM gold 4 door sedan.

Our last event was a trip to Glen Pray's Auburn-Cord-Duesenberg factory in Broken Arrow, OK. This is the place where the 8/10 Corvair powered Cords were built. These cars were one of the first to be built with an all plastic body. The factory is filled with tons of parts for the original cars, vintage electronics and airplane parts. There were also some very cool cars in the factory museum.

The final stop on our trip home was to see the Price Tower in Bartlesville. This is the only "skyscraper" that was designed by Frank Lloyd Wright. The ten story building has copper trim that is green and the overall design is very unique.

If you missed this Roundup, you missed a very good one. Next year it will be up in KC. They are planning to hold it at a spa. Sounds very interesting.

**Ned Madsen**



Terry Kalp got to drive a Corvair powered Cord at the Roundup. When he was 14, Terry went with his dad to see the Cords being made in Broken Arrow, then got to visit the factory again on Sunday.



Part of the crowd of HACOIA members gathered at Mike Dawson's to work on their Corvairs.

## KC's Tech day

It is always great to go to the HACOIA tech days at Mike Dawson's in Belton, Missouri. Each time I come back with new Corvair knowledge. One of the activities was checking for defective Airtex fuel pumps. Scott Allison checked four of his and found two with unpressed, unstaked valves. Mike had the tools to fix them and Scott was set. Both garages had projects going on. About 4:30 the car activities were wound up and the grills fired up. Hamburgers, brauts, and many homemade side dishes called to the workers. After a fine meal, conversion and door prizes, every one headed home.

**Terry Kalp**



Chris taps his rear hub for the addition of a grease zerker, both rear bearing got the treatment.

# Corvairs dominate Goddard Show



A great line-up of Corvairs at the Goddard Fall Festival Car Show. MCCA member, Larry Lee was in charge of the show and parade, he rallied MCCA members to participate in both the show and parade.

What's that, the Strecker's are moving out cars, the polish is flowing and 1, 2, 3 Corvairs are shinning in the morning sun thanks to Justin, David and Bernie. The newest family member, a 61 RampSide goes as is, W.I.P. ( Work in process!) Where are they going you ask? Goddard, KS for the October 2nd Fall Festival.

Backing up a little. A call for help came from MCCA member, Larry Lee. The Lions Club wanted him to put on a Car Show. "Never done a car show before" Larry said. I know a few car owners that might be interested in helping. MCCA Members came to the rescue. Greg Renfro, Lloyd Folger, Bernie and

Julie Strecker headed out to Goddard to help Larry with the Parade and Car Show.

A cash prize was given to the Car Club with the most cars in the parade. MCCA won that one with four Corvairs in the parade. Out of 32 cars in the car show, six were Corvairs.

The business' of Goddard gave some very nice donations for door prizes, everyone received something. It was a very fun day.

Even if Larry hasn't read his new book about how to have a successful car show, he did a Great Job.

**Julie Strecker**

## October Road Trip

Save Saturday October 23 for the VCCA/MCCA road trip to the Warkentin House in Newton. Plans are to meet at Leeker's at 61st North and Broadway at 9 am for the drive to Newton. In the morning the group will tour the Harvey County Historical Museum (admission \$3), lunch at the Breadbasket, Then tour the Warkentin House at 1 pm (admission \$3). The Warkentin House, was built between 1886 and 1887 and is listed on the Kansas and National Register of Historic Places it is a splendid example of the Victorian period in American architecture. More details will be presented at the October meeting.



VCCA and MCCA are planning a road trip to the historic Warkentin House in Newton October 23.

