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November 7th Breakfast Meeting
9am at the Pronto Deli

We had a tremendous success for the Corvair 50th Birthday Celebration. There is a summary of the event in this issue and a large number of pictures on the NJACE website.

November is the month for nominations and elections for NJACE officers for 2010. Take the time to fill it out and send it in - make your voice heard.

Our main activity is the Quarterly meeting which will be held at Ashley's Auto Body in Flanders. We will auction off the of Ron DeYoung's Corvair "cache". Details are in this issue.

Greg Gorski

RON DEYOUNG CORVAIR AUCTION



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CORVAIR

The View Through the Windshield by Bob Marlow

The view through the windshield last month included the drive to and from Cape May, where we enjoyed a thoroughly successful weekend celebrating the 50th anniversary of the introduction of the Corvair. A report appears on page 6 in this newsletter.

For November, the view will include two consecutive weekends of club-sponsored events, with a return to our monthly breakfast meetings and including a special auction. Our breakfast meeting will take place on Saturday, November 7, at the Pronto Deli on Ridgedale Avenue in Cedar Knolls. As we enjoy breakfast and camaraderie, we will receive nominations for the club's officers for 2010, a vital piece of club business. The auction will take place one week later, on Saturday, November 14, at Ashley's Auto Body on Hillside Avenue in Flanders. The auction is for the purpose of settling the estate of the late Ron DeYoung, and will consist entirely of his collection of Corvair parts and related items.

Regarding the matter of nominating club officers for 2010, please do not take this lightly. Both myself and club VP David Main have indicated that we will not be seeking re-election, meaning some fresh blood will be needed at the top of the ticket. Neither myself nor David are abandoning the club. Far from it, we are already working on plans for 2010 events and we intend to be involved to the greatest extent that our personal and professional lives will permit. But it is time for others to take the reins and bring new ideas to the table. A nomination form is enclosed with this newsletter.

Regarding the auction, unlike our annual parts auction that takes place each winter, this auction will include only the items provided by Ron's family, and will not be commission-based. 100 percent of the sale proceeds will flow to the DeYoung family. But this auction is less about converting items to cash and more about honoring Ron's wish that his collection be shared with members of the club. Ron held a special place in the club and in our hearts. Please make a point of attending this auction. Complete details appear in this issue.

Come December, the view through the windshield will lead to Ruppert's on Route 23, where we will wrap up 2009 with our annual Holiday Party in the private room we have used in recent years. At the Holiday Party we will hold the election of officers, but that will be a sidebar to the good food, the socializing, and, oh yes, the Gift Game.

It was great seeing so many members in Cape May, and I look forward to seeing you at these upcoming events and activities.

Dave Main Scores "Big" at the Oradell Car Show



I just attended my last car show of the year at a charity event in Oradell, NJ. To my left was a 1964 Red Vette, to his left was a 1963 Split Back Window Vette. Both are in showroom condition.

My Vair took "Best Chevy" and "People's Choice" as it was surrounded with onlookers all day long.

*Admission to the Show \$15.00.....
the look on the Vette Owner's faces...priceless!*

To all NJACE Members

Saturday, November 14, 2009

11:00 AM

Estate Auction of Corvair Parts

Ashley's Auto Body, 274 Hillside Ave, Flanders, NJ

On behalf of the family of the late Ronald DeYoung, NJACE will be conducting an absolute auction of Ron's 30-year collection of new, used and refurbished Corvairs parts.

This is an extensive collection, comprising well over 100 lots and we are still counting. Many lots are "combined" lots, i.e., ignition parts as one lot, suspension parts as one lot, and so forth. But numerous individual parts will be available, also.

Here's a sample: New harmonic balancer - rebuilt starter - rebuilt alternator - rebuilt master cylinder - late model body trim - pressure plates - 140 cylinder heads - clutch cables - new 185/80-R13 tires on late model wheels - turbo parts - and much, much more. Predominantly late model parts but many early model and FC parts are included too. Car magazine collections dating back to the 60s, also.

The auction will take place indoors at Ashley's Auto Body, 274 Hillside Avenue, Flanders, NJ. Inspection available beginning at 10 AM, bidding begins at 11 AM. Bring a chair!

No refreshments on-site but a full-service deli is one block away and fast-food establishments are nearby.

Terms: Cash or personal check with ID.

This is an absolute auction, with no buyers' fees or commissions; all proceeds go to the DeYoung family.

Ron DeYoung was a member of CORSA and NJACE for over 25 years. He rarely missed a meeting or event and at the time of his passing he was president of the chapter. It was his wish that his Corvair parts be enjoyed by his fellow Corvair enthusiasts, thus this auction. Please honor his memory by attending this event.

Please direct any questions to Vairtec @ optonline.net or call 201-707-1677.

--Bob Marlow, NJACE President

Wet But Nice by Bob Marlow

Even though our 50th Anniversary event in Cape May dominated our thinking for October, I thought that it was important for the club to maintain the tradition of a mid-October Fall Foliage Tour. Happily, Activities VP Ken Schiffner agreed and took it upon himself to put the tour together.

Due to other obligations I was able to join the tour only for a portion of the route, but it was a great route, very scenic and covering Sussex County roads on which we had never toured previously. The only real downer was that the tour took place on the wettest and coldest day of the month, which naturally suppressed the participation. I think there were ten members all told. But even on the gloomy day, the Fall colors were wonderful.

NJACE Fall Tour Review

by Ken Schiffner

"It could be worse....it could be raining!" (Marty Feldman, "Igor", Young Frankenstein movie).

We held the 2009 Fall Foliage Tour in spite of Mother Nature. The temperature was in the 40's and some of the Sussex County roads were still wet from the dusting of snow and sprinkling of rain....but ten (10) dedicated (and hungry) NJACE members participated in the 2009 Fall Foliage Tour. After a bit of a late start, the group meandered through some of the scenic back roads of Sussex County then down the historic Old Mine Roadeventually ending at the Walpack Inn for a warm late lunch, early dinner. Steve Calandra drove the only Corvair in the caravan...others, like me, chickened out given the weather. The colors were subdued but impressive none the less. We made a rest stop at the Peters Valley Craft Shop and some folks bought a few of their hand made items.

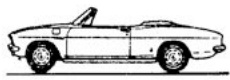
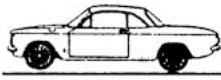
The Old Mine Road is considered by some historians as the oldest road in the US. Reportedly a converted Indian trail, it connected present day Kingston (called Esopus in those days) to points south along the Delaware River. It ran for about 104 miles essentially following the Delaware River. It was supposedly used by the Dutch in the 1600's to search for, find, and remove some copper ore (but unfortunately not enough ore was found to get much attention). It was also the route taken (supposedly) by John Adams to go to Philadelphia from Massachusetts. In 1776, General Horatio Gates marched his army down that same road to eventually connect with George Washington's army for the attack on Trenton. During the French and Indian War, settlers waged ongoing battles with the Indians along this same path that your NJACE bretheren (and sisteren) travelled.

After about a 40 mile trek, we ended at the Walpack Inn and had a delicious dinner. As we were leaving, the sky began to clear and the colors became more brilliant.

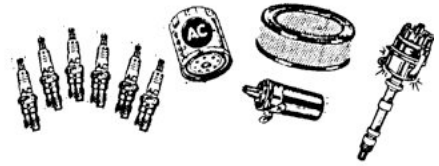
Since the Old Mine Road lower portion was muddy, I didn't want to bring the "tour" that direction but I did stop on the way home at the Van Campen "Inn" since they had an open house. This house was a "way house" that sheltered travelers in the 1700's and 1800's. It is a restored limestone edifice that, though just west (or is it east?) of nowhere, is quite impressive. The wooden floor boards are linked with splints in the method used during that period. Some of the float glass window pains date back to the 1700's.

I think the folks who did attend this year's Foliage Tour had a memorable day taking in the scenery of northwestern NJ and traveling, at least briefly, a historic pathway.





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NJACE Calendar of Events

- * **November 7th, 2009** - Monthly breakfast meeting at the Pronto Deli, Cedar Grove, NJ at 9am.
Directions: Ridgedale Ave intersects NJ Rte 10 just west of I-287 and just east of US Rte 202. From I-287 take the exit for Rte 10 west. Proceed through the traffic light at Ridgedale Ave to the U-turn at Dryden Way. Return east on Rte 10, turn right on to Ridgedale Road and continue on it south past Prospect Place - the Pronto Deli is on the left.
- * **November 14th, 2009** - Tentative Quarterly Meeting/Tech Session and election for 2010 officers, at Ashley's Auto body.
Details on page 3 of this month's Fanbelt.
- * **December 5th, 2009** - Monthly breakfast meeting at the Pronto Deli, Cedar Grove, NJ at 9am.
- * **December 13th, 2009** - Holiday Party at Rupert's Restaurant, Riverdale, NJ. Dinner and the Gift Game begins at 6pm.
Events marked with an [] count towards the **NJACE** Mary Paxton & Bill Ableson Awards.*

The Revolutionary Corvair in Cape May

by Bob Marlow

Nearly 100 persons attended the 50th anniversary celebration spearheaded by longtime club member Ron Peles, and certainly a highlight was the moment on Friday evening, October 2nd, 50 years to the day since the Corvair was first presented to the public, when we drew the cover off Pete Koehler's beautiful 1960 500 sedan. The car, so different from the Corvairs that most of us own, was every bit a revolutionary sight that evening as it had been 50 years earlier.

But certainly another highlight was the car show on Saturday, situated as it was in a downtown park during the town's annual "Octoberfest" weekend. The public parking was on one side of us, and the shopping and the vendors were on the other side of us, such that we had a non-stop crowd of visitors throughout the day.

Still another highlight was the Saturday evening movie party, where we re-created a movie experience from 50 years earlier by featuring the Best Picture of 1960 preceded by a Warner Brothers' cartoon. The film, *The Apartment* with Jack Lemmon and Shirley MacLaine, had never been seen by more than three-quarters of our crowd and it held everyone's interest intensely. That it, until the moment just after Jack Lemmon's character saves Shirley MacLaine's character from her suicide attempt, when our DVD failed! Oh, well, always leave them wanting more. Quite a few people indicated their intent to rent the movie or borrow it from their library so that they could see the conclusion.

Sunday morning's driving tour through Cape May to the famous lighthouse was also a highlight for many. The morning fog lifted as we arrived at the lighthouse, and photos were taken with the light house serving as the background. A fitting end to a distinctive weekend. [Check out the photos at the NJACE website - http://www.corvair.org/chapters/njace/corvair_50th.htm]

I need to try to thank many people for their contributions to this event, yet I will slight someone by failing to include their role. So, rather, I will issue a broad thanks not only to the "usual suspects" who chip in whenever there are things to be done, but also to the many members who stepped up to do things large and small both in advance of the event and on-site. Thanks also to the members of our neighboring clubs who supported this event not only by attending but by taking responsibility for specific tasks and by contributing to the Chinese Auction.

Oh, that Chinese Auction? It raised over \$350 which we donated to the Corvair Preservation Fund for the ongoing Fitch Sprint restoration project.

Cape May was such an enjoyable place that someone suggest that we go there annually. No, that won't happen, but we will continue to try to schedule distinctive and enjoyable events in the years to come.



Sunset Beach Gift Shop at the "Point" is a great backdrop for our NJACE members to pose next to Bill Stanley's 1963 Monza Coupe.

That Wedding Photo by Bob Marlow

One of the more unusual things to come out of the Cape May weekend in October is the accompanying photo, showing a newly-married couple standing next to a Rampside carrying their Baker's Dozen of a wedding party (yes, there are 13 people in the truck).



It happened as we were packing up following the conclusion of the car show on Saturday. As I

was walking toward my Rampside, which I had moved from the park to a metered space on the street, I observed a wedding party approaching the truck from across the street. I wondered, where are they going? - since there was no obvious destination for such a group in the direction they were headed.

Then a woman, who was the wedding photographer, popped out of the group and asked, "Is this your truck?" pointing to the Rampside. When I replied in the affirmative, she asked whether they could take a picture of the bride and groom standing in front of it. "I have a better idea," I said, and lowered the ramp.

Not visible in the photo is the fact that I had already loaded tables, chairs, traffic cones, boxes and a cooler into the truck, and that the bridesmaids and groomsmen had to clamber over this stuff to pose for the photo. But they were troupers and many of them kindly said very nice things about my "funky truck."

Embarrassingly, once the photos were taken the ramp would not re-open! It sticks periodically - I need to adjust the latches - and so I ushered the group out of the truck via the tailgate. And off they went in search of their next photo op. I know only that the bride and groom were Lauren and Ryan, and that the photographer was Kella MacPhee. But I have a unique souvenir of the Cape May weekend.

New Jersey Association of Corvair Enthusiasts

Last Call for Nominations!

Under the By-Laws of NJACE, during November we receive nominations for officers for the coming year. Use this form to submit a nomination as shown on the bottom of this page.

We ask you to sign your name as all nominations must come from members in good standing. When any individual receives a second nomination, the nomination will be considered to have been "seconded" and will be valid.

Elections will take place in December. Please participate in this very important process!!!

Please print clearly. You need not provide a nomination for every position.

President:

Vice President:

Treasurer:

Secretary:

Activities Vice President:

Publicity Vice President:

Your Name: _____

If you wish to place a name or names in nomination, mail this form to: **NACE, Inc., P.O. Box 631, Ridgewood, NJ 07451.** Nominations must be received by **November 14th**, for publication in next month's *Fanbelt*.

Do You Know Jersey???

by Bob Marlow

With everything that is going on relative to the New Jersey gubernatorial race this month, you are of course likely well aware that:

- * New Jersey has the highest cost of living. * *New Jersey has the highest property taxes in the nation.*
- * New Jersey has the highest cost of auto insurance. * *New Jersey has the densest system of highways and railroads in the US.* * New Jersey is the only state where all of its counties are classified as metropolitan areas.
- So perhaps you are ready to consider some of the more interesting things about New Jersey.**
- * New Jersey is a peninsula. * *Highlands, New Jersey has the highest elevation along the entire eastern seaboard, from Maine to Florida.* * The Great Falls in Paterson, on the Passaic River, is the 2nd highest waterfall on the East Coast of the US. * *New Jersey has more race horses than Kentucky.* * New Jersey has the most diners in the world.
- * *New Jersey is home to the best Italian hot dogs and Italian sausage w/peppers and onions.*
- * North Jersey has the most shopping malls in one area in the world, with seven major shopping malls in a 25 square mile radius. * *New Jersey is home to the Statue of Liberty and Ellis Island .* * The Passaic River was the site of the first submarine ride by inventor John P. Holland . * *New Jersey has over 50 resort cities & towns; some of the nation's most famous: Asbury Park, Wildwood, Atlantic City, Seaside Heights, Long Branch, Cape May.*
- * New Jersey has the most stringent testing along our coastline for water quality control than any other seaboard state in the entire country. * *New Jersey is a leading technology & industrial state and is the center of the pharmaceutical industry.* * Jersey tomatoes are known the world over as being the best you can buy. * *New Jersey is the world leader in blueberry and cranberry production.* * In 1642, the first brewery in America opened in Hoboken .
- * *Les Paul invented the first solid body electric guitar in Mahwah, in 1940.*
- * New Jersey is a major seaport state with the largest seaport in the US, located in Elizabeth. Nearly 80 percent of what our nation imports comes through Elizabeth Seaport first. * *New Jersey is home to one of the nation's busiest airports (Newark Liberty International).* * George Washington slept here. Several important Revolutionary War battles were fought on New Jersey soil, led by General George Washington.
- * *The light bulb, phonograph (record player), and motion picture projector, were invented by Thomas Edison in his Menlo Park laboratory.* * We also boast the first town ever lit by incandescent bulbs.
- * *The first seaplane was built in Keyport.* * The first airmail (to Chicago) was started from Keyport.
- * *The first phonograph records were made in Camden.* * The game Monopoly, played all over the world, named the streets on its playing board after the actual streets in Atlantic City.
- * *Atlantic City has the longest boardwalk in the world, not to mention salt water taffy.*
- * New Jersey has the largest petroleum containment area outside of the Middle East countries.
- * *The first Indian reservation was in New Jersey, in the Watchung Mountains.* * New Jersey has the tallest water-tower in the world (in Union). * *New Jersey had the first medical center, in Jersey City*
- * The Pulaski Skyway, from Jersey City to Newark, was the first skyway highway. * *NJ built the first tunnel under a river, the Holland Tunnel.* * The first baseball game was played in Hoboken. * *Hoboken is also the birthplace of Frank Sinatra.* * The first intercollegiate football game was played in New Brunswick in 1889 (Rutgers College vs Princeton). * *Mario Andretti won his "first race of any consequence" in Teaneck.*
- * The first drive-in movie theater was in Camden. * *New Jersey is home to both of "New York 's" pro football teams.*
- * The Democratic National Convention that nominated Lyndon Johnson in 1964 took place in Atlantic City.
- * *The first radio station and broadcast was in Paterson.* * The first FM radio broadcast was made from Alpine, by Maj. Thomas Armstrong. * *The motion picture industry started here, long before Hollywood.*

It Gets Better.....

* **The following are all New Jersey natives:** Jack Nicholson, Bruce Springsteen, Jon Bon Jovi, Jason Alexander, Queen Latifah, Susan Sarandon, Connie Francis, Rick Barry, Shaq, Judy Blume, Aaron Burr, Joan Robertson, Ken Kross, Dionne Warwick, Sarah Vaughn, Bud Abbott, Lou Costello, Alan Ginsberg, Norman Mailer, Marilyn McCoo, Flip Wilson, Alexander Hamilton, Zack Braff Whitney Houston, Eddie Money, Linda McElroy, Eileen Donnelly, Grover Cleveland, Woodrow Wilson, Walt Whitman, Jerry Lewis, Ray Evernham, Sal Martorano, Tom Cruise, Joyce Kilmer, Bruce Willis, Caesar Romero, Lauryn Hill, Ice-T, Nick Adams, Nathan Lane, Sandra Dee, Danny DeVito, Richard Conti, Joe Pesci, Joe Piscopo, Joe DePasquale, Robert Blake, John Forsythe, Meryl Streep, Loretta Swit, Norman Lloyd, Paul Simon, Bill Muehleisen, Martin Truex, Jr., Jerry Herman, Gorden McCrae, Kevin Spacey, John Travolta, Phyllis Newman, Anne Morrow Lindbergh, Eva Marie Saint, Elisabeth Shue, Zebulon Pike, Natalie Muehleisen, James Fennimore Cooper, Admiral William Halsey Jr., Norman Schwarzkopf, Dave Thomas, William Carlos Williams, Ray Liotta, Robert Wuhl, Bob Reyers, Paul Robeson, Ernie Kovacs, Joseph Macchia, Kelly Ripa, "Uncle Floyd" Vivino and, of course, Francis Albert Sinatra.

* ***You know you're from Jersey when:***

- You don't think of fruit when people mention "The Oranges. - *You know that it's called Great Adventure, not Six Flags.*
- A good, quick breakfast is a hard roll with butter. - *You've known the way to Seaside Heights since you were seven.*
- You've eaten at a diner at 3 AM. - *You know that the state isn't one big oil refinery.*
- You know that the state isn't all farmland. - *You know the town Jon Bon Jovi is from.*
- You know what a "jughandle" is. - *You know that WaWa is a convenience store.*
- You know that there are no "beaches" in New Jersey – there's the shore. And you don't go "to the shore," you go "down the shore." And when you are there, you're not "at the shore," you are "down the shore."
- *You know how to properly negotiate a circle.* - You knew that the last sentence had to do with driving.
- *You know that this is the only "New" state that doesn't require "New" to identify it (try "Mexico" or "York" or "Hampshire" -- doesn't work, does it?).*
- You know that a "White Castle" is the name of BOTH a fast food chain AND a fast food sandwich.
- *You consider putting mayo on a corned beef sandwich a sacrilege.*
- You don't think "What exit?" is very funny. - *You know that people from the 609 area code are "a little different."*
- The Jets-Giants game has started fights at your school or local bar. - *You live within 20 minutes of at least three different malls.* - You refer to all highways and interstates by their numbers.
- *Every group, church, club or school has guys named Tony.* - You know the location of every clip shown in the Sopranos opening credits. - *You've gotten on the wrong highway trying to get out of the mall.*
- You know that people from North Jersey go to Seaside Heights, and people from Central Jersey go to Belmar, and people from South Jersey go to Wildwood. - *You weren't raised in New Jersey – you were raised in either North Jersey, Central Jersey or South Jersey.* - You don't consider Newark or Camden to actually be part of the state.
- *You remember the stores E.J. Korvette, Two Guys, Rickel, Channel, Bambergers, Orbachs and Goerkes*
- You also remember Palisades Amusement Park. - *You've had a boardwalk cheese steak and vinegar fries.*
- You start planning for Memorial Day weekend in February.
- ***And finally... You NEVER pump your own gas.***

Tools Explained

DRILL PRESS: *A tall upright machine useful for suddenly snatching flat metal bar stock out of your hands so that it smacks you in the chest and flings your beer across the room, denting the freshly-painted project which you had carefully set in the corner where nothing could get to it.*

WIRE WHEEL: *Cleans paint off bolts and then throws them somewhere under the workbench with the speed of light. Also removes fingerprints and hard-earned calluses from fingers in about the time it takes you to say, 'Oh sh -- '*

ELECTRIC HAND DRILL: *Normally used for spinning pop rivets in their holes until you die of old age.*

SKILL SAW: *A portable cutting tool used to make studs too short.*

PLIERS: *Used to round off bolt heads. Sometimes used in the creation of blood-blisters.*

BELT SANDER: *An electric sanding tool commonly used to convert minor touch-up jobs into major refinishing jobs.*

HACKSAW: *One of a family of cutting tools built on the Ouija board principle. It transforms human energy into a crooked, unpredictable motion, and the more you attempt to influence its course, the more dismal your future becomes.*

WISE-GRIPS: *Generally used after pliers to completely round off bolt heads. If nothing else is available, they can also be used to transfer intense welding heat to the palm of your hand.*

OXYACETYLENE TORCH: *Used almost entirely for lighting various flammable objects in your shop on fire. Also handy for igniting the grease inside the wheel hub out of which you want to remove a bearing race.*

TABLE SAW: *A large stationary power tool commonly used to launch wood projectiles for testing wall integrity.*

HYDRAULIC FLOOR JACK: *Used for lowering an automobile to the ground after you have installed your new brake shoes, trapping the jack handle firmly under the bumper.*

BAND SAW: *A large stationary power saw primarily used by most shops to cut good aluminum sheet into smaller pieces that more easily fit into the trash can after you cut on the inside of the line instead of the outside edge.*

TWO-TON ENGINE HOIST: *A tool for testing the maximum tensile strength of everything you forgot to disconnect.*

PHILLIPS SCREWDRIVER: *Normally used to stab the vacuum seals under lids or for opening old-style paper-and-tin oil cans and splashing oil on your shirt; but can also be used, as the name implies, to strip out Phillips screw heads.*

STRAIGHT SCREWDRIVER: *A tool for opening paint cans. Sometimes used to convert common slotted screws into non-removable screws and butchering your palms.*

PRY BAR: *A tool used to crumple the metal surrounding that clip or bracket you needed to remove in order to replace a 50 cent part.*

HOSE CUTTER: *A tool used to make hoses too short.*

HAMMER: *Originally employed as a weapon of war, the hammer nowadays is used as a kind of divining rod to locate the most expensive parts adjacent to the object we are trying to hit.*

UTILITY KNIFE: *Used to open and slice through the contents of cardboard cartons delivered to your front door; works on contents such as seats, vinyl records, liquids in plastic bottles, collector magazines, refund checks, and rubber or plastic parts. Especially useful for slicing work clothes, but only while in use.*

DAMM-IT TOOL: *Any handy tool that you grab and throw across the garage while yelling 'DAMM-IT' at the top of your lungs. It is also, most often, the next tool that you will need.*