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the *Fanbelt*

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**Will
It Run?**

Find out on Saturday, March 5

details inside

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President's Message

by Brian O'Neill

1. DOUBLING UP

Our monthly club breakfast this Saturday (March 5) will double as a formal business meeting for the club. Our by-laws require a minimum of four such meetings each year, but that does not make these meetings lengthy or boring. In fact, they usually do not take any more time than the regular informal discussions.

Better yet, we will have double the usual number of our drawings for a free breakfast and a Clark's gift certificate. Because the drawing materials failed to get to last month's breakfast, we will conduct two of each drawing this month.

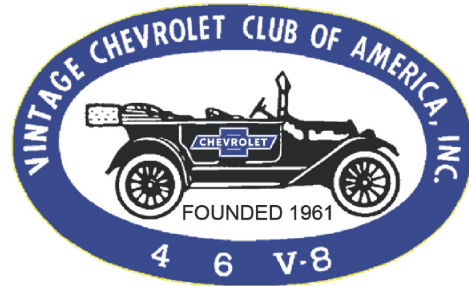


2. CAR SHOW

In last month's newsletter and at last month's breakfast, I spoke about our club having been asked to assist the Jersey Lakeland Region (Vintage Chevrolet Club of America (VCCA) in presenting their annual "Motorama" car show in North Haledon on the Sunday of Memorial Day weekend. This will be the 41st annual show, formerly held in Franklin Lakes but relocated to North Haledon in 2014.

Mike Cassiello and Gale Peterson, the co-chairmen of the show, will be guests at our breakfast meeting this Saturday. First, they want to express their appreciation for our willingness to provide assistance. They also want to get the names of those participating and the dates that they will be assisting. The reasons for needing this information is so name tags and the \$10.00 vouchers for the post-show meal can be made. Also, having names of NJACers willing to help will allow them to better assign people to tasks, especially for show day.

They will also bring a draft of the show flyer with the wording acknowledging NJACE's participation. Please show them our famous hospitality and please volunteer to assist with the show.



3. WILL IT RUN?

That's this month big question. A lot of work is gone into this project. It certainly looks good. But the big question is will it run. Just what exactly is this thing that may or may not run? It's a Corvair engine with a custom made intake manifold system.

The top part of the stock 140-hp intake manifold was milled off and an aluminum plate welded on in its place. The aluminum plate has three holes which line up exactly with the three intake passages in the head. Then another plate of the exact same size was made complete with O-ring grooves to ensure a positive seal. Tubes welded onto the three holes in each plate rise up to meet at a small plenum. Sitting atop the plenum is a Holley Weber progressive two barrel carburetor.

Want to see this engineering marvel and find out whether it runs? Well then after our March breakfast meeting, come to Ashley's for a tech session. We will be mounting this engine on our run stand, adding oil and fuel, setting the initial timing, and then hitting the magic button. If all goes well, the engine should roar to life through its racing headers. It should be exciting. Don't miss it. As usual, we can use all the help we can get. See ya there.



Report: NJACE Parts Auction 2016

by Larry Ashley

February 13, the day of this year's Parts Auction had something that has happened two years in a row, and it is called SNOW. Last year we had to push it off a week, and that hurt attendance. Fortunately this year, it was minimal and sure did not affect the attendance! This year we were on the heels of the biggest snow storm in a long time, and record cold temperature for the auction. The shop was warm and the auction went off without a hitch.

Some 50 or so people attended and as always we had bidders coming from quite a distance including our current CORSA director Bryan Blackwell coming up from Virginia. (I think he gets the long distance award, although he did come in a water pumper!)

We even had three diehard Corvair owners drive in their 'Vairs on the salt-covered roads: Our own Greg Dittrich with his 1961 blue 700 four door, Bob Weideman in his 1964 dark blue (I thought it was black) Monza four door, and Bob King in his yellow late model 500 two-door, both from Pennsylvania. →

These guys are dedicated, especially Bob Weideman as his car has NO HEAT. For years I drove our 1960 Monza with no heat, but never in single digit temperatures!

Brian O'Neill, Tim Schwartz, and Ray Coker were our auctioneers, and even Bob Marlow, in spite of a cold and very little voice left. They all kept it moving and as always it was a fast moving auction without a dull moment. Of course the behind the scenes workers, Roberta and Frank, once again kept the tally and all the information about the sales to keep it all together. They all deserve a great deal of gratitude as these six, all made this auction a big success as usual.

As usual Max the "chow hound" was on hand to make sure none of the pizza crust ever made it to the floor. Max has been to every auction since 2008 (he was born one month after the 2007 auction).

My thanks go out to the setup and breakdown crew which helped make this year's auction even easier for me. I didn't think that was possible, but you know the saying many hands make light work (ALL TRUE). As usual we get an annual shop cleanup before the auction, although this year, not as much work needed as my guys have been keeping up with the clutter in the shop. The mild winter has kept the crash work volume down, but things are picking up.

Some of our regular bidders weren't here this year, but we are always getting new people coming in, and I am sure they will become the added "regulars" moving forward. I'm already looking forward to the 2017 Auction. See you all then!



The Corvairs that braved the snowy and salted roads for our Parts Auction on February 13

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Wheels for Sale: I have two or three 13" 4-bolt Corvair rims that I have decided not to ship to my new home in Colorado. If someone wants them, I can bring them to the breakfast. \$5.00 each. Ken Schiffner, 201-749-3063 or scrubbr@ix.netcom.com

Free: Remember, classified ads of interest to Corvair enthusiasts are FREE! Submit your ads to the editor at vairtec@comcast.net

NJACE Calendar of Events

Saturday, March 5

Monthly breakfast at the Empire Diner, Rt. 46, Parsippany, 9 AM.
Quarterly business meeting!

Saturday, March 5

Corvair Tech Session, at Ashley's Auto Body in Flanders, following the breakfast meeting. Topic, starting a freshly-built modified Corvair engine. See page 2 for details.

Saturday, April 2

Monthly breakfast at the Empire Diner, Rt. 46, Parsippany, 9 AM



Is your name on the list below? If so, our records indicate that your membership is due for renewal.

Dues are \$19 for one year or \$36 for two years. Use the Membership Renewal Form included as part of this newsletter. You can mail the complete form with your dues payment to the address on the form, or bring the form and payment to our breakfast this Saturday. Thank you!

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 Tom & Liz Ludwig
 Richard & Chris Luongo
 Nick Mirabella
 Ginger & Michael Sharp
 Robert Wanhouse
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 Dorsey & Rick Winant



Just part of the crowd at our recent Part Auction. Apparently, Al Lacki missed the memo about having to wear blue or gray!



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Tell us about you and your Corvairs

Your Corvairs (year, model, color, equipment, condition etc) _____

Your other cars and trucks _____

Your other hobbies and interests _____

Your profession _____

Your birthday (and your age, if you wish) _____

Your anniversary (and year married, if you wish) _____

Your children/grandchildren or other family _____

Your pets _____

When and why did you first buy a Corvair? _____

Anything else you'd like to tell us _____