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the *Fanbelt*

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NJACE AUCTION TIME!

It's time for what has long been
our club's biggest event of each year –
The Corvair Parts Auction!

**Saturday, February 15, indoors at Ashley's Auto Body.
Complete details in this issue!**

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Club breakfast is this Saturday, February 1st



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Corvair Parts Auction 2020

Our annual Corvair Parts Auction, a club staple for more than 35 years and our most popular events of the year, is all set for Saturday, February 15, indoors at Ashley's Auto Body on Hillside Avenue in Flanders. (We'll use the following Saturday, February 22, as a "snow date" if necessary.)

At the auction our shameless auctioneers offer Corvair parts and Corvair-related items to the highest bidder, with a 10% commission of the sale price going to the club treasury. You may bring parts to sell, you may buy, or you may do both, or you may just come to enjoy the fun.

Corvair enthusiasts from multiple states always attend this mid-winter event!

Here is what you need to know to fully enjoy the day:

First, plan on making a day of it. Due to the nature of how the auction operates, it is not possible to process any buyers or sellers until the auction is completed. Doors open at 9:00 AM for set-up, we begin the bidding at 10:30 AM, take a lunch break at 12:30, resume the bidding at 1:00 PM, and finish up typically around 2:30 PM. Only at that time can we tally the sales, collect from the buyers, and pay the sellers.

Second, plan on getting there early. As we said we'll open the doors at 9:00 AM, to allow time to tag and display any parts you are selling, and to allow you to peruse the parts being

offered. If you're selling, you will need to fill out an Auction Lot Card for each part or group of parts being sold as one, so please allow sufficient time to do this before the start of bidding.

The Auction Lot Card form is available on the NJACE website so you can print what you need and fill them out in advance:

www.corvair.org/chapters/njace/Auction_Lot_Cards.pdf

But you can also get blank lot cards at the auction that day.

Each attendee will be issued a Bidder Number by which the auction desk will track all purchases.

We ask that items being offered be limited to Corvair parts or Corvair-related items, only. Also, we ask that you not bring more than one of the same item to sell. You can, however, sell multiple items in a "lot." You could offer, say, one lot of six oil filters, instead of six individual oil filters.

Remember that only quality items sell easily. Greasy, rusty, bent and broken pieces have limited appeal.

The club will deduct a 10% commission on all sales. You may also donate items for the full benefit of the club.

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Corvair Parts Auction, continued

NEW this year, the chassis frame machine at Ashley's has been moved out of the main shop, so we will have much more open floor space than in the past!

Also new this year, we will conduct a 50-50 raffle, so you may just go home with a bundle of cash!

Did we mention that lunch is included at no charge? That's right, auction attendees enjoy pizza and soft drinks on the club!

Now, what about that "Snow Date?" We will invoke the Snow Date only if the weather makes traveling difficult or if accumulated snow has rendered the Ashley's parking lot inaccessible. Generally speaking, you can assume that the event is "on," but if it is necessary to postpone we will get the word out via email and via the club's Facebook page.

If you can, we ask that you bring a folding chair on which to sit. While we have chairs, usually we are short of what is needed.

Ashley's Auto Body is located at 274 Hillside Avenue, Flanders, NJ 07836.

Don't miss it! See you there!



A portion of the crowd at last year's NJACE Corvair Parts Auction. Be a part of it this year!

2020 Tech Sessions

by Larry Ashley

At a recent meeting of the club officers, we sketched out a preliminary schedule of tech sessions for the year.



We'll begin next month with a session after the March 7 club breakfast, focused on two main topics: Replacement of the speedometer cable, and replacement of a door hinge.

On April 4 the primary topic will be replacement of door and window weatherstripping.

In addition, both of these tech session will offer any member the opportunity to have their car checked out for any issues prior to the start of "car season."

These tech session will take place at my shop in Flanders. If anyone has anything that they would like to see addressed in a future tech session, either on their car or in general, give me a call at 973-584-7184, or better yet email me at larryashley327@gmail.com.

Change is Inevitable

by Bob Marlow

In last month's newsletter we published our projected calendar of club events throughout the entire year.



This month, we're publishing some changes to that calendar.

The first change is a minor one. Where last month we listed our March activity, a visit to a micro-brewery, as "Date TBD," we now have a firm date for this visit: Saturday, March 21.

The greater change is a revision to our plans for April and May. In April, we're still taking a

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club road trip to Pennsylvania, but it won't be to the Corvair Ranch. Why? Because the biennial Open House at the Corvair Ranch is set for May 17, so we're leaving that date open for members who wish to visit. In April we'll visit the Eastern Auto Racing Historical Society, just outside of Allentown.

Then, in May, we'll return to the Jersey Lakeland Region VCCA "Motorama" car show in North Haledon instead of the North Jersey Car Show listed last month. The "Motorama" takes place on the Sunday of Memorial Day weekend.

Our friends at the VCCA have named the Corvair as the "Feature Car" for this year's show, in honor of the 60th anniversary of the Corvair's introduction. In fact, the first 20 Corvairs to register will receive a free wall plaque commemorating their participation.

If you want to ensure that you are one of the first 20, visit the Jersey Lakeland Region VCCA web site, <http://clubs.hemmings.com/jlrvcca/>



As you know, our monthly breakfasts take place on the first Saturday of every month at the Empire Diner on Route 46 in Parsippany. And as you know also, at each breakfast we have a drawing in which you could win a free breakfast.

Yes, free. No charge. Complimentary. On the house. You money's no good here.

But to win you must be there! In January, the winner whose name was draw at random was **Curt Stone**. Curt comes to the breakfasts all the way from his home in Cherry Hill. If he can make that trip to enjoy breakfast with like-minded Corvair owners, you can easily make the trip from *your* home!

NJACE Treasurer's Report FULL YEAR 2019

Checking Account Balance as reported 12/31/18		\$3,910.18
INCOME:		
Dues	\$1,531.00	
Holiday Gala 52 people at \$29 each	\$1,508.00	
Parts Auction club net before expenses	615.00	
June Breakfast at Bucky's 28 people at \$15 each	420.00	
Checking Interest	<u>2.72</u>	
	\$4,076.72	+ 4,076.72
EXPENSES:		
NJ State Filing fee (2 yrs)	\$ 56.00	
CORSA Chapter fee (2 yrs)	70.00	
Holiday Gala Entertainment	1,800.00	
Caterer & Facility Rental	1,891.20	
Sound System Rental	150.00	
Flowers	27.70	
Parts Auction Food & Refreshments	361.47	
June Breakfast at Bucky's	624.00	
Summer Picnic	110.00	
Tech Sessions et al Food & Refreshments	245.59	
P.O. Box rent	<u>206.00</u>	
	\$5,541.96	- 5,541.96
Checking Account Balance as of 3/31/19		<u>\$2,444.94</u>
CD Balance as of January 1, 2019		\$4,824.98
CD interest	<u>\$ 101.37</u>	+ \$ 101.37
CD Balance as of December 31, 2019		<u>\$4,926.35</u>
Grand Total as of January 1, 2019		\$8,735.16
Grand Total as of December 31, 2019		<u>\$7,371.29</u>
Operating Loss for 2019		- \$1,363.87

Respectfully submitted,
Tim Schwartz, Treasurer



who, me?



Yes, maybe. Or maybe not.

Membership renewal time is upon us. But are your dues, um, due?

Because we offer both one- and two-year memberships, not everyone's membership is due for renewal each year. Below is a list of those members who are due for renewal:

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| Ashley, Larry & Donna | Backer, Andrew |
| Brady, Charles & Lynda | Breines, Steven |
| Cohen, Bill & Marguerite | Davidson, James |
| Dittrich, Greg & Becky | Dodge, Jeff & Monica |
| Dombal, Lawrence | Fisher, Bernice |
| Garfield, Eddie & Kathi | Gorostiza, Felipe |
| Gorski, Gregory | Grisi, Diodato |
| Horne, Howard & Sherri | Hornor, Gurdon & Heather |
| Hunter, Frank & Karen | Kellner, Richard & Barbara |
| Kutlu, Hakan | Lacki, Allan & Joan |
| Lipkovitz, Mark | Lohf, Robert & Joana |
| Lorenz, Fred & Mark | Ludwig, Tom & Liz |
| Luongo, Richard & Chris | McKimens, Taylor |
| Natale, Ed & Lois | Newell, Robert |
| Peles, Ronald & Gloria | Pike, Derek |
| Rothenberg, David | Rueda, Miguel |
| Ryan, Michael | Shaver, Russ & Linnea |
| Staats, Ken | Stone, Michael |
| Wanhouse, Robert | Winant, Dorcey & Rick |
| Zielensky, Ron & Trudy | |

If your name is on the list, please use the membership form that is included with this newsletter to renew. Please print it and mail it with your dues payment, or bring it to this month's club breakfast or auction.

We recommend the two-year renewal option! Not only will you save two bucks, you won't be bothered with this again until 2022.

Thank you!

President's Message

by Brian O'Neill



At our recent Holiday Gala two stalwarts received the club's annual participation awards. **Tim Schwartz**, our "Treasurer for Life," garnered the **Mary Paxton Participation Award** for attending the most events during 2020. **Steve Calandra** took home the **Bill Ableson Corvaire Driver Award** for the year. To demonstrate their commitment to the club both these winners drove Corvaire's to the party.

A well-deserved **Members of the Year Award** was presented to **Ray and Kathy Coker** for their long-term support of NJACE. Ray and Kathy hosted the annual fall trip to their campgrounds in Pennsylvania for ten years until they sold the place. In 2019 Ray organized a trip to a custom restoration shop here in New Jersey that is never open to the public. Ray is already putting together our visit to a micro-brewery next month. Their contributions have helped make NJACE the great organization that it is. Congratulations Ray and Kathy.

Once again the party was held at the Cannon Gate Catering and Conference Center at Picatinny Arsenal. The Conference Center staff once again did an outstanding job. The food was beyond compare – flounder stuffed with crab meat, chicken cutlets, and a carving station with the most tender imaginable meat. Coffee and desserts were without end.

After this culinary delight, everyone enjoyed a performance by one of the most amazing magicians you ever see. David Corsaro combines magic and comedy to amaze the audience. On the comedic side his drawing of what he called a goat will long be remembered (You had to be there to get the reference). One of the most amazing things that happened was his somehow making Barbara Ford, Mrs. Vice President, believe that she felt David tap her twice while her eyes were closed but yet the audience never saw him touch her. There has to be an answer but no one could understand how he did it. David's performance flew by.

This year saw a return of the Gift Game. Members really thought outside the bottle in their choice of gifts. Who would have thought that a Corvaire oil filter would prove to be so popular. Two

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dashboard cameras were among the gifts and were in high demand. It was a strange coincidence that after the one Larry Ashley picked from the wrapped gifts was stolen that he picked the other one while it was still wrapped.

All this pales however compared to the custom Corvair toilet paper roll. Although it is supposed to be anonymous as to who brings what gift, the audience just had to know who had this fantastic idea and spent all the time taping dollar bills and words of wisdom inside a roll of toilet paper. The creator was Helen Maurella. Helen, we don't think this will ever be topped.



One of the guests at the party was Wynne Webster who has been a longtime supporter of our club. She has even planned and organized one of our foliage tours. In my opening remarks I thanked Wynne for her long-term support but said we really should not recognize her as a guest but instead we should make her an honorary member. The audience roared its approval. So, welcome Wynne to this bunch of unique car buffs.

The Holiday Gala continues to be one of the highlights of our annual calendar. Those of you who have never attended one really should make every effort for next year.

NJACE Calendar of Events**Saturday, February 1**

Monthly breakfast at the Empire Diner, Rt. 46, Parsippany, 9:00 AM.

Saturday, February 15

Our annual Corvair Parts Auction, our biggest event of the year! Read all the details starting on page 2 in this issue.

Saturday, March 7

Monthly breakfast at the Empire Diner, Rt. 46, Parsippany, 9:00 AM.

Saturday, March 7

Tech Session at Ashley's Auto Body, immediately following the club breakfast. Topics include speedometer cable replacement and door hinge replacement.

Saturday, March 21

Club visit to the High Point Brewing Company in Butler. Full details in next month's newsletter.

Saturday, April 4

Monthly breakfast at the Empire Diner, Rt. 46, Parsippany, 9:00 AM.

Saturday, April 4

Tech Session at Ashley's Auto Body, immediately following the club breakfast. Topic to include replacement of door and window weatherstripping.

Sunday, April 26

Road Trip to the Eastern Museum of Motor Racing in Orefield, Pennsylvania.

Saturday, May 2

Monthly breakfast at the Empire Diner, Rt. 46, Parsippany, 9:00 AM.

Sunday, May 24

VCCA "Motorama" Car Show in North Haledon. Corvair is the Feature Car!

An additional event of note: Sunday, March 29, 22nd Annual Metro Vintage Advertising Collectors Show at the Pompton Lakes Elks Lodge. This show is coordinated by NJACE member Ed Natale, and includes automobilia, petroliana, and vintage advertising. For more info, see www.metropetro.weebly.com.

Scenes from the Holiday Gala:

After dinner, gather to be entertained by David Corsaro:

First, get a drink from the bar...



Then, some salad...



Move on to the entrees...



... and don't skip the carving station!



"Now, it's time for the Gift Game!"



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Holiday Gala in Photos, continued

Elizabeth stalks the gift table...



Tony ponders the right gift...



Rob checks the airworthiness of his gift selection...



Nick explains evolutionary biology...



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Check the list on Page 5 to see whether it's time for you to renew your membership!



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Membership Form

Date _____

[] New Membership or [] Renewal

[] Individual or [] Family*

*Family Membership includes two adults and all children under age 21 living at a single address.

Last Name _____ First Name _____

Name of 2nd Adult Family Member _____

Mailing Address _____

City _____

State _____ Zip _____

Phone (_____) _____

E-mail _____

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NJACE dues are payable as follows:

[] One Year Membership, New or Renewal.....\$19.00

[] Two Year Membership, New or Renewal.....\$36.00

Membership expires on March 31st

Total Remitted:\$ _____

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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 _____