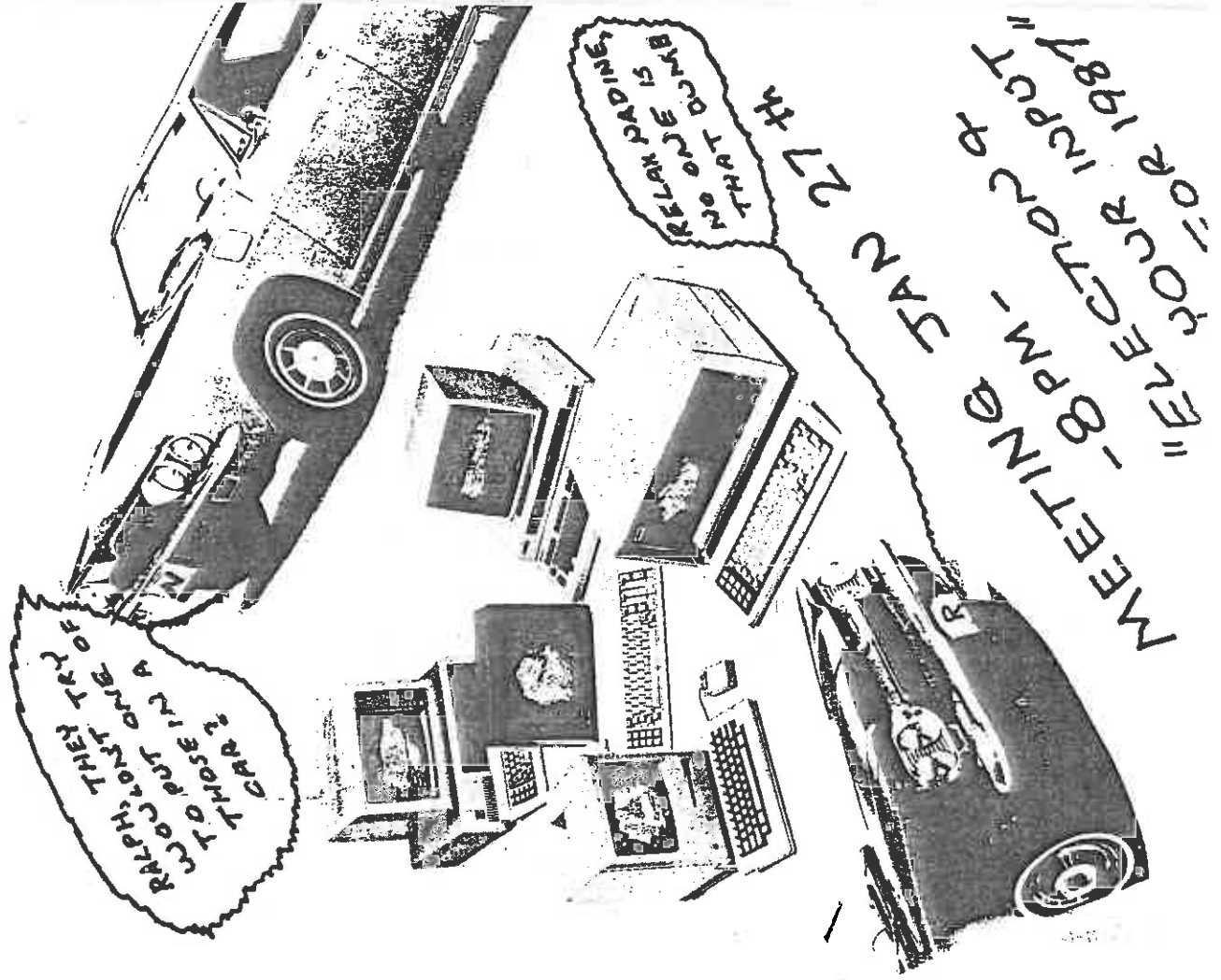


THE VAIR STREET JOURNAL

WESTERN PENNSYLVANIA CORVAIR CLUB

JAN 1987



THE WESTERN PENNSYLVANIA CORVAIR CLUB WANTS YOU!! MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

That sure is a great little car you're driving. In fact the Corvaire is probably the most courageous, creative, and potentially the best engineered automobile to come out of Detroit in modern times. As you may already know, a two year study conducted by the U.S. Dept of Transportation, and suggested by Mr. Ralph Nader, concluded: "The Corvaire quantitatively meets or exceeds standards set by contemporary automobiles in stability, cornering, and roll-over tests." It is also the only car ever proven safe in a court of law!!!

Next time a fellow Corvaire driver waves to you, hold your head high and wave back, since you have something in common. "The Vair" however, is far from a common car. They are now quite rare, gaining in value, and have so many sensible features when compared to today's plastic and cardboard cars. Isn't it great not spending money on antifreeze and snow tires for example!

We are a chartered chapter of "The Corvaire Society of America" (CORSA), a rapidly growing international organization now boasting over 8,000 members. We encourage all WPCC members to maintain membership in CORSA—The International Corvaire Club.

The long range goals of both clubs is simply to increase the enjoyment and preservation of the Corvaire automobile. We provide - technical and historic information, parts procurement, professional publications, and an international classified ad service. We sponsor and participate in - Corvaire shows, rallies, time trials, autocross events, mini conventions, and national conventions. We love driving to local points of interest, touring style, in Corvaire convoys. We have parties, picnics, and dinners, there's always plenty of Corvaire talk, and all of our events are family affairs. Our membership includes people from every imaginable age group, background, and profession. Our chapter provides a monthly newsletter, and CORSA provides a beautiful monthly magazine named "The CORSA Communiques."

We would love to welcome you, your family, and your Corvaire into our club. Simply complete the attached application and mail it to Al Friend, WPCC Liaison. Remember, the nicest people drive Corvaire, and "You're Always Ahead With Your Engine Behind." Hope to see you soon.

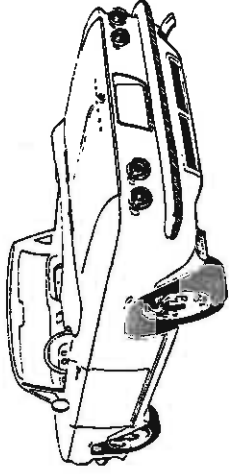
MEETINGS: The 4th Tuesday of every month, 8 p.m. at the Good Shephard Lutheran Church, Monroeville, Pennsylvania.

DUES: LOCAL \$10 per calendar year or \$1 for each remaining month of the current year. Includes membership for immediate family members. Payable to WPCC.

CORSA New members are encouraged to enclose a completed CORSA application and a check payable to CORSA, Inc. for \$22. If you already belong to CORSA, then send only WPCC information.

MAIL TO: W.P.C.C. c/o Al Friend, 3677 Forbes Trail Dr.
Murrysville, PA 15668 (412) 325-2588

Name _____ Age _____ Occupation _____ Phone _____
 Address _____ Zip _____ Date _____
 CORSA Member? Yes No. # Corvaire owned, yr., model _____
 Recommended by _____ Amount paid _____ Other car clubs _____
 Other information: _____



MINUTES OF THE WPCC MEETING November 25, 1986

1986 Officers Present: President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer

1986 Board Members Present: Bill Artzberger, Don Baker, Vaughn Hamlin, Bob McCune

Secretary's report was approved as read.

Treasurer's report was approved as read.

OLD BUSINESS

Don Baker reported on the Braille rally. Everyone there had a good time. Don told the members that the school is now using tape recorders. The next rally will be in mid-May. He urged everyone to try it.

Vaughn Hamlin reported on the event he sponsored at his business. It was very well attended. A total of 59 people were there. Bill Brill mentioned that the tech sessions were very informative. He also said the door prizes were outstanding. Everyone went home with from 1 to 4 gifts. The food at Hamlin's and the restaurant was good.

Bob McCune told members everything was ready to go for the Holiday Party on December 7.

NEW BUSINESS

President Bill Brill asked members to be thinking about events for 1987. He wants to have a tech session at each meeting.

The nominating committee announced the slate of officers for 1987. They are:
President - J. Dale Smith
Vice Pres - Bob Hieber
Secretary - Gayle Gundlach
Treasurer - Ellen Smith

Bill Artzberger spoke on the Great Race in May. There are plans for a 26 mile parade of old cars. More information will be given at future meetings.

Bill Brill asked for volunteers for a tech session for January and hostesses for January.

The meeting adjourned at 8:41 P.M.

Gayle Gundlach
Secretary

The 50/50 was won by Bill Artzberger.

PREZ SEZ
Bill Brill

Since the January meeting will be my final one as President of WPCC, and before I pass the gavel over to my successor, there are a few words of appreciation I would like to convey to you, my fellow members.

To my way of thinking, we have just completed another successful year. No, not because I was President---far from that!! It is because of the great cooperation and help I was fortunate enough

to receive from so many of you. I am not going to try to list each person who was so helpful in fear of slighting someone. Those of you who attend our meetings and functions know who these people are and I am most grateful to them. They were responsible for our interesting tech sessions, our delightful outings and parades, the delicious snacks provided at each meeting, our great informer, THE VAIR STREET JOURNAL, the beautiful Holiday Party, and my very competent officers and board without which I could not have managed.

I hope I have not missed anyone, but if I have, I ask your forgiveness. My sincere thanks goes out to each of you who have helped me throughout my term of office.

We are about to elect and install our officers and board for 1987 and I want to wish them every success. BUT, they can only be as successful as we make them. It is up to each of us to do our part to help make WPCC grow and prosper. This can only come about if, when asked, you carry out your share of the program proposed by the people we have elected. They cannot do the job alone.

Again, my thanks for all your help during 1986.

FROM THE EDITOR
Ellen Smith

I want to thank the WPCC board who selected me at the Holiday Party to display the "Member of the Year" trophy in my home this year. This honor certainly deserves to be shared by my family who are a great help with the Journal in artwork.

written material, labor and poor meals near deadline. (Dale and Jay have put hours into this computer-aided edition.) ALL of you who have contributed to the Journal also deserve a portion of the honor. My thanks to the board and the WPCC members. I had told Dale that I didn't dust trophies but I guess this one is my job.

PLEASE DO NOT FORGET YOUR DUES FOR 1987 ARE TO BE PAID AT THE JANUARY MEETING.

FOR SALE

1960 two-door, one elderly owner, 36,000 orig. mi., YOU are missing a beauty, 264-4648

1966 four-door, 110, 40,000 orig. mi., original Southern car, good condition, best offer, 366-4870

1979 Caprice 9 Pass SW, reliable transportation, solid snow crusher, #885, 563-4047

CORVAIRS STORM HAMLIN'S Dave Lovejoy

REFLECTIONS FROM THE EDITOR'S SPOUSE

Dale Smith

The end of the photo-finish. Due to the unfortunate constraint of time and effort involved to rework an issue to try and fit late material, material received by us after the tenth of the month WILL NOT appear until the following month.

Congratulations to Bill Artzberger for the two fantastic articles in CORSA this month. We assume the word "modification" alluded to the cooling system of the Eagle.

A special thanks to David Redding who designed this month's cover.

Best wishes to Bob and Betty Ashworth as they undertake Bob's new position as a design consultant near Youngstown. Hope to see you soon.

A special thanks and word of appreciation to Bill Brill, it will take a lot to top 1986. It will be a long and fondly remembered year. THANKS!!

BRIDGEVILLE November 23, 1986. Witnesses today reported that members of the Western Pennsylvania Corvair Club appeared out of nowhere at a well-known local location, Hamlin's for the finest on Washington Pike. Apparently attracted by an unusually painted Corvair Lakewood wagon perched on the side of the Pike, the members, who are alleged to prefer to "get their kick in the rear," descended in an air cooled buzz about noon, covering Hamlin's lot with Corvairs. This reporter was able to investigate the scene and retreat without having his (horrors!) water pumper disabled by any of the aficionados present. Here is an eye-witness description of one of the highlights of the Corvair Year.

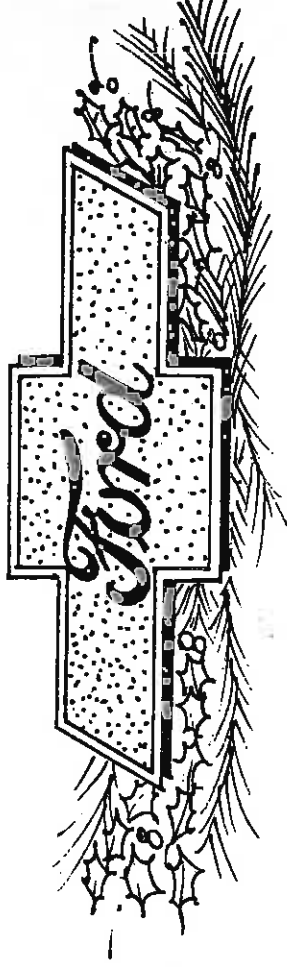
Mr. Hamlin (usually known as Yawn), after ensuring that all of his guests were present, introduced his staff, following with a short lecture on the Hamlin Philosophy, which is QUALITY. After this we were permitted to enter the inner sanctum. Except that SOMEONE tried to shuffle the "ladies" off somewhere to do something; most of them preferred to stay and watch the machinery. Each of the work stations was

in normal operation, so that we could observe what goes on in a high class shop like Vaun's. I was immediately attracted to the frame-straightening machine, which uses untold tons of hydraulic pressure to straighten out unbodies that have been bent in collisions. With today's methods of construction, a hit on one corner may affect the alignment and fit of parts and panels on opposite ends of the car, thus making this machine a real necessity. I, on the other hand would like to use it to straighten out the teeth in a couple of soon to be teen-agers.

Next we saw Al Friend's injured red Corsa coupe undergoing some minor straightening and a general repaint job. Vaun's staff actually repainted the trunk right before our eyes. This body work did, however, pale somewhat in light of the electronic marvels in the next room. The electronic exhaust gas inspection machine was a real marvel to see in operation as it analyzed and printed out the percentages of noxious gases in your exhaust.

For me, though, the most amazing thing of all was the electronic wheel alignment machine, which reads your alignment to 1/100 of a degree and actually charts the changes as the operator makes them. This machine is so sensitive that if the garage door is left open, it will register the force of the wind on your car! Vaun definetely has another customer for this service the next time my car is in.

All of these marvels were followed by a snack buffet and door prizes ranging from Rohrich Cadillac baseball caps (??) to new tires. Afterwards we retired to Chi-Chi's in Bridgeville for a specially-arranged meal. The staff snapped to attention as Vaun entered the door, immediately starting to serve a delicious, filling Italian meal.



Bob Ashworth

I'll bet that Henry Ford never wore a bow tie like this one. He never saw one like this, and neither have we. Actually, if you had been to the WPCC Holiday Party you would have received a large cookie in the shape of our beloved "bow-tie" with CORVAIR emblazoned in icing, all made by our own Irene Artzberger. Bill Artzberger said that when Irene asked him how to spell CORVAIR, he told her "F-O-R-D". But then, you know Bill.

But what about the party? PLUSH! That's the word for it - PLUSH! The lounge of the Invanhoe in Monroeville had recently been redecorated, complete with overstuffed chairs mirrored bar, thick new carpeting, decorative wall treatments and colors, all done in the latest Art Nouveau style! PLUSH! When Irene Artzberger and Jean Larison added the bright candles-and-greens holiday table decorations, Jan Fabyonic displayed the beautifully inscribed sheet cake, Bob and Mary McCune ushered in the sumptuous catered buffet they had arranged and set out one of the two giant punch bowls (Al and Carol Friend brought the other one), and well, you would have had to be there to get the full impact of the preparations for another memorable WPCC event. Bob and Mary (who arranged for the hall), Irene, and Jean had obviously been hard at work long before we arrived, adding the festive holiday touches to the atmosphere. We know Irene must have been busy all week. Not only did she make the "CORVAIR" cookies, but she also made felt Santa decorations for every place setting.

The buffet was terrific. No one but no one went away hungry. There was chicken that melted in your mouth, enormous sandwich tray, cabbage rolls, potato salad, cole slaw, relish tray, on-and-on, and topped off with the delicious forementioned cake, washed down with all kinds of beverages.

John and Gayle Gundlach, who did the financial end of the party, counted 40 paid reservations; a few of the 40 didn't make it. Unofficially, Izzie, Shirley and Allan Krouse got the title for longest distance travelled, driving sixty miles from New Bethlehem. Pat Greenwald and her three boys constituted the largest family, and Bob Donnelly the smallest.

Of course, with this number, our traditional gift "exchange" was lots of fun. Carol and Al conducted the exchange where, once you got a gift, you could "trade" it with someone else. The "duck-candle", originally held by Vaun Hamlin, and some of the "liquid cheer", ending up with Jean Crouch and Wayne Jones, seemed to change hands more than anything else. Terry Stankus was quiet this year, guess she got burnt-out as big-trader last year.

Traditional, too, was the awarding of MEMBER OF THE YEAR trophy. Our Prez, Bill Brill, in his presentation, said that this year the WPCC Board of Directors unanimously selected our newsletter chief Ellen Smith to receive the award. Congratulations, Ellen, from a grateful membership - you've done a great job!

In the season's spirit of giving, we took up a collection for Children's Hospital. This year we had a balance of \$269! A staggering increase over last year's total.

If all this were not enough, the evening was topped-off with an exclusive presentation of "Cars of Yesterday", a slide show that Bill Artzberger has given for several organizations around the country. His pictures are probably one of the best collections of old cars, skillfully narrated by someone who knows all about them.

What a Party! Why not mark your calendar now for the first Saturday in December 1987 - and be there for the next WPCC Holiday Party!



Corvair Society of America

Formed in 1969 by and for those who still appreciate the Corvair Automobile

CORSA MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

CHECK ONE NEW RENEWAL

RENEWALS

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Make the following corrections to my name and address:

(Please Print)
 Last Name _____ First _____
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Chapter W. PA. CORVAIR CLUB Chapter No. 158
 City MURRYSVILLE State PA Zip 15668

Reason for joining CORSA _____

Activity Interest: _____

Age _____ Phone _____

Occupation _____

The following fee schedule includes your subscription to CORSA COMMUNIQUE, our monthly publication, for the number of months paid.

- 1 year U.S. membership - \$14
- 26 month U.S. membership - \$28
- 1 year Canadian membership - \$17
- 26 month Canadian membership - \$34
- 1 year Overseas membership - \$19
- 26 month Overseas membership - \$38
- Museum Fund Donation - \$1
- Racing Fund Donation - \$1
- Family membership - \$1

TOTAL: _____

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 Skokie, IL 60077

MUSEUM FUND

A museum has been established to protect and preserve Corvair memorabilia. This fund has been established to perpetually finance the museum's growth and development.

RACING FUND

This fund provides cash prizes to winning Corvairs entered in national open class racing.

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SURVEY OF CARS OWNED AND INTERESTS

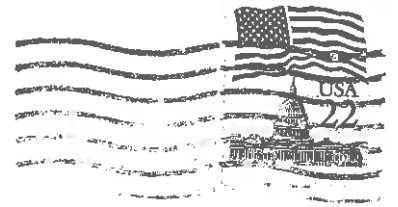
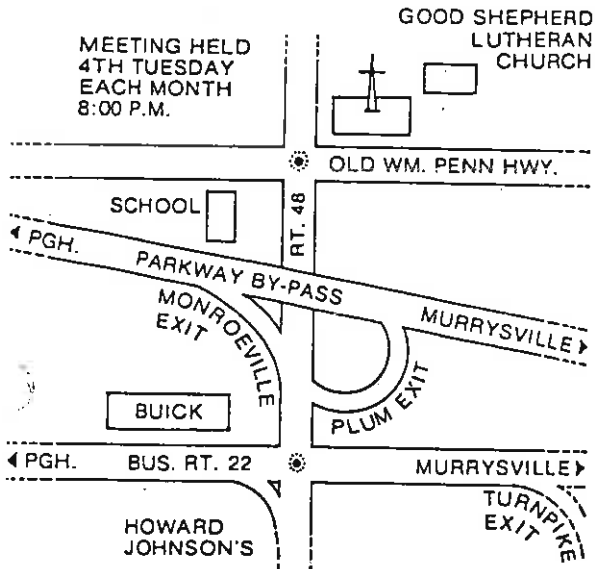
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- I own _____ restorable Corvairs.
- I own _____ parts Corvairs.
- I use my Corvairs for:
 - Concours - How Many? _____
 - Daily Use
 - Racing
 - Other _____

- My main reason for joining CORSA is:
 - Support my hobby
 - Fellowship
 - Increase the value of my investment
 - Magazine - "CORSA COMMUNIQUE"
 - To take part in () local/() national doings

- What I like to read most in my magazine is:
 - Technical Tips
 - Open Forum
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 - Chapter News
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 - Local meet information
 - CORSA governmental action



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