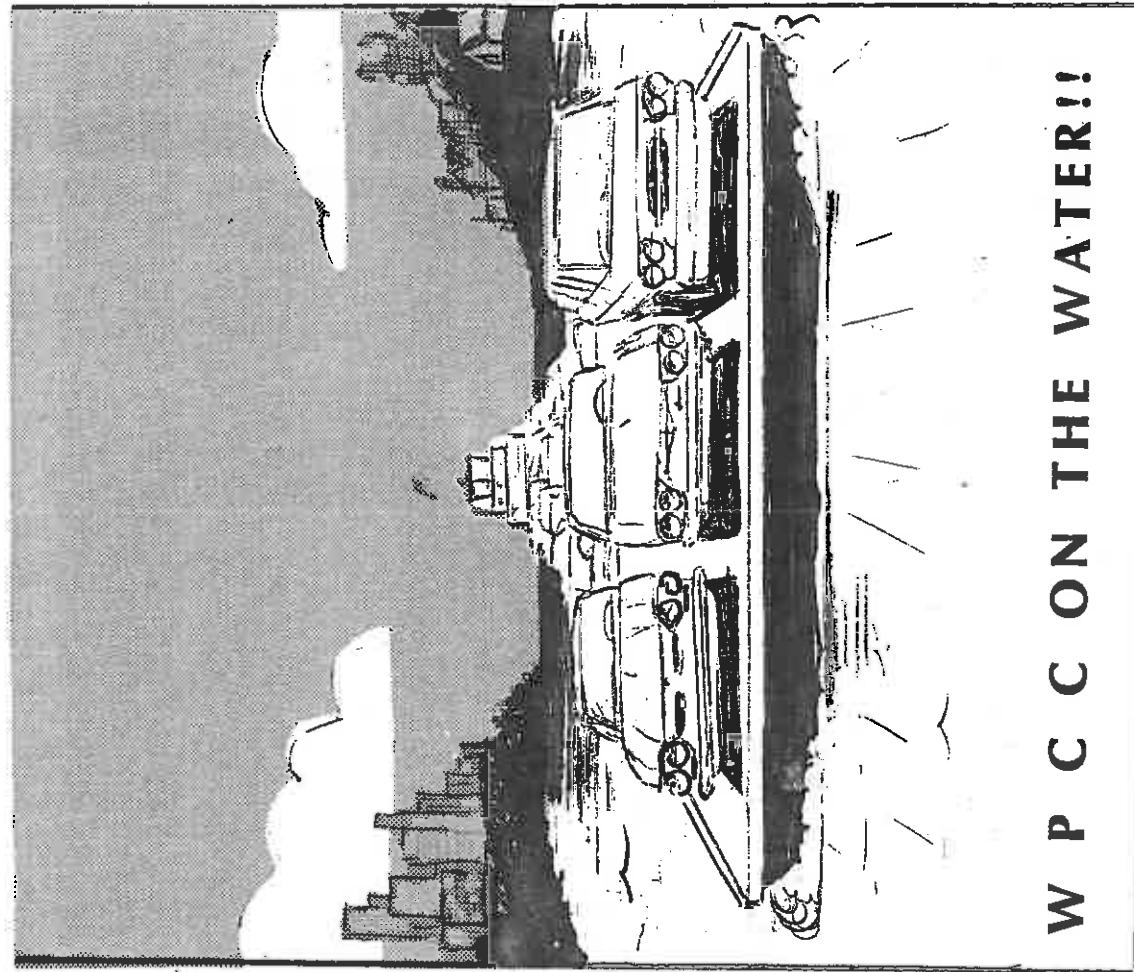




# THE VAIR STREET JOURNAL

WESTERN PENNSYLVANIA CORVAIR CLUB

OCTOBER 1987



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# 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

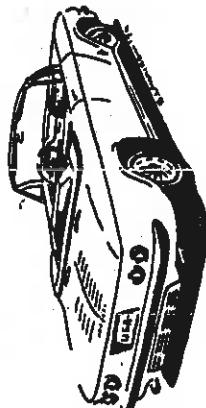
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Reason for joining CORSA \_\_\_\_\_

The following fee schedule  
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### ACTIVITY INTERESTS

Age \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_  
Occupation \_\_\_\_\_

### SURVEY OF CARS OWNED AND INTERESTS

1. I own \_\_\_\_\_ running Corvairs.
2. I own \_\_\_\_\_ restorable Corvairs.
3. I own \_\_\_\_\_ parts Corvairs.
4. I use my Corvairs for:  
 Concours - How Many? \_\_\_\_\_  
 Daily Use  
 Racing  
 Other \_\_\_\_\_
5. My main reason for joining CORSA is:  
 Support my hobby  
 Increase the value of my investment  
 Magazine "CORSA COMMUNIQUE"  
 To take part in ( ) local/( ) national doings
6. What I like to read most in my magazine is:  
 Technical Tips  
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 Local meet information  
 CORSA governmental action

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### 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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### NEW BUSINESS

BOB DONNELLY TOLD MEMBERS THAT 33 PEOPLE ARE  
SIGNED UP TO GO ON SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 27 TO  
FALLINGWATER. HE ASKED MEMBERS TO COME A FEW  
MINUTES BEFORE 2:00 PM.

CMU HOMECOMING ON SATURDAY, OCTOBER 10, 1987  
WAS OUTLINED BY DALE SMITH. SIX CORVAIR  
CONVERTIBLES ARE NEEDED.

THE OCTOBER OUTING WILL BE A GATEWAY CLIPPER  
CRUISE ON SUNDAY, OCTOBER 11. PLEASE BE THERE AT  
1:30 PM.

PRESIDENT DALE SMITH ANNOUNCED THE 1988  
NOMINATING COMMITTEE FOR WPCC OFFICERS. SERVING ON  
THE COMMITTEE WILL BE BILL BRILL, EOB MC CUNE AND  
DAVE FRIBYONIC.

CAR PROBLEMS WERE FIRED AND CORVAIR OIL FILTER  
WERE OFFERED FOR SALE.

THE MEETING WAS ADJOURNED AT 8:30 PM.

GRYLE GUNDLACH  
SECRETARY

NEXT MEETING - OCTOBER 27, 1987

PROVIDING SHACKS: CAROLE FRIEND  
ELLEN SMITH

TECH SESSION: IT IS NOT UNUSUAL FOR MPCC MEMBERS TO DROOL QUILTY OVER THE SNACKS PROVIDED AT EACH MEETING. THIS TECH SESSION HAS DRIVING DROOL MATERIAL: SLIDES OF THE GOLDEN GATE MINI CONVENTION HELD IN AUGUST OF THIS YEAR. DALE SPENT A GREAT DEAL OF TIME ADMIRING THE UNDERSIDES OF THE CARS, AND STARING IN AMAZEMENT AT THE CARS SOME OWNERS FELT WERE NOT "GOOD ENOUGH" FOR EVEN THE PARKING LOT BEAUTY CONTEST. THERE ARE PICTURES OF THE UPPER PARTS OF CARS TOO, AND EVEN A TIGER WHILE,

#### PREZ SEEZ

OUR FALL EVENTS HAVE BEEN GREAT, THE DIRECTORS HAVE REALLY WORKED TO PROVIDE GOOD, WELL ORGANIZED EVENTS. MOST IMPORTANTLY, YOU, THE MEMBERS HAVE REWARDED THE DIRECTORS WITH EAGER PARTICIPATION. THIS IS THE KEY TO ANY SUCCESSFUL, MEANINGFUL GROUP -

BE AWARE, A NOMINATING COMMITTEE IS ACTIVELY SEARCHING FOR OUR NEW OFFICERS, AND WILL HAVE A SLATE TO PRESENT AT THE NOVEMBER MEETING. AT THIS TIME NOMINATIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED FROM THE FLOOR, AS WELL AS AT THE HOLIDAY PARTY AND AT THE JANUARY MEETING. ELECTIONS WILL BE AT THE JANUARY MEETING, AFTER WHICH THE NEW PRESIDENT WILL NAME HIS BOARD OF DIRECTORS. NEXT YEAR'S SUCCESS WILL HINGE ON YOUR WILLINGNESS TO SERVE AND PARTICIPATE.

LAST MEETINGS TECH SESSION ON "O" RINGS MAY HAVE BEEN AN ABSOLUTE HIGH POINT. MANY PEOPLE CONTACTED ME TO SAY BOB HIEBER DID AN OUTSTANDING JOB IN THIS PRESENTATION. IT WAS MADE INTERESTING TO ALL AND PRESENTED SO ALL COULD UNDERSTAND AND BE INTERESTED. DON'T YOU HAVE A SPECIAL AREA YOU COULD PRESENT IN THE TECH SESSION FORMAT?

A GRAND LADY IN OUR CLUB DESCRIBED CORVAIRS AS A DISEASE and WELL THEY MAY BE. TWO OF OURS NEVER GOT OUT OF STORAGE THIS SUMMER FROM LAST WINTER; THE WHITE CAR GOT PUT AWAY YESTERDAY AFTER A DELIGHTFUL CMU DAY; JAY HAS ACQUIRED HIS FIRST CA '63 coupey AND TODAY WE'RE OFF TO LOOK AT ANOTHER. THIS "DISEASE" IS OK--IT HAS SURROUNDED US WITH WONDERFUL PEOPLE.

DALE SMITH

STRASBURG, PA "CORVAIR DAYS"

MPCC WAS WELL REPRESENTED AT THE "CORVAIR DAYS" BY BILL AND IRENE ARTZBERGER, ARCHIE AND ALICE MILLER, GENE AND CONNIE RISING, BOB AND MARY MC GUNE AND JOHN AND GAYLE GUNDLACH. FOUR TROPHIES WERE AWARDED TO OUR CLUB: BILL AND IRENE ARTZBERGER RECEIVED FIRST PLACE IN LATE ALTERED AND THE PEOPLE'S CHOICE AWARD FOR THEIR RED 1969 CONVERTIBLE; BOB AND MARY MC GUNE RECEIVED FIRST PLACE IN LATE STOCK FOR THEIR CREAM 1968 COUPE; JOHN AND GAYLE GUNDLACH RECEIVED SECOND PLACE IN EARLY STOCK FOR THEIR BLACK 1963 CONVERTIBLE. ALL WHO ATTENDED ENJOINED THE HISTORIC STRASBURG INN, TOURING AND SHOPPING IN THE DUTCH COUNTRY AND THE GRANT FAMILY STYLE DINNER. THE NUMBER OF CORVAIERS IN THE CONCOURS WAS DOWN FROM OTHER YEARS DUE TO AN ALL DAY RAIN ON SUNDAY. THIS YEAR THE CENTRAL PA CLUB HELD AN AUCTION TO BENEFIT THE RONALD MC DONALD HOUSE IN READING AND RAISED ABOUT \$400. THIS IS ALWAYS A FUN WEEKEND, EVEN WITH RAIN AND IT WOULD BE NICE TO SEE A LARGER GROUP OF MPC Members NEXT YEAR. CENTRAL PA CORVAIR CLUB IS PLANNING CORVAIR DAYS FOR NEXT YEAR, BUT THE PLACE HAS NOT YET BEEN DECIDED.

GAYLE GUNDLACH  
IRENE ARTZBERGER

It is easy to put the journal together each month with lots of help. Both Gayle and Irene sent me write-ups on Strasburg, so this is a composite of them. Thanks. Eileen Smith

A DAY TO REMEMBER IN SEPTEMBER

ANOTHER GREAT DAY WAS HAD BY ALL OF US CORVAIR NUTS THAT ATTENDED THE FALLINGWATER EVENT. MATTER OF FACT, WE HAD MANY GREATS THIS DAY: THE EVENT, THE WEATHER, THE RESTAURANT, THE FOOD, THE MARINA, THE BOAT RIDE, AND WHATEVER ELSE I MISSED. IT WAS JUST REALLY GREAT. WE OWE MUCH APPRECIATION TO BOB DONNELLY FOR THE FAIRINSTAKING TIME HE HAD IN GETTING THIS EVENT TOGETHER. A GREAT JOB DONE, BOB, THANKS. ANOTHER WE OWE A GREAT AMOUNT OF APPRECIATION TO IS DAVID REDDING. HE HANDLED THE RESTAURANT, MARINA, FOOD AND BOAT RIDE. MUST HAVE BEEN MANY HEADACHES FOR DAVID ALSO. THE BOAT RIDE REALLY TOPPED THE DAY OFF. A SHORT CRUISE ON THE MONONGAHELA RIVER ABOARD A PRIVATELY OWNED 38' YACHT

WITH A SICK CERTAIN PRICE THIS.) THANKS TO YOU TOO, DAVID, FOR ALL YOUR EFFORTS TO MAKE THIS A SUCCESSFUL EVENT. I SUGGEST THAT AT THE OPENING OF OUR NEXT MEETING THAT WE GIVE A GREAT ROUND OF APPLAUSE TO THESE TWO. IT WOULD SHOW ALL OUR APPRECIATION FOR THE EFFORT PUT FORTH BY THESE TWO FELLOWS.

WE HAD 37 MEMBERS AND FAMILIES PLUS THE KIDS THAT ATTENDED. ALSO INCLUDED IN THIS NUMBER WERE SOME OF THE MEMBERS OF THE WILD AND WONDERFUL CORVAIR CLUB FROM THE FAIRMONT AREA.

ONE LAST OBSERVATION AND QUESTION: Has anyone noticed who was driving a water pumpin' on this event?

#### WALT BALDINGER

#### CLARION'S AUTUMN LEAF CAR SHOW

OCTOBER 4, 1987

THE UNBELIEVABLE HAS HAPPENED AT THE CLARION AUTUMN LEAF CAR SHOW: A CORVAIR WON A TROPHY IN A NON-CORVAIR CLASS WITH 17 OTHER ENTRIES INCLUDING MANY IMPALAS, THUNDERBIRDS, AND A 1962 BLACK CADILLAC. OUR 1963 BLACK CORVAIR SPYDER CONVERTIBLE TOOK THIRD PLACE IN THE 1960-64 STOCK CLASS.

WHEN WE ARRIVED AT 11:35 am IN CLARION AND SAW 17 OTHER ENTRIES IN OUR CLASS, WE ALMOST GAVE UP. WE HADN'T BEEN ABLE TO CLEAN THE CAR UP PRIOR TO ARRIVAL SO WE SET ABOUT TO CLEAN THE CAR. IT COULD HARDLY GET THE DOORS OPEN TO WASH THE WINDOWS WHEN WE WERE MOBBED AT OUR SPOT IN THE MIDDLE OF THE CLARION STREET—JUST 12 FEET FROM THE STREET MACHINE CLASS. MANY, MANY PEOPLE STOPPED TO SEE OUR 1963. ONE MIDDLE-AGED LADY TOLD ME SHE HAD NEVER HEARD OF CORVAIRS BEFORE AND ASKED IF IT WAS A FOREIGN CAR. ONE YOUNG MAN WAS GAZING IN AT THE TURBO WHEN HE SUDDENLY ASKED ME IF THIS WAS A MONZA CORVAIR SPYDER AND I SAID YES. "WOW!" he said, "I HAVE ALWAYS HEARD ABOUT ONE BUT HAD NEVER SEEN ONE." TO TOP OFF THE AFTERNOON AN 8 YEAR OLD BOY RAN OVER TO OUR 1963 AND POINTED AT IT AND SAID LOUDLY "LOOK, DADDY! ANOTHER MUSTANG!" AT THE END OF THE AFTERNOON—FIVE

MINUTES TO TROPHY TIME, TWO JUDGES WITH CLIP-BOARDS CAME RUNNING UP TO OUR 1963 CORVAIR, GOT DOWN ON THE STREET AND STARTED LOOKING UNDER OUR CAR. COULD THIS BE TRUE? COULD WE HAVE A CHANCE? WAS THERE A TIE FOR FOURTH PLACE? MAYBE WE HAD A CHANCE FOR THE FOURTH PLACE TROPHY. NEEDLESS TO SAY, WE WERE

TOTALLY DELIGHTED WITH THIRD PLACE. ONE OTHER CORVAIR WAS IN THE SHOW—A 1965 RED CORSA CONVERTIBLE IN THE 1965-69 STOCK CLASS.

TO TOP OFF ONE GREAT DAY, WITH TROPHY IN HAND, WE STOPPED IN TO VISIT SHIRLEY AND ISADORE KROUSE IN NEW BETHLEHEM. BOTH OF THEM ARE DOING GREAT. IZZIE LOOKS GREAT AND IS WALKING VERY WELL. HE EVEN WALKED DOWNTOWN TO HIS FAMILY BUSINESS A FEW DAYS PRIOR TO OUR VISIT. HE CELEBRATED THE TROPHY WITH A DELICIOUS DINNER AT A DELIGHTFUL NEW BETHLEHEM RESTAURANT.

JOHN AND GRAYLE GUNDLACH

CMU HOMECOMING  
LUNCHEON WAS MOVED INSIDE, BUT THE SUN SHONE BRIGHTLY AS THE CORVAIRS ARRIVED FOR THE CMU HOMECOMING PARADE. THERE WERE 6 LATE MODEL CONVERTIBLES BELONGING TO ARTZBERGER, HIEBER, LOVEJOY, MORAH, O'CONNOR AND ROCKHILL CORVAIR FAMILIES, ALONG WITH THE SMITH SEDAN THAT CARRIED THE KING AND QUEEN CANDIDATES TO THE FOOTBALL STADIUM. AS IS EXPECTED, THE CARS ATTRACTED LOTS OF ATTENTION AND ADMIRATION. THANKS FOR YOUR PARTICIPATION THE CMU FOLKS WHO PUT THEIR HOMECOMING TOGETHER APPRECIATE YOUR WILLINGNESS TO ADD TO THEIR SPECIAL DAY. A FIRE TRUCK BELONGING TO ONE OF THE FRITTERTIES OVERHEATED AND HAD TO GO HOME, LEAKING WATER ALL OVER THE STREET. THAT'S WHAT HAPPENS TO WATER PUMPERS. SHALL WE INSTITUTE IMPEACHMENT PROCEEDINGS OVER A BLACK T-BIRD THAT WAS IN THE PARADE TOO? SOMETIMES THE PRESIDENT OF THE CMU ALUMNI ASSOCIATION HAS SOME FULL, AND ANOTHER PRESIDENT OBLIGES AND DRIVES HIS CAR.

ELLEN SMITH

CRUSING DOWN THE RIVER ON A SUNDAY AFTERNOON THERE WAS A SONG, EVEN BEFORE CORVAIRS WERE ON THE SCENE, THAT PRAISED THE MERITS OF SUCH A WAY TO SPEND A LOWLY DAY. ONLY FOUR FAMILIES—ROCKHILL, ARTZBERGER, CECUS AND BALDINGER—ARRIVED AT THE GATEWAY CLIPPER FLEET DOCK TO BOARD THE BOAT. THE WEATHER TURNED OUT TO BE GREAT, EVEN NICE ENOUGH TO SIT OUTSIDE TO SEE THE SIGHTS ALONG THE WAY. AT THE END OF THE CRUISE, BILL ARTZBERGER HAD A PRIVATE TOUR OF THE TRANSPORTATION MUSEUM FOR THE GROUP. IT WAS FABULOUS. THERE IS NOW A CHRYSLER AIRFLOW THERE

FILLED YOUR PLANS NOW ATTEND.  
BOB HIEBER

## Wheeling

NOW, THE LADIES ENJOYED A SHOPPING TRIP TO STATION SQUARE, AND ALL MET FOR DINNER AT NOODLES. IT WAS ANOTHER GOOD WFCOC EVENT. SORRY SO MANY OF YOU MISSED IT.

### WAYNE ROCKHILL

OGLEBAY PARK HOLIDAY TOUR  
SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 22 2PM

MARK THIS DATE ON YOUR CALENDAR

THE DAY BEGINS AT 2:30 PM WITH A GUIDED TOUR OF THE OGLEBAY MANSION, A STEP INTO THE PAST, PROVIDING AN INSIGHT INTO LIFE AS IT WAS LIVED BY THE WEALTHY OF THE LATE 1890's.

FOLLOWING THE MANSION TOUR A FIXED MENU DINNER WILL BE SERVED TO OUR GROUP IN A PRIVATE DINING ROOM IN WILSON LODGE, A SHORT DRIVE FROM THE MANSION. DINNER IS TO BE SERVED AT 4:30 PM AND WILL BE FULL COURSE CONSISTING OF:

SOUP DU JOUR

GARDEN SALAD WITH DRESSING  
BAKED CHICKEN BREAST

BAKED POTATO GREEN BEANS

ROLL AND BUTTER

BEVERAGE OF YOUR CHOICE

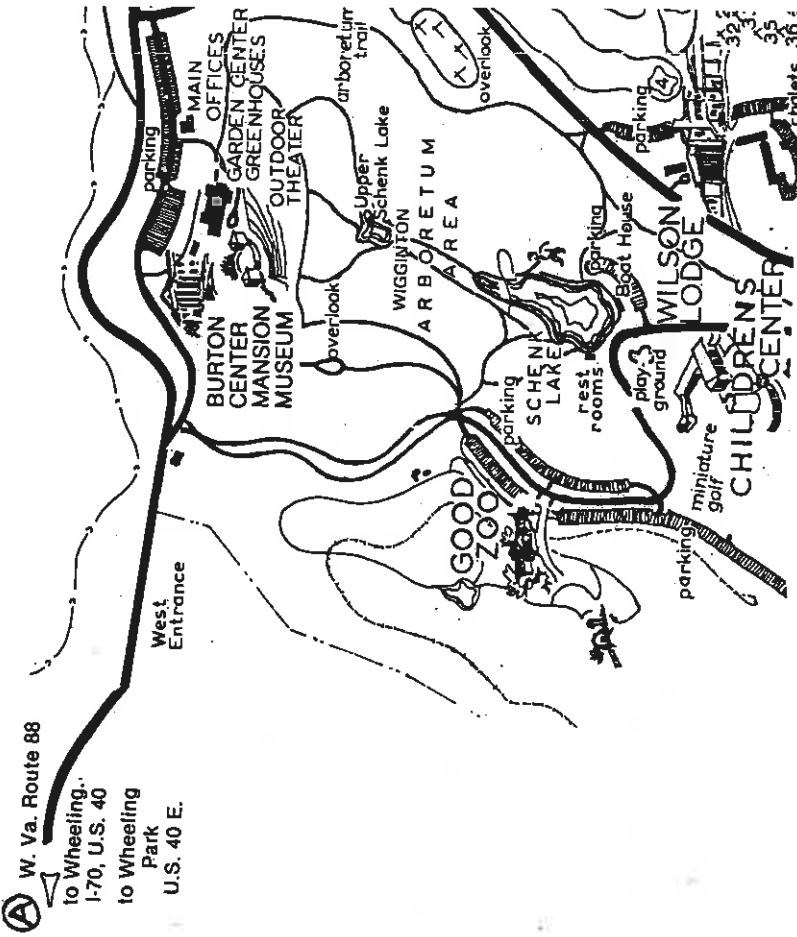
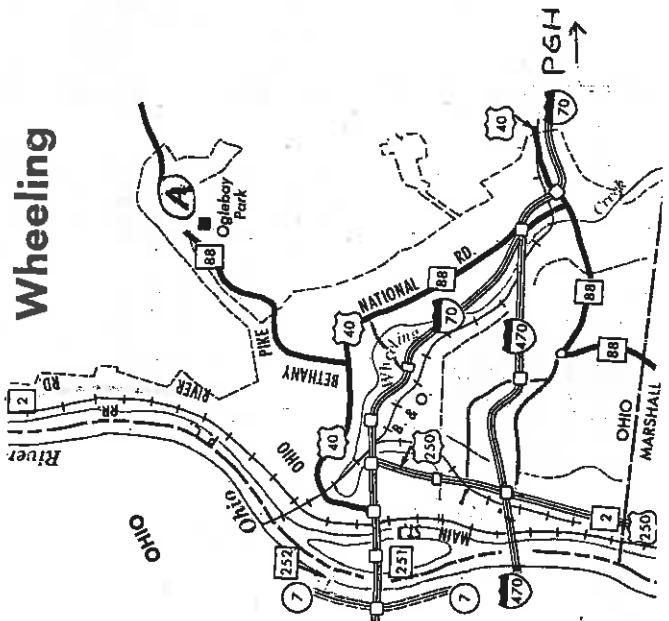
APPLE PIE

FOLLOWING DINNER WILL BE A SELF-GUIDED TOUR OF THE HOLIDAY LIGHT DISPLAYS THROUGHOUT THE PARK, IN OUR INDIVIDUAL CARS. THIS SHOULD WIND UP THE EVENING AT ABOUT 7:30 PM, ALLOWING US ENOUGH TIME TO RETURN HOME AT A REASONABLE HOUR, OR PERHAPS TO VISIT THE CRAFT SHOPS AND GREENHOUSE BEFORE LEAVING. ALL OF THIS IS FOR THE PRICE OF \$10.50 PER PERSON WHICH MUST BE PAID BY NOVEMBER 1, TO SECURE RESERVATIONS. PLEASE REMIT YOUR PAYMENT TO BOB HIEBER AT THE OCTOBER 27 MEETING OR MAIL IT TO BOB

288 CORALWOOD DRIVE  
CORAOPLAIS, PA 15108  
Phone 264-4648

DIRECTIONS TO OGLEBAY PARK ARE QUITE SIMPLE: TAKE I-79 WEST TO OGLEBAY EXIT. WATCH FOR SIGNS TO THE WEST ROAD ENTRANCE. EVERYONE SHOULD MEET IN THE PARKING LOT OF THE BURTON CENTER MUSEUM BETWEEN 2 and 2:30 PM. DRIVING TIME FROM THE GREATER PITTSBURGH AIRPORT AREA TO OGLEBAY IS A LITTLE OVER AN HOUR.

THIS IS A WONDERFUL ENDING EVENT FOR A FUN



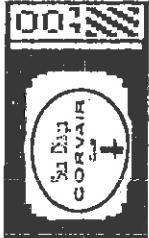
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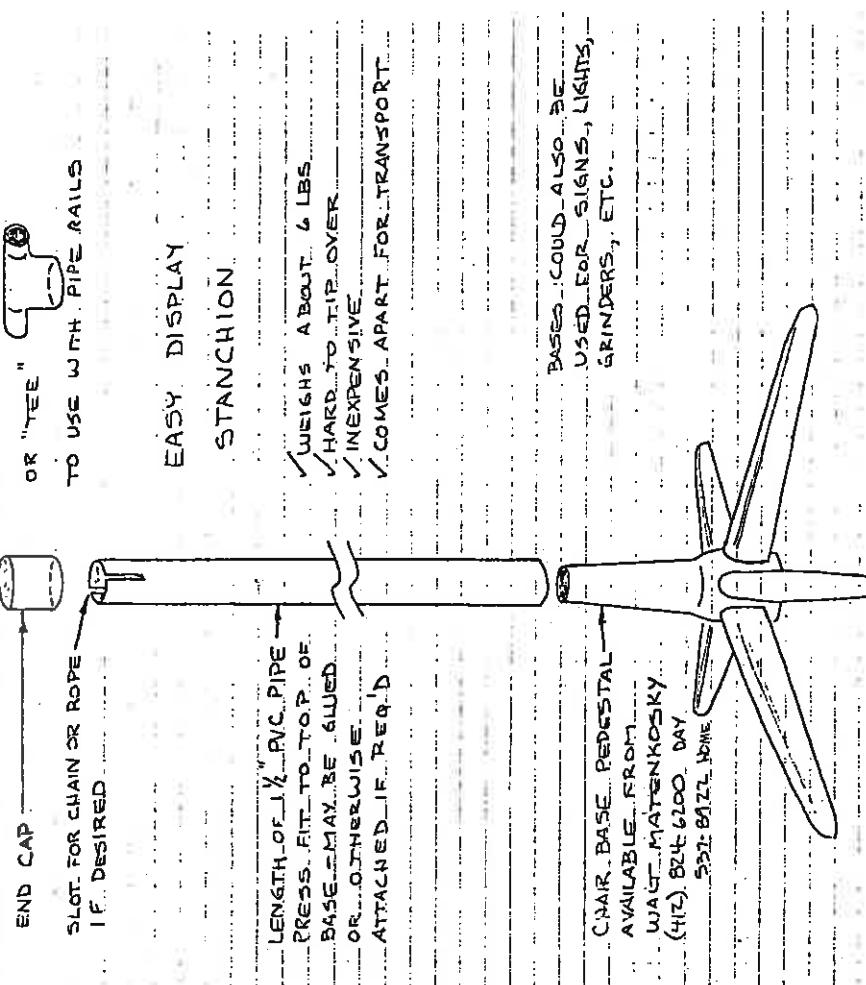
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### MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

That sure is a great little car you're driving. In fact the Corvair 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 Corvair 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 Corvair 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 todays plastic and cardboard cars. Isn't it great/not of spending money on antifreeze and snow tires for example! -

We are a chartered chapter of "The Corvair Society of America" (COSA), a rapidly growing international organization now boasting over 8,000 members. Like all automobile marque clubs of international stature, COSA requires all chapter members to also belong to COSA, the international Corvair club.

The long range goals of both clubs is simply to increase the enjoyment and preservation of the Corvair automobile. We provide - technical and historic information, parts procurement, professional publications, and an international classified ad service. We sponsor and participate in - Corvair shows, rallies, time trials, autocross events, mini conventions, and national conventions. We love driving to local points of interest, touring style, in Corvair convoys. We have parties, picnics, and dinners, there's always plenty of Corvair 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 twelve page monthly newsletter, and COSA provides a beautiful monthly magazine named "The CORSA Communiques".

We would love to welcome you, your family, and your Corvair into our club. Simply complete the attached application and mail it to Al Friend, WPCC Liaison. Remember, the nicest people drive Corvairs, 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 Shepherd Lutheran Church.

Monroeville, Pennsylvania

**DUES:** LOCAL \$10 per calendar year or \$1 for each remaining month of the current year.

**MAIL TO:** W.P.C.C. c/o Al Friend, 3677 Forbes Trail Dr.  
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**CORSA MEMBER?** **YES** **NO** **CORVAIRS OWNED, YR.** **MODEL** \_\_\_\_\_

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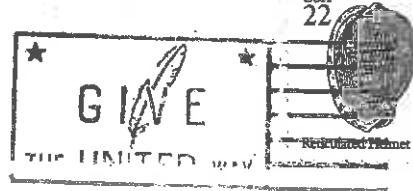
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