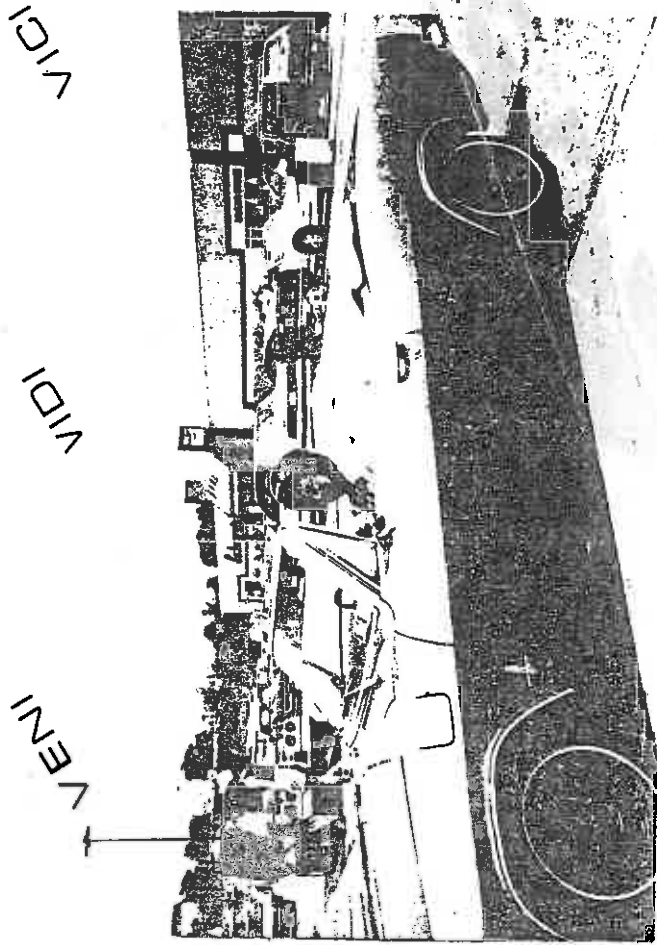


THE VAIR STREET JOURNAL

WESTERN PENNSYLVANIA CORVAIR CLUB

SEPTEMBER 1988



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THREE AIN'T BAD

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 qualitatively 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 Communicues."

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 Corvaires, 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.

J. DALE SMITH
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PITTSBURGH, PA
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MAIL TO: W.P.C.C. c/o

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

MINUTES OF WPCC MEETING
AUGUST 23, 1988

1988 OFFICERS PRESENT: PRESIDENT, VICE PRESIDENT, SECRETARY AND TREASURER
 1988 BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: BILL ARTZBERGER, JOHN GUNDLACH, VAUN HAMLIN, JON SMITH AND DALE SMITH
 THE SECRETARY'S REPORT WAS APPROVED AS READ.
 THE TREASURER'S REPORT WAS APPROVED AS READ.

NEW MEMBERS AND GUESTS WERE ASKED TO INTRODUCE THEMSELVES. DON ROSS AND HIS WIFE AND SISTER-IN-LAW TOLD OF CORVAIRS OWNED IN THE PAST AND OF THE FATHER'S DAY PURCHASE OF THEIR CURRENT ONE. RAY HORN RECENTLY BOUGHT A 500 FROM WALT BALDINGER AND PROMISED TO TRY TO CONTRIBUTE TO THE CLUB THE WAY HIS PARENTS HAD WHEN THEY WERE MEMBERS.

OLD BUSINESS

AL FRIEND REPORTED ON THE CORSA NATIONAL CONVENTION. ALL WHO ATTENDED HAD A GOOD TIME AND THREE TROPHIES FOLLOWED WPCC MEMBERS NORTH. THE GUNDLACHS AND ASHWORTHS ADDED COMMENTS ABOUT THE TOWN AND THE WHOLE EVENT. AL PLANNED TO DROP A NOTE TO THE HOST CLUB EXPRESSING APPRECIATION FOR THE GUARDED LOT. WPCC WAS WELL REPRESENTED AT THIS EVENT.

THE PICNIC AT GUNDLACHS WAS THE NEXT TOPIC OF DISCUSSION. 25 PEOPLE ATTENDED INCLUDING THE KROUSE'S. THE DAY WAS VERY HOT AND THE FOOD GOOD AS USUAL. THE HOMEGROWN CORN WAS A HIGHLIGHT OF THE MEAL. JOHN AND GAYLE EXPRESSED APPRECIATION FOR ALL WHO CAME.

DALE SMITH REPORTED ON THE AUTOCROSS EVENT. THERE WERE 7 WPCC MEMBERS THERE WITH 5 COURSE WORKERS AND 2 WHO ACTUALLY RAN THE COURSE. BOB HIEBER ASKED ABOUT HIS TRANSMISSION SHIFTING INTO DRIVE AT 45 MPH AND A DISCUSSION FOLLOWED. BOB BEAT THREE OTHER CARS JOINING HIM IN THE "SISSY" CLASS. MEMBERS WERE REMINDED OF THE RALLYE SCHEDULED FOR SEPTEMBER 25 and THE AUTOCROSS IN OCTOBER. DETAILS WILL APPEAR IN THE JOURNAL.

NEW BUSINESS

THE RALLYE ON SEPTEMBER 25 WAS MENTIONED AS THE FIRST ITEM OF NEW BUSINESS.

THERE WAS DISCUSSION ABOUT GOING TO OGLEBAY ONCE AGAIN AS A NOVEMBER EVENT. A POLL OF THE MEMBERS SHOWED A SMALL AMOUNT OF INTEREST. ANYONE WITH AN IDEA FOR A NOVEMBER EVENT IS ASKED TO CONTACT BOB HIEBER.

A DISCUSSION OF THE MEETING PLACE CHANGE WAS THE NEXT ORDER OF BUSINESS. BOB HIEBER TOLD OF THE CALL HE RECEIVED AT 10:30 PM THE NIGHT BEFORE THE JOURNALS WENT INTO THE MAIL. THE CHURCH NEEDED THE ENTIRE FACILITY WITH NO OTHER ROOM AVAILABLE AND NO FURTHER EXPLANATION. BOB MC CUNE MENTIONED THAT THE CLUB COULD HAVE THE SOCIAL HALL WE WERE MEETING IN THAT NIGHT FOR NO FEE AND COULD BE GUARANTEED THE USE OF THE ROOM FOR A YEAR IN ADVANCE. THERE WAS DISCUSSION OF CHANGING THE MEETING PLACE TO THE SOCIAL ROOM OR TO ANOTHER LOCATION. AL FRIEND MOVED AND VAUN HAMLIN SECONDED THAT WE MEET AT THE IVANHOE APARTMENTS SOCIAL ROOM STARTING IN JANUARY. THE MOTION WAS CARRIED. IT WAS ALSO DISCUSSED THAT FORMER MEMBERS OF THE CLUB SHOULD BE INFORMED OF A CHANGE IN MEETING PLACE.

CARDS WERE BROUGHT BY IRENE ARTZBERGER AND CAROL FRIEND FOR THE GROUP TO SIGN FOR ALICE MILLER. THE ANNUAL EVENT IN STRAUSBURG WAS MENTIONED BY BOB MCCUNE. THE DATES ARE SEPTEMBER 9, 10 and 11. MID-MARYLAND SHOW AND SWAP MEET IS SCHEDULED FOR SEPTEMBER 3.

CARS AND PARTS FOR SALE OR WANTED WERE DISCUSSED. JOHN GUNDLACH ALSO MENTIONED A CAR SHOW IN SAXONBURG ON SEPTEMBER 25 AND AN EVENT IN SARVER AT GARDINES WITH ONE FREE DINNER WITH EACH CAR ON SUNDAY, AUGUST 29.

THE MEETING WAS ADJOURNED.

ELLEN SMITH, SECRETARY

NEXT MEETING SEPTEMBER 27, 1988

GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN CHURCH

8:00 sharp USUAL ROOM

NO ONE HAS VOLUNTEERED TO PROVIDE SNACKS FOR THIS MEETING, SO "POT LUCK" WILL BE SERVED. ANYONE WHO WISHES TO ADD TO THE "POT" IS ENCOURAGED TO DO SO. SEVERAL OF OUR MEMBERS HAVE PROVIDED SNACKS TWO OR MORE TIME ALREADY THIS YEAR, SO LET'S SPREAD THE WORK AROUND A LITTLE MORE. YOU KNOW CORVAIR PEOPLE, THEY'LL EAT MOST ANYTHING.

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AFTER MONTHS OF PROCRASTINATION, I FINALLY FACED THE INEVITABLE AND BEGAN PACKING FOR OUR MOVE INTO A NEW HOUSE. BEFORE THE PACKING COULD BEGIN, I THOUGHT IT MIGHT BE A GOOD IDEA TO UNPACK SOME OF THE THINGS FROM OUR LAST MOVE IN 1975.

LO AND BEHOLD, THE FIRST ITEM IN THE DARKEST RECESS OF THE ATTIC WAS A BOX LABELED "074", HAVING NO IDEA WHAT IT MIGHT CONTAIN I SELECTED IT AS THE IDEAL PLACE TO BEGIN MY DRUDGERY.

IT'S FUNNY HOW THE MIND WORKS, AND IT'S ANYONE'S GUESS WHY EVERY MAGAZINE, CATALOG AND FLIER FROM 1974 WAS SO CAREFULLY PRESERVED AND PACKED AWAY, BUT THE CONTENTS PROVIDED SOME INTERESTING INSIGHT INTO CARS AND PARTS FROM 14 YEARS AGO.

HEMMINGS WAS DIVIDED INTO TWO SECTIONS--FORD AND NON-FORD FOR SALE. I GUESS THAT'S WHERE THE INTEREST WAS THEN. J. C. WHITNEY HAD A FULL PAGE OF CORVAIR PARTS AND ACCESSORIES FOR SALE. IT WOULD HAVE BEEN DIFFICULT TO SPEND MORE THAN \$20 FOR ANY ONE ITEM LISTED. POPULAR MECHANICS IN OCTOBER OF '74 RAN A SECTION ON GETTING THE MOST MILEAGE FROM A GALLON OF GAS AND HAD DIRE PREDICTIONS OF GASOLINE SELLING FOR A DOLLAR A GALLON. IF IT WAS AVAILABLE AT ALL. HOT ROD MAGAZINE REVIEWED THE EFFECT EMISSIONS CONTROLS MANDATED FOR 1975 WOULD HAVE ON HIGH PERFORMANCE ENGINES AND HOW ENGINE BUILDERS COULD GAIN SOME EXTRA HORSES WHILE USING THE NEW UNLEADED FUEL.

THREE HOURS LATER I HADN'T GOTTEN ANY FURTHER THAN THIS FIRST BOX, BUT THE MEMORIES IT BROUGHT BACK! LOOKING IN RETROSPECT AT WHAT HAS COME TO BE SINCE THE MAGAZINES WERE PUBLISHED MADE ME THINK THE WRITERS WERE NOT FAR OFF IN THEIR ESTIMATES.

LET'S HOPE WE'RE ALL AROUND 14 YEARS FROM NOW AND CAN LOOK BACK WITH INTEREST AND AMUSEMENT AT WHAT HAS HAPPENED IN 1988.

BOB HIEBER

THE WOMAN WHO IS CURRENTLY ACTING AS SECRETARY AT GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN CHURCH HAS OFFERED AN EXPLANATION OF WHAT HAPPENED TO OUR MEETING PLACE LAST MONTH. THEIR VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL PROGRAM WAS THAT EVENING AND HAD EVERY POSSIBLE ROOM IN USE. THERE IS NO PERMANENT, PAID SECRETARY AT THE CHURCH, SO RECORDS OF WHO HAD RESERVED ROOMS FOR WHAT PURPOSES HAD BEEN ALMOST NON-EXISTANT. BOB HIEBER

HAS NOW GOTTEN OUR REGULAR FOURTH TUESDAY OF THE MONTH MEETING ONTO THEIR NEW MASTER CALENDAR THROUGH THE END OF YEAR, SO THERE SHOULD BE NO MORE SUDDEN CHANGES. THAT'S GOOD NEWS TO ME, SINCE MANY OF THE CHANGE NOTICES ON THE LAST VSJ HAD TO BE WRITTEN BY LAMP LIGHT, SINCE THE PROBLEM CAME UP IN THE MIDDLE

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OF A POWER FAILURE. THE CHURCH IS NOW MAKING EVERY EFFORT TO KEEP A UNIFIED CALENDAR OF BUILDING USE.
ELLEN SMITH

WHAT'S MOVING?

AS DISCUSSED AT THE AUGUST MEETING, EVERYONE HAD A TERRIFIC TIME AT THE AUTOCROSS. UNFORTUNATELY WE DID NOT RECEIVE THE PROMISED WRITE-UP. AS A SYNOPSIS, WE ALL ENJOYED OURSELVES, SOME DROVE, SOME ACTED AS COURSE WORKERS, AND DINNER FOLLOWING IT ALL WAS GREAT WITH THE NOW TO BE EXPECTED EXECUTIVE POPCORN FIGHT.

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 18 IS THE SUPER CHEVY SHOW AT THE ALLEGHENY COUNTY AIRPORT IN WEST MIFFLIN. REGISTRATION IS FROM 9 am to 1 pm WITH A FEE OF \$5.00. THERE IS A CORVAIR CLASS AND DASH PLAQUES TO THE FIRST 100 ENTRIES. CALL 276-0384 WITH QUESTIONS.

OUR EVENT FOR THIS MONTH HAS BEEN CHANGED FROM A RALLY TO AN ULTRA-RELAXING TOUR THROUGH SOUTH HILLS TO AN HISTORIC OLD HOME. ROLLING COUNTRYSIDE WILL BE THE BACKDROP FOR OUR AFTERNOON TO A COUPLE OF SELECTED COVERED BRIDGES WHICH SHOULD PROVIDE SPECIAL PLACES TO PHOTOGRAPH YOUR FAVORITE CAR. FROM THERE WE WILL WIND OUR WAY BACK NORTH TO A FUN DINNER AND POSSIBLE POPCORN FIGHT. WE WILL MEET SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 25 AT 1:30 pm IN THE PARKING LOT OF THE SHERATON SOUTH HOTEL ACROSS THE STREET FROM SOUTH HILLS VILLAGE SHOPPING MALL. HOPEFULLY A FEW CARS FROM THE CORVETTE CLUB WILL JOIN OUR ROVE THROUGH THE COUNTRY AND DINNER.

THE NOSTALGIA AUTOCROSS IS STILL ON TAP FOR OCTOBER.

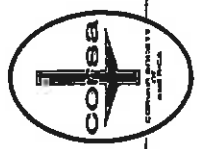
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CORVAIR CLASSIFIEDS

WANTED: 13" wire wheel cover Gene Rapp

364-4863

FOR SALE: Late 60s Maroon with black interior, 110 4-speed, Original number lovingly cared for and garaged since new. Some rust starting, interior basically good. Nice Parade car as is. #1295 or BO Bob Vanderkappell 228-5558



Corvair Society of America

Founded in 1989 by and for those who still appreciate the Corvair Automobile
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Membership Application

Last Name _____ First Name _____
Street Address _____
City _____ State/Prov _____ Zip Code _____ Country _____
Telephone Number _____ Occupation _____

Fee Schedule
 1 year membership \$25
 26 month membership 50
 *1 year Canadian membership 28
 *26 month Canadian membership 56
 *1 year overseas membership 38
 *26 month overseas membership 76
 Museum Fund Donation min. \$1
 Racing Fund Donation min \$1

Museum Fund
A museum fund is established to protect and preserve Corvair memorabilia.

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

*Must be paid in U.S. funds
Please make check or money order payable to CORSA, Inc. and mail to: CORSA, Inc., P.O. Box 550, Midlothian, IL 60445-0550. There may be a four to six week delay before you receive your first "CORSA Communique".

CORSA's Board of Directors welcomes you to the Corvair Society of America. To help us better understand your needs and desires, and to aid in charting the direction of future CORSA growth, we request that you take a few moments to answer the following questions.

- 1. How did you hear about CORSA? _____
- 2. What is your primary interest in Corvairs? (Transportation, restoration, etc.) _____
- 3. How many Corvairs do you have? Running _____ Restorable _____ Parts cars _____
- 4. Are you a long time owner? _____ First time owner? _____ Previous owner who has reacquired a Corvair? _____
- 5. Approximately how many Corvair-miles do you drive in a year? _____
- 6. Do you do your own mechanical work? _____ Body work? _____ Major _____ Minor _____
- 7. What do you do to you own or use for daily transportation? _____
- 8. What do you have to gain from membership in CORSA? (Technical information, parts availability, competition information, social information, etc.) _____

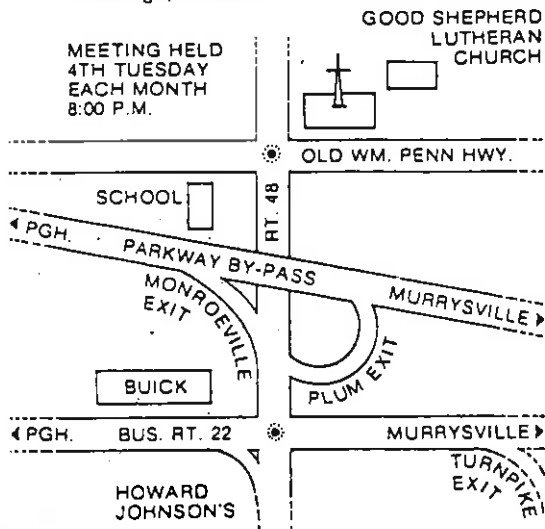
Enclosed is a current list of the CORSA chapters (over 120 throughout the world). If you would like further information on the CORSA chapter nearest you, please check the box and write the number of the closest chapter. If you already belong to a CORSA chapter, please indicate the chapter number so that we can add it to our records

I would like to be contacted by the closest CORSA chapter. I belong to # _____ CORSA chapter.
Sponsor _____ CORSA ID # _____

Thank you for your cooperation and, again, welcome to CORSA. Please feel free to contact us or any of your Directors if you have additional questions or suggestions.



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