

ACORNNEWS

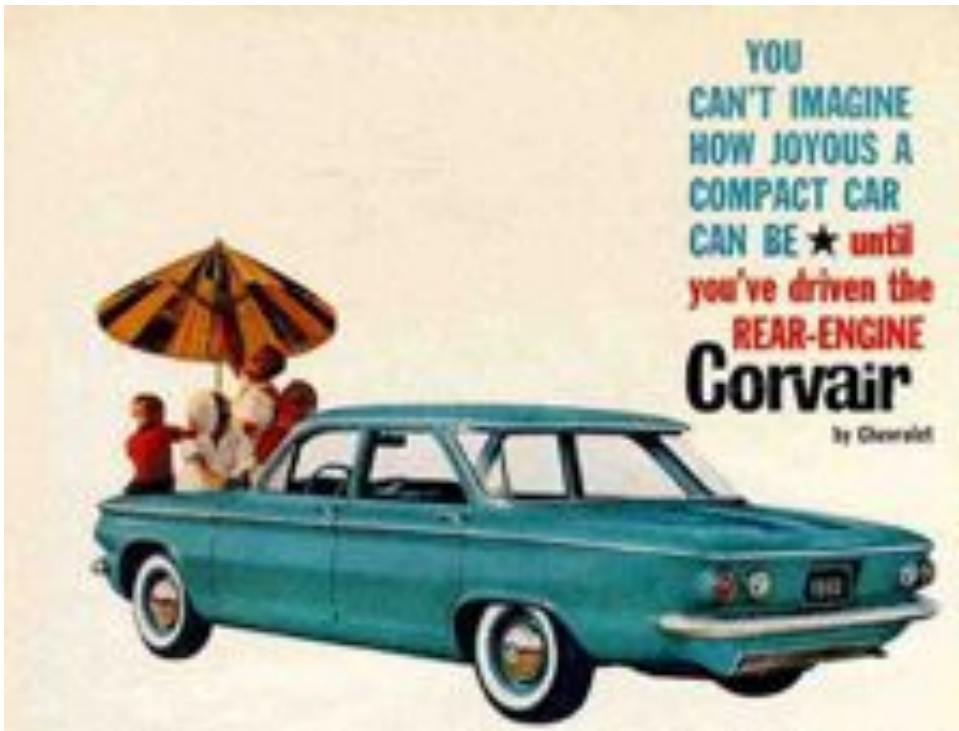
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ACORN'S VALENTINE DINNER

By Jim Bartasevich

The ACORNs met at the Elmwood Inn on February 13 for our annual Valentine dinner. [Actually, the ACORNs don't need a reason to get together to eat!]

There were no Corvairs present. I thought about driving the '69, but there was still a lot of salt dust on the roads. If I had, it would have given me the record for driving to the latest event of the year [November end of year dinner, which I did last year] and the second event of the new year [the Valentine dinner].

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ACORN 2010 Calendar of Events

February						
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NEXT EVENT
March 20, 2010
Turbo Motor Build
Chuck Facklam's place

RSVP Required
To Dave Ellis
Dellis@rochester.rr.com
227-2439
See page #5

Date	Day	Event	Host	Comments
Jan 10th	Sun	2010 Planning Meeting	Jeff and Dave	Complete
Feb. 13	Sat.	Valentines Day Dinner	Pat Masters	Complete
Mar. 20th	Sat.	Turbo Motor Build for Buffalo Transportation Museum in East Aurora, NY (Details to follow)	Chuck Facklam	Session #1 RSVP to Dave Ellis
	Sat.	Turbo Motor Build for Buffalo Transportation Museum in East Aurora, NY	Chuck Facklam	Session #2
	Sat.	Monroe Community College Tech. Session	Paul Masters	Date requires confirmation
May 15th	Sat.	4-Door Restoration at the Dave Ellis Restoration Shop On Long Pond Road	Dave Ellis	
June 3-5	T, F, S	AACA Eastern National Meet at Finger Lakes Community College (www.GVACS.com)	Bill Boudway	
June 3-6	T,F,S,S	"Recall" Corvair weekend in Syracuse	CNYCC	Information Only
June 6th	Sunday	Auto Festival in Farmington, NY one day show	MG Car Club	
June 19th	Sat.	Watkins Glen Track tour, lunch & Wine Tour	Jeff Clark	
July 11th	Sun	Stock Corvair Event (More information to follow)	Chuck Facklam	
Aug 8th	Sun	Annual Summer Picnic (inside shelter) Victor, NY	Pat and Steve Dietrick	
Aug. TBD	TBD	Turbo Motor build completion	Chuck Facklam	
Aug 22nd	Sun	Super Cruise Event - Starts at Bob Johnson Chevy Ridge Road West 10 am to 5 pm	Chuck Facklam	\$5 Reg. @ Bob Johnson Chevy.
July 15th	Thurs	Perry NY Super Cruise Drive-in Event		
Sept. 12th	Sun	Tech Session at George Conboy's shop	George Conboy	Date requires confirmation
Oct. 17th	Sun	Wine Tour	Jim Bartasevich	
Nov. 7th	Sun	Annual Christmas Dinner (Steam Boat Landing)	Dave Shoemaker	Date requires confirmation
As Required	Open	Special Tech Session as needed. Call Paul Masters to Schedule	Pat Masters	As Required



Please reply to all events/activities that have "RSVP" listed. The host needs to know who and how many will be attending. The hosts are volunteering their time for YOUR club.

Chuck and Pete's Traveling Road Show

As the newest member of the CPF group, I have been invited to accompany Pete Koehler as he sets off on a personal mission to promote the Corvair hobby at as many major Automotive meets as possible this year. Pete will be trailering his HPOF (Historical Preservation of Original Features, an AACA term used for classifying unrestored stock vehicles.)1963 4 door Monza while I will be doing likewise with my HPOF 1960 500 coupe. Since I have plenty of capacity in both trailer and truck, we plan to take several pieces of large signage, the cutaway engine from the Buffalo Museum collection and CORSA promotional material. We plan to set up our display center stage on the show field with our vehicles. Our ambition is to recruit a future generation of Corvair lovers. So far our plans include the AACA regional event in Canandaigua, the New England Concours D'Elegance at Stratton Mountain Resort, Stratton, Vermont and the AACA traditional Fall Hersey event. I will keep you posted of our adventures as they progress.

Thanks, Chuck Facklam

ON IT'S 45th ANNIVERSARY - THE YENKO NAME IS ALIVE AND WELL

Avid Car Collector and Yenko Enthusiast Recaptures Yenko Magic with PossibleNew Yenko Models, Fresh Product Lines Westminster, Calif. – (October 14, 2009) As the 45th Anniversary of the Yenko legacy draws near, General Marketing Capital Incorporated (GMCI) announced today its ownership of the classic trademark and its plans to revitalize the brand. To jump start this effort, Yenko owner, enthusiast and GMCI CEO Jeff Leonard, is consulting with several notable limited production vehicle companies in the automotive industry on possible new Yenko project cars as well as upcoming Yenko product lines. GMCI will also launch a brand-new online home for the Yenko brand in the upcoming weeks, where owners and enthusiasts can find information about upcoming cars and products, access historical information about the brand, register to be a part of the site's forums and much more. "The muscle car era has made a huge comeback this year and we expect this trend to grow," said Leonard. "The Yenko name is very much a part of that magnificent history and we plan to resurge its magic and its historical significance. Through GMCI's efforts, Don Yenko's name will be kept alive with the highest degree of integrity and respect." Growing up in Detroit in the shadow of the famous Woodward Avenue during the muscle era heyday, Leonard always had a keen interest in Detroit muscle culture. As a muscle car enthusiast and owner of an original 1968 Yenko Camaro, Leonard shares the enthusiasm and excitement of many towards owning a unique piece of Yenko history. Originally, the 60s era Yenko car was a special order vehicle, available only through Don Yenko Chevrolet in Canonsburg, PA. Don Yenko used the Central Office Production Order (COPO) program, a program GM used for fleet vehicles like police cars, taxi cabs, etc. to special order the most powerful vehicles available. Yenko modified his first vehicle, the Chevrolet Corvair, in 1965 for the Sports Car Club of America racing team. Yenko later went on to build the Yenko Super Camaro, Yenko Deuce, Yenko Chevelle, Yenko Super Nova, Yenko Vega Stinger and the Yenko Camaro Turbo Z among the fastest SCCA racing cars ever produced.

ACORN'S VALENTINE DINNER

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Those attending were:

- Steve & Pat Dietrick
- Dave & Yvonne Shaffer
- Dave & Edie Ellis
- Sam & Marissa Andolino
- Jerry & Betsy Fling
- Don Vair & Bette Smith
- Joe & Deborah LoCurto
- Jim & Marlene Bartasevich

A brief meeting was held to review the activities agenda for the new year. Dave Ellis reported on the March 20 display engine assembly session to be held at Chuck Facklam's in East Aurora. Dave sent a separate e-mail recently reminding the ACORNers to contact him if they want to ride with him or follow him to Chuck's. This will be a turbo engine to be displayed with the other four engines [cut-away, '60, Canadair, and prototype] on display at the Buffalo Transportation/Pierce Arrow Museum. The museum specializes in all things automotive that were made in the Buffalo area. The Corvair Preservation Foundation provided these engines for display except for the Canadair engine which was donated by the Niagara Frontier Corvair Club. The turbo engine will be assembled to look "pretty" for display and not for operation, so the assembly procedure should go fairly quickly. It is to be completed during a second session on April 17.

I learned of several things during the meeting [see what happens when we have just one month off?]:

- The Fling's car is back among the living. For a while, reports indicated that it's engine had one foot in the grave. Jerry reported that it was running well at the end of the last year [but it still hasn't quit smoking]. The big test will be how it does the first time he turns the key in 2010.
- The LoCurto convertible project has taken another turn [How's that for writing? "convertible . . . taken another turn" Oh, never mind.] After tallying up the cost for metal work, it was noted that the lines on the cost graph for "restoration" vs "buying a turnkey car" crossed. Joe has the car for sale and is looking at the '63 convertible Tom Nasman has. Stay tuned for further developments.
- Dave Ellis is working on bringing back the 700 sedan he got from Joe. There aren't many 700 models around. They fit between the starkly functional 500s and the upscale Monzas and were dropped after 1964. They had different interior and exterior trim and were part of Chevy's marketing strategy of finding every price gap in a product line and providing a model to fill it.

Unfortunately, President Paul Masters and First Lady Pat were unable to attend. Pat had low back surgery several weeks ago while Paul had heart plumbing surgery just the week before the dinner. We hope you both are improving daily.

Jim Bartasevich

**SATURDAY, MARCH 20th, 2010
ACORN TECH SESSION....
TO BE HELD AT CHUCK
FACKLAM's HOME
DISPLAY TURBO MOTOR ASSEMBLY
SESSION!!**

Dave Ellis is going to be taking the RONDO to Chuck's place,,so he can carry three others.... and, he can lead a Caravan of any other vehicles so inclined to join in this project. If you want to drive to Chuck's on your own....a set of route instructions are included in this Month's ACORNEWS for those who would like to drive directly to Chuck's home.

Arrival of Caravan participates is to occur at Ellis's home on Long Pond Road at 8:30 a.m. The "Caravan" is departing for Chuck's at 8:45 a.m. sharp....if you arrive at 8:50 a.m.,, sorry, but the Caravan will already be making tracks toward E. Aurora... (yeah,, I know... Dave Ellis does admit to being an "anal engineer"....)

Duration of the trip to Chuck's has been well documented by DME to be 75-80 minutes... so, without any unforeseen incidents, we should arrive at Chucks place, nominally 10:00 am..

Chuck will have things set up for us to get our hands dirty assembling the DISPLAY TURBO MOTOR for the Buffalo Transportation Museum. This project was discussed and agreed to be undertaken at the January meeting....a second session is scheduled for April 17th.

So, for any of you who have never put together a motor "from scratch" ,,this should be a very enlightening exercise!!!!

Goal is to spend around 3 hours of reasonably focused assembly effort,, with lunch consumed along the way. Departure from Chucks is planned to occur around 1:00 pm or so....and arrival back at the Ellis's around 2:15 pm....

If you want to participate.....PLEASE, RSVP to Dave Ellis at 585-227-2439, or at email address dellis1@rochester.rr.com Even if you plan on driving yourself,,please let me know you are coming, so that Chuck can get a good head count for lunch...

If the RONDO gets filled ,,we might need a second Caravan vehicle.....any volunteers????

**ROUTE INSTRUCTIONS TO CHUCK
FACKLAM'S HOME....**

(From Dave Ellis's home on Long Pond Road.. this is around a 75-80 minute drive, at very reasonable pace..)

- 1.) TAKE NYS THRUWAY/ I-90 WEST...
GET OFF AT EXIT 48A..RTE 77....
Take the ramp to the TOLL BOOTH...
- 2.) AFTER LEAVING THE TOLL BOOTH,,TURN RIGHT, THAT WILL PUT YOU GOING SOUTH ON NYS RTE 77..
PROCEED FOR APPROX. 1.7 MILES..
- 4.) TURN RIGHT ONTO COHOCTON RD..
PROCEED FOR APPROX. 2.0 MILES
- 5.) TURN LEFT ONTO LAKE RD,SOUTH
PROCEED FOR APPROX. 1.7 MILES
- 6.) TURN RIGHT ONTO NYS RTE 33/GENESSE STREET
PROCEED FOR APPROX. 4.3 MILES
- 7.) GO STRAIGHT,,*DO NOT FOLLOW* NYS RTE 33,
YOU WILL BE NOW ON WALDEN AVE.
PROCEED FOR APPROX. 3.3 MILES
- 8.) TURN LEFT ONTO RANSOM ROAD.
PROCEED FOR APPROX. 2.6 MILES
- 9.) TURN RIGHT ONTO US RTE 20/BROADWAY STREET

PROCEED FOR APPROX. 0.8 MILES
- 10.) TURN LEFT ONTO SCHWARTZ ROAD
PROCEED FOR APPROX. 2.5 MILES
- 11.) GO STRAIGHT, SCHWARTZ ROAD BECOMES GIRDLE ROAD..
PROCEED FOR APPROX. 4.4 MILES
- 12.) TURN LEFT ONTO W. BLOOD ROAD,
PROCEED FOR APPROX 0.4 MILES..
Chucks place is just past the overpass over the "400" ..
- 13.) TURN RIGHT INTO 2748 W. BLOOD ROAD...
TA DA..YOU MADE IT TO CHUCK FACKLAM'S PLACE...!!!

His hound is a real sweetheart, so do not let his presence be a concern...

Hemmings Motor News Honors the Chevy Corvair

We, your fellow Corvair nuts at Hemmings Motor News, would like to invite you to be a part of our Corvair Gold Anniversary celebration at the New England Concours d'Elegance at Stratton Mountain in July. Details follow, and I hope you will share this invitation with the members of your club.

Hemmings Motor News Honors Chevrolet Corvairs at the New England Concours D'Elegance July 16-18, 2010 at Stratton Mountain Resort, Stratton, Vermont 800-CAR HERE, extension 79500

BENNINGTON, VERMONT

In celebration of the 50th anniversary of the marque, Chevrolet Corvairs will be featured at the fourth annual Hemmings New England Concours d'Elegance, July 18, 2010, at the Stratton Mountain Resort in Vermont. Other featured marques at New England's favorite concours include AMC AMX, Bentley, Buick Roadmaster, Citroën, Lincoln V-12 and Indian Motorcycle.

The weekend begins on Friday, July 16, with a cruise-in at the Hemmings Motor News headquarters in Bennington, Vermont, followed by a rally through the Green Mountains. All collector cars are welcome on the mechanic-supported 45-mile tour up the famous Ethan Allen Highway to start the weekend. The rally ends at the Stratton Mountain Resort.

On Saturday, July 17, Hemmings hosts an all day open car show at Stratton, with awards ceremony in the afternoon. The Cruise-in Spectacular is open to any pre-1986 domestic or foreign car, truck or motorcycle, with the winning cars appearing in the pages of a Hemmings publication. This is annually one of the most interesting gatherings of collector cars in New England. Saturday finishes with an available formal dinner at the Lodge at Stratton, guest speaker to be determined; 2009 featured collector and NASCAR legend Don Miller.

The Concours d'Elegance is held on Sunday, July 18. The concours, an invitation-only show, begins at 10 AM and features some of the rarest, most desirable and best-restored collector cars in the country. The Concours concludes with an award ceremony at 3 PM honoring the winners, who appear in the pages of *Hemmings Motor News*.

Owners of Corvairs who would like to have their cars considered for judging at the concours are encouraged to contact Hemmings Associate Editor David Traver Adolphus at dadolphus@hemmings.com. Please email digital images, or post photographs to Hemmings Motor News, 222 Main Street, Bennington, VT 05201, attention: David Traver Adolphus. We will be accepting a limited number of entries, and the deadline for application is Memorial Day.

For more information about attending the event, visit www.hemmings.com, or contact Trisha Grande at tgrande@hemmings.com or 802-447-9500.

Hemmings Motor News: www.hemmings.com

Stratton Mountain Resort: www.stratton.com

Please contact me with any questions.

Thank you,

Dave

2010 CORSA Convention Website:
<http://conventions.corvair.org/2010/>



FOR SALE & MARKET PLACE

Tonawanda Engine Plant Make-Over

The plant that made the Corvair Engine is being updated to build the new 4-cylinder

Gm Ecotec Engines. The last V8 engine assembly line shut down in January and now the old Corvair engine plant will get a \$425 million make-over.

Check out ebay for a '63 Monza 900 convertible located in Rochester. The phone number listed is 585.342.6299 and the person is Joe. Looks like the listing will expire on 2/27/10



6cyl - 2 carb, Dual Exhaust, Automatic, Newly Inspected, 110 motor, 19" wheel package. Black and Grey Interior In good condition, only a little wear on the drive seat, Seat belts, Relatively new brakes, 52k miles

please contact me with any questions. jj_nesmith@yahoo.com or 585-503-2220

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