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A Special thanks to Don Vair for having such a great name and especially for being our clubs treasurer for so many years. We wish Don all the best in his retirement.

We are pleased to welcome Dave Shoemaker as the new club treasurer.

ACORN 2010 Calendar of Events

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NEXT EVENT

May 15th
Dave Ellis 4-door
restoration Project

RSVP to Dave 227-2439 or
Delis@rochester.rr.com



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	On-Hold Display Postponed
April 17th	Sat.	Turbo Motor Build for Buffalo Transportation Museum in East Aurora, NY	Chuck Facklam	On-Hold Display Postponed
April 10th Move-up	Sat.	Monroe Community College Tech. Session	Paul Masters	Completed see page #3
May 15th	Sat.	4-Door Restoration at the Dave Ellis Restoration Shop On Long Pond Road	Dave Ellis	See page # 5
June 3-5	T, F, S	AACA Eastern National Meet at Finger Lakes Community College (www.GVACS.com)	Bill Boudway	See page # 4
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	See page #6
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.

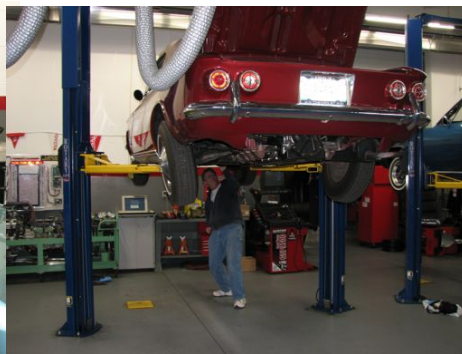
Scholarship to Monroe Community College

The professors at MCC recommend two students who, in their opinion, best represent the ideal student in the following areas: Attendance; skills in the class labs and open shops; leadership abilities. The students also help organize, manage and run the Automotive Club. Scholastic achievements are also considered. This year, the two students selected are: **Matthew Cleckner** and **Saad Rassam**. \$200.00 will be awarded to each student.

Saturday April 10th was a great Tech Session hosted by Monroe Community College Auto Technology Center. Our hosts were Kristy Mooney Graves and Randy Pearl. The group gathered at Jay's Dinner for breakfast and then caravanned over to the MCC Auto Tech Center. This must be the cleanest and best equipped anywhere. Kristy and Randy provided technical support and helped get the Corvairs up in the air on the lifts. We were please to meet Matt Cleckner, one of the two ACORN Scholarship recipients. Matt was very interested the Corvair technology and was clearly excited to receive the ACORN Scholarship. (See Matt's letter on page #4) It sure was nice working with real "car people". Kristy showed us her own classic car, a Pontiac G8. This sleeper is really a four door Corvette built in Australia.



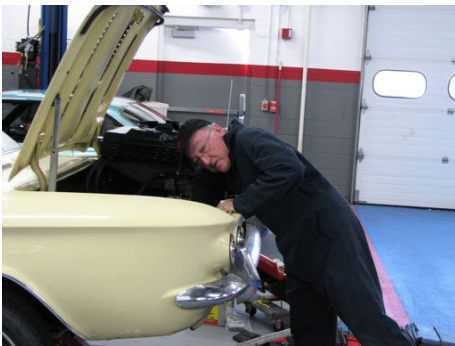
Matt Cleckner, Kristy Mooney Graves and Paul Masters



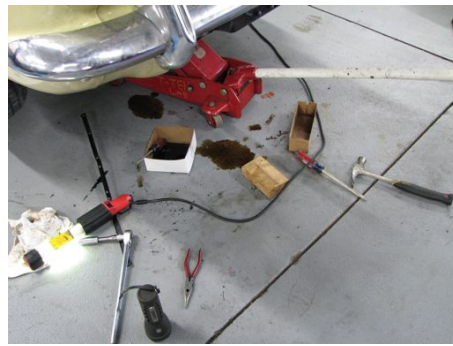
Steve Dietrick replaces the left side log exhaust manifold on Pat's car.



Bill Boudway gets our Chief Tech., Dave Ellis to help replace the rear main seal on Grace's car. Jim B. Acted as Tech and advisor.



Bill Boudway, "what a joy air conditioned Corvairs are!"



What happened to the that counter top clean Tech Center Floor? (Bill)



Jim Cleveland's Corsa gets its spring lubrication.

Tech Session attendees:

Jim Bartasevich, Bill Boudway, Jim Cleveland, Steve Dietrick, Dave Ellis, Paul Masters, John Martin (guest), and Dave Shoemaker.

Letter to the ACORN Club Members:

My name is **Matt Cleckner** and I'd like to thank a minute to thank the Corvair Club and all its members for choosing me as one of the recipients of their scholarships. I am finishing my final semester here at the Monroe Community College where I'll be getting my Associates Degree in Automotive Technology. I'm following the footsteps of my two dads: my father Mike and my stepfather Pat. I know my dad will be happy to see me finish school (finally!) at the ripe age of 27. Winning an award is even better and now I can show him a lot of extra work has paid off. My stepdad who is also a mechanic, will be happy too he'll probably re-iterate his sorrow towards me falling into such a field. In 2008 when I was laid off from my cushy banking job, I called him up and told him I was going back to school - to be a Tech like him. "Oh you poor guy" was his response and we laughed.

Usually you write a letter like this without ever meeting the members first but today (like everyday), I did it backwards. I'm honestly really glad I was able to meet such a great group of guys, help them on their cars and lend them my tools while we talked about our common interests. So Let me say once again, thank you VERY much for making me your award winner. I'll very much remember this as well as the time spent here in the shop for a long time.

Yours,

Matt Cleckner

Saad Rassam, the other scholarship recipient, was not able to attend the ACORN Tech Session. Saad did send his thank you to the Club via a note to Kristy. (Copy on file)

AACA National Event at FLCC in Canandagua, ACORN "50th Anniversary" CORVAIR Booth needs staffing!!!!

Chuck Facklam is setting up a really neat booth with banners, displays, etc at the AACA National Event in Canandaigua at FLCC on June 4th and 5th, those are a Friday and a Saturday...ACORNS are asked to assist!!!

Dave Ellis and Jim Bartasevich have already volunteered to help on Friday and Saturday respectively, but they can not be there alllll day,,so additional staffing support is needed.

SO..if you would like to "staff" the booth for a few hours on either Friday or Saturday,,,,hours running from around 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. please contact Dave Ellis as he will be keeping "the schedule"..., the biggest staffing assistance need is required on Saturday, as Chuck will be off Judging.....

The Setup effort on Friday morning at 8:00 a.m., and the Teardown effort Saturday evening at 5:00 p.m. will be the activities were the most additional sets of hands would be greatly appreciated...

Those whom would like to volunteer...please contact Dave Ellis at 227-2439,
or dellis1@rochester.rr.com

Spring is about to get sprung...time to get them Vairs out of hibernation and ready to "rock and roll" for the driving season!!!

Dave Ellis

Disassembly progress on Dave Ellis's 64-700 Sedan.....

It has been an INTERESTING process...and certainly many challenges are yet to be successfully addressed...that is what makes it worth doing.....

dme out...



Restoration Business Closes

Harwood Automotive, the restoration shop in Victor our club visited two years ago has closed. It appears that all the equipment will be auctioned off soon. *editor*

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

Auto Shows and Events

Fourth Annual Father's Day

Car Show & Auto Club Competition



Sunday, June 20
Noon - 4pm

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Jim B.

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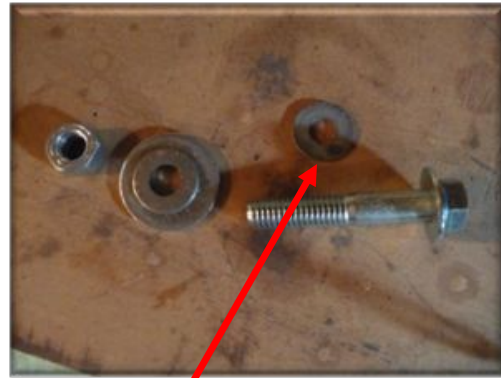
REPAIRING THAT RUSTED OUT NUT UNDER THE BACK SEAT (Accelerator bracket)



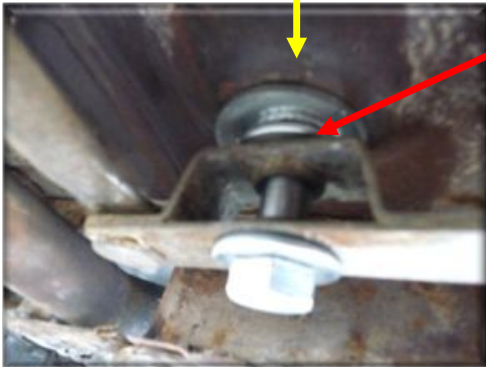
Here's the nut, and the bolt that screws into it. The weld on the nut is still intact. It had rusted around the outside of the weld. This nut is in a recess on the floor board; a natural place for water to collect. (Think convertible)

As you can see in the photo above, the bolt is 'special'. It has a 7/16" shank and a 5/16x 18 threads. It is 1 7/16" long.

My replacement is a grade 5, 7/16" bolt that is 2" long. I filed around the shank, just below the head so a washer would fit snug against the head of the bolt. The shank on the 7/16 x 2 bolt is the same length as the shank on the original bolt. This gives the linkage the same amount of space to ride on when installed.



Underside of Floor board



I used a 'threaded' washer to lock the linkage in place on the shank of the bolt. Use a washer a size smaller than the bolt, file it out a little so it will just start on the threads, then screw it down on the bolt to thread it. A half thickness nut would probably work better, and I'll do that to mine next time I'm under the car. (I didn't have another nut in my nuts and bolts can!)

The other washers are for spacers, and the large washer against the floor board is to give support around the rusted area.

Top side of Floor board.
This will be covered by the back seat



The bolt was a little long, and I'll cut it off after I get the washer and bottom nut welded to the floor. I might leave the double nut on, just for that warm fuzzy feeling.

All the stuff can be purchased at any hardware store, so if you are stranded on the road by this, if you can get under the car, you can fix it and get on your way with only a couple of wrenches and a couple of bucks.

Reprinted from the Vulcan Corvair
Enthusiasts (Birmingham, Al.) NewsLetter



FOR SALE & MARKET PLACE

Looking for back issues of the Corsa Communique?

Contact Jim Bartasevich corvair@frontiernet.net

or

Jim Cleveland jclevela@rochester.rr.com

'64 Corvair, 2 door, 3 speed, baby blue color decent shape. Asking \$2500. Also has 2, 55' Chevys for sale.

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Submitted by Dave Shoemaker.

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