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Hello fellow Corvair Nuts!

Spring is here and by this time next month, most of us will have our Corvairs out of hibernation. Hopefully, in the next few weeks the weather will warm up and we will have some rain to wash away the road salt making it safe for classic cars of all makes. One of the things I enjoy this time of year as a car nut is spotting increasing numbers of old cars on the road. You can always tell who the impatient ones are. I saw a beautiful 55 Chevy hot rod Sunday on my trip back from PA. Yes the sun was shining and it was warm, but the roads were still white with salt. I think I'll wait just a little longer.

In preparation of the upcoming driving season, I'd like to remind / encourage all to make sure our cars are ready and safe for the road. Make a visual inspection of the underside if possible. Check for rusted brake and fuel lines. Check all rubber fuel line connections. I had one disintegrate on me on a long trip. The ethanol in our gas wreaks havoc on rubber lines and gaskets. Take the time to grease all the fittings in the front end and clutch linkages. Lube all locks and hinges. Also a very good idea is to do the "hard..harder" test on your brakes. Make sure your brake lines are safe before venturing out onto the highways. Step as hard as you can on the brake pedal. Better to have a weak line break in your driveway than on the freeway off ramp. Finally, give your car a good washing and waxing. Also, check the date codes on your tires. If they are 9 years old or older, it may be time to consider new rubber.

That's all for this month,

Paul.

ACORN OFFICERS

President – Paul Abel
 Vice President – Jeff Clark
 Secretary – Jim Bartasevich
 Treasurer – Dave Shoemaker

APPOINTED POSITIONS

Newsletter Editor – Steve Dietrick
 Web Master – Marissa Andolino
 Membership – Dave Shoemaker
 Historian – Dave Ellis
 Tech Session Cordinator – Open

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Did You Know:

Initial Corvair models were the 500 and 700 series model 4-door sedans. The most basic 500 is known as the Caveman for its simplicity. Coupes followed in January 1960, then the Monza coupe with 4-speed on the floor in the spring.

ACORN 2013 CALENDAR

DATE	DAY	EVENT	HOST	STATUS
Jan. 20	Sun.	2013 Planning Meeting	Dave & Sande Shoemaker	Complete
Feb.10	Sun.	Valentine Diner	Betsy Fling	Complete
Mar.10	Sun.	Glenn Curtiss Museum Tour Hammondsport, NY	Steve Dietrick	Complete
Apr. 13	Sat.	Tech Session @ Paul Abel's Garage	Paul Abel & Dave Ellis	
May 11	Sat.	Tech Session @ MCC	Bill Boadway	
May 31	Fri.	Syracuse Recall Event		
June 1	Sat.	Central New York Corvair Club		
June 8	Sat.	Tech Session @ George Conboy's	Dave Ellis	
June 16	Sun.	Sonnenberg Gardens Father's Day Car Show – Canandaigua, NY		
June 30	Sun.	Shriners Car Show – Webster, NY	Sam Andlino	
July 4	Thurs	4 th of July Parade – Canandaigua, NY	Dave Shoemaker	RSVP
July 13	Sat.	Skaneateles Dinner/Boat Cruise	Jeff Clark	
July 20	Sat.	Tech Session – Any Need Work?		
Aug. 11	Sun.	Annual Club Picnic And White Elephant Sale	Pat Dietrick	RSVP
Aug. 15	Thurs	Silver Lake Car Show – 600+ Cars		
Aug. 24	Sat.	Tech Session – Any Need Work?		
Sept 7	Sat.	Tech Session – Any Need Work?		
Sept. 21	Sat.	Batavia Race Track Get Together	Jeff Clark	
Oct.13	Sun.	Southern Tier Fall Tour Could Someone From the Southern Tier, Host this Tour?		
Nov. 17	Sun.	Year End Christmas Dinner	Edie Ellis	

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Next Event: Tech Session at Paul Abel's Home – Saturday April 13, 2013

91 Gorsline Rd. Rochester, NY 14613

Gorsline St. is the 3rd street south of the Rite Aid store at the intersection of Ridge Rd. West (RT 104) and Lake Ave, near (the former) Kodak Park. Feel free to call Paul on his cell phone, 585-283-1181 if you are unsure how to get there. We will be dropping the engine and replacing the clutch pack on Paul's '66 Monza. Paul will have the car up on Jacks and will have everything disconnected so it should save some time. You don't have to get your hands dirty. You can just show up and "supervise" if that is more your speed. Plan on getting started by 9:00 am.

Minutes of the March 10, 2013, Meeting of the ACORNs at the Glenn Curtiss Museum

Attendees [In the order of when I remembered their names]

- Dave & Sande Shoemaker
- Paul Abel
- Dave & Edie Ellis
- Fred & Sue Marsh
- Steve & Pat Dietrick
- Dave Shaffer
- Lew Gurley
- Mark & Pam Morrell
- Jerry & Betsy Fling,
- Jeff Clark
- Jim Bartasevich

Pre-meeting Activity

We met at the Village Tavern in downtown Hammondsport for a lunch before heading off to the museum just south of town. Fred and Sue Marsh drove the only Corvair that day, their '62 Monza wagon [With wire wheels!]. The weather was mild, and I considered bringing the '69, but there was still a noticeable amount of salt dust on the roads "up here" vs the southern Finger Lakes. I haven't changed the front brake shoes on it yet either, so it still has the front wheel lock-up-steering-wheel-jerk-to-the-side-and-tire-skid problem. We met at Eastview Mall and did some carpooling. Lew Gurley and I took up Jeff Clark's offer to do the driving.

The museum is a fabulous source of history of our local pioneering airplane developer. We watched a brief video of Curtiss' life and activity in Hammondsport, then had a brief business meeting afterward with President Abel presiding. After the meeting, everyone drifted throughout the museum. All of the exhibits were in the open, with very few being isolated. We could even tour the restoration shop and were given a rundown of the activities going on in it at the time by a volunteer. Check it out here: <http://www.glennhcurtissmuseum.org/>

Old Business

- **MCC Auto Tech Scholarships & ACORN Tech Session, May 11:** We're waiting for MCC to confirm.
- **ACORN Membership Application on our website:** Dave Shoemaker will send Webmaster Marissa Andolino the corrected one with Dave's name and address.
- **ACORN News Production Software:** Editor Steve Dietrick seems to have come to terms with MS Word and is doing okay with the newsletter now. He doesn't feel the need for separate publishing software.
- **Fall Tour Destination Restaurant:** The Morrells will research the restaurant scene in the Southern Tier as a lunch stop for our fall tour.
- **Canandaigua July 4 Parade:** Dave Shoemaker says things are all set. Details to follow.
- **Flings' Move to Colorado:** They have an offer on their Chili house and it looks like they'll be leaving at the end of May. Their '66 Monza convertible is still for sale.

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New Business

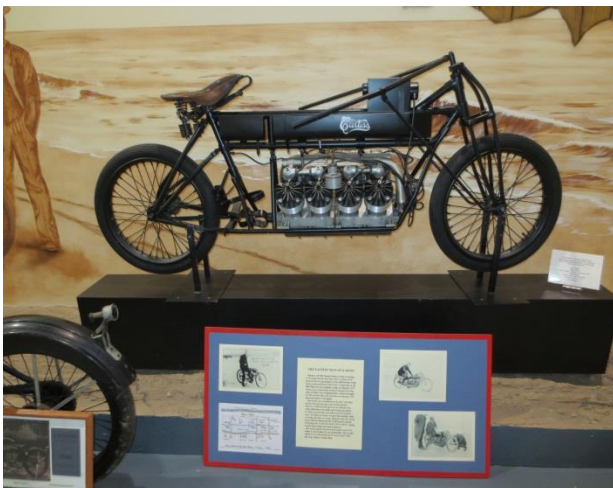
- **Calendar Update:** The CNYCC Recall is 3 days, *not* 2 as previously thought, May 31-June 2.
- **Sonnenberg Gardens Father's Day Show:** We'll meet at the Tops Market on NY 332 just north of the Canandaigua city line. Details to come.
- **Skaneateles Mail Boat Cruise/Lunch:** Date correction: Saturday, July 13, not Sunday as in the March *ACORNews*. Details to come.
- **August 24 Picnic/Tech:** Hosted by the Marsh's. Fred and Sue [or maybe it's just Fred] have a pretty interesting collection of Corvairs. Details to come.
- **Treasurer's Report:** Dave Shoemaker reports that there is \$800.58 in the bank. He sent out the revised membership roster.

Next Meeting

Tech Session April13: Hosted by President Paul to replace the clutch in his '66 Monza coupe. Details to come.

Respectfully submitted by Jim Bartasevich, Secretary

Photos taken during the clubs trip to the Glenn Curtiss Museum in Hammondsport, NY. March 10, 2013



Skaneateles Lake Cruise, Saturday July 13, 2013..... Our host Jeff Clark has been busy setting up and making arrangements for this event. Below is a flyer for the event. The club has the cruise booked with a deposit. Seating is EXTREMELY limited (32 people, or 16 couples). ACORN members will have until May 1st to respond to Jeff with their reservation (payment in full due by June 1st), after which Jeff will open the cruise to the CNYCC members.

Sherwood Inn menu.....After the cruise lunch will be served at the Sherwood Inn. Each person is requested to give Jeff 3 choices from the menu below. From that we'll pick the two (2) most popular selections.... Sorry there are no Vegetarian dishes on the menu.



SATURDAY, JULY 13TH, 2013
Skaneateles lake mailboat cruise and luncheon

A 3-hour cruise in which we deliver the mail, followed by lunch at the historic Sherwood Inn

Leaving the dock promptly at 10am (boarding begins at 9:45), the *Barbara S. Wiles* will take us around to numerous homes on the lake that receive their mail in a most unique way: by boat! Returning to the dock at 1:00pm, we'll cross the street for lunch at the Sherwood Inn. \$43.00 per person includes the cruise w/ lecture, lunch, tax and gratuity. Seating is limited to just 32 people. With the USPS about to eliminate Saturday mail delivery this August, this may be one of the last opportunities to enjoy this unique experience!

Cruise one of the most beautiful finger lakes!

Share an outstanding lunch with fellow club members!

Limited seating!

Perhaps one of the last opportunities to experience this type of cruise!

Make your reservations today!

Contact Jeff Clark at

carbusersedge@earthlink.net

2013 Luncheon Menu for

The Sherwood Inn

With a Mid-Lakes Navigation Cruise on Skaneateles Lake

All luncheons are served with Patisserie breads, garden salad w/tomato, cucumber & carrot w/balsamic vinaigrette, chef’s selection of vegetable, Chef’s choice dessert, coffee & tea service.

1. **Scrod Christopher**-Fresh from the George’s Bank, baked in a cracker crumb crust w/lemon butter sauce
2. **Chicken Françoise**-Boneless breast of chicken dipped in a light egg batter with a lemon-butter sauce combining garlic and sweet vermouth.
3. **Pecan Salmon**-Pecan crusted Atlantic salmon sautéed and finished with a maple butter sauce
4. **Rosemary Rubbed Sliced Sirloin**-Served with garlic mashed potatoes, fresh seasonal vegetables and bordelaise sauce
5. **Chicken Marsala with Wild Mushrooms**-Boneless breast of chicken sautéed with herbs and served with a Marsala mushroom sauce
6. **Penne Pasta with Chicken and Sausage**-Grilled chicken and Andouille sausage tossed with penne pasta in a lightly spiced tomato cream sauce

FOR SALE and MARKETPLACE

For Sale

Marina Blue 1966 Turbo Corvair Coupe - \$19,000
Full Concours restoration. CORSA Concours d’Elegance Winner. This head turning car is turn key and just needs to be loved and driven.

Sam & Marissa Andolino
mandolin@rochester.rr.com

WANTED: Excellent condition rocker panel trim to fit 1963 Monza convertible.

WANTED: Excellent condition front grill bar
sdietrick@frontier.com

Car broke down? Need to get a car to the shop/home?

Call Dave Shoemaker (585) 393-1912. Dave has

Have a Safe and Happy Easter