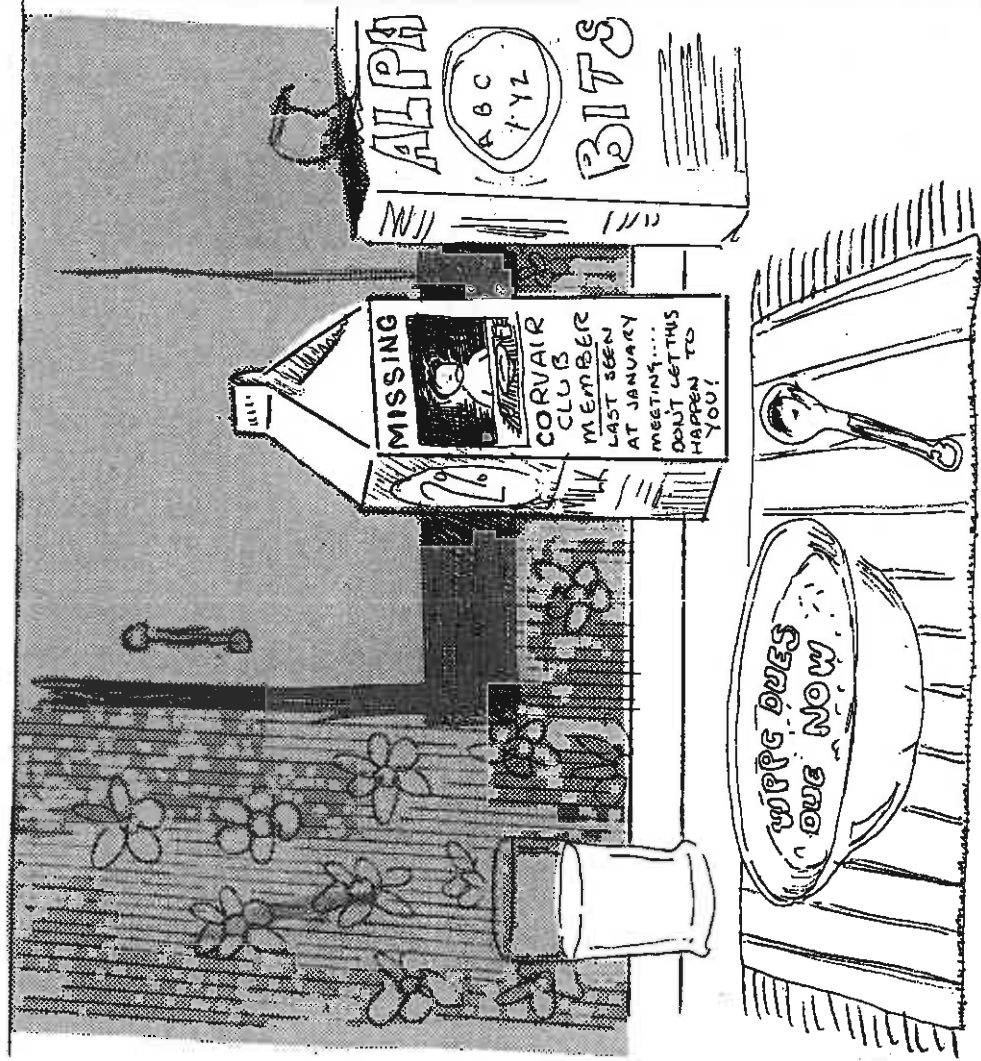


THE VAIR STREET JOURNAL

WESTERN PENNSYLVANIA CORVAIR CLUB

FEBRUARY 1988



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 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 Corvaire driver waves to you, hold your head high and wave back, since you have something in common. "The Vaie" 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 spending money on antifreeze and snow tires for example!

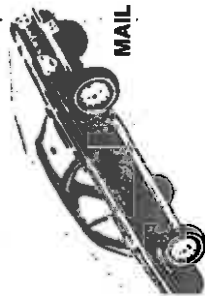
We are a chartered chapter of "The Corvaire Society of America" (CORSA), a rapidly growing international organization now boasting over 8,000 members. We encourage all WPCC members to maintain membership in CORSA--The International Corvaire Club.

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 Communiquiss."

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 Corvaire, 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.



MAIL TO: W.P.C.C. c/o Al Friend, 3677 Forbes Trail Dr.
 Murrysville, PA 15668 (412) 325-2588

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

MINUTES OF WPCC MEETING
JANUARY 26, 1988.

1987 OFFICERS PRESENT: PRESIDENT and VICE PRESIDENT
 1987 BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: BOB DONNELLY, DAVE FABYONIC AND JOHN GUNDLACH

THE SECRETARY'S REPORT WAS APPROVED AS READ.
 THE TREASURER'S REPORT WAS APPROVED AS READ. THERE WERE 15 MEMBERS PAID FOR THE 1988 YEAR AT THE START OF THE MEETING.

PRESIDENT DALE SMITH PRESENTED THE TREASURER'S REPORT FOR IRENE ARTZBERGER SINCE BILL WAS RECOVERING FROM SURGERY EARLIER ON THE MEETING DAY. RICH PANIZZA BROUGHT A CARD FOR MEMBERS TO SIGN AND SEND TO BILL.

THE MEMBER OF THE YEAR TRAVELING TROPHY WAS PRESENTED TO BOB HIEBER FOR HIS WORK THIS YEAR. ESPECIALLY WITH TECH SESSIONS FOR EACH MEETING. JOHN GUNDLACH HAD ACCEPTED IT FOR BOB AFTER THE VOTING BY THE BOARD AT THE HOLIDAY PARTY.

THE FLOOR WAS OPENED FOR NOMINATIONS; THERE BEING NONE, THE NOMINATIONS WERE CLOSED. IT WAS MOVED AND SECONDED THAT THE REPORT OF THE 1988 NOMINATING COMMITTEE BE ACCEPTED AS FOLLOWS:

- PRESIDENT-BOB HIEBER
- VICE PRESIDENT-WALT BALDINGER
- SECRETARY-ELLEN SMITH
- TREASURER-IRENE ARTZBERGER

OLD BUSINESS

BOB MC CUNE REPORTED THAT 36 PEOPLE ATTENDED THE HOLIDAY PARTY AND HAD A GOOD TIME. THE CLUB TREASURY HAD TO PAY THE CATERER FOR 50 DINNERS. AL FRIENDS FLASK FROM THE PARTY WAS RETURNED.

NEW BUSINESS

NEW PRESIDENT BOB HIEBER ANNOUNCED THAT THE FOLLOWING PEOPLE HAD CONSENTED TO SERVE AS THE 1988 BOARD: BILL ARTZBERGER, BOB DONNELLY, JOHN GUNDLACH, VAUN HAMLIN, DAVID REDDING, JON SMITH AND DALE SMITH.

OUR ANNUAL DONATION FOR THE USE OF THE CHURCH BUILDING WOULD BE THE SAME AS LAST YEAR. DAVE FABYONIC ANNOUNCED THAT THE FEBRUARY MEETING WOULD

BE MOVED TO THE HOUSE-LIKE BUILDING AT THE FRONT OF THE PARKING LOT, AS THE CHURCH HAD A NEED FOR OUR USUAL ROOM THAT NIGHT.

THE PA LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL FOR MOTOR VEHICLES MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL WAS DISCUSSED. VAUN HAMLIN AND AL FRIEND WERE ASKED TO BE OUR DELEGATES.

DALE SMITH MENTIONED AN ARTICLE IN SUPER CHEVY ABOUT A MODIFIED CORSA CONVERTIBLE AND POINTED OUT A CONNECTION TO THE WIND FARM ARTICLE IN THE RECENT CORSA COMMUNIQUE WITH WESTERN PENNSYLVANIA AND HIS BUSINESS.

THERE WAS DISCUSSION ABOUT FUTURE HOLIDAY PARTIES AND WAYS TO GET MORE PEOPLE TO ATTEND. THE BOARD WILL CONSIDER THESE.

DICK BRIER MADE A PUBLIC APOLOGY TO WAYNE ROCKHILL WHOM HE HAD ACCUSED OF HAVING THE WPCO PATCHES FROM YEARS AGO. THE 60 OR SO PATCHES WILL BE SOLD FOR \$2.00 EACH UNTIL THEY ARE GONE.

AL FRIEND ASKED THE CLUB IF THERE WOULD BE ANY INTEREST IN A ONE HOUR RUN AGAINST OURSELVES AT KEYSTONE DRAGWAY IN NEW ALEXANDRIA, PA. HE WILL GET MORE DETAILS AND POSSIBLY SET THIS UP AS AN EVENT ON A SUNDAY IN THE SPRING.

ELLEN SMITH ASKED FOR SNACK PROVIDERS TO SIGN UP FOR THE COMING YEAR. TWO PEOPLE ARE NEEDED FOR EACH MEETING.

CARS AND PARTS FOR SALE WERE BROUGHT UP AS WELL AS CAR PROBLEMS.

RICH PANIZZA VOLUNTEERED TO HAVE A MOTOR OIL EXPERT BRING US A TECH SESSION FOR THE FEBRUARY MEETING.

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS, THE MEETING WAS ADJOURNED.

ELLEN SMITH
SECRETARY

NEXT MEETING FEBRUARY 23, 1988
REMINDER OF THE LOCATION CHANGE

WE HAVE BEEN ASKED BY THE GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN CHURCH TO MEET IN THE HOUSE-LIKE BUILDING AT THE FRONT OF THE DRIVEWAY. WE SHOULD PARK NEAR IT AS WELL. THERE IS AN OPEN HOUSE AT THE CHURCH THAT EVENING AND THEY ASK THAT WE STAY OUT OF OUR USUAL MEETING ROOM.

PROVIDING SNACKS: LAURIE MAGLIETTA AND ELLEN SMITH

TECH SESSION: RICH PANIZZA HAS ASKED AN EXPERT

ON OIL TO COME TALK TO US.
TECH TIP

THIS IS FOR THOSE OF US WITH MANUAL SHIFTERS AND WHO LIVE IN SNOWY AREAS WHERE THEY TREAT THE ROADS WITH SALT. THE SHIFTER BASE ON OUR CORVAIRS IS MADE OF A DIE CAST METAL-ZINC OR ALUMINUM. IN EITHER CASE, IT IS IN CONTACT WITH THE STEEL CAR BODY. WHEN YOU TRACK SNOW, ESPECIALLY SALT LADEN SNOW, AND THE SNOW MELTS AND SOAKS THE FELT BACKING ON THE CARPETING, YOU HAVE SET YOURSELF UP FOR SOME REALLY NICE GALVANIC CORROSION. THE SALT-WATER, THE STEEL BODY, AND THE ZINC/ALUMINUM SHIFTER BODY SET THEMSELVES UP AS A BATTERY. THE CURRENT FLOW IS SUCH THAT THE ZINC/ALUMINUM SHIFTER BASE TRIES TO DISSOLVE ITSELF - AND OVER A FEW YEARS, SUCCEEDS!!! THE SOLUTION? EASY, MOVE SOUTH!!! CAN'T DO THAT? WELL, TRY USING A RUBBER BACKED RUG REMNANT AS A FLOOR MAT FOR THE WINTER TO KEEP THE CARPET DRY. ALSO IT WOULDN'T HURT TO DO SOME PREVENTATIVE MAINTENANCE. REMOVE THE SHIFTER FROM THE CAR - YOU CAN DO THIS FROM BELOW BY TAKING OFF THE TUNNEL PAN COVER. DISASSEMBLE THE SHIFTER AND WASH OUT THE OLD DRY GREASE. THE BASE WILL HAVE TWO STUBBY SHAFTS PRESSED INTO THE SIDES. HEAT THE BASE SLIGHTLY TO MAKE IT EXPAND AND DRIVE THE SHAFTS OUT. YOU'LL FIND THEY HAVE EACH WORN IN TWO PLACES FROM 20 YEARS OF USE IN DRYED OUT GREASE. TURN THEM OVER AND DRIVE THEM BACK IN. WORN PART IN THE BASE BORE, GOOD ENDS INSIDE THE CAVITY. PAINT, REASSEMBLE ACCORDING TO THE SHOP MANUAL. GREASE WELL, AND THAT SHOULD DO YOU FOR ANOTHER 20 years.

from George Reidel, Baystate Corvairs

SOME OF YOU MAY ALREADY KNOW THIS, BUT TONY PHELPS HAS ACCEPTED A POSITION WITH K & K INSURANCE AND HAS MOVED TO INDIANA. HIS NEW ADDRESS IS.

2020-3 WOODHAVEN DRIVE
FORT WAYNE, INDIANA 46819
Phone 219-747-6408

WPCO CERTAINLY WISHES HIM WELL IN THIS MOVE AND WILL MISS HIS PRESENCE AT OUR MEETINGS. RUMOR HAS IT THAT HE MAY STILL BE INVOLVED IN THE PGH VINTAGE GRAN PRIX, SO WE MAY SEE HIM THERE. GOOD LUCK, TONY.

PREZ SEZ

AS THE NEW KID ON THE BLOCK, I THOUGHT THIS

FIRST ARTICLE COULD SERVE AS MY INTRODUCTION TO THE CLUB MEMBERS I HAVE NOT HAD THE OPPORTUNITY TO MEET SINCE JOINING WPCO THREE YEARS AGO.

I AM A NATIVE OF WESTERN PA. AND AM EMPLOYED BY SHENANGO, INC. ON NEVILLE ISLAND. AMONG MY HOBBIES AND INTERESTS ARE HUNTING, FISHING, BOWLING AND OF COURSE A STRONG INTEREST IN ANYTHING OF AN AUTOMOTIVE NATURE WITH AN EMPHASIS ON CORVAIRS AND THEIR HISTORY.

I HAVE OWNED OVER 20 DIFFERENT MAKES AND MODELS OF AUTOMOBILES FROM THE EARLY FIFTY'S TO THE EIGHTY'S. AMONG THEM WERE FIVE CORVAIRS, AT ONE TIME OR ANOTHER, IN VARIOUS CONDITIONS FROM TOWABLE JUNK TO LOW MILEAGE CREAM PUFFS. IN FACT, ALMOST ANYTHING WHICH ROLLS ON WHEELS WILL DRAW MY INTEREST, AS MY WIFE WILL ATTEST TO.

IT IS MY HOPE THAT DURING THE YEAR 1988 EVERY MEMBER OF THIS CLUB WILL FIND SOMETHING OF INTEREST, SOME ONE OR SOMETHING, THAT WILL RAISE HIS OR HER ENTHUSIASM FOR CORVAIRS TO A NEW LEVEL AND THAT THIS ENTHUSIASM MIGHT SPREAD TO OTHER CORVAIR ENTHUSIASTS WHO ARE NOT YET MEMBERS OF OUR CLUB.

CORVAIRINGLY YOURS,
BOB HIEBER

FIVE YEARS AGO IN THE JOURNAL THE 1983 CALENDAR OF EVENTS WAS UNVEILED. IT INCLUDED A SHOW AT THE CENTURY III MALL, THE JIMMY STUART PARADE IN INDIANA, NELSON LEDGES SPORT CAR RACES, KENNYWOOD PARK EVENT, AUTO-CROSS EVENTS AND SEVERAL VERY INTERESTING TOURS. NEWLY ELECTED PRESIDENT, BOB LARISON, TOLD US ABOUT HIS CORVAIR LOVES WITH AN ARTICLE TITLED "WHAT AM I DOING HERE?"

THERE WAS A SUPER ARTICLE ON WHEEL ALIGNMENT AND A CAR EMBLEMS QUIZ SUBMITTED BY BILL ARTZBERGER. NEW MEMBERS FOR FEBRUARY, 1983 WERE ARMIN AND JANET ABRAMSON.

TECH TIP

THE DUPONT PRODUCT "ALUMA-LEAD" IS PRIMARILY A BODY FILLER. IT ALSO CURES HARD ENOUGH TO BE DRILLED AND TAPPED FOR USE IN LIGHTLY LOADED SITUATIONS. AS AN EXPERIMENT, I WIPED A SMALL AMOUNT ON AN OLD, RUSTY EXHAUST CROSSOVER PIPE AND ON THE BOTTOM OF A MUFFLER, BOTH WITHOUT ANY PREPARATORY CLEANING. AFTER ABOUT 3 MONTHS AND 5,000 MILES, THE "ALUMA-LEAD" PATCHES ARE STILL

THERE AND HAVE NOT CHANGED COLOR. MAYBE COATING A CLEAN EXHAUST SYSTEM MAY BE A GOOD WAY TO PREVENT THE USUAL RUSTING AND CORROSION.

from Clay Mispell N.T.C.A.

CORVAIR CLASSIFIEDS

FOR SALE: NOS (in boxes) various cylinder heads and coil springs. Will sell as a package only, for \$300. (sounds like a steal-AF) Dave and Doug Geiger, Export, PA 412-327-2043

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FOR SALE: 140 motor ask Panizza 776-5313

UPCOMING CORVAIR and CAR EVENTS

MAY 21, 1988 MID-MARYLAND CORVAIR CLUB'S "8th ANNUAL ALL CORVAIR SHOW" Peoples' choice, flea market, car corral, vendor sales, tech sessions, entertainment. Held at Sutherland Chevrolet, Frederick, MD. Intersection of Rts 15 and 40. Showtime 10:00 am till 5:00 pm.

APRIL 21-24, 1988 SPRING CARLISLE Admission \$3, children under 12 free. 6 am till dark daily, 7,800 exhibitor spaces filled with collector cars, trucks, parts, services and memorabilia, 82 acres of automotive excitement!

JULY 22-24 1988 SUMMER CARLISLE

SEPTEMBER 29-OCTOBER 2, 1988 FALL CARLISLE

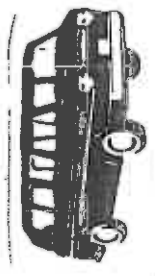
TECH TIP

FLUID LEAKS ON TRANSMISSIONS ARE HARD TO FIND. THE MOST COMMON SOURCES ARE THE PAN GASKET, THE SHIFT LEVER CABLE, AND THE SHIFT LEVER CABLE "O-RING". HAVE YOU CHANGED THESE AND STILL FOUND THE TRANSMISSION LEAKS?

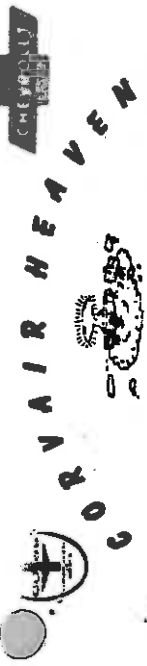
TRY THIS: THERE IS AN "O-RING" ON THE THROTTLE SHAFT LEVER. IT SEALS THIS SHAFT WHENEVER THE OIL LEVEL RISES THAT HIGH, WHICH USUALLY HAPPENS AFTER THE CAR HAS BEEN SITTING FOR A WHILE. THIS LEVER IS EASY TO REMOVE BY DISENGAGING THE CLAMPS OUTSIDE THE TRANSMISSION AND PULLING THE LEVER OUT. INSTALL A

NEW "O-RING/LAND REPLACE THE LEVER. MAKE SURE THE CLAMPS ARE PUT BACK IN THEIR ORIGINAL POSITION. from Art Westmont, Tidewater Corvair Club
 Spydars Breathe Gazette

THIS ISSUE OF THE VAIR STREET JOURNAL HAS THREE TECH TIPS WHICH WERE FIRST PRINTED IN THE GROUP CORVAIR COMMENTS, BOWIE, MARYLAND. DALE HAS BEEN COMBING THE NEWSLETTERS THAT THE CLUB RECEIVES FOR SOME ESPECIALLY INTERESTING TIPS AND WILL BE PROVIDING THE JOURNAL WITH TIPS FROM TIME TO TIME. ANY TECH TIPS THAT YOU HAVE, OR ANY ARTICLES YOU WISH TO SUBMIT WILL BE WELCOMED. REMEMBER THAT THE 1988 DEADLINE FOR ARTICLES TO BE INCLUDED IN THE CURRENT UP-COMING ISSUE IS THE FIRST DAY OF THAT MONTH. THANKS TO ALL OF YOU WHO HELPED MAKE THIS ISSUE WHAT IT IS.



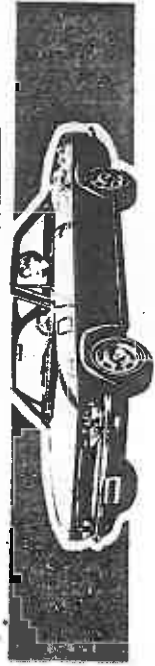
ELLEN SMITH



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 Address _____
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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.

DO NOT WRITE IN BOX

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SURVEY OF CARS OWNED AND INTERESTS

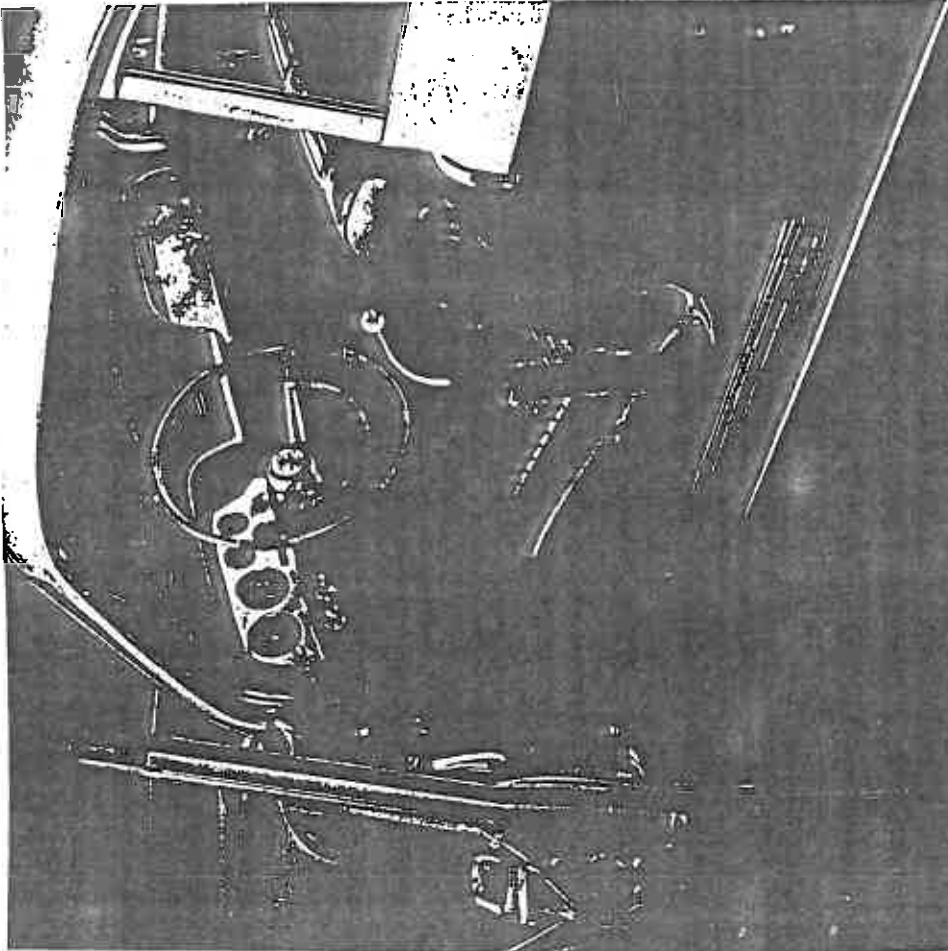
1. I own _____ running Corvairs.
2. I own _____ restorable Corvairs.
3. I own _____ parts Corvairs.
4. I use my Corvairs for:
 - Concours - How Many? _____
 - Daily Use
 - Racing
 - Other _____

5. My main reason for joining CORSA is:

- Support my hobby
- Fellowship
- 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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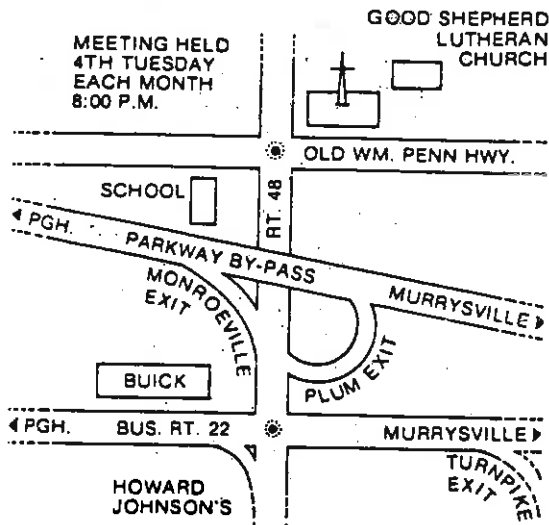
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