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Bill Brill: 1919–2006

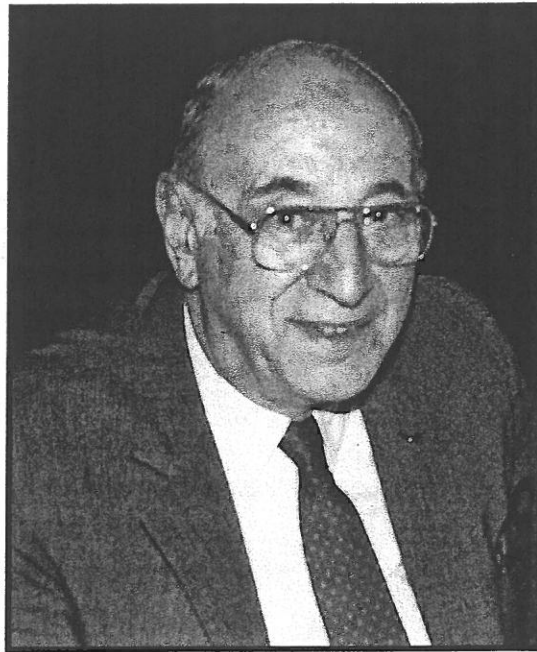
While in Buffalo, New York, for the CORSA International Convention, many of us learned of the passing of our dear friend and longtime WPCC Treasurer, Bill Brill. To Bill's family and especially Jean, his wife we extend our deepest sympathy for their loss.

You may recall reading in the Jan/Feb 2006 issue of the *Vair Street Journal* that Bill Brill received a special appreciation award for his many, many years of service to WPCC as Treasurer. The award was presented to Bill at his home by Al and Carol Friend.

Since he retired as treasurer, Bill hasn't been involved in this Club because of health issues, but I think I speak for everyone when I say we've missed him and will continue to do so in the future.

About Bill, Jim Heatherington said, "Suzanne and I were deeply saddened to hear of Bill's death. He was always a gentleman and a pleasure to travel with. Jean, you have our sympathy and prayers".

What follows is the obituary as printed in the *Pittsburgh Tribune-Review*. As you read, you will see that Bill was a very involved person.



William L. Brill, 86, of Greensburg, died Monday, July 24, 2006, in Excelsa Health Westmoreland Hospital, Greensburg. He was born Aug. 13, 1919, in Greensburg, the son of the late Samuel and Anna Shendowich Brill. He was the former manager of the A&M Supermarket, Irwin, and the Pennsylvania Food Merchants Association of Harrisburg. He was a member of Temple Emanu-El Israel of Greensburg and member and past president of Beth Israel Synagogue of Latrobe. He was a life member and past president of B'Nai Brith; was a World War II veteran, having served with the U.S. Army Air Corps; a life member and past vice commander of

Jeannette American Legion Post 344; past president and treasurer of the Western Pa. Corvaair Club; member and past president of the B'Nai Israel Cemetery Committee; and a member of F&AM No. 601 Shidle Lodge of Irwin. In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by three sisters, Ruth Moldovan, Florence Dobkin and Dorothy Brill. He is survived by his wife, Jean

Pretter Brill; two sons, Martin R. Brill and his wife, Deborah, of Harrisburg, and Bernard D. Brill and his wife, Linda, of Potomac, Md.; and three grandchildren, Tamarai, Daniel and Nathan Brill. Friends will be received from 2 until 3 p.m. Wednesday, at which time service will be held, at the COSHEY-NICHOLSON FUNERAL HOME INC., 319 W. Pittsburgh St., Greensburg, with Rabbi Sara R. Perman officiating. Interment will follow in the B'Nai Israel Cemetery, Hempfield Township. Alvin P. Oskin Jr., supervisor, in charge of arrangements.

The Prez Sez

I was sorry to miss the meeting on July 18 at John Harvard's Brewhouse, but have it on good authority that Vice-president Desmond ran an excellent meeting. Thanks very much, Tim.

Welcome to new members Paul Wardoclip and James and Heidi Madden (and their two sons). The Maddens came to the



Jim Heatherington

CORSA National and it was delightful to see them there.

What an exciting couple of months it has been for Corvair enthusiasts! The highlight of this, of course, was the national convention in Buffalo, NY. WPCC certainly made its presence known in the area with the large number of partici-

pants, both those who came to have fun and those who

offered their cars on the Concours. Despite the punishing heat and the lack of convenient space for cleaning up/working on their cars, WPCC members made a splash in the winners circle. You can read about it on pages 4, 5 and 6. We had an excellent trip both up to Buffalo and back and a very enjoyable week. Buffalo is a great town that offers much to the tourist...who knew?

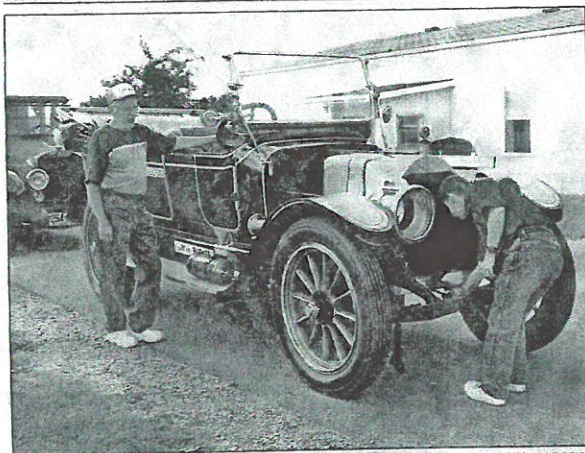
With Buffalo coming on the heels of the Jennerstown tour, we've had a good season of driving so far in 2006. Next up is the weekend trip to Snowshoe, WV planned by Al Friend and John Gundlach, and Suzanne and I look forward to it. WV is a stunningly beautiful state that is more breathtaking each time we visit it. I reviewed the itinerary and it looks like the boys have planned a fun weekend. Hope to see many of our members attend.

I also hope to see many of you attend our next membership meeting on Tuesday September 26 at King's on Route 910. As usual, we'll meet for dinner at 6:30 with the meeting to follow at 7:30.

Jim Heatherington

Can you name the person on the end of the crank?

4 SUNDAY CRANBERRY EAGLE - Sunday, July 23, 2006



Before you can learn to drive an antique car, you've got to get it started. Forrest White, left, watches as Steve Puskas crank starts a 1909 Huselton, which was originally built in Butler. Both men are members of the Antique Auto Club of Butler.

Youth wanted

Auto club seeks next generation



The picture at left of a 1909 Huselton automobile appeared in the *Butler Eagle* and the *Cranberry Eagle* on Wednesday July 12. As sometimes happens names of people can be misspelled, transposed or the wrong name is used. In this case, chalk one up for *Cranberry Eagle*, the names are correct. In the *Butler Eagle*, the names were transposed. The person turning the crank is a member of the WPCC. Have you guessed who it is yet?

The correct caption reads: "Before you can learn to drive an antique car, you've got to get it started. Forrest White, left, watches as Steve Puskas crank starts a 1909 Huselton, which was originally built in Butler. Both men are members of the Antique Auto Club of Butler".

Hope you guessed right.

The drift of the article had to do with the club's need for younger members. Sounds like the same old tune that most antique car clubs are singing.

Minutes of the July 18, 2006 WPCC Member Meeting

Officers Present:

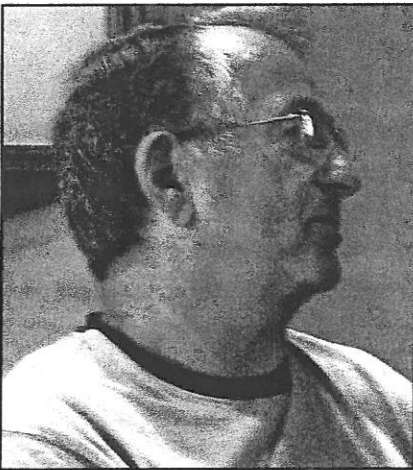
- Tim Desmond, Vice President
- Pat Greenwald, Secretary

Board members present:

- Emerick Buccigrossi
- Don Cekus
- Al Friend
- John Gundlach
- Bob Hieber
- Charles Lucas, Newsletter editor

The meeting was called to order by Vice President Tim Desmond.

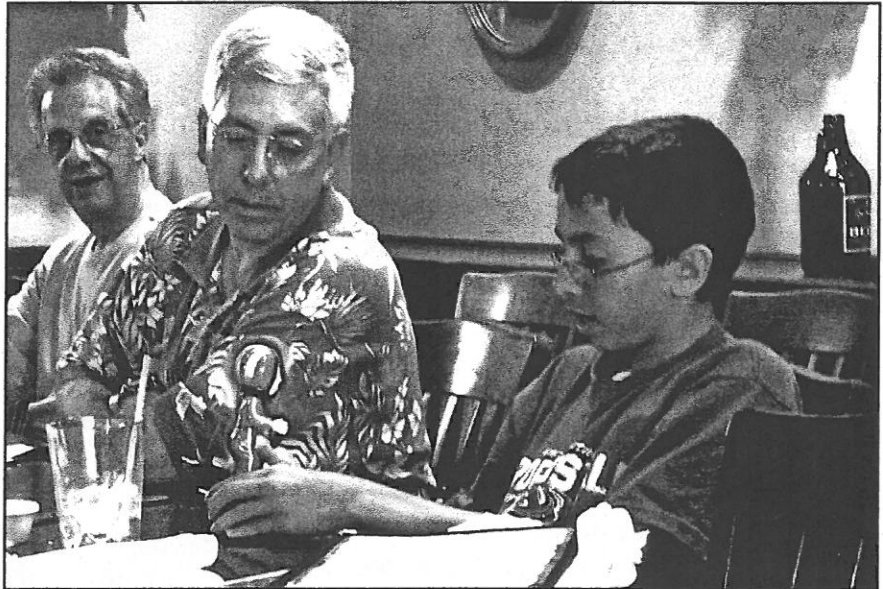
The minutes were accepted as printed in the newsletter. The secretary read Dwayne Cekus's treasurer's report. The balance is \$2,473.16. This includes a \$307.00 refund of the deposit for the January 2007 holiday party from the Villa. That restaurant has been sold and a different place will be chosen for the party.



New member Paul Wardoclip

Tim introduced new member Paul Wardoclip from Leechburg. Paul related some of his experiences with automobiles through the years. Welcome, Paul.

Don Cekus announced that the club has another new member family, James and Heidi Madden and their two sons. We look forward to seeing them at meetings and events.



Tim Desmond looks on as son Matt plays with the "Road Rager" brought in for everyone's entertainment by Don Baker. Emerick Buccigrossi also enjoys the fun.

Al Friend and John Gundlach reviewed the details for the August 18, 19, 20 trip to Snowshoe (as printed in the May/June newsletter).

Don Cekus discussed plans for the caravan to the CORSA convention in Buffalo. Departure time will be 7:00 a.m. sharp on Tuesday from the Krispie Kreme Store in Cranberry. Members were reminded to bring the proper ID for the border crossing. The Desmonds and the Bachmans will be leaving on Thursday at 7:00 a.m. from the same place.

Tim announced the January 14, 2007 holiday party will be held at the Babcock Restaurant in the North Hills.

Bob Hieber reminded members

of the September 10th Steel City Classics Chevy show on Rt 50 in Bridgeville. There are 450 cars expected to participate. If we can provide at least 10 Corvairs, we will

have our own class. Bob also reviewed plans for the September 30th Econo-Run. The 103 mile, three hour run, with few rules, will begin and end in Coraopolis.

Tim also revealed plans for a day trip to the Terra Country Inn in Sharon, PA. This will probably be set up for early October. Details will be announced at the September 26th meeting.

Al Friend took his '64 coupe to the AACA Grand National in Dover, DE and was awarded a first in class. Congratulations, Al!

Respectfully submitted,

Pat Greenwald

Pat Greenwald, secretary

CORSA National Convention 2006

Buffalo, NY *Starters, Impressions, & Winners*

For Starters

Perhaps you recall the sad tale that I related following the CORSA Convention in Lexington, Kentucky—about my friend Earl Goehring, whose Corvair we took to that convention—how it was towed the last hundred miles to Lexington and all the time Earl spent under the car for the next couple of days. The good news is that he has been driving the car ever since with no problems.

This year we again decided to take his Corvair to Buffalo because it has AC and this (as we all know) has been a hot, humid summer (the AC fan was the cause of the problems in Lexington).

On Monday evening, July 24, I drove my Corvair from Munhall to Harmony, where Earl lives with his wife Diane. When I arrived, I loaded his Corvair with my luggage, along with snacks, etc. for the drive to Buffalo. We planned an early departure so that we could take advantage of one of the Tonawanda engine plant tours on Tuesday morning.

We were up at 5:15. There would be a stop for breakfast on the way—just a quick one—have to stay ahead of Don Cekus, ha ha. Out in the garage Earl started his Corvair but as he backed out of the garage it started to make a terrible noise. On opening the deck lid he quickly diagnosed the problem: a bad bearing in the alternator that had recently been installed to replace the old generator. Thank goodness this didn't happen a hundred miles from Buffalo.

You guessed it, we took my Corvair to Buffalo.

An impression of Buffalo

It's hard to say how many times we've driven past Buffalo on our way to Niagara Falls (to see the falls of course) or to the casinos as we did two years ago. There it was again as we drove on by with friends on our way to Toronto, Ontario, to see the *Phantom of the Opera* and a few years before that we passed it with our kids on our way to see the Hockey Hall of Fame, also in Toronto. And then there are the ongoing pleasurable pilgrimages every two years to visit Sarah's brother, Stephen and his wife Barb,

Congratulations WPCC Winners!

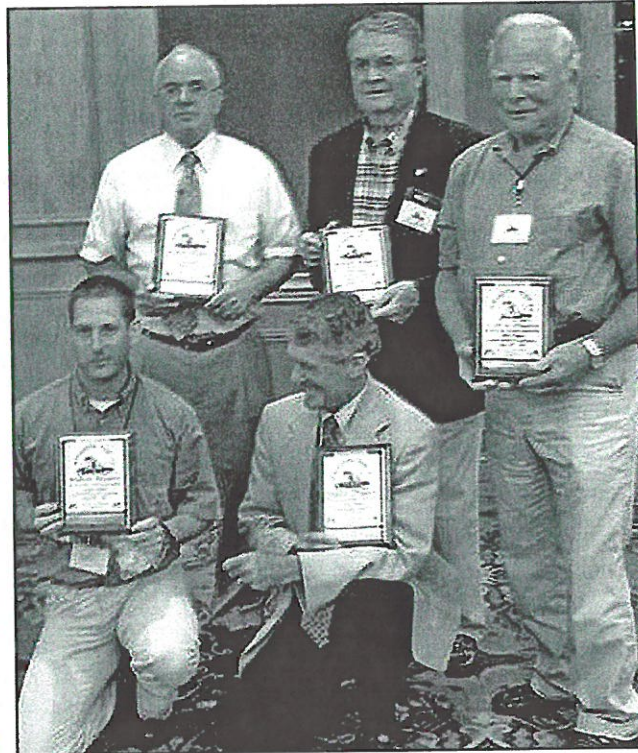


PHOTO BY SUZANNE HEATHERINGTON

WPCC Awardees

Standing: Don Cekus and Jim Heatherington, holding their Senior Silver Awards. John Gunlach holds his Primary Gold Award which advances him to Senior level.

Kneeling: Steve Puskas holds a Primary Silver Award while Al Friend shows his Senior Gold Award.

who live several hundred miles north of Toronto, in Britt, Ontario, Canada.

We've always driven past Buffalo but never stopped. It never looked inviting or impressive. This is not unlike the impression people who have never stopped and visited Pittsburgh have about our city—a dirty, dingy, smokey old town. I guess that's the stereotype we've had of Buffalo too.

In his column, *The Prez Sez*, Jim Heatherington summed it up: "Buffalo is a great town that offers much to the tourist... who knew?" He hit it right on the nail head. Buffalo is a wonderful place. We just didn't know it.

The convention certainly wasn't bad either.

CORSA National Convention 2006

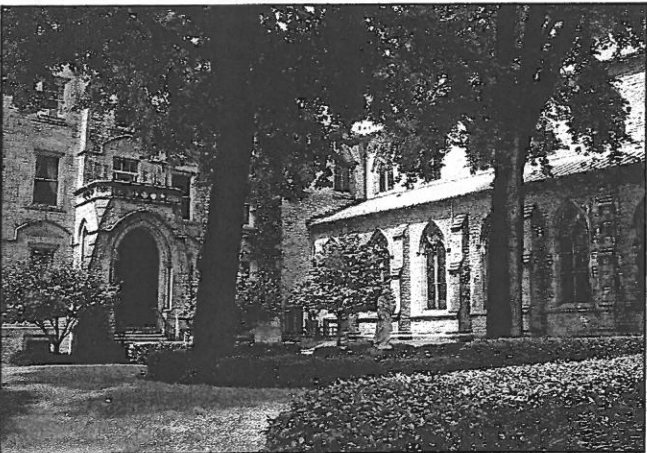
Buffalo, NY *Postcards to See*



The Adam's Mark Hotel—Host for the CORSA Convention



Just one of the many beautiful buildings in downtown Buffalo



A picturesque church yard in the middle of downtown Buffalo



At Shanghai Red's: Pat, Bob, Mary Ellen and Don



The view from our dinner table at Shanghai Red's

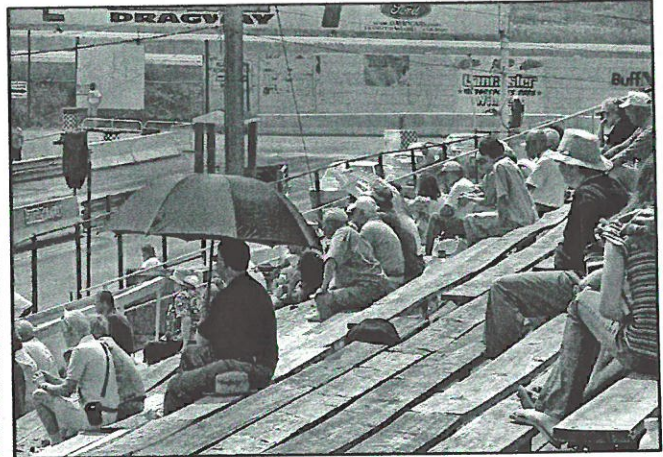


Concours d'Elegance on the green at Buffalo

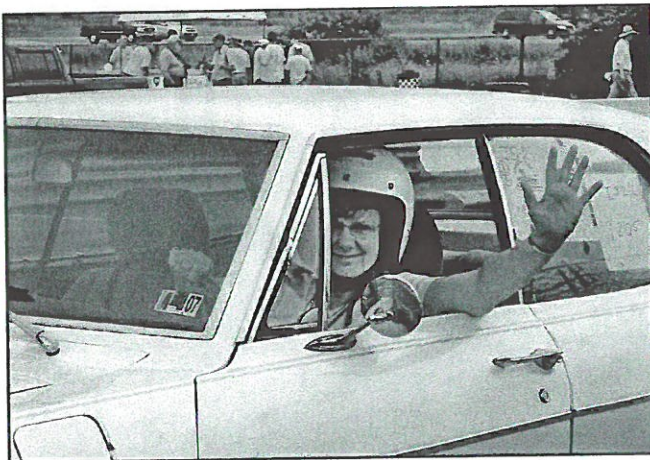
CORSA National Convention 2006 Buffalo, NY *More Postcards to See*



John Gundlach and Steve Sweet with John's '63 winner



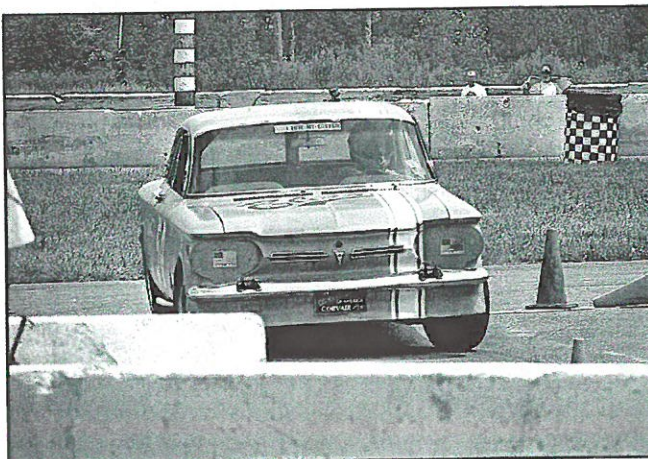
In the heat at the Autocross races before the rains came



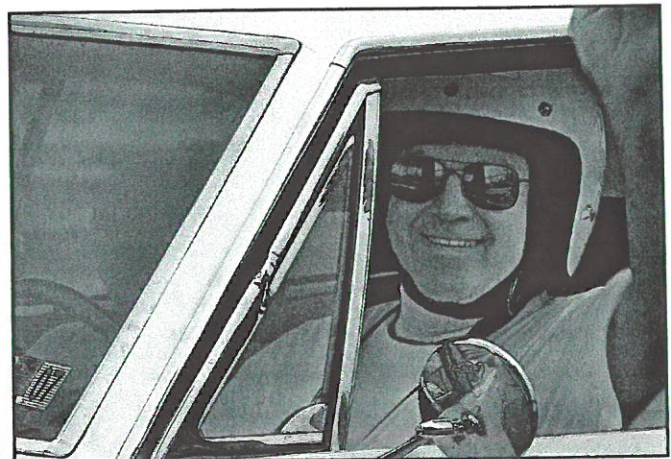
A smile and a wave from Pat Greenwald



Pat takes Don Cekus' car through the orange cones



The driver of a '62 coupe tries his hand at Autocross



Don Cekus behind the wheel of his pearl finished late model

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Next Meeting

Tuesday, September 26, 2006

King's Restaurant—Wexford • Route 910 • off I-79 at Exit 73
 Dinner at 6:30 p.m. • Meeting at 7:30 p.m.

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