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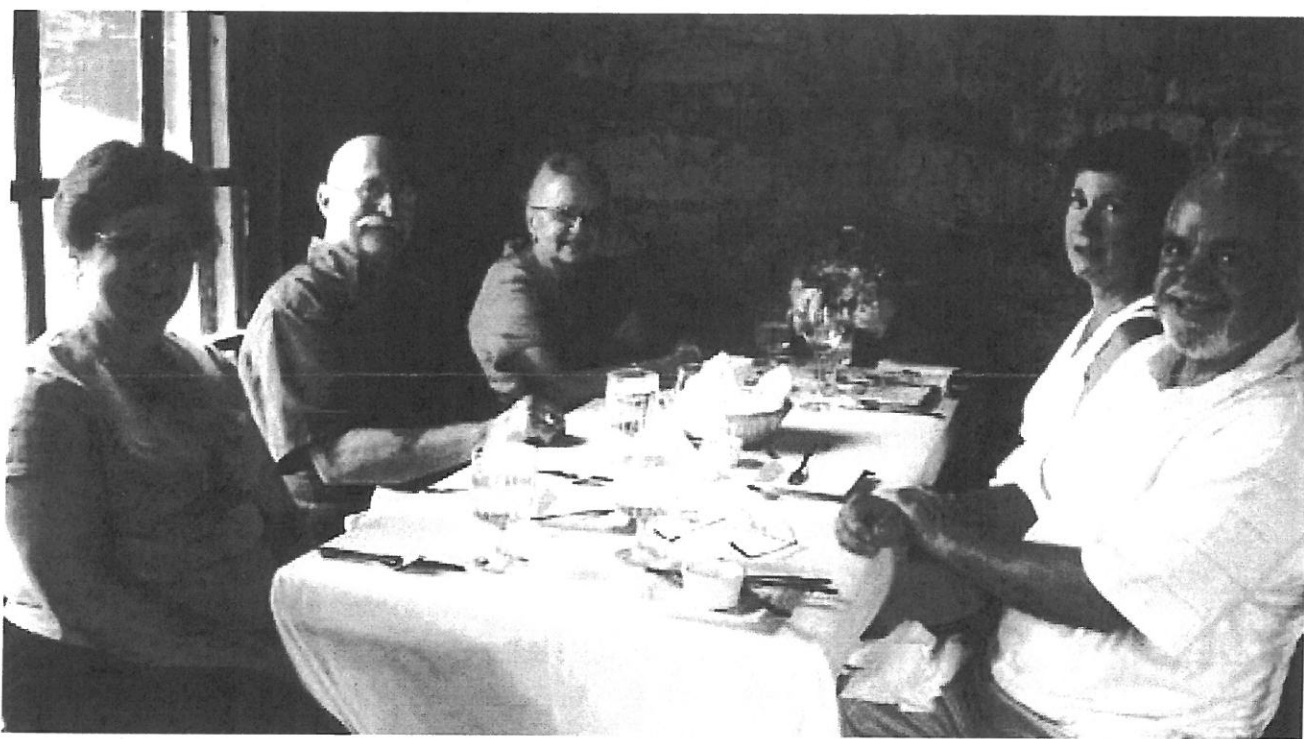


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L-R: Pat Greenwald, Vince & Louise Duva, Mary Ellen & Don Cekus in the Green Gables Restaurant.

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Never Forget 09-11-01

**Next Meeting**  
**Tuesday, Sept 28, 2010**

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



*Here's a Quick Look at Upcoming Events*

## August thru October

Date	Event	Contact
Aug 7 . . . . .	Victory Hill Car Show . . . . .	Don Cekus
Aug 14 . . . . .	Blueberry Trip, Edinboro . . . . .	Tim Desmond
Sept 11 . . . . .	Saxonburg Festival & Club Picnic . . . . .	John & Gayle Gundlach
Sept 25 . . . . .	Erie Wine Country . . . . .	Jim Madden
Sept 28 . . . . .	<b>Meeting at King's in Wexford</b>	
Oct 9 . . . . .	Covered Bridge Tour . . . . .	Bob Hieber

## Playing Around in Jennerstown

Thanks to Suzanne Heatherington for the pictures and copy for this WPCC event



Louise Duva, Mary Ellen Cekus and Pat Greenwald on the beautiful Mountain Playhouse grounds

The weather was gorgeous on Sunday, July 18, as three Corvairs and two Model A's left McDonald's in Irwin to drive scenic mountain roads through Mt. Pleasant and Somerset to Jennerstown. Don & Mary Ellen Cekus, Vince & Louise Duva and Pat Greenwald drove their Corvairs, joining Jim & Suzanne Heatherington in their Model A Ford. Another family from the Model A Club made a party of five cars for the drive up through the country to Jennerstown. All cars performed well, and we had a lovely lunch at Green Gables Restaurant before the 3:00 curtain. The show was Altar Boyz, and it was full of glitz, glam and lights as five young men sang and danced in order to "save" members of the audience — though it ended up that they had to save themselves. An energetic, almost frenetic show, it was different from any we'd seen before but I gotta say, no one fell asleep during this one! After a great day in Jennerstown, everyone headed home via Route 30.

## May 25, 2010 Member Meeting Minutes

### Officers Present:

- Jim Steigerwaldt, *President*
- Don Cekus, *Vice President*
- Jim Heatherington, *Treasurer*
- Pat Greenwald, *Secretary*

### Board Members Present:

- Tim Desmond
- Al Friend
- John Gundlach
- Bob Hieber
- Jim Madden
- Steve Puskas

The meeting was called to order by President Jim Steigerwaldt.

Jim welcomed Pete Koehler, Feature Editor of the CORSA Communicate, to the meeting.

The minutes of the March meeting were approved as printed in the newsletter.

Treasurer Jim Heatherington reported that after income from dues and the 50/50 raffle and expenses for the newsletter, the checkbook balance is \$2718.67. Jim also reported that all members have paid their dues for 2010.

Jim Heatherington stated that the Mountain Playhouse in Jennerstown will be open this season and that he has made arrangements for the club to attend on Sunday, July 18th. The caravan will leave the McDonald's in Norwin Town Center on Rte. 30 in North Huntington at 10:30 a.m. Those planning to attend should call Jim.

Dave Bucklew reminded everyone of the car cruise in Wexford on Friday, June 4th. The Corvairs will be featured along with other Chevrolets.

The president asked the secretary to send a thank you card to Tom O'Brien for his hospitality on May 1st.

Ralph Shearer gave some details of the Saturday, July 17 trip to the Quecreek Mine – Flight 93 Memorial. The tour will leave the Four Points by Sheraton Hotel in Greensburg at 8:15 a.m. After visiting the mine and enjoying some refreshments, we will travel to the Flight

93 Memorial, then lunch at Hoss's in Windber and a visit to a collection of memorabilia. The last stop will be in Ligonier. Al Friend will call with details if there is no newsletter before the event.

Don Baker reminded members of the Vintage Grand Prix on July 16 – 25 and the Beaver Run event on July 18th.

Tim Desmond has set up the Blueberry trip for August 14th.

Jim Madden had the club business cards. He also stated that he will try to set up a trip to the Erie wine country for some time in September.

Because a show of hands for the August 14th trip to the National Pike Steam, Gas & Horse event showed little interest for this year and some members went on their own to the May show, that event was canceled for this year.

Steve Puskas is hosting a picnic at his home on June 12th. Information was mailed.

The Gundlach's are hosting the club picnic in September. The date will be the 11th or 12th depending on the car cruise.

Pete Koehler spoke about touring the country promoting our hobby and the club.

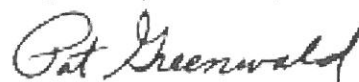
Don Cekus reported on his trip to the Springfest in Helen, GA and to Sevierville, TN touring with the Vintage Chevrolet Car Assoc.

Don Baker recapped the trip to Tom O'Brien's. He also reminded everyone of the Vintage Grand Prix July 16th – 25th, and Beaver run on July 18th.

Bill Artzberger announced that he is selling "all his stuff." This includes an air conditioner for a Corvair and his house with a 7 car garage.

Dave Bucklew found information on the internet concerning antique inspection stickers. See him for information if you are interested.

Respectively submitted,



Pat Greenwald

# Bill Artzberger, the AACA and the Artzberger/ Foster Steam Car at the Frick

On June 9, 2010, four bus loads of AACA Founders Tour participants from 20 states, had the pleasure of meeting Bill Artzberger in the Car and Carriage Museum at The Frick. At the request of Al & Carole Friend and Jim & Suzanne Heatherington, Bill was on hand to tell the AACA folks the fascinating story of his grandfather's company that built the Artzberger/Foster steam car right here in "The Burgh."

Rather than just looking at an interesting piece of automotive history, we all came away with a real understanding of the inner workings of the steam car concept. The front cover of the reprinted 1903 sales brochures that Bill was handing out, pretty much says it all. What more could you ask for?



Bill Artzberger stands before an Artzberger/Foster steam car built by his grandfather's company



Far left: Bill Artzberger with Al Friend

Left: Bill Artzberger and members of the AACA

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We the people of WPCC are familiar with Bill's wonderful story telling ability, and now a lot of AACA people are too.

Bill, on behalf of the AACA and the Founder's Tour Committee, we would like to pass along a huge thank you for helping to make our day in Pittsburgh very special to a lot of "out of town" old car lovers.

Al & Carole Friend

Thanks to Al Friend for writing and submitting the copy for this page. Thanks also go to Wayne Floria for his photos used here.

# Laura & Gayle Gundlach on the CORSA National Convention

## First Laura

Driving Warren LeVeque's "tweety bird" race car was a dream come true! It was so exciting and truly made this convention great. I had never really driven a synchromesh manual transmission before I got to the race track, so before the race I drove some circles around the parking lot and the parade lap to get the hang of it. During that first time around the track I was very nervous, and I only shifted up into second gear. My time was only 55.123 seconds. After the first lap my adrenaline kicked in and then I was ready to go. With each lap that followed, I got better at shifting; the car was moving faster and I started to get a feel for the track. On my last lap I got my best time of 46.023 seconds. I had so much fun, and I hope one day I will have my own Corvair to autocross.

Laura Gundlach

## Now Gayle

The CORSA National Convention in Cedar Rapids, Iowa was loads of fun. A fair number of scenic tours had been cancelled prior to the start of the convention, leaving those so inclined, to tour on their own. Many of us visited the Amanna Colonies, a restored German community with shops, German restaurants, and historical buildings. We learned about Iowa's only president at the Herbert Hoover Presidential Library and Museum located east of Cedar Rapids. A luncheon cruise on the Mississippi at Dubuque was very lovely, and dry, since it was to one of the few rain free days during our time at the Convention. While on our tour of



**Above:** Standing beside his red Corvair, we see Warren LeVeque. Seated excitedly in the driver's seat, we see Laura Gundlach. She is poised behind the steering wheel, with only her eyes, nose and smile visible inside the small opening of her driver's helmet. **Below:** Laura shows her stuff on the track with a time of 46.023 seconds; good enough to take home a first place trophy.



Cedar Rapids we viewed films of their devastating floods two years ago. At the banquet, as a token of appreciation from the city of Cedar Rapids, a check for \$5,000 was awarded to CORSA for bringing its national convention to the city.

At the banquet, Bill and Ed Clapper, received a 1st and 4th place in model car and rally. Laura

Gundlach received a 1st place in autocross. Bob Hieber won one of the two quilts being raffled.

Next year's convention is in Denver. The following year is possibly Boston.

Gayle Gundlach

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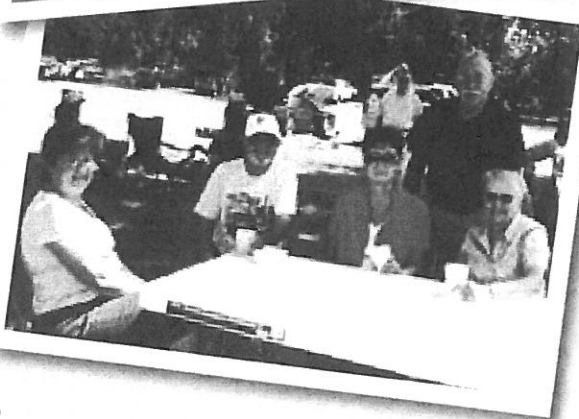
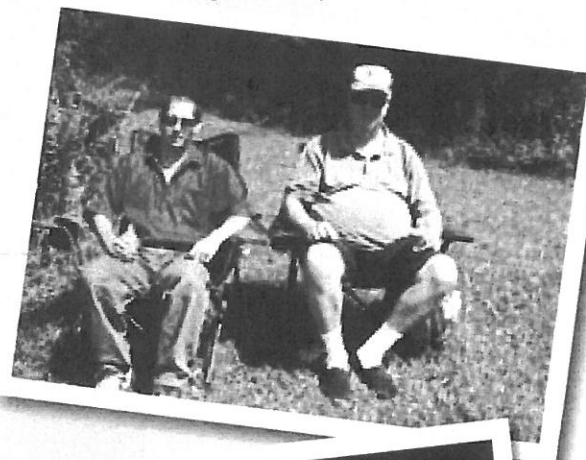
# Victory Hill Car Show Photo Album

*Many thanks to Suzanne Heatherington for writing the copy and providing photos for this page*

On Saturday August 7, some of our club members drove their cars to the community of Victory Hill, where the Social Club had its annual car show. Don & Mary Ellen Cekus, Vince & Louise Duva, Pat Greenwald, Jim & Suzanne Heatherington, Bob Hieber and Steve Puskas enjoyed the beautiful day. Everyone except the

Heatheringtons brought a Corvaair; they drove their 1951 Chevy as it hasn't been out all year, and it looks and runs pretty good. The weather was sunny, but not terribly hot. Many of us remember the sweltering asphalt of shopping malls where car shows are often held, and this grassy, tree-shaded field was pure pleasure.

The food was pretty good, too! Ken and Toots Cekus, along with Dwayne and Joy, help to put on this show and Ken can testify that the barbecued pork chops were excellent – others sampled the cheeseburgers and home made desserts. We all had a very good time and look forward to doing it again next year.



## Top

Some of the many registered cars at the show, including some pretty fancy rods.

## Bottom

WPCC members seated L-R: Pat Greenwald, Don & Mary Ellen Cekus, Louise Duva. Standing: Vince Duva, with Jim Heatherington in the background.

## Top

Steve Puskas and Bob Hieber enjoying the view.

## Bottom

Steve Puskas and his beautiful Corvaair convertible

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Thanks to Laura Gundlach for this Triple Scoop graphic.

# Saturday Sept. 11th A Triple Scoop!!!



## Saxonburg Festival of the Arts

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### Car Show

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### Evening Picnic

*Come and explore the small town of Saxonburg with its food, crafts, art displays, and music. Put your Corvair in the car show. End your day with a picnic at the Gundlach's home at 5 P.M. Bring an item for the food table and lawn chairs*

**Be at the car show area by 11:00 a.m. so the Corvairs can be assembled together.**

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