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WESTERN PENNSYLVANIA CORVAIR CLUB

MAY 2003

Myersdale Maple Festival 2003

Our first road trip for 2003 got off to a cold start as Mary Ellen, Willa and I headed for New Stanton to meet Emerick and Letty Buccigrossi and Pat Greenwald for our annual trek to the Meyersdale Maple Festival. This was Em and Letty's first trip to Meyersdale. They didn't realize how cold Meyersdale can be at this time of year. Em was a bit underdressed for the weather, but we managed to find an extra jacket

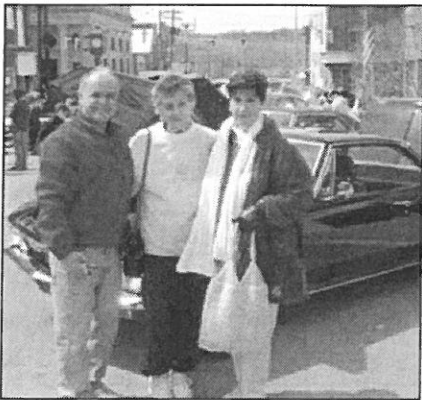


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Veterans of the Maple Festival, Don Cekus, Willa Falcittoni and Mary Ellen Cekus

in my car that did the trick for him.

Pat Greenwald's red '64 convertible is back on the road again with some help from her son, Kurt, who replaced the heater hoses and did some much needed engine work. The reward for Pat was an engine that performed well on the trip, and a heater that kept her toasty.

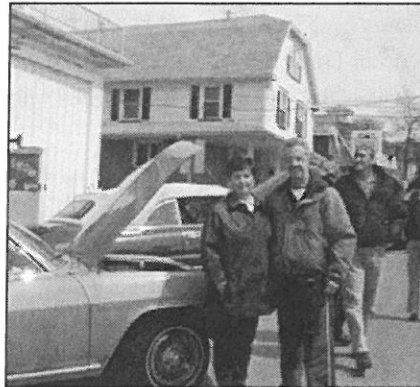


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First-timers at the Maple Festival—Emerick and Letty Buccigrossi with their 1965 Turbocharged Corsa

As we turned south off of the Pennsylvania Turnpike at Somerset, the sun came out and warmed things up a bit for our 11:00 a.m. arrival in Meyersdale. After registering our cars, we went directly to the "school-house" for the traditional sausage and pancake breakfast. Also enjoying the maple festival food was WPCC member, Don Baker and his family.

Emerick and I checked out the fine antique automobiles displayed on the streets of Myersdale while the girls were busy

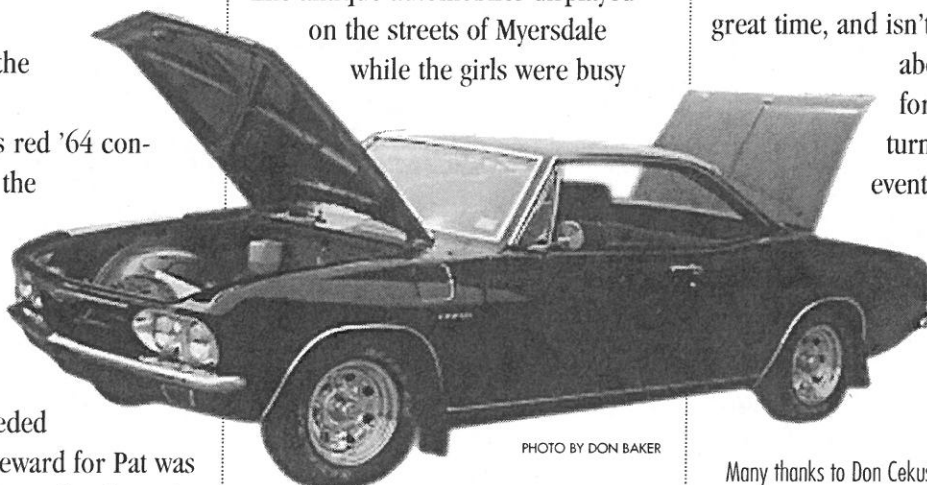


PHOTO BY DON BAKER

A trophy winner Don Cekus' black 1965 CORSA Coupe

enjoying craft and quilt exhibits. After regrouping we visited many of the exhibits at Festival Park and then returned to the auto show for trophy presentations. As luck would have it, I walked away with a trophy for my black 1965 CORSA. What a good feeling!

Myersdale seldom has the weather you'd really like for a Maple Festival, but this time out wasn't all that bad. For our part, we had a

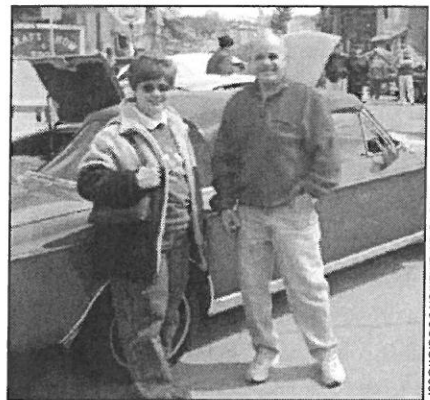


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Pat Greenwald and Don Cekus stand in front of Pat's 1964 red Convertible

great time, and isn't that what it's all about. I'm looking forward to a good turnout at our next event.

Many thanks to Don Cekus for writing this article

Minutes of the March 25, 2003 WPCC Member Meeting

Officers Present:

- President, Don Cekus
- Vice President, Steve Puskas
- Secretary, Pat Greenwald

Board members present:

- Emerick Buccigrossi
- Dave Fabyonic
- Jim Heatherington
- Charles Lucas

The meeting was called to order by President Don Cekus, welcomed guest, Roger Humes.

The minutes of the January 4th meeting/party and the February 15th board meeting were accepted as printed in the newsletter. The treasurer's report given by acting treasurer, Al Friend, showed a balance of \$3211.08. There are 37 paid members.

Don Cekus and Bob Hieber attended the Legislative Council meeting last week. Don discussed some of the issues and stated that Bob will give a full report at the next meeting. Don expressed support for a proposed new title rating of "M" (modified) which would apply to antiques and classics that have been modified. Currently these cars carry an "R" (restored) rating which confuses them with wrecked and restored cars. The \$35.00 fee for this year's council dues was approved by those present at the meeting.

Charles Lucas read a card received from Gene Rising's wife thanking the club for the flowers. Jim Heatherington suggested that in the future, in lieu of flowers, a \$50.00 donation be sent to the Corvair Preservation Foundation in the name of the deceased. Jim will check with the foundation about this.

Don reviewed the calendar of scheduled events for 2003.

The Pennsylvania Maple Festival in Meyersdale is scheduled for April 6th. Those planning to attend should meet at McDonald's in New Stanton at 9:00 am. Call Don Cekus if you think you can go.

Pat Greenwald has heard nothing yet about the Memorial Day Parade from the Penn Hill coordinators. She will call those usually participating if information is last minute. Details about the Crafton parade are also not yet available. The 4th of July parades in Canonsburg and Brentwood are set. Six cars have been designated to go to Canonsburg and all others will go to Brentwood.

The Military Reenactment at Raccoon state Park has been cancelled.

Jim Heatherington would like to move the Jennerstown theater trip from September to May or June. He is working out the details. Luke will also check the availability of reservations at Cambridge Springs.

Emerick Buccigrossi reported that the car cruise at Mountaineer Race Track is on Saturday, June 21st from 3:00 til 7:00. He will call and reserve some spots.

The Tour-Ed Mine/Tarentum Station trip is being checked into by Steve Puskas.

Al Friend suggested that our club travel as a group to the Corsa International Convention and meet up with other clubs coming from the West to arrive in Carlisle together. Al will make the calls to other clubs to try to set this up.

There is not yet a date for the club picnic. It was suggested that money from the club treasury be used to subsidize the picnic.

It was suggested that we look into changing the location of the holiday party. Don and Mary Ellen will check into the Hampton House. Al Friend will check into D'Imperio's.

Mary Ellen Cekus had a medium weight jacket as a sample of something the members may want to order. Colors and types of jackets were discussed. Les Walter has some connections with companies that can supply jackets and will bring information to the next meeting.

Respectfully submitted,



Pat Greenwald, secretary

A Little News From the Southern State of Florida

BY VAUN HAMLIN

Why a CORVAIR, even a 4-door

Vaun and Charlotte Hamlin attended the club picnic/program on April 26th. and decided to go to a car cruise in Sarasota on Saturday afternoon/evening. After the club program, we went thru a car wash and then a shopping center where Charlotte went shopping and Vaun did some final detail.

Because I was the second vehicle to arrive at the Checker's location, I got a good parking spot under a light. The rain threatened, sun came out for five seconds, but the weather stayed O.K. for the balance of the day.

Cars and pick-up trucks came. Lance's Crusin To The Hop played music til about 8:30 when the awards started

coming. At about 9:00, the unexpected happened! Best of Show award goes to the '67 Corvair, owner, Vaun Hamlin!

How's that for a good ending of a nice day, using a Corvair for the main course?

Vaun Hamlin Proud owner



Dinner Theatre at the Riverside Inn July 26, 2003

If you're looking for a great dinner and some fun entertainment, here's your chance. To that end, the Western Pennsylvania Corvair Club is going to the Riverside Inn, located in Cambridge Springs (about 30 miles south of Erie). You'll be delighted with the food and the music of the Four Aces, the Four Lads—you remember those groups—presented with lots and lots of laughs.

The date is *Saturday, July 26th*, but you'll have to act fast, because I have to know by May 22, 2003 if you're going. See price schedule, below right.

If you plan to go, call me no later than Thursday, May 22 (412-462-6735). Then you must send me a check for \$100, (the balance is due when you arrive at the Riverside Inn). If you live near Cambridge Springs and won't be spending the night you need only send \$37 per person.

The reason you must send the check to me immediately is so that I can make the reservations and then send your checks within seven days to the Riverside Inn. That will insure that we can sit together as a group.

p.s. I've seen this play twice before and enjoyed it very much.

Charles Lucas, editor

FOREVER PLAID

All Singing! All Dancing!
A 50's & 60's MUSICAL TREAT

Once upon a time, there were four guys (Sparky, Smudge, Jinx and Frankie) who loved to sing. They all met in high school, when they joined the audiovisual club (1956). Discovering they shared an affection for music and entertaining, they got together and dreamed of becoming like their idols—The Four Aces, the Four Lads, The Four Freshmen, The Hi-Los and The Crew Cuts.

This deliciously goofy revue centers on these four singers, killed in a car crash on the way to their first big concert and how miraculously revived for the posthumous chance to fulfill their dreams and perform the show that never was.

Dinner Theatre and Lodging Price Schedule

Dinner/Theatre & one night's lodging (double occupancy)	\$179
Dinner/Theatre & one night's lodging (single occupancy)	\$142
Dinner/Theatre only (per person)	\$ 37

The Protestor and the Old Lady

Dateline 03-25-03 Washington D.C.

To nobodys surprise there were protestors today in DC, they attempted to disrupt the metro system and block the Key Bridge, a leading artery into DC from Northern Virginia. I got hosed twice because I come in from NoVA on the metro and it is raining hard which makes traffic worse any way. My commute was long and arduous and only caused further resentment for protestors (but that isn't the point of this thread). Anyway, I'll get to the point. I got off my train in Rosslyn because I had to use the bathroom and the train was moving

quite slowly. When I was getting back on the train, there were protestors on the train platform handing out pamphlets on the evils of America. I politely declined to take one. An elderly woman was behind me getting off the escalator and a young (20ish) female protestor offered her a pamphlet that she politely declined. The young protestor put her hand on the old woman's shoulder as a ggesture of friendship and in a very soft voice said, "Ma'am, don't you care about the children of Iraq?" The old woman looked up at her and said, "Honey, my first husband died in France

during World War II so you could have the right to stand here and bad mouth your country. And if you touch me again, I'll stick this umbrella up your a\$\$ and open it." I'm glad to report that loud applause broke out among the onlookers and the young protestor was at a total loss for words.

The above e-mail filtered down through many folks on the internet and was passed on to us by one of its recipients: Al Friend.

Thanks Al!

WPCC

WPCC Current Roster of Members

MAY 2003

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1	Adamson, Richard & Doris	78 Garden Drive, Turtle Creek, PA 15145	412-372-3452	
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4	Artzberger, Jim & Sandy	1300 Cattail Lane, Sewickley, PA 15143	412-749-1432	
5	Baker, Don & Joanne	12461 Larimer Avenue, North Huntingdon, PA 15642	724-863-3770	
6	Brier, Dick & Carol	493 Sleppy Hollow Road, Pittsburgh, PA 15228	412-563-4591	
7	Brill, Bill & Jean	502 Kenmore Avenue, Greensburg, PA 15601	724-837-5082	
8	Buccigrossi, Emerick & Letty	1502 Fernledge Drive, Allison Park, PA 15101	412-486-7691	emandletty@msn...
9	Cekus, Don & Mary Ellen	286 Hillcrest Circle, Pittsburgh, PA 15237	412-364-8224	corsa1@att.net
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11	Constantino, John & Clare	305 3rd Street, Freeport, PA 16229-1141	724-295-2675	
12	Dandois, Dick & Marie	11844 Route 286 Hwy W., Homer City, PA 15748-7803	724-726-5606	dindy@stargate.net
13	Desmond, Tim & Michelle	107 Hivue Lane, Pittsburgh, PA 15237	412-761-3926	
14	DiMartino, Alfred & Rose	72 Stratford Drive, Irwin, PA 15642	724-863-0985	
15	Fabyonic, Dave & Janice	38 Sierra Drive, Pittsburgh, PA 15239	724-327-7361	davidfab@usa.net
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17	Falchettoni, Willa	1554 Butler Plank Road, Glenshaw, PA 15116	412-486-4638	
18	Friend, Al & Carole	6000 Great Oaks Drive, Export, PA 15632	724-325-2588 W 888-311-4183	afriend@pclient.ml.com
19	Goehring, Earl & Diane	140 Whitestown Road, Harmony, PA 16037	724-452-8823	
20	Greenwald, Pat	415 Crestview Drive, Plum, PA 15239	412-795-5719	pggreen233@aol.com
21	Gundlach, John & Gayle	228, McKay Road, Saxonburg, PA 16056	724-352-4205	
22	Hackl, George & Marlene	420, Hulton Road, New Kensington, PA 15068	724-224-2482	
23	Hamlin, Vaun & Charlotte	2207 Arbor Glen Court, Sun City Center, FL 33573	813-633-6684	hamlinchar@aol.com
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26	Huber, Ed & Ann Marie	910 Glenwood Court, Cranberry Twp., PA 16066		
27	Hughes, Roger & Cheryl	170 Winters Road, Butler, PA 16002	724-285-1241	
28	Jones, Judy	3205 Bel Air Drive, Pittsburgh, PA 15227	412-882-2109	wandijones@aol.com
29	Kreisel, Curt & Elana	1141 Sunrise Drive, Pittsburgh, PA 15243		
30	Lamolinaire, Patrick & Patricia	103 Jacobs Street, Pittsburgh, Pa 15234	412-885-1511	
31	Lane, Robert & Ella	259 Lutz Road, Zelienople, PA 16063	724-452-0540	
32	Lucas, Charles & Sarah	236 W. Marigold Street, Munhall, PA 15120	412-462-6735	chasjlucas@aol.com
33	Morgan, Robert & Margaret	344 Ridge Road, New Brighton, PA 15066	724-846-6040	
34	Nicely, Ron	1117 Nicole Renee Drive, Latrobe, PA 15650	724-537-0228	
35	Puskas, Stephen	458 Whitestone Road, Butler, PA 16001	724-482-1165	
36	Sweet, John & Charlotte	1264 Walnut Street, Stoneboro, PA 161..	724-376-4335	jasvair@stargate.net
37	Tyger, John & Barb	R.D. No. 1, Box 77, Creekside, PA 15732	724-397-2043	
38	Watkins, Kerry & Linda	209-1/2 S. Third Street, Youngwood, PA 15697	724-925-1962	
39	Walter, Lester	100 Thompson Lane South, North Huntingdon, PA 15642	724-863-8437	timerles@aol.com
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This Roster of Members is compiled for you from our list of paid-up membership dues. We apologize for any keyboarding errors or omissions of information.

If you would like to correct or update your listing, please forward the correct information to:

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Penn Hills Memorial Day Parade:

Monday, May 26, 2003

- Parade begins at 11:00 sharp.
- Line up no later than 11:00 in the St. Bartholomew Church parking lot.
- Antique cars will be the first in line to start the parade.
- Trophies for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd places.
- Call Pat Greenwald, (412)795-5719, by May 15th if you think you can make it.

Thanks to Pat Greenwald for passing this on to us.

The Prez Sez

Holiday Party

At our March meeting, I and several of our members discussed the possibility of changing our Holiday Party to a different venue. Carmody's, I thought, was set up very nicely, but frankly, the food

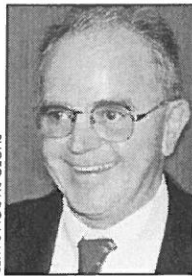


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Don Cekus

was disappointing for most of us. I was asked by some of the members to look into a new restaurant for our Holiday Party.

Mary Ellen and

I have found a nice

little Italian place called the La Villa, on Rt 8, just beyond Tom Henry Chevrolet.

We have eaten there on several occasions and find the food to be very good. La Villa is a family owned restaurant and yes, they do Holiday Parties. They have an open date for Sunday, Dec 28th, 2003. If La Villa is the restaurant of choice, we would have the place to ourselves since they are normally closed on Sundays, and would be open for our party only. We can talk further about this at our May 27th meeting at Kings Restaurant.

Don Cekus

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Mountaineer Gaming Resort Car Cruises

(CHESTER, WV)

This summer Mountaineer Gaming Resort will have four Car Cruises.

The first two cruises are on consecutive days, Saturday and Sunday, June 21st and 22nd. Anyone can enter a car for one, or both days. For anyone traveling a distance and desiring to be in the car cruise a second day, they have the option of booking a room and staying overnight. All cars (and they expect quite a few for all four cruises) will be displayed outside in a roped-in area. For people who will be staying overnight there will be security for the cars.

The third Cruise is on Saturday, July 19th (weekend of the National

Corvair Convention in Carlisle, PA). Some members not attending the Convention might want to go on this date.

The last Cruise will be held on Saturday, August 30th.

Mountaineer will be updating their web site www.mtrgaming.com in the next week or two to give times.

There is no charge for entering our Corvairs.

We can discuss it further at our next meeting.

Thanks to Emerick Buccigrossi for the above information

FOR SALE

- 1966 Monza Convertible
- 110/PG with a straight body.
- Car is in above average condition with 78,950 miles.
- Body is red with a white convertible top. Top is in good condition. Interior is white and was installed in 1998.
- Power Glide transmission rebuilt in 1999.
- Electronic ignition system installed.
- Larger oil pan with cooling fins installed.
- 12 plate oil cooler installed.
- New master cylinder. • New brake shoes.
- New tires (300 miles on them).
- Corvair Wire Wheel Covers.
- New seals installed 2 years ago.

Car traveled from Latrobe to VA and Latrobe to Gettysburg in 2000 without difficulty.

Driven very few miles since 2000

\$6,000

Ron Nicely

Latrobe, PA.

724 537-0228.

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Never Forget 09-11-01

**King's Restaurant • Route 910, off I-79 at Exit 73 (old exit 22)
Dinner at 6:30 p.m. • Meeting at 8:00 p.m.**

May 27, 2003

Next Meeting



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Western Pennsylvania Corvaair Club
236 W. Marigold Street
Munhall, PA 15120

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