



WEST MICHIGAN CORVAIR CLUB

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- What's Going On -

This month we will be starting our monthly Tuesday meetings for the winter. We will be meeting on September 21 at 7:30 PM at Brann's. The address is 4157 S. Division (between 36<sup>th</sup> St. and 44<sup>th</sup> St.). After the business portion of the meeting we will be watching a tech video.

- Coming Events -

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| <b>September 11</b>       | Celebration on The Grand Parade                            |
| <b>September 17 - 19</b>  | Hoosier Auto Show and Swap Meet, Indianapolis              |
| <b>September 21</b>       | WMCC General Meeting                                       |
| <b>October 10</b>         | Annual fall color tour with the West Michigan Pontiac Club |
| <b>October 19</b>         | WMCC General Meeting - nomination of officers              |
| <b>November 16</b>        | WMCC General Meeting - election of officers                |
| <b>December 7</b>         | WMCC Christmas Party                                       |
| <b>May 20, 2000</b>       | 4 <sup>th</sup> Annual WMCC Car Display and Swap Meet      |
| <b>July 18 - 22, 2000</b> | CORSA International Convention, Daytona Beach, Florida     |

- Fall Color Tour -

On Sunday, October 10 we will be joining the West Michigan Pontiac Club on a color tour. We will be meeting at the MC Sports on 28<sup>th</sup> St. SE (across from Woodland Mall) at 12:30 PM. We will then caravan down to Hastings where we will meet up with the Battle Creek GTO Club at 1:30. We will then be touring over to Paw Paw (with a stop to view a private car collection). Dinner will be at 5:00 in Paw Paw. We need to know how many people are attending so dinner reservations can be made. If you plan on participating, please let John Cole know by October 3.

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## - Classifieds -

**1960 Sedan** – baby blue interior and exterior, 63,000 miles, automatic, in good condition. Pete, (810) 230-9454 or [SnowStormO@aol.com](mailto:SnowStormO@aol.com).

**1961 Monza Coupe** – no rust or dents, it runs but needs new paint and minor mechanical work. Deb Taylor, (616) 834-9209.

**1963 Corvair** – needs TLC. Car is in New Mexico, pictures available upon request, make offer, (505) 758-3903.

**1964 Monza Coupe** – almost 100% original, interior worn some due to heat exposure, some surface rust, car runs and drives well. Michael Gluth, Birmingham, Alabama, (205) 970-6874.

**1965 Monzas** – Two convertibles that are restorable and three coupes that are parts cars. The convertibles are 110 hp. \$3000 or best offer for all. Lori Hibbs, Mt. Pleasant, (517) 775-8956.

**1965 Monza Coupe** – 140/4-sp., 16,000 miles on fully rebuilt powertrain, stored indoors for last 18 years, new brakes, tires, battery, nearly 100% mechanically restored, body is solid, interior is fair, many original and spare parts. See picture below. \$2500 obo. Bill Donahue, Grand Rapids, (616) 794-4863 (day), (616) 363-1103 (eve), email: [netadmin@extrudedmetals.com](mailto:netadmin@extrudedmetals.com).



**Parts** – 1965 Corvair engine and parts for sale. John Monroe, Lowell, (616) 897-6560 or [Sweepity@aol.com](mailto:Sweepity@aol.com).

**Wanted** – need information on where to rent or borrow a cradle for powertrain removal, Dave LaNew, (616) 374-8168.

## - Clark's Catalogs -

We still have three Clark's Corvair Parts catalogs for sale at \$5 each. They will be available at the September membership meeting.

## - Happy 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary -

Back in May we had the 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the last Corvair produced. In October we will be celebrating the 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the introduction of the Corvair. It was on October 2, 1959 that the Corvair appeared in showrooms of Chevrolet dealers across the nation. Happy 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Corvair!!



- WMCC 1990-1991 -

In 1990 Pat Murphy served as president of the West Michigan Corvair Club. The club meetings were held at Kool Chevrolet on Plainfield. Entertainment for the meetings featured watching technical videos and a presentation of car wax products to enhance the appearance of the Corvair. Club activities included a trip to the Auburn Cord Duesenberg Museum in Auburn, Indiana, a show at Ronda Tire in Jenison, a parade around the Kalamazoo Speedway, and a rally in the fall. The club was active on the parade circuit making appearances in the following parades: Grand Rapids Festival Parade, Milcreek Days in Comstock Park, Grand Haven Coast Guard Festival Parade, and the Kalamazoo Wine & Harvest Festival Parade. In fact, WMCC took first place in participation in the Wine & Harvest Festival Parade. The club was featured in an article in the Grand Rapids Press about our club "defending the Corvair." Tom and Darlene Burgess' car was pictured. Dan Konkle had a article appear in the August CORSA *Communique* about his participation in the MACA Road Rally.

Pat Murphy continued as WMCC president in 1991. The club started the year meeting at Kool Chevrolet on Plainfield but later move to Pizza Hut on 44<sup>th</sup> St. and Kalamazoo. Some entertainment at the meetings included a "guess the Corvair part" contest, a viewing of a video of automotive commercials from the 50's and 60's, and the movie "Tucker." Some of the other club activities included a party at Flip's Café, a car show at Ronda Tire, going to the Bryan, Ohio Corvair Show and winning a participation award, and working as volunteers at the GVSC Auction. There was also the annual color tour which was held in conjunction with a number of other car clubs from the West Michigan area. The parade schedule included the Festival Parade, a 4<sup>th</sup> of July Parade, the Grand Haven Coast Guard Festival Parade, and the Celebration on the Grand Parade.

## - West Michigan Corvair Club Officers -

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