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Upcoming Events

- April 18—General Meeting, Steve Ridderman's house
- May 2—Board Meeting
- May 6—Spring Dust Off
- May 16—General Meeting
- June 6—Board Meeting
- June 20—General Meeting
- July 24—NECC Track Event at Mosport International Raceway, Bowmansville, Ontario
- July 25 - 29—CORSA International Convention, Buffalo, NY
- August 5—WMCC Car Display at Gilmore Car Museum
- August 24 - 27—DACC Corvair Homecoming, Plymouth, MI

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What's Going On. . .

The next **General Meeting** will be on **Tuesday, April 18 at the home of Steve and Mary Ridderman.** Meeting time is 7:30. This will be a potluck event so please bring a dish to pass. Look for a map and more details on page 2.

There will be a **Spring Dust Off on May 6.** This will be a leisurely tour of the country side east of Grand Rapids. The tour will end at Rosie's in Rockford. Look for details of this on page 3.

There are other events coming up for the year and plans are in the works for many of those. **The Gilmore Show will be on August 5.** Plan to have your cars shined up and bring them out that day.

Also Mad Anthony will be having their annual show the third weekend in

May. There will be discussion at the general meeting about a caravan going to Fort Wayne for this.

This is a reminder that dues must be paid for 2006. If you have not paid please send in your check today. By paying you will avoid having your name listed in the newsletter and all the shame that goes with it.



Around the Club

On Saturday, April 7 a small group from the club gathered to assist Dan Konkle with his latest purchase.

Dan has purchased the car that belonged to Lowell Thomas. The car started life as a 1965 500 coupe. Lowell had begun the process of turning it into a Monza. Dan will convert it back to a 500. We look for-

ward to updates from Dan on this over the next few months (years?).

This car is like going down to the store and buying an old AMT Corvair model. Only this isn't 1/25 scale it is 1/1 scale. Many pieces and parts. But we all have faith in Dan's Corvair skills.

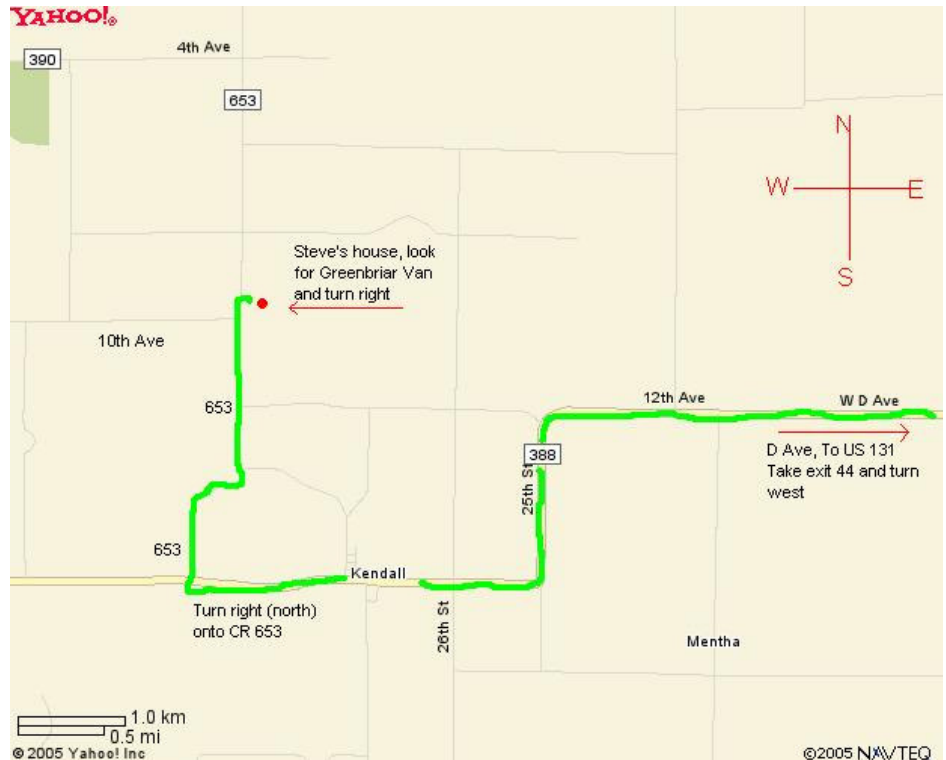
April Meeting at Steve's

This month's meeting will be a little bit different than the normal, but I do believe it will be just as exciting as any meeting.

This month's meeting will be held at Steve Ridderman's house. He lives south of Grand Rapids in the Gobles area. He has recently moved from his Plainwell house out into the boon-docks.

Please bring a dish to pass, and we will all feast like kings. The wives and kids are always more than welcome to attend as well.

To get there follow US131 south to the D Ave exit, exit 44, and then turn to the west and stay on D Ave (it will make a few 90 degree turns) and then turn north when you get to CR 653. Go north on CR 653 until you spot a Greenbrier, which will be just north of 10th Ave. Turn right into the driveway and you are there! If you have any problems give Steve a call at 269-628-2928 or on his cell at 269-998-1393



April Board Meeting

There were no minutes from the last board meeting as Gary left them at home

Treasury Report was given by John Koning

Old business –

Gilmore show – Steve talked to Clark Hartzel about maybe getting the Super Monza to be displayed at the show. In order for this to work the car would have to be shown indoors, and there are many insurance issues that come up. We talked about the possibility of a host hotel, but all Kalamazoo area hotels are booked for this weekend, and the cheapest room rate that could be found was \$150/night. Battle Creek hotels might be a better alternative. Talked about maybe having some activities during the show, maybe a fan belt toss or something.

submitted by Ryan Counterman

April will be the cutoff month for unpaid members. Was decided to go ahead and publish the unpaid members names in the April newsletter so they would know who they are.

New business –

We are going to start pushing for membership renewal starting in November this year to try to prevent such late membership as it is actually due in January.

June's meeting will be held at a Diner somewhere, location TBD

Fort Wayne show is 3rd weekend of May, add to the calendar of events. A group of WMCC members will probably be caravanning down, we will talk more about this at the general meeting.

CORSA Convention

I've been saying for some time now that CORSA members expecting to stay at the Adam's Mark hotel during the convention should book their rooms ASAP. The committee just received a report on the "take rate," and the rooms are going even faster than we expected. In fact, out of 350 available rooms (excludes suites), over 75% of them have been booked for Tuesday-Friday evenings.

It all comes down to this: at this rate, the remaining available rooms for Tuesday-Friday evenings will be spoken for well before the end of April. Everything connected to this convention seems to be moving at a very fast rate, including the hotel rooms! So, if it's your intention to stay at the host hotel, this organizing-committee member is trying to let you good folks know that you

need to contact the Adam's Mark immediately. You can call the chain's toll-free line at 1-800-444-2326, or call the Adam's Mark- Buffalo directly at 716-845-5100. Of course, there are other hotels in Buffalo, but none within walking distance of the host hotel. With so many events being held at the Adam's Mark, it is the most convenient place to stay during the convention. It's obvious to us that the availability of those conveniently-located rooms is quickly coming to an end. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

Jeff Clark, Treasurer

2006 Convention Committee

Spring Dust Off

Ok folks, its once again time to pull back the car covers, put a fresh charge on the battery, maybe change that gas-diluted oil, or even a new set of spark plugs and fire that ole Corvair back up again. We will be having our annual "Spring Dust Off" Saturday May 6th. We will be meeting at the McDonalds/Vitale's parking lot in Ada, Mi at 9:30am, as we will be leaving promptly at 10 and will be driving east down Fulton all the way to M66. At that point we will turn north, and drive up to Carson City Road, and will then turn back to the west and finish our tour ending up at Rosie's Dinner for lunch. A detailed map will be given out Saturday morning. This is defiantly a family event, so bring your family along! Who could pass up a tour through the countryside in a

bunch of cool cars? Please call Ryan if you have any questions or comments, 262-5467



Classified Ad

For Sale—1966 Monza Convertible - Rust substantial in floorboards. No engine, but includes carbs, alternator, starter, Powerglide, differential, air cleaner, etc. Car mostly complete. Restorable or use as parts car. Some extra parts and brand new brake drums included. Title clear. Asking \$400/best. Pick up only, I can't deliver it. Email Greg in Lansing, MI at gkharris@ameritech.net for pictures/more detail, or call 517-702-1592 ext. 2.

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