

Lifter Noise

Newsletter of the West Michigan Corvair Club



What's Going On

Our big event for this month is our annual chicken barbeque. The event will take place on Saturday, July 23 at the cottage of WMCC member Bob Muir. We will start gathering at 2 PM with dinner being served at 3 PM. The club will be providing the chicken, soft drinks, and table service. We are just asking that everyone bring a dish to pass as well as any other beverages you may desire and camping/lawn chairs. Bob's cottage is located at 7789 Margaret in West Olive. Parking in the driveway is limited so you should be able to park on the street. Look for a map at the end of this newsletter. If you get lost on your way out, you can reach Bob at 616-377-7233.

There will be no regular membership meeting this month.

The CORSA International Convention is taking place on July 12 – 16 in Springfield, IL. Is anyone from the club going down for it?

Coming in August we have the Red Barns Spectacular, our regular membership meeting, and the All GM Show

Air Cooled Show Recap

It was a beautiful day on June 18 for a drive to Gilmore Car Museum. Four Corvairs met up at our favorite Burger King in Kentwood to take a scenic drive down to Gilmore. When we arrived there were a few Corvairs there already and a few more showed up later on.

There was a total of 19 Corvairs at the show with nine of them hailing from the West Michigan Corvair Club. Most of the others were from the Detroit club and a Lakewood made the drive from Rochester, NY.

WMCC Calendar

July 12 – 16 – CORSA International Convention
July 23 – Summer BBQ
July 26 – WMCC Board Meeting
August 6 – Red Barns Spectacular at Gilmore
August 16 – WMCC Membership Meeting
August 27 – All GM Show at Berger Chevy
September 17 – 18 – WMCC Overnight Trip

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at Berger Chevrolet.

Planning continues for our overnight trip in September. The weekend and destination have been decided – we will be heading to the Studebaker Museum on September 17 – 18. Once plans are finalized, they will be published in the August edition of *Lifter Noise*.



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From the President

If you believe in luck, then you can firmly believe that the curators and owners of the Gilmore Car Museum must be fully blessed with it. After all, every event that's held there is done so under blue sky and radiant sun. This year was no different. We were blessed with fantastic weather. It was great to see Vairs in numbers along with a smattering of other worthy cars and Franklins. Wondering how a Crosley, with a beautiful resto job, qualified as an air-cooled car but the owner also brought two Messerschmitt cycle-cars. Well OK then. Next year RY brings the V-8 Vair.

If you don't believe in luck, then you can also believe that the Club Calendar was also an innocent victim. While the cruise out to Culver's in Grand Haven was great for several members who attended the June General Meeting, they quickly discovered that the Culver's Cruise Night is Thursday, rather than Tuesday. Since I published the Calendar, I take full responsibility for that oversight. However, the trip was not wasted. It seems that the Culver's parking lot barely holds enough patrons. Didn't look like a lot of room for classic cars. We learn all the time.

In search of new "digs" for winter meetings, your Board personally paid a visit to a new establishment on the Northeast side of town – SHOTS (formerly the Westwood Ranch) located on West River Road at the Meijer Bike Trail. Two meeting-type rooms are available without charge. Menu was typically large, sampled food was quite good, and plenty of beverage choices. At this point we'll work the place into future plans and give it a try. During non-Whitecap and Orange-Cone season, the drive East off 131 should be quick and

June Meeting Recap

Our June meeting was held at Culver's in Grand Haven. We thought that Tuesday night was their cruise night but it turns out it is on Thursday night. No worries though as the eight Corvairs that did show up (plus a few other members not in Corvairs) had a great time. We got to enjoy the beautiful weather on the patio while eating our meals. A few of us even went back in for some ice cream.

So even though we didn't make the regular cruise night, we still had a great time. Besides, we were wondering where they do put all the cars on the regular

more convenient for our Spring Lake, Muskegon and Northern contingent.

Speaking of trying something NEW, your Board decided to try a quaint little place for our August General Meeting – The Coney Island Drive-In, 48th and Division, east side of street.

I believe it has Dog N Suds roots so it's comfortably recognizable. Apparently the owner is a talented one-person show. August 16th, mark your calendars. I'll also do a double-check just to be sure before sending out a "Reminder E-Mail".

I'm sure you're already planning on being a part of our WMCC Summer Picnic, Saturday 7/23. Bob Muir, Board member and all-around good-guy, will be our gracious host at his house on Lake Michigan, West Olive. RY will be our chicken "Grill Master" and we'll have plenty of complimentary soda and water for all. Dish to pass and BYOB. Watch for greater directions and details soon from Dave Z.

Further research was done on three Over-Night 2016 Excursion suggestions. After Board review it appears that the Studebaker National Museum RV Hall of Fame, South Bend, Indiana was the favored destination. The drive will be closer and much easier. Lodging will be more affordable. We'll also have the infamous RV Hall of Fame Museum within a 20 minute drive. Dates are still September 17 & 18. Hail Avanti!

Respectfully, Dave D.

night; the parking lot is not very big.



June Board Meeting Recap

The June board meeting took place on June 28 at Shots in Comstock Park with Ryan Counterman, Dave Dykwell, Dan Konkle, Doug Lectka, Bob Muir, and Dave Ziebarth in attendance.

Air Cooled Show

- Great turnout of Corvairs
- Everyone felt it was a great show
- We're planning on attending next year

June Membership Meeting

- It turns out Culver's car show is actually on Thursdays, not Tuesdays
- We did have a good turnout of Corvairs
- Culver's parking lot seemed small anyway so maybe it worked out for the best

Summer BBQ

- July 23 at Bob Muir's cottage
- Determined start time to be 2 PM with dinner being served at 3 PM
- Doug will bring soft drinks
- Dave Dykwell and Dave Ziebarth will look at what table service items they may have left from the Zoup Off
- Dave Dykwell will bring plastic bags or containers for leftover chicken
- Bob Muir will bring dessert
- Ryan Counterman will get the chicken and bring his homemade barbeque sauce
- Everyone else to bring a dish to pass and other beverages of choice
- They should bring chairs as well
- Parking in the driveway is limited so they will have to park on the street

Other July Options

- Berlin Raceway on July 2
- Coast Guard Festival Car Show on July 30 in Grand

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There were also a few Franklins, Porsches, and Volkswagens on display as well as a few microcars.



Haven

- Great show according to Dave Dykwell
- Should arrive by 7 AM; show ends at 2 PM

Overnight Trip

- Discussed various options including the Henry Ford Museum, Auburn/Cord Museum, and Studebaker Museum
- Decided on Studebaker Museum due to proximity to Grand Rapids and it would be the best value
- The RV Museum is nearby as well
- September 17 – 18
- Dave Dykwell will find hotel rooms

Shots for Meetings

- Best to wait for fall meetings to avoid road construction and traffic for Whitecaps games
- Can make reservations
- They have two meeting rooms available

August Meeting

- Coney Island Drive In on Division
- Ryan had lunch there but is not sure if it's open for dinner
- Dave Ziebarth will follow up on their hours

Miscellaneous Topics

- Whitecaps Game
 - Zero response from membership; will not pursue further
- Tech Night
 - New O rings for Dave Dykwell's car
 - Perhaps in August
- Board Meeting July 26 at Bunker Hill in Burnips
- Convention Shirts
 - Last call at summer picnic
 - Will donate after the picnic

This is one show we always look forward to.



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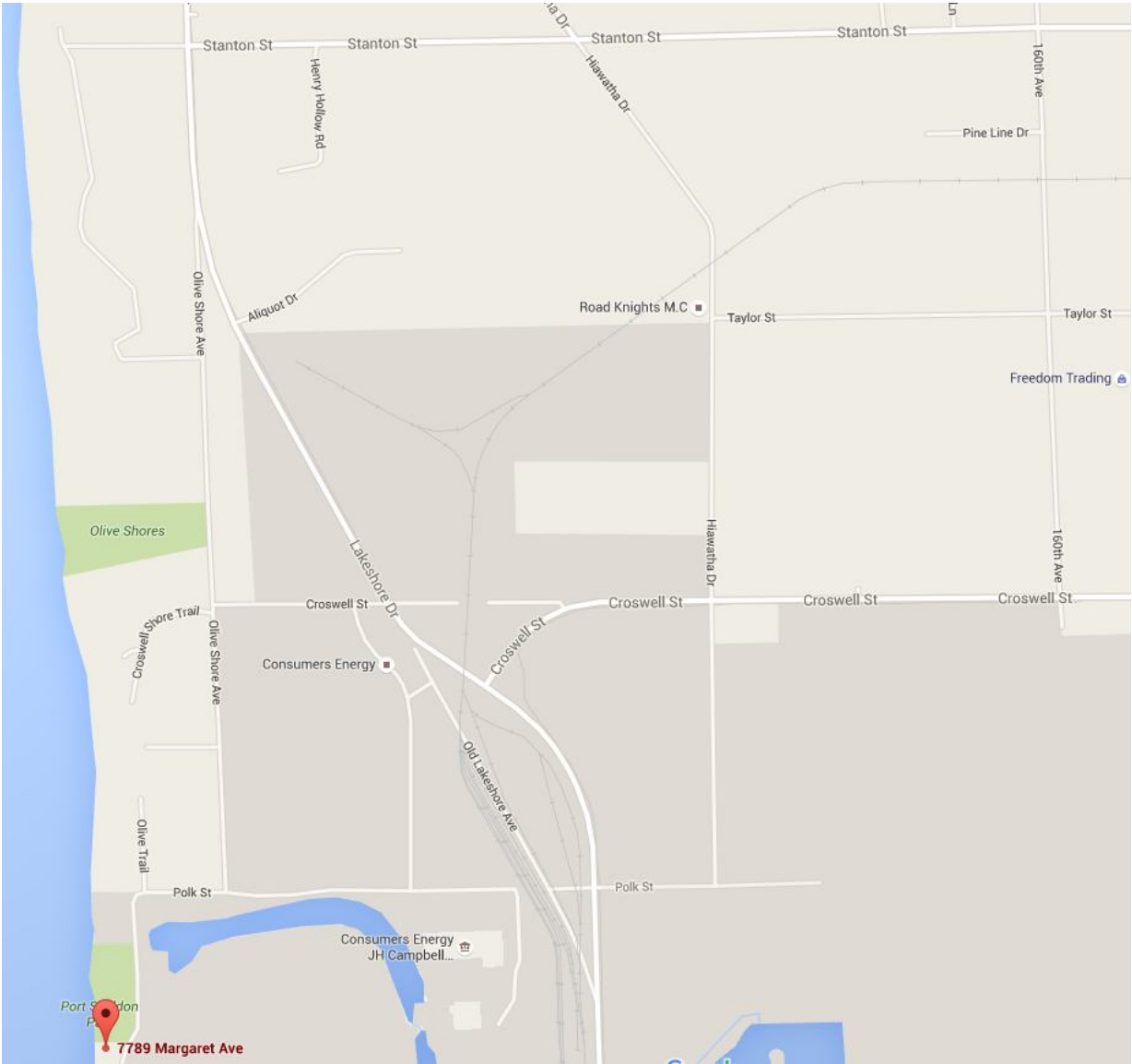
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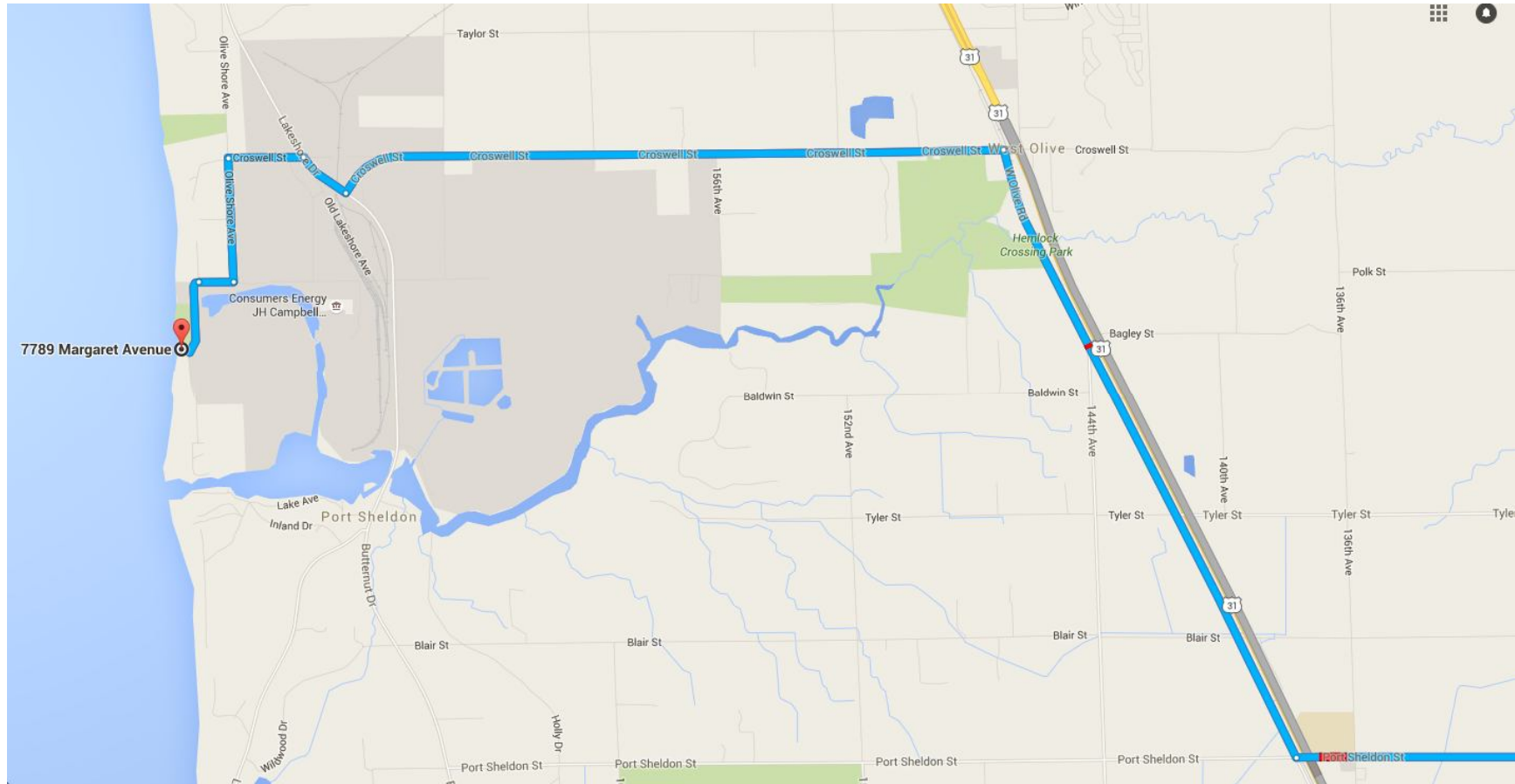
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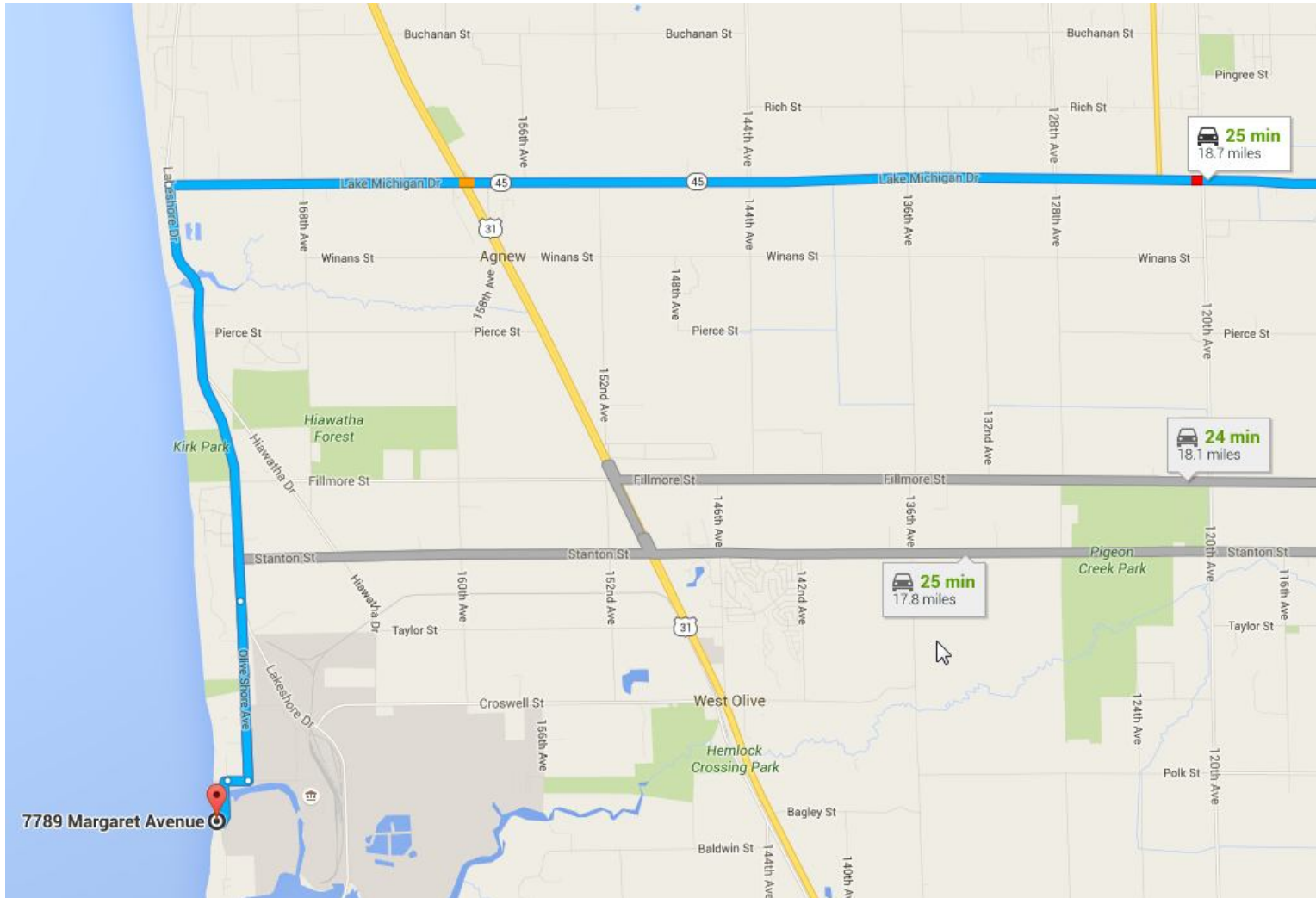


From the southern part of Grand Rapids:



- Make your way to Port Sheldon and take that west to US 31 and go north; if you're further south, you might want to pick a different way to US 31 north. You can also take West Olive Road north that runs along US 31.
- Turn left (west) on Croswell St.
- Turn right (northwest) on N Lakeshore Drive
- Turn left (west) on Croswell St.
- Turn left (south) on Olive Shore Ave.
- Turn right (west) on Polk St.
- Follow curve to Margaret Ave.; Bob's cottage is on the right

From the northern part of Grand Rapids:



- Make your way to Lake Michigan Drive (M-45) and go west
- Turn left (south) on N Lakeshore Drive
- Veer right on Olive Shore Ave.
- Turn right (west) on Polk St.
- Follow curve to Margaret Ave.; Bob's cottage is on the right