

# Lifter Noise

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## What's Going On

February features the return of the Zoup Off! We are excited to bring this event back on Saturday, February 11 at 2:00 PM! Just as before the pandemic, it will be held in the community room at Rockford Ambulance, 8450 Shaner Ave. NE in Rockford (corner of 10 Mile Rd. and Shaner Ave.). We will be awarding prizes for the best soup and best dessert. The coveted trophies will also be awarded. In addition to your soups and dessert, we are asking everyone to bring their own beverages. Dave Dykwell is working on the entertainment. Also, whoever currently has a trophy from our last Zoup Off, can you please bring it so we can pass it on to this year's winners?

Put Saturday, May 20 on your calendar. We will be holding our Spring Dust Off on that day. More details to come.

We will be having a reduction in club events in 2023. We will have the usual "bigger" events - Zoup Off, Spring Dust Off, Summer Picnic, Fall Color Tour, and Christmas Party. We hope to sprinkle a tech session or two in as well. We may add an event or two to the calendar as we see fit. We also encourage you to attend shows on your own with your cars. If you know of a show, feel free to share it with Dave Ziebarth and he will add it to the event calendar.

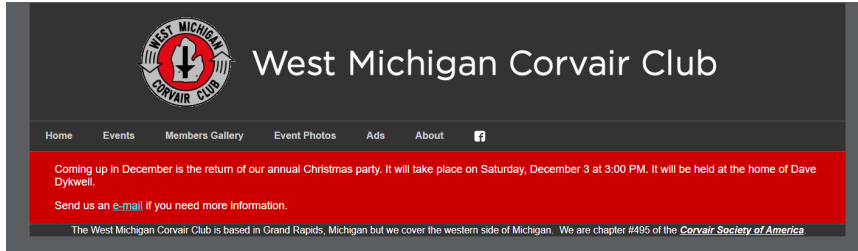
You can now start paying your dues for 2023. Dues are still \$18. You can bring them to the Zoup Off or mail them to the address on the last page of this newsletter.

Our club President, Dave Dykwell, gives an update later in this newsletter on some of our members who need your thoughts at this time. If you would like to reach out to them either with an email or card, you can send me an email at [zvair65@gmail.com](mailto:zvair65@gmail.com) and I can get you contact information.

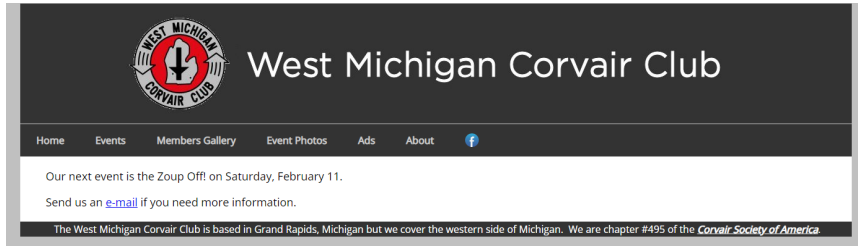
## Website Updates

The next time you log in to the club website, you may notice some changes. The colors and overall look has been updated. Also added were pictures from last year's events. Check it out at <https://www.corvair.org/chapters/chapter495/index.php>. Look below for a comparison of the old and new site.

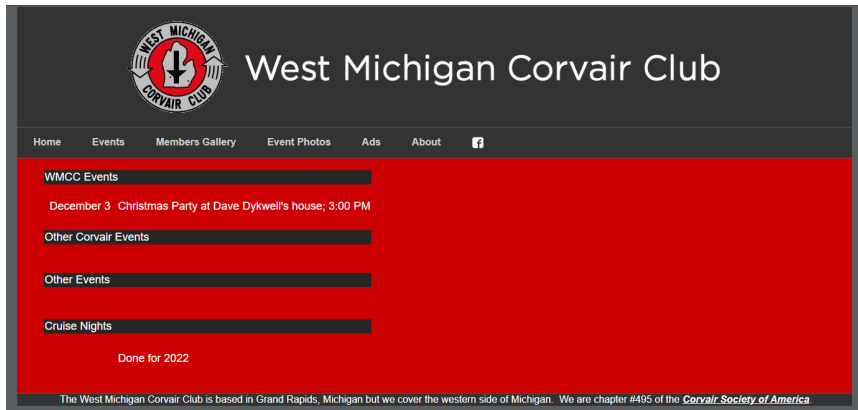
Old home page:



New home page:



Old events listing:



New events listing:



## Christmas Party Recap

Our last event we held was the Christmas Party back in December. The party was hosted by Dave and Marilyn Dykwell and we had a great turnout. The club provided the main entree of ham and a couple of side dishes. Everyone else brought an appetizer or dessert. There was no shortage of food! After food and fellowship, Santa Dave gave away a few presents. It appears there were enough presents for everyone in attendance. Thank you to Dave and Marilyn for hosting us! Below are a couple of pictures from the party. Look for more pictures on the club website at <https://www.corvair.org/chapters/chapter495/2022.php>.



## President's Prose

*By Dave Dykwell*

Flying back from vacation, I was thinking about how we (the world) have been impacted by the Pandemic. After two plus years of hype, confusion and discomfort most of us are back doing whatever it was we were doing before normal vanished overnight. However, things have certainly changed - good and/or bad. Sadly, we lost a lot of small business, organizations, groups – social contacts. I'm glad we still have the West Michigan Corvair Club. Sure attendance at our meetings and events were down. That was to be expected. But it appears we've turned the corner to a New Normal and our Board, as well as I, are excited about the year(s) ahead of us. In fact, did you know that 2024 will be our Club's 50th Anniversary ... same as Detroit Area Corvair Club!

The first big change for WMCC, is a reduction in monthly General Meetings as well as in-person monthly Board Meetings. Your Board has selected several of the most favored events which gives us a more open but focused calendar. These will be our General Meetings. A copy of the 2023 Calendar of Events is included in this newsletter. Review it and Save The Dates. Of course, any member is welcome to attend Board Meetings, if only for the bebidas.

Speaking of membership, I wanted to provide a brief update on some of our own. Paul and Barb Adams are doing fine. Paul has had knee issues and will be having robotic surgery to replace the left side first followed by the right after initial rehab. Paul is looking forward to better mobility so he and Barb can get back to participating. Dave Teppo will be having some serious Heart Surgery to address issues with an Aortic Aneurysm. I believe he said first of February. Carolyn, Ry and Edison will be welcoming twins into their family on or near February 16th. Carolyn said she's ready now! Danielle and Dennis are back in Florida and both are recovering extremely well from broken bones and ant-bites. Please keep these members in your thoughts and prayers. Lastly, I wish to welcome Matt Zerilli as our newest Board member. Young blood is better than synthetic oil in my mind.

I'm not exactly sure when you'll be reading this – now that's an assumption huh – but I want to make sure you're aware of our next Event, the Annual Zoup Off. Always a great time in an excellent private facility. So, breakout your award-winning soup and dessert recipes for a chance to win an amazing trophy and bragging rights.

# OUR 50TH ANNIV – 2023

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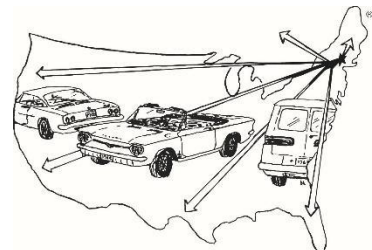
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## WMCC Calendar

February 11	Zoup Off at Rockford Ambulance Community Room; 2:00 PM
May 20	Spring Dust Off with DACC - tour to Barntopia in Grand Ledge
June 18	Fathers Day Car Show in Charlton Park in Hastings
July 15	Summer Picnic
August 5	Red Barns Spectacular at Gilmore Car Museum
October 14	Fall Color Tour
December 9	Christmas Party

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