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New Jersey Association of Corvair Enthusiasts

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**Monthly Breakfast Meeting
February 3rd - 9 am at the Pronto Deli**



**.....to the NJACE Parts Auction, February 17th at
Ashley's Auto Body, Flanders, NJ.
Details and directions are inside this month's newsletter!!!!**

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NJACE is a chapter of the Corvair Society of America (CORSA), Inc., P.O. Box 607, Lemont, IL 60439. Meetings of NJACE are held periodically at locations and times as announced in this newsletter. All interested persons are welcome. Additional events and activities are held throughout the year. Membership in NJACE is open to individuals and families. Information and applications are available at any meeting or by writing to NJACE, P.O. Box 631, Ridgewood, NJ 07451, or by visiting www.corvair.org/chapters/njace.

If Only They Could Talk

by
Ron DeYoung

I purchased my first Corvair in 1971 for my wife. It was her first car, a white 1964 convertible with red interior. The \$350 asking price was about the most I could afford at the time. Since then, I have had over twenty Corvairs. I began to drive a Corvair to work - as did my wife. They were a cheap, but reliable vehicle and I was able to the maintenance on them. In 1991 I bought a 1965 "500" two door with only 38,000 miles on it. I used it as my daily driver to work in Springfield, NJ. Twenty-six miles on the Parkway was taking a toll on the car, so I retired it from daily use.

Corvairs were no longer found in Bergen County, but a friend of mine told me about an old car junk yard near Hackettstown of Rt. 57. He said that there were a lot of 50's and 60's cars out there and it was called "Kober's". When the spring came I took a day off from work and headed off to the yard. The yard was surrounded by corn fields and the cars lined the the side of a small hill to a valley of trees. I said hello to Gabe, who ran the place, and he said that there were many Corvairs. I grabbed my tools and off I went for a great adventure. The vegetation was heavy around the cars and many of the Vairs had good parts to offer. I returned many times for parts for my "500". "Kober's" closed about five years ago and the cars went to the crusher. I have found other junk yards in NJ & Pa. and I'll write about them in the months ahead. I try to get to some old yard twice a year, usually I'm the only one there - but it's a good peaceful and relaxing day and you'll never know what Corvair goodies you might find!

NJACE's February Parts Auction

February brings one of the signature events of the year, the indoor Parts Auction on Saturday, February 17th, at Ashley's Auto Body in Flanders. This event is always well-attended, lots of fun and draws participants from several surrounding Corvair clubs. Come for the show, come for the excitement. Here are the details:

Corvair parts and related items are auctioned to the highest bidders, with a percentage of the sale price benefiting NJACE. You can buy, sell, do both or do neither. You can set a minimum acceptable bid for your parts, or no minimum bid at all. NJACE will collect a commission of 20% of the sale price for items up to \$50, 10% of the sale price for items over \$50. You may also donate items for the full benefit of the club. All you need to bring is parts and/or cash, and a folding chair on which to sit.

If you're selling, please organize your parts at home, using the Lot Cards that will be available at our Breakfast Meeting on February 3rd. On the Lot Cards identify yourself, the parts, and a minimum bid. (If you put no minimum bid on an item the minimum accepted will be one dollar.) Then bring the parts and the Lot Cards the day of the auction.

On auction day there will be about an hour to set up your parts and tag them if you have not yet done so. If you don't want to be bothered tagging your parts and you just want to donate them to the club, just bring 'em and we'll handle everything.

Clean parts in good condition, parts that are less common,

and new-old-stock parts always do well at these events. Leave the bent, rusty trim, greasy, broken junk parts and the broken manifolds at home. Also, we generally have more hub caps than buyers.

Buyers and sellers will each have numbers, our able assistants will record each transaction for settlement at the end of the auction and NJACE provides lunch (pizza and soda). But, the best part about the auction is a chance to get together with a great bunch of people. The auction is fast paced and a lot of fun. Our expert auctioneers will keep it moving and it is never dull. So come out on Saturday, the 17th by 10:00 AM for setup, and bidding starts at 11:00 AM. Bring parts! Bring cash! Bring a chair!

Directions to Ashley's Auto Body: From the east, west, and north: Take I-80 exit 27 onto Rte 206 south. Proceed about 3 miles south on Rte 206. At the 3rd traffic light, with the Old Mill Shoppe on the right, turn left onto Main St. In 1/10-mile bear left onto Hillside Ave, proceed 8/10-mile to Ashley's Auto Body, on the left.

From the south: Follow Rte 206 about 5 miles north of Rte 24 in Chester. At the traffic light just beyond "The After" roadside restaurant, turn right onto Main St. In 1/10-mile bear left onto Hillside Ave. Proceed 8/10-mile to Ashley's Auto Body, on the left. Lost? Call 973-584-7184.

Don't miss it!



Holiday Party 2007 Pictures

Here are a few pictures from the Holiday Party held at Rupert's Restaurant in Riverdale last month. Thanks to Dave Main for arranging a great time!!!!!!!



Left- Roberta & Brian O'Neill listen as Rich "Ribs" Ribble pontificates on, well.....who knows?????
Center- Pat & Curt Stone and Steve Calandra enjoy a pre-dinner conversation.
Right- Kathy Stetler prepares the presents for her hosting of the "Gift Game".



Left- Ray Coker shares a laugh with Sue & David Main.
Center- Tim Schwartz, Barbara & Ron DeYoung and Ken Schiffner having a post dinner discussion.
Right- Bob Marlow and Sandor Kovacs anticipating the dessert part of the evening.

About thirty (30) something NJACE members attend the Holiday Party at Rupert's Restaurant on January 14th

Given our own private room, we made the most of it is sharing some good food, laughter, friendship.... and gifts. Did I say "gifts"?

Kathy Stetler played Mrs. Claus and with Greg Gorski making sure everyone drew in the proper order, all sorts of interesting gifts were exchanged. The ones involving adult beverages, candy, adult beverages, a bird feeder, adult beverages, and candy were very popular. Then there was the Chevrolet book that Sandor Kovacs just had to have. Some exchanges fell into the dreaded "endless loop" cycle wherein an observer would go cross-eyed trying to follow the same three gifts going from person to person. Thank goodness no one was injured in the exchange.

The whole procedure, after lots of laughter, came to a merciful end when the last box (ironically....candy) was opened.

NJACE Events: 2007

By Ken Schifftner

Some NJACE events for 2007 are beginning to take shape.

A calendar is being prepared for hand out at the Auction at Ashley's Garage on February 17th. The "fixed" dates will be shown leaving you to pencil (or even "pen") in any new activities and their respective times.

Plans are for presentations or discussions at each of our quarterly meetings. (If you have an idea or want to present something, please contact Ken Schifftner). The next quarterly meeting will be March 14th at the Mt. Olive Grill.

Current key events are the swap meet in Franklin, NJ on April 14th, a trip to the Northlandz model train display in Flemington in May and a fall foliage tour and dinner on a steam train in October. Some folks will be going to Detroit in July for the CORSA Convention in July. Plus there will be Tech Sessions thrown in here and there....please stay tuned!



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NJACE Calendar of Events

* **Saturday, February 3, 2007 - Monthly Breakfast Meeting** at the Pronto Deli, 99 Ridgedale Ave., Cedar Knolls, NJ @ 9 am.

Directions: Ridgedale Ave intersects NJ Rte 10 just west of I-287 and just east of US Rte 202. From I-287 take the exit for Rte 10 west. Proceed through the traffic light at Ridgedale Ave to the U-turn at Dryden Way. Return east on Rte 10 to Ridgedale Ave and turn right. the Pronto Deli is about one mile down Ridgedale Ave on the left.

* **Saturday, February 17, 2007 - NJACE Parts Auction** at the Ashley's Auto Body Shop, Hillside Ave, Flanders, NJ - Lost call [973] 584-7184 See the associated news article on page 2 of this months edition of "the Fanbelt" for details and directions.

* **Saturday, March 3, 2007 - Monthly Breakfast Meeting** at the Pronto Deli, 99 Ridgedale Ave., Cedar Knolls, NJ @ 9 am.

The Delaware Valley Corvair Club, Inc. will host a car show on Saturday, May 5, 2007, rain date May 12 at the First Baptist Church grounds, 6131 Emilie Road, Levittown, PA. All cars are welcome & the time for the show is 9 am to 3 pm \$12.00. Trophies, door prizes, food and fun. Contact Ron Peles rpeles@earthlink.net - developing.....

Events marked with an [*] count towards the **NJACE Mary Paxton & Bill Ableson Awards.**