

# On the Air

Newsletter of the Arkansas Corvair Club ■ CORSA Chapter 722

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## Nine ACC members already registered for Cruisin' Branson Lights, August 16 -18

*The Palace Inn is filling up, but there's plenty of other lodging places if you'd like to join us for the event that Branson describes as "America's kooolest traffic jam."*

**T**he folks in Branson will be in for a treat when our contingent of Arkansas Corvairs assembles to cruise the Country Boulevard strip, at midnight, on Saturday August 17, for the 8th Annual Cruisin' Branson Lights.

This year's event, officially scheduled for August 15-18, is being billed as featuring over 1,000 vehicles, over 80,000 spectators, and 36 class awards.

More than just a midnight cruise on historic Country Boulevard, the Cruisin' Branson Lights event is a four-day auto show, including 25,000 sq. feet of automotive vendors and world famous automotive personalities. The event is open to all cars and trucks.

Entrants also participate in daily show-and-shine displays at Branson USA Entertainment Park, with unlimited access. And, all entrants are eligible to win thousands of dollars in

cash and prizes.

You'll find information about Cruisin' Branson Lights on the event's official Web site. The address is:

[www.bransoncarshow.com](http://www.bransoncarshow.com).

However, when we last checked (May 13) they had not updated the Web site's content with information for the 2002 event. Hopefully, the site will be updated soon with dates for this year and a current registration form.

A group of ACC members will be staying at the Palace Inn, on Country Boulevard. The Palace Inn was recently purchased by Clarion Hotels and is changing its name to Clarion at the Palace. Contact the Inn at 800 725-2236 (800 PALACE-N) or 417 334-7666. You can also fax them at 417 334-7720. Also, you can visit the Inn's Web site at:

[www.branson.com/branson/melody/palace.htm](http://www.branson.com/branson/melody/palace.htm)

## ACC News Clips

### No Tuesday meeting in June

The Arkansas Corvair club will NOT hold a regular monthly meeting in June. This is due to the fact that many members will be attending the 2001 CORSA International Convention, in Flagstaff, Arizona, June 25-29.

We will hold regular monthly meetings in May and July.

### Larry and Debbie Levy hosting ACC party and potluck Saturday, June 8

Join fellow ACC-ers for a summer BBQ and potluck meal at the home of Larry and Debbie Levy, Saturday, June 8, from 6:00 p.m. until ???

Larry and Debbie will provide the BBQ meat and beverages. Bring your favorite potluck dish or dessert.

To find the Levy's home, from I-430, follow Highway 10 (Cantrell Rd.) west. Just past the Harvest Foods, turn right on Rummel Road. Follow Rummel as it curves around and bears right. Watch for Countryside Cove as your first right. Turn right on to Countryside. The Levy home (#2) will be on your left and on the corner. ■

### May meeting at Western Sizzlin Steak House in North Little Rock

On Tuesday, May 21, we will once again meet at the Western Sizzlin' Steak House restaurant, 5306 JFK Boulevard, in North Little Rock. The restaurant is one block north of the intersection of McCain Blvd. and JFK Blvd.

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**"Corvairs bring friends together."**



Thanks for supporting the Arkansas Corvair

We'll use this opportunity to thank two of our members who are continuing to support the Corvair hobby in Arkansas by renewing their ACC membership dues.

We are sincerely grateful to **Chuck Jolley**, of Hardy, and to **Weaver Majors**, of Little Rock, for their continued financial support.

Although we don't see these members often, we very much appreciate

their interest in Corvairs and their support for our CORSA chapter.

Since our primary source of income is our membership dues, we rely on your support to publish our newsletter and maintain our good standing with CORSA. Your support is vital.

Again, we pass along our sincere thanks to Chuck Jolley and Weaver Majors for their loyal sup-

*One good turn signal deserves another...*

Silverado truck repair redirects thoughts to Corvair's ubiquity

*Elvis King*

When my life-long friend and Great American, Jerry Wilkins, (He's the fellow that gave me those matching ovens for my powder coating projects.), bought his new Chevrolet Silverado, he decided to keep his 1982 Silverado as a beater and for hauling his Sears store refuse to the Conway Corp waste disposal site.

A while back, one of his employees, on such a run, allowed his brain to slip into screen-saver mode. Instead of selecting the correct steering column lever to adjust the tilt of

the vintage truck's steering wheel, he flexed the cruise control/turn signal lever, fore and aft, until it broke. He left it hanging by the wires, never to resume again.

Recently we took a day to visit and to see about repairing the inoperative turn signal. When he popped the horn button, I saw a very familiar pattern of the circular triangle layout of the horn screws and their insulating tubes. I might as well have been

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**ACC Dues Alert**

In an effort to keep everyone informed about the status of your ACC membership dues, we are publish a membership *Dues Alert* in every issue of *On the Air*.

The *Dues Alert* lists names of members who are past due, those due for the current month, and those due the following month.

Dues are \$15.00 for regular membership and \$10.00 for associate members. Please mail payments to: **Arkansas Corvair Club, P.O. Box 627, Little Rock, AR 72203.**

Here are the names that are due for **Apr** and **May**.

**Past Due** Clyde Jones  
Bill Reves

**Due May** Blair Buckley  
Glen White

Please disregard if you've already paid or mailed your check. **We appreciate your support.** ■

Happy Birthday  
to our ACC associates  
born in May.

Don Coget  
May 1

Steve Simmons  
May 3

Brenna Smith  
May 9

Melissa Levy  
May 11

Ryan MacLeod  
May 13

Robert 'Bob' Berry  
May 15

Sharon Evans  
May 26

Lynn Gates  
May 28

Happy Anniversary  
to  
Clyde & Dee Jones  
May 8 (26 years)

## ACC April Meeting Minutes



JB King

The Arkansas Corvair Club met at the Western Sizzlin Steak House, in North Little Rock, on Tuesday, April 16, 2002.

The meeting was called to order by president, Al Embrey.

Members were delighted to meet in person and welcome Glen Gottsponer to the meeting. Our club is indebted to Glen for a very generous donation made to us in December 2000.

### Old Business

Bill Smith handed out registration forms for Cruisin' Branson Lights, August 16-18 in Branson, Missouri. Several members filled out their forms and gave them to Bill. He will mail them in together to reduce the entry fee.

Clyde and Dee Jones have reserved 10 rooms at the Palace Inn for August 16-17. Members were urged to make their reservations now and request rooms that are in our ACC block.

Bill also mentioned that he gave Ken Franson ACC documents for the Web site he's building for our club. Ken still needs car pictures and other items

from club members. He also plans to include a classified section in this Web site.

### New Business

Former ACC member, Freddy Horne, asked us to announce that he is selling his 1963 Corvair Monza convertible. The car is red with a black top.

A motion was made and seconded that we accept the slate of officers that we nominated at the March meeting. The vote passed unanimously.

Our ACC officers elected for 2002-03 are:

<b>President</b>	Stew MacLeod (for 3rd term)
<b>Vice President</b>	Larry Levy
<b>Secretary</b>	JB King (perpetual)
<b>Treasurer</b>	Elvis King (perpetual)

### Levy's Hosting party on June 8

Larry and Debbie Levy invited ACC members to their home, on Saturday, June 8, at 6:00 p.m., for a club party.

After toying with the thought of advertising this gathering as our "Annual Drunken Brawl," they settled on calling the event a potluck meal, with Larry and Debbie providing the meat and drinks. Larry and Debbie live in West Little Rock, off Highway 10, at 2 Countryside Cove. See more information about the June 8 event on page 1.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

JB King

### One good turn signal *continued*

looking at a Corvair horn!

After pulling the steering wheel and exposing the intact turn signal switch, I removed the screw that held down the broken stub remaining on the switch. From a shelf in my shop I retrieved a turn signal arm left there after I had put a new shiny replacement on my 1966 Monza some time ago. The fit and angle were perfect. Even the rust freckles of the Corvair part matched the rust patterns of the real tilt lever.

With everything back in place, the turn signals worked again. Of course the cruise still does not work, but my friend got his turn signals back, fully functioning, and at no cost.

Perhaps a better lesson, from of this story of upgrading a Silverado truck with a Corvair part, is that an unbroken turn/cruise control lever from a GM truck of the 1980's era can be used to make a factory-looking cruise control lever for a late model Corvair.

Happy motoring... ■

## FOR SALE

### 1964 Monza Convertible

Clean. 4-speed, red exterior, paint 3 years old. 5-star rims. Very good condition.

Trophy winner. Drive anywhere. Comes with extra 110 h.p. engine, carbs, generator, plus a locker of miscellaneous parts.

Asking \$3,900. Contact Freddie Horne, Nashville, Arkansas. Phone 870-845-3261 (work) or 870-845-0030 (home). Or e-mail: [hornef@nsd.dmsc.k12.ar.us](mailto:hornef@nsd.dmsc.k12.ar.us)

Will deliver parts if needed.

## Welcome New Members

We are delighted to welcome new members to the Arkansas Corvair Club.

They are **Warren and Debbie Rogers** of North Little Rock.

You might have met Warren and Debbie when they attended our February meeting—our first at the Western Sizzlin. Remember the flood?

Warren and Debbie own a very nice 1964 Monza convertible, which they purchased from ACC members Corey and Lauri Holtz.

We welcome Warren and Debbie to our Corvair fold and we look forward to getting to know them and working with them to promote the Corvair hobby in Arkansas. ■

2002 CORSA International Convention  
June 25 - 29, in Flagstaff, Arizona





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first class  
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*"Promoting the maintenance,  
enjoyment, and preservation of  
the Chevrolet Corvair."*

## Arkansas Corvair Club Information

### Meetings

The Arkansas Corvair Club (ACC) meets on the 3rd Tuesday of each month. We are currently seeking a new permanent meeting site and will publish the new location ASAP.

### May Meeting

The ACC will meet Tuesday, **May 21**, 7:00 p.m., at the Western Sizzlin Steak House, N. Little Rock.

Join us at 6:00 p.m. for food and fellowship prior to the meeting. The club offers an array of merchandise for sale—oil filters, gas filters, hats, decals, patches, T-shirts and more.

### Officers

**President:** Stew MacLeod, 28305 Bandy Rd., Little Rock, AR 72211, 501 821-3622.

**Vice-President:** Larry Levy, 2 Countryside Cove, Little Rock, AR 72212, 501 868-5825 (evening).

**Treasurer:** Elvis King, 21305 N. Mill Rd., Little Rock, AR 72206, 501 888-1224 (evening).

**Secretary:** JB King, 21305 N. Mill Rd., Little Rock AR, 72206, 501 888-1224 (evening).

**Elected Board:** Allan Embrey, 501 834-5373; Ronnie MacLeod, 821-3622; Clyde Jones, 479 774-6789; Bill Smith, 501 843-8413.

**Appointed Board:** Pending.

### Committee Chairs

**Membership:** Elvis King

**Publicity:** Bill Smith

**Newsletter Editor:** Bill Smith, 370 Windwood Drive, Cabot, AR 72023, 501 843-8413.

**Newsletter Advertising:**

Non-members and businesses:  
\$100/year full page; \$60-½ page;  
\$35-¼ page.

**Program & Events:** Open

**Technical & Safety:** Keith LaCrosse, 26 Woodlawn Dr., Beebe, AR 72012, 501 882-5040.  
Butch Chapman, P.O. Box 243, Jacksonville, AR 72078, 501 676-6693 (day time).

**Points:** JB King

**ACC Mission:** The mission of the Arkansas Corvair Club (ACC) is to promote the maintenance, enjoyment, and preservation of all types of Corvairs and related vehicles, and to advance and improve driving skills, automobile safety, and the Corvair's image.