

On the Air

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Stroll with me...

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Stroll with me...close your eyes and go back. I'm talking about sitting on the curb, on the stoop, about hide-and-go-seek, Simon says, and red-light-green-light. Lunch boxes with a thermos, chocolate milk, penny candy from the store, skates with keys, jacks and Cracker Jacks, Hula Hoops, wax lips and mustaches, Mary Janes, saddle shoes.

When around the corner seemed far away, and going downtown seemed like going somewhere. Climbing trees, making forts, backyard shows, lemonade stands, cops and robbers, cowboys and Indians, staring at clouds, jumping on the bed, pillow fights, ribbon candy, angel hair on the Christmas tree, walking to the movie theater, running until you were out of breath,

laughing so hard that your stomach hurt...re-member that?

Remember when it was considered a great privilege to be taken out to dinner at a real restaurant with your parents. When the worst thing you could do at school was flunk a test or chew gum.

Remember when a '62 Corvair was someone's first dream car. Remember lying on your back in the grass with your friends and saying things like, "That cloud looks like a..."

Sometimes, don't you wish you could slip back in time and savor the slower pace...and share it with the children of today?

Didn't that feel good? Just to lean back and say, "Yes, I remember and I miss those good old days." ■

Plans underway for Hot Springs weekend in late April

Plans are underway for another ACC Hot Springs event during the last weekend in April.

Al Embrey has made arrangements with the Days Inn Hamilton Resort, in Hot Springs (phone **501 525-5666**), to host another ACC weekend retreat, on **April 25-26, 2003**. The weekend event will include a two-night stay-over at the Hamilton Resort with Corvair activities to be planned in coming weeks.

Al has blocked a group of 12 rooms for ACC members to reserve. Make your reservations early.

In recent years we've held two Hot Springs weekend events. Both proved to be enjoyable for our members and provided terrific opportunities to gain visibility for the Corvair and our CORSA chapter.

Please mark your calendars now to spend the weekend of April 25 with your Corvair friends in beautiful Hot Springs. Watch for more information about activities in coming weeks, both in this newsletter and in separate mailings.

Please direct any questions about lodging to Al Embrey, 501 834-5373, BigALinLR@msn.com. Our thanks to Al for getting the ball rolling on these spring activity plans. ■

NO TUESDAY MEETING IN JANUARY

The Arkansas Corvair Club will **NOT** hold a Tuesday meeting in January. Our next regular monthly meeting will be Tuesday, **February 18, 2003**, at Just Like Mom's restaurant, on Kiehl Ave., in Sherwood. Please join us for food and fellowship.

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"Corvairs bring friends together."

Mark your calendars and start planning now for the 2003 CORSA International Convention in Carlisle, Pennsylvania

If you've been waiting for the right opportunity to attend a CORSA Convention, then this might be your year.

The 2003 CORSA International Convention will be held on **July 15-19**, in the city of Carlisle, Pennsylvania.

You might have heard the name Carlisle mentioned before as a "Mecca" for auto enthusiasts and as home of the fabled Corvair Ranch.

The host hotels for the 2003 convention are the Clarion Hotel and Convention Center, 717 243-1717, \$89.95 for single or double; and the Ramada Inn, 866 757-4373, \$79.95 for single or double.

Also, RV parking will be available at the Clarion for \$45 per night.

The Clarion Hotel is located at 1700 Harrisburg Pike (Route 11) just east of Exit 51, Route 81 in Carlisle.

Five mid-Atlantic Corvair clubs are partnering to deliver a memorable Corvair event.

Activities planned for the convention include a welcome party at the Clarion, bus tours of historic Gettysburg battlefield, Pennsylvania Dutch country, and the Harley-Davidson Mo-

torcycle factory; and a cruise to the Corvair ranch, with shopping for the ladies.

For convention information, contact Ward Bourgondien, 301 474-4333, of Group Corvair. Ward is serving as Convention Committee Chairman and is coordinating the effort of the five host clubs.

For south central Pennsylvania's natural beauty, there's no place like Carlisle and its surroundings.

The city of Carlisle is located west of Harrisburg. Founded in 1751, Carlisle was General George Washington's army's first arsenal and school.

If you like taking home a bit of the past, Carlisle is your treasure chest. From indoor antique shops to outdoor antique flea markets, you'll enjoy discovering the perfect souvenir finds to enhance your life back home.

Other types of collectors will find excitement in Carlisle as well, as some of the largest collector car shows in the world take place year-round on the 82-acre Carlisle Fairgrounds. ■

Thanks to Stew and Ronnie MacLeod for your holiday hospitality

As we've done for many years in succession, we once again express our heartfelt thanks to Stew, Ronnie, and Ryan MacLeod for opening their home to us on Saturday, January 11 for our annual ACC Holiday Open House.

Although the attending crowd was slightly smaller this year, the food, beverages, and fellowship were first rate.

Our club is fortunate indeed to count the MacLeods among our membership and we are ever indebted to you for all that you do for us and for the Corvair hobby.

Happy Birthday
to our ACC associates
born in January.

Corey Holtz
January 1

Frank Campbell
January 8

Jane Carter
Larry Levy

Joey Walker
January 20

Camelia Franson
January 27

Joe Gregory
January 30 (66 years)

Freddie Horne
January 30

ACC Dues Alert

In an effort to keep everyone informed about the status of your ACC membership dues, we 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 Jan and Feb.

Past Due Julie Gillaspy
 Marcus Hargrove
 Freddie Horne
 Bill Reves

Past Due (cont) Steve Simmons
 Ron Toll
 Hank Wangle

Due Jan Frank Cahill
 Butch Chapman
 B.J. Daugherty
 Al Embrey
 Stephen Franco
 Ken Franson
 Larry Levy
 Stew MacLeod
 Bob Piggot
 Mike Shroyer

Due Feb Bill Smith

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

ACC November Meeting Minutes



JB King

The Arkansas Corvair Club met at Just Like Mom's restaurant, on Kiehl Avenue, in Sherwood, on Tuesday, November 19, 2002.

The meeting was called to order by president, Stew MacLeod. The minutes from our October meeting were read and approved.

Old Business

Bill Smith presented the club's options for participating in a Christmas parade. They are:

1. Jacksonville parade, Saturday, Dec. 7, 1:00 p.m.; \$5 entry fee
2. Cabot parade, Sunday, Dec. 8, 3:00 p.m.; \$15 entry fee
3. Sherwood parade, Sunday, Dec.

- 8, 2:00 p.m.; no entry fee
4. Toys-for-Tots Cruise, War Memorial Stadium parking lot at 10:45; Contribute \$10 toy

Members voted to participate in the Jacksonville parade and to meet at Al Embrey's house, in Sherwood, prior to the parade.

Bill Smith shared a draft of the text for the free ad our club plans to place in the *Arkansas Democrat-Gazette*. The ad will offer a free Corvair Club T-shirt to new members who join the ACC during a designated promotion period. We plan to run the ad in weekend editions (Friday, Saturday, and Sunday) and use it to attract new members.

New Business

Members discussed the matter of increasing our club dues to cover newsletter costs. Our expenses for producing and mailing the club

newsletter have doubled during the past year. The cost to print and mail the November newsletter was \$42. After some discussion, the matter was tabled until our February 2003 meeting.

Larry Levy stated that the club needs a common goal and suggested that we have a fundraiser and give a portion of it to a worthy charity, such as Arkansas Children's Hospital. A committee to study this issue will be appointed early in 2003.

The club's annual Holiday Open House, hosted by Stew and Ronnie MacLeod, is tentatively set for Saturday, January 11.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

JB King



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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.

No January Meeting

The ACC will **NOT** meet Tuesday, January 21, 7:00 p.m., at Just Like Mom's, on Kiehl Ave., in Sherwood.

Our next regular meeting will be **Tuesday, February 18**, 7:00 p.m., at Just Like Mom's. Join us at 6:00 p.m. for food and fellowship prior to the meeting. We hope to see there.

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

ACC Webmaster: Ken Franson, 608 Ridgelea Ave., Sherwood, AR 72120, 501 835-6005.

Web Address

Arkansas Corvair Club Web site:

<http://corvair5.tripod.com/acc.htm>

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.