

# On the Air

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## Arkansas Travelers Baseball & Clunker Car Night at Dickey-Stephens Park in N. Little Rock Thursday, August 14, game time 7:10 p.m.

Arkansas Corvair enthusiasts will gather for the second time at Dickey-Stephens Park for Clunker Car Night and Arkansas Traveler baseball.

Plan to join fellow Corvair enthusiasts for Clunker Car Night and baseball, on **Thursday evening, August 14.**

2008 is the Travs' second season in the new ballpark in North Little Rock.

**NOTE:** Most seats in the new ball park are reserved. For our group to sit together, Al Embrey has agreed to order reserved seats for those attending. If you plan to attend please call (501 834-5373) or e-mail (bigaln@sbglobal.net) Al Embrey not about the availability of tickets.

We can assure you that the Travelers' Clunker Car Night has *absolutely*

*nothing* to do with Corvairs.

Instead, it's one of the Travelers' most popular promotional events. What they do for Clunker Car Night is give away one well-used car, in the middle of every inning, to the person holding a lucky number.

The Travs will be playing the Corpus Christi **Hooks.**

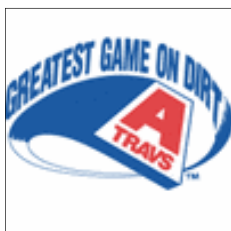
If you can arrive early, plan to meet at the Main-Stream Technologies Gate (west gate, beside the Broadway Bridge) at **6:00 p.m.**

Some members may enjoy

dinner in Bill Valentine's Ballpark Restaurant before the game. If dining, make your own reservations.

If possible, drive your Corvair and wear Corvair T-shirts and caps.

Hope to see you there. ■



Arkansas Corvair Club member quoted in story published in *Ventura County Star* newspaper

The Wednesday, June 25, 2008 edition of the *Ventura County Star* newspaper, in southern California, featured a story about the 2008 International Convention of the Corvair Society of America.

The 2008 CORSA International Convention was held at the Ventura County fairgrounds, June 23-27.

The news story about the 2008 convention, titled '*Poor man's Porsche*' brings 1,000 to Ventura, includes a quotation in the second paragraph from someone that you will recognize. Here's how the new item begins:

It's been ridiculed as the "poor man's Porsche." Ralph Nader ignited the car-safety movement by calling it "Unsafe at Any Speed." Auto snobs bemoan it as the Yugo of its day.

But to Ronnie MacLeod, the Chevy Corvair simply is the sweetest little ride she knows.

"The first person I met in college who owned one, I married," said MacLeod, a 56-year-old cancer researcher from Little Rock, Ark., and proud owner of 10 Corvairs, nine of which are still running.

Thanks to Ronnie MacLeod for defending the Corvair's honor. ■

### NOTES ABOUT CLUNKER CAR NIGHT

The Arkansas Travelers' Clunker Car Night is presented by the Arkansas State Police, Click It or Ticket, your Pulaski County Auto Dealers, Fox 16, KSSN, and radio station 100.3 - The Edge. Each inning the Travelers will giveaway a used car to a lucky fan. Pick up a copy of the *North Little Rock Times* for a \$3 discount coupon.

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**"Corvairs bring friends together."**

**Welcome new members - Melvin & Viviana Torres**

On behalf of the ACC membership, we are pleased to welcome our newest members, Melvin and Viviana Torres, of Rogers, Arkansas.

Melvin and Viviana are the proud new owners of a very nice 1966 Corsa convertible, 140 hp, with 4-speed transmission. Melvin purchased the car recently from a CORSA member in Davenport, Iowa, and had the car shipped to Rogers.

Melvin is having some minor body blemishes repaired on the car and he hopes to be driving it very soon. Melvin also is a new member of CORSA.



**July Meeting Minutes** *continued*

number of tickets needed. We greatly appreciate Al's offer to front the money again this year and to be reimbursed by members at the game.

Frank Campbell announced he plans to place an order for products from the Fastenal Company. He offered to include (with his order) requests from other ACC members who want to purchase Fastenal products. Frank has a contact who can purchase from Fastenal at a discount. Fastenal describes itself as "the premiere fastener distributor in North America." The company manufactures a wide variety of industrial-grade nuts, bolts, screws, socket products, washers, concrete anchoring systems, construction adhesives, and specialty tools. To read more about Fastenal products, visit [www.fastenal.com/web/home.ex](http://www.fastenal.com/web/home.ex).

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

*JB King*



**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 and those due for the current month.

Dues are **\$20.00** for regular membership and **\$15.00** for associate members. Please mail payments to: **Arkansas Corvair Club, P.O. Box 627, Little Rock, AR 72203.**

Here are the names that are **past due** and due in **August**.

- Past Due** ..... Robert Brown  
Zack Eby  
Corey Holtz  
David Reardon  
James Reed  
John Coffey  
Keith LaCrosse

- Due Aug** ..... Don Ahrens  
John Dailey  
Kermit Parks

Please disregard if you've already paid. Thanks for your generous support. ■

**Happy Birthday**  
to our ACC associates  
born in September.

Todd Sanders  
September 4

Larry Claypool  
September 8

Rava Reed  
September 10

Dee Jones  
Stew MacLeod  
September 11

Al Embrey  
September 16

Pat Drannon  
September 24

Butch Chapman  
September 27

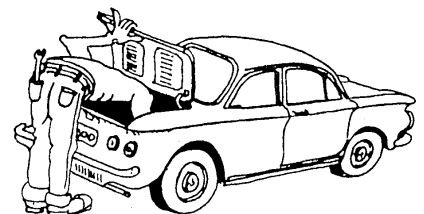
Hazel Latture  
September 28

**Happy Anniversary**

to  
Bill & Pam MacSorley  
September 4 (20 years)

Aaron & <sup>Mary</sup> Swift  
September 9

Corey & Lauri Holtz  
September 10 (20 years)



## ACC July Meeting Minutes



JB King

The Arkansas Corvair Club met at Just Like Mom's restaurant, on Kiehl Avenue, in Sherwood, on Tuesday, July 15.

The meeting was called to order by president Frank Campbell.

The minutes from the June meeting were read and approved as published in the July newsletter.

Bill Smith welcomed members Kermit and Jennifer Parks from El Dorado. Also, we were pleased to have in attendance, Skip and Carrie Harris from the British Car Club. Skip and Carrie are friends of ACC members Todd and Shirley Sanders.

Stew and Ronnie MacLeod gave a report on their attendance at the CORSA International Convention, held in Ventura, California, from June 23-27. Stew and Ronnie informed club members that, during the convention banquet, it was announced that Melissa Levy, daughter of ACC members Larry and Debbie Levy, had been awarded a scholarship from CORSA's Corvair Preservation Fund Foundation.

As reported by Ronnie, there were 47 applicants for CORSA scholarships in 2008. Melissa received one of only **four** scholarships awarded. Speaking on behalf of all ACC members, we are sincerely proud of Melissa, who will be a freshman in the fall at the University of Central Arkansas, in Conway.

### Old Business

During our June meeting, members discussed the offer from Kermit Parks to come to El Dorado and display our cars on the town square. We were pleased that Kermit and Jennifer attended this July meeting, showed us pictures of their 2 hunting camps on Champagnolle Creek, and gave us more specifics.

Everyone agreed that we want to accept the invitation from Kermit and Jennifer to host a weekend activity in El Dorado. Members agreed on the

weekend of October 3-5 for this activity. We will publish more details about the El Dorado gathering in future issues of this newsletter.

### New Business

As is our tradition, we will attend the Arkansas Travelers' Clunker Car Night, at Dickey-Stephens Park, in August. The date for the game this year is Thursday, August 14. As he did in 2007, Al Embrey again volunteered to

purchase a block of tickets so that members and guests can sit together. Those who attended the meeting signed a list indicating how many tickets Al will purchase for them. Bill Smith will work with Al to send an e-mail to members announcing the date and time of Clunker Car Night event. Members can contact Al so he will know the

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## Arkansas Corvair Club Information

### Meetings

The Arkansas Corvair Club (ACC) meets on the **3rd Tuesday** of each month at **Just Like Mom’s** Home Cooking restaurant, 3140 E. Kiehl Ave., in Sherwood.

### August Meeting

The ACC will meet Tuesday, **August 19**, 7:00 p.m., at Just Like Mom’s, on Kiehl Ave., in Sherwood.

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:** Frank Campbell, 2503 Creekview Lane, White Hall, AR 71602, 870 247-1794.

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

**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 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.