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Northeast Corvair Council hosts the 2012 CORSA International Convention in historic Sturbridge, Massachusetts

Join fellow Corvair enthusiasts in beautiful New England, July 25 - 28

To find a venue for its 42nd year, the International Convention of the Corvair Society of America is traveling to the northeastern United States, with the selection of historic Sturbridge, Massachusetts, as the site for the 2012 meeting of Corvair enthusiasts.

Beginning on Wednesday, July 25th and extending through Saturday, July 28th, the nine CORSA chapters that comprise the Northeast Corvair Council (NECC) will host other CORSA members and their families for four excitement-packed days of Corvair fun and New England celebration.

Late July is a perfect time of year to enjoy the long New England summer days and warm Yankee hospitality.

The host hotel for the 2012 CORSA International Convention is the Sturbridge Host Hotel & Conference Center. Situated on picturesque Cedar Lake, the hotel is ideally located on Route 20 in central Massachusetts, making it easily accessible from major New England cities. Boston and Springfield, Massachusetts; Provi-



dence, Rhode Island; and Hartford, Connecticut are located within an hour's drive of Sturbridge. New York City is just three hours away by car. Guests at Sturbridge Host Hotel also enjoy convenient access to fun attractions such as Old Sturbridge Village, Six Flags New England, the Basketball Hall of Fame and the famous Brimfield Antique Show.

Make your reservations now to

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2012 CORSA International Convention Highlights

Following is a list of some of the activities and events planned for each day of the 2012 CORSA convention.

Wednesday, July 25, 2012 - Autocross and Arrival Day

The Autocross is the central event on this first day of the convention. We are also planning an evening tour to Mohegan Sun Casino.

Thursday, July 26, 2012 - Corvair Driving Day

Vendor and Swap Meet sales open; the Road Rally is held. Corvair Preservation Foundation program; New England Clam-bake in the evening. Organized tour of historic sites of Boston.

Friday, July 27, 2012 - Corvair Fun Day

Distinctive day of Corvair-related games and competition, including but not limited to Valve Cover Racing, the judged Concours d'Elegance, along with technical sessions and seminars.

Also, on Friday evening, folks will gather for the annual CORSA membership meeting, featuring an Ice Cream Social. Organized tour of exquisite sights of Newport, Rhode Island.

Saturday, July 28, 2012 - Corvair Show Day

Peoples' Choice Corvair display at hotel, along with other special events including an automotive book signing. Lastly, an evening cocktail hour and Awards Banquet with special guest speaker. ■

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"Corvairs bring friends together."

Welcome New ACC Members

We are delighted to welcome the following new members to our Arkansas CORSA chapter.

- ◆ Eric & Carol Fleming, Sherwood, AR
- ◆ Paul & Evelyn Harless, Adona, AR
- ◆ Forrest & Renee Mobbs, Sherwood, AR
- ◆ Barbara & Ricky Rhodes, Lead Hill, AR
- ◆ Tommy & Theresa Thompson, Sheridan, AR
- ◆ Gary Walker, Percy, AR

Happy Birthday to our ACC associates born in January.

Jennifer Parks
January 5

Frank Campbell
January 8

Barbara Coffey
January 16

Larry Levy
January 20

Camelia Franson
January 27

Happy Anniversary to
Forrest & Renee Mobbs
January 27

The Corvair Society updates operating policy and levies new fee for clubs that do not attain 100 percent CORSA membership

During the summer of 2011, the CORSA Board of Directors approved a revised operating policy that impacts CORSA chapters (local clubs) by imposing fees on chapters who do not meet the standard of 100 percent membership in the society.

The immediate impact of this change, to the Arkansas Corvair Club, is that the policy means that, in 2012, when we submit our official chapter membership report to CORSA, our club will be required to pay (to the society) a fee of \$3.00 for each of our members who is not a member (in good standing) of CORSA.

The leadership committee of our club plans to meet in coming weeks to discuss the matter and offer a proposal to our membership about how we will accommodate this additional fee (which could have measurable impact to our treasury), to be paid to CORSA. That decision may be to "pass along" the added fee to those of our members who are not members of the Corvair Society of America.

You can expect to see more information about this subject in coming

issues of our newsletter.

The new fee was enacted as a stipulation of the policy titled the CORSA. Chapter Plan. The Chapter Plan describes provisions that chapters (local Corvair Clubs) must satisfy to attain and maintain the status of Chartered CORSA Chapter. Also, the Chapter Plan specifies the benefits and services that CORSA will provide to its chartered chapters.

In addition to such requirements as holding meetings and publishing a newsletter, the revised CORSA. Chapter Plan states that "A Chartered Chapter shall endeavor to maintain 100 percent of its membership as CORSA members. All Chapters must maintain the CORSA membership requirements of Section II, items 1 and 2." Further, the plan states "CORSA Chapters shall be required to collect a \$3.00 non-CORSA affiliation fee for each non-CORSA member and the chapter will be required to submit payment of fees with the annual chapter report."

You will receive more news about this subject in coming weeks. ■

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 **January**.

Past Due.....Larry Drannon
Jerald McKown
Jerry Pentzer
Mike Winn

Due Jan.....Joe Espejo
Camelia Franson
Elvis King
Larry Levy
Rafee Luan
Stew MacLeod
Dave Sanders

Please disregard if you've already paid. Thanks for your generous 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 15.

The meeting was called to order by president Keith LaCrosse. There were 26 members in attendance.

The minutes from our October meeting were read and approved as published in the November newsletter.

ACC treasurer Elvis King reported a balance of \$ 2,167.02 in our club treasury.

Old Business

Keith informed members that the Corvair Society of America (CORSA) published details of a revised Operating Policy that describes requirements for qualifying and maintaining official status as sanctioned chartered CORSA chapters. The new CORSA Chapter Plan states that CORSA chapters (Corvair clubs) are now required to remit annually \$3.00 for each chapter member who does **not** hold current CORSA membership.

Elvis King recommended that our club's officers meet separately to discuss the matter and decide how our club will implement the new chapter plan. One of the possible options could be to assess an additional \$3:00 fee to our non-CORSA members, when they pay their annual Arkansas Corvair Club

dues. [Editor's Note: See article about new CORSA Chapter Plan (Operating Policy) on page 2 of this newsletter.]

New Business

Frank Campbell reported that recently he saw Tim Hall, who had previously been employed at Bale Chevrolet, in Little Rock. Tim helped our club with plans with our Corvair 50th Anniversary vehicle display, at Bale Chevrolet in west Little Rock, on October 3, 2009. Tim now works at Landers Chevrolet, in Benton. Tim mentioned to Frank that he is interested in having our club display Corvairs at the Landers dealership, at some future date. We can keep this invitation in mind, when planning activities for 2012 and 2013.

Stew and Ronnie MacLeod generously agreed to host our annual post-holiday party, again, at their home in West Little Rock, on Saturday, January 7. Stew and Ronnie have been hosting this event for club members continuously since 1990.

Tech Topic

Elvis King demonstrated three creative uses for used rocker arm studs from Corvair engines, as described in his technical article that was published in the November issue of our ACC newsletter, *On the Air*.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

JB King

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enjoy a taste of July in New England. The official word is that rooms are going quickly

For hotel reservations, call the Sturbridge Host Hotel & Conference Center toll free at **800 582-3232**. Also, you can reach the hotel's front desk (locally) by dialing 508 347-7393.

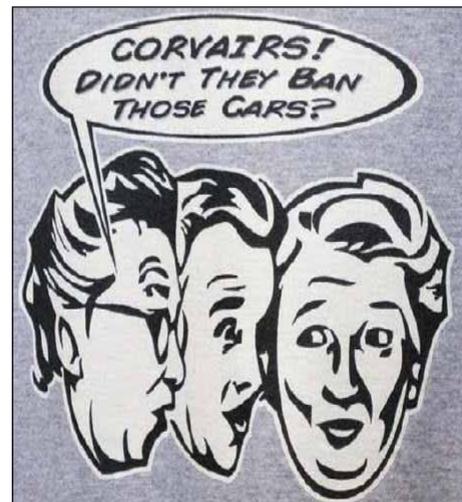
For information, visit the hotel's Web site, www.sturbridgehosthotel.com, or send an e-mail inquiry to

info@sturbridgehosthotel.com.

The mailing address for the Sturbridge Host Hotel & Conference Center is 366 Main Street, Sturbridge, MA 01566.

The nine CORSA chapter clubs that comprise the Northeast Corvair Council look forward to hosting visitors from across North America and around the world.

Mark your calendars to save the date and begin making for you plans for summer in Sturbridge Mass. ■



Happy Birthday
to our ACC associates
born in February.

Elvis King
February 6 (70)

John Coffey
February 11

Gloria Eddy
February 12

Emilie Arnold
February 19

Madison Arnold
February 23

Arkansas Corvair Club
February 29, 1988

Happy Anniversary
to

Don & Beverly Ahrens
February 11 (28 yrs)



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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.

January Meeting

The ACC will meet Tuesday, **January 17**, at 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: Keith LaCrosse, 26 Woodlawn Drive, Beebe, AR 72012, 501 882-9389.

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Membership: Elvis King

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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.