

Hot Air Newsletter



Bob & Dan



Pete Prudden



Ron & Kathy

Happy Holidays!!!!!!!!!!

Since I didn't put out a Nov newsletter, I thought I would combine Nov and Dec thoughts. Yup another all about Ron article. I've been doing a lot of reflecting the past few weeks and thinking how thankful I am for the things that have been given to me for all the people I have met since I joined this Corvair hobby. Since getting my first Corvair back in about 1992, I have a lot to be thankful for. The friends I have met, the stories we have shared make memories that will never be forgotten. We share parts back and forth and, and also help each other solving problems with or beloved Corvairs. The focus is always getting it back on the road for each of us to enjoy. We have had huge success in getting our Club back up and running and making our presence known in the local community. The food drives are a huge success and helps countless less fortunate families around the holidays. One of my favorite movies around the holidays is It's a Wonderful Life. The theme of the show is we never know how many

peoples lives we touch in our daily routine. It can be just lending a hand or giving someone that part they need to fix their Corvair. Another thing we do is pay it forward. We do it sometimes without even knowing it. The person you helped helps another person in the same way, and on it goes. The end result is a successful hobby and organization to belong to, and enables us to drive and enjoy our Corvairs. CORSA is one of the biggest supporters of this and that keeps our hobby alive. You can travel across the country in your Corvair and break down and have help on the way in no time. I think around this time of the year we should take a minute and be thankful for what we have and have been given. Our hobby and organization is a success because of all our actions. In closing I want to say THANK YOU to all those that have supported our hobby and keep our beloved Corvairs on the road.

THANK YOU ONE AND ALL!!

Ron Thompson



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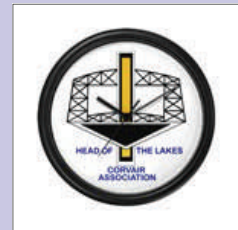
Birthdays

Happy Birthday!!

Dec 24 Jeannette Olson
Dec 30 Ron Thompson

Jan 2 Glen Lemke
Jan 24 Irene Lampi

*Don't forget to check out
our merchandise at our Club Store!!*



<http://www.edselmotors.com/hlcahome.html>

Treasurers Report

Starting balance NOV	\$841.10
Expenses	
Sam's Florist	63.94
Office supplies	66.91
Ending Nov Balance	\$710.25
Pete Prudden Treas.	



Activities and Events

Jan 15th 5PM This will be pot luck and special meeting at the Pruddens Bring a dish to share. Voting for new officers.

The following will be talked about at the Jan meeting. It's a change in the chapter plan for CORSA.

Section IV. Maintenance of Chapter Status

To indicate that Charter requirements continue to be met, a Chartered Chapter shall file with the Executive Secretary, by March 1st of each calendar year, a Chapter membership roster including CORSA and non-CORSA members, a list of Chapter officers, name and address of the CORSA contact person, a current website address, if applicable, and time and location of meetings. If there is no response, CORSA would have to consider the chapter as inactive. A follow-up will be done and the chapter removed from the chapter list if a chapter report is not received. CORSA board directors will contact chapters if necessary.

A Chartered Chapter shall endeavor to maintain 100% of its membership as CORSA members. All Chapters must maintain the CORSA membership requirements of Section II, items 1 and 2.

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.

The fee will be waived for those Chapters that maintained 100% of their members as CORSA members as reported on their annual Chapter Report.

A Chartered Chapter shall include the editor of the CORSA *Communique* on its mailing list, and shall offer to maintain a newsletter exchange with neighboring and other Chapters.

Chartered Chapters shall be active organizations that must meet at least annually. To be considered an active organization, a Chartered Chapter must satisfy at least one of the following conditions:

It must publish a newsletter for its members at least four times a year.

-or-

It must have at least four meetings annually of at least 25% of its members.

Chartered Special Interest Groups shall have the same requirements as Chapters to maintain their status.

Bob Saunders

A corvair story!!

In 1976 I was involved in a court case involving a car accident on the high bridge. as my attorney and I left the Louis county court house one day there was a beautiful late model black two door parked outside. I commented on what a shame it was that Chevy discontinued the car.

Two days later he asked if it would affect my confidence if he told me that he was instrumental in removing the car from the market. Heres' the story:

"Point of impact 7 inches in from left front bumper the first structural steel is the steering column, which at 17 mph is catapulted through the chest of the driver" The words were quite chilling. He went on to explain that he and four other attorneys sued GM on the design flaw on a day in May 1969 they settled the case and within a day or so the cars were withdrawn. In all but one case the driver died when impaled with the steering column, the other case they were completely debilitated. {I seem to recall 1969 settlement dollars were in the half million dollar range}

Move ahead to last October, 2011. I drove my four door to Menards in superior, upon leaving I heard a woman say" Look Honey, an old corvair!" The husband's response was "Ya, unsafe at any speed!" I had to cut in with my standard Nadar response of the early model suspension vs the late model etc. The mam told me he had worked for GM for nearly 50 years, and sat on their recall committee for nearly forty. I told him my attorney story, his face blanched, as he responded, "My Neighbor was the GM attorney who defended against those lawsuits" Other than that he was speechless, turned and quickly walked away.

What's the truth? in 1974 I never dreamed I would own a Corvair 35 years later. My attorney was top notch, he was head to head against a Minnesota legend and showed the Plaintiff caused the accident. It was a chance encounter in the Superior WI Menards parking lot and the mans look as he walked away that confirmed I would hear as Paul Harvey would say, "The rest of the Story"

Bob Saunders

Corvair Club

Gratefully acknowledging

and thanking you

for your kind expression

of sympathy.

*Thanks very much
to everyone in the
club for the
beautiful flowers
Gene & Janni
& Family*



Charlie Runnings early



Our Last Car Show

By
Art Bringe



Ed Started me going to car shows in the early 90's after I bought a 58 T-Bird. We have been going to shows ever since. He got me to Join "The Northern Knights Car Club" which we both enjoyed very much. Some problems came up and Ed told me (quite choked up), That he didn't think that he could go back, I responded by telling him that he got me into the club and if he couldn't stay with it I couldn't either.

Then these nice Corvair people started up the Corvair Club again. Well by that time I had a Corvair. We were going to many shows, having fun and we were in a club again.

Now on to our last car show. We heard about the "Rick Kubus Memorial Car show" this fall. It was being held in Lakeside where I grew up, and Ed managed 2 Texaco Stations. We went to the show and had a great time. Besides all the car people we knew, we saw many old friends from Lakeside. During the show I mentioned to Ed, Just think, your old Texaco station is just a block away from us. It brought back many memories for both of us as I lived 1/2 a block from the station when I was young. One week later Ed had another stroke and we lost him. I'm thankful for the 90th Birthday party he daughter put on for him. He sure was happy and couldn't stop talking about all the friends that came. Car shows will never be the same. WE all miss you ED, REST IN PEACE.

Art Bringe

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