



# SEEL CORVAIR MINNESOTA NEWSLETTER

# **President's Page**

A great big "Thank You" to Bill and Carol Cook who arranged another fabulous Holiday Party at Latuff's. We always get a great turn out for this and most of the reason is the fine job Bill and Carol do in setting everything up and taking care of the details. The food is always super and the atmosphere is festive. Nice to know that we are the only club Latuff's does this for. What a great way to start the new year.

We have received several e-mails concerning events for 2015. The BOD greatly appreciates all suggestions and will have a thourough discussion at our February meeting (obviously I'm writing this before then). We especially appreciate the ideas for the east side of the metro. We have been trying to get some activities or meeting places there to include our members on that side of town as well as those in Western Wisconsin. The key item that makes any event a success is someone who is willing to take charge and plan, such as Bill and Carol do with the Holiday Party.

A couple members approached me at the Holiday Party and said they would be willing to plan an event. With ideas for events and members willing to plan and execute those events, we should have a fun year.

**Reminder:** the February meeting will be the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of the month at Dave Peterson's house – look for directions elsewhere in the SEEL

# February 2015

We will be getting the 2015 Calendar of Events from The Minnesota Car Club Association in March. This will list all the drive-ins and cruise nights that various clubs and communities hold.

Last year we had a great time in Waconia at their Wednesday drive-in. This required little planning on our part, just some e-mails and phone calls stating which date we were going and we went. We're already looking at attending the North Saint Paul car show as the featured car.

Anoka, Hastings, Henderson, and Shakopee are just a few of the towns that have weekly or biweekly cruise nights. I know there are others as well.

It will be nice to get the Corvairs on the road in a couple months. Cara and I can't wait for "Corvair Season" to get here. With the events and meetings planned or in the works, we are in for another enjoyable summer. Pay your club dues if you haven't already, keep reading the SEEL, and don't miss out!

Stay Tuned,

Lee Knauf

**CMI President** 



# **CORVAIR MINNESOTA**

# **January 13, 2015**

President Lee Knauf called the meeting to order at 7:10 at Messiah Methodist Church (MUM) in Plymouth with a dozen members present. Among the opening highlights, Fran modeled his CMI "Lifetime Member" jacket. For those of you who were not at the Holiday Dues Party, Gary Nelson became the 2<sup>nd</sup> person to be awarded lifetime membership and both he and Fran were presented club jackets.

**December Minutes**: Approved as written.

Treasurer's Report: We have a current balance of \$2506 in our treasury.

# **Past Events:**

January 4, 2015: Holiday Dues Party: Our sincere thanks once again to Bill & Carol Cook for organizing this very well attended annual event, each year is a packed house. Bill discovered this is the only special event Latuff's opens for during the year.

### **New Business:**

Membership Meeting – February 10: Dave Peterson will be hosting as we will be manufacturing air cleaner hold down clamps in his workshop. More details in the Seel. Hopefully Brian Carlson will be in attendance to present the scoop on Barrett Jackson.

Membership Meeting – March 10: CMI's annual trip to the Minneapolis/St Paul Auto Show.

Membership Meeting April 14: Back to the MUM.

Annual Spring Breakfast - April 25: Dan Quinn again volunteered to chair this event and hold it at Gabe's on the EAST side this year, followed by a tour of either the train or model train museums in St. Paul.

#### **GMCCA AUTO SHOW – June 7:**

Annual CORSA Convention - June 24 - 27: Knoxville, TN – 943 miles from Minneapolis.

Wearables: Bill Cook brought inventory to sell and also took There is only one set of CMI magnetic signs orders. remaining!

North St. Paul Cruise Night: Tom Quinn reports that each Friday has a designated "Car Club of the Month" with a special display area. He will see about getting CMI designated for one of the nights.

BREAK: In honor of son Dan's birthday, Gail Quinn baked his favorite cake to share with us; Dan cut the pieces very small.

#### **Remaining Treats for Winter Meetings:**

March: Auto show April: Chuck Johnson

TECH SESSION: Lee Knauf had a "Car & Driver TV" tape from 2000 about Corvairs. Then Fran showed his valve seat Inserts video. Next we were to watch the 1977 Convention video but encountered technical difficulties.

Meeting adjourned: 8:25

Respectfully submitted,

Chuck Johnson

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# 2015 Proposed schedule:

February--Dave Peterson's (7 pm membership meeting

March-- Mpls Auto Show

April--MUM

Restaurant TBD Mav--

June--Drive-in (Wagners?)

Minnetonka Drive in Julv--

August -- Drive-in TBD September--Drive-in TBD

October--MUM

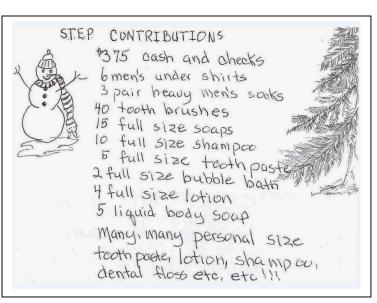
November--MUM

**December**--MUM



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# From the Holiday/ Dues party:



Thank you for your generosity!

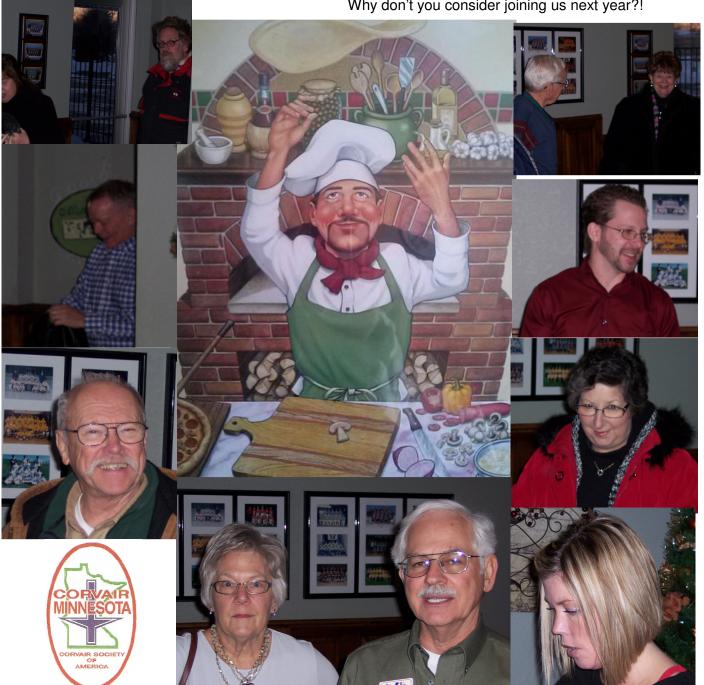
# 2014 Corvair Minnesota

Annual Holiday/ Dues Party



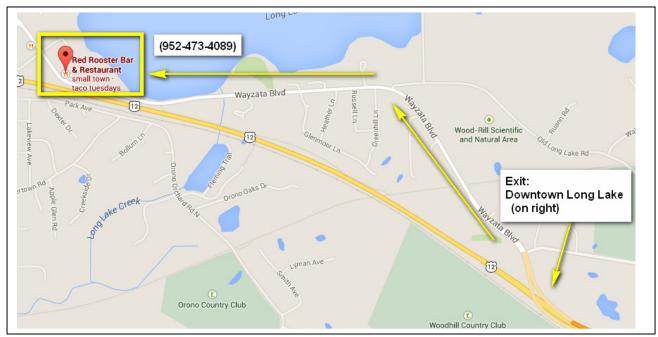
Once again CMI enjoyed the hospitality of Latuff's Pizzeria for our annual holiday/ dues party. They are usually closed on Sundays, but they opened just for us. Forty nine members were in attendance, and we had one no show due to illness. We had a wonderful meal (there were a handful of delicious options) along with a nice selection of appetizers. This year we took the time to recognize two long-time major contributors to Corvair Minnesota, Fran Schmit and Gary Nelson, by awarding them Life-time membership with an accompanying new jacket and certificate (suitable for framing).

Why don't you consider joining us next year?!



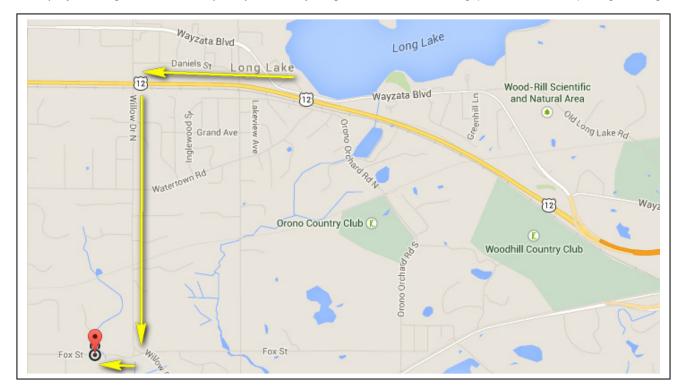
# CMI Work Session & Membership meeting) February 10, 2015

We'll start the meeting at the Red Rooster in Long Lake (<a href="http://www.redroosterll.com/">http://www.redroosterll.com/</a>) at 6:00 pm (18:00 hrs)



David sez: "The "Red Rooster" is in the town of Long Lake. To get to the "Rooster" go West on 394. Just after the end of 394 (where the road turns back into #12) there is a turnoff to the right that is labeled "Down Town Long Lake" - - it's where the speed limit drops from 65 to 60. As you enter the town of Long Lake you will pass the lake of "Long Lake"...the 'Red Rooster' will come up shortly on your right. Last time I looked there was a statue of "Wimpy" on that corner. (If you get to the stop light - - back up about two blocks) Feel free to call my Cell: 612-221-0282. If anyone is coming from the west there is a similar Long Lake or Old Wayzata Blvd exit at county road 6, just watch the signs."

After a bite for supper, we will car pool/ caravan to David's shop at: **2526 Fox St, Wayzata (cell: 612-221-0282).** We expect the projects to go fast. The shop is open for anything. If there is something (even not Corvair) bring it along.



# Corvair Minnesota Roster

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# CMI 2015 Schedule

Membership meetings are on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of each month (unless otherwise announced)

Board of Directors' meetings are on the last Thursday of each month (unless otherwise announced)

January 11 Holiday/ Dues Party – Latuff's

**February** 10 Membership meeting – David Petersons for air cleaner hold down project, 7 p.m.

March 07-15 Twin Cities Auto Show, Mps Auditorium (http://www.tcautoshow.com/)

10 Membership meeting – @ Twin Cities Auto Show – 2<sup>nd</sup> floor meeting room, 7 p.m.

April 11-12 GSTA, Coliseum, State Fair Grounds (http://www.gstarod-custom.com)

25 Pancake breakfast – Gabe's in the Park, 9-11:00

May 01-02 (<u>dates need to be verified</u>) Inventor's Congress Invention & Idea Show, Minneapolis

Convention Center ( http://www.minnesotainventorscongress.org/)

03 Spring Extravaganza Car Show and Swap Meet, State Fairgrounds,

( www.gopherstatebuick.org )

June 07 GMCCA – State Fairgrounds

07 10,000 Lakes Concours d'Elegance

19-21 Back to the 50's, State Fairgrounds ( www.msra.com )

**July** 04 Fourth of July Parade, Delano – Post Parade Picnic Peppermint Twist

09-12 Iola Old Car Show and Swap Meet (Car club day – Sunday)

17-19 Car Craft Summer Nationals Car show, moved to Wisconsin

24-26 Little Log House show, Hastings ( http://www.littleloghouseshow.com )

23-26 Kolacky Days, Montgomery, MN (Classic car show 7/25; 9 am-3 pm)

( http://www.montgomerymn.org/kdaycar.html )

August 08 New London – New Brighton Antique Auto Run (http://www.antiquecarrun.org/)

16 Pantowners Car Show, Benton County Fairgrounds ( http://www.pantowners.org/carshow.html )

22 Christ's Cross Car and Craft Show, Ham Lake, MN (www.christscrosscarclub.org)

?? Annual CMI picnic (?)

Sept 05 Classics by the Lake, Buffalo, MN 10am – 2pm ?

Oct 11 Roadsters Swap Meet, State Fairgrounds (http://roadsterstwincities.com/)

12 11th annual Drive for Kids - 8 a.m. start (http://bolderoptions.org/events/drive-4-kids/)

**Nov** 10 Membership meeting – MUM (Voters' meeting)

We will continue to highlight other opportunities to show off your classic vehicle around the 'Cities



# CMI Classifieds

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New: Engine electrical harness, ball joints, Pertronix ignition; headers (110 and 140); custom exhaust; Wallen rebuilt starters generators and alternators; mufflers; rebuilt flywheels; new belly pan for late; crank and rod bearings. complete engines, transmissions, Used parts: differentials: call for parts - I have a large inventory. Also: 1969 110hp engine (runs great, sealed & pretty) Rare – aftermarket tube style early air grill Solid flywheel

I also offer full time Corvair repair Gary Nelson 612-866-3247 or cell: 612-644-1258

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Wanted: Looking for a "fixer - upper" Greenbrier or van. Ken Laursen phone 612-735-8955 or:

rockabillyrebel61@yahoo.com

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Part Cleaning Soda Blasting, Sand Blasting Powder coating

Vince Rohr vincerohr@hotmail.com

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1962 Monza Coupe- Slightly over 42,000 miles, runs well, no rust, in very good condition. Automatic transmission, four new tires. White with black interior. Fun to drive but at my age it's getting tougher to get in and out! Make offer Bill Von Hassel 952-946-2245 or VonH9700@aol.com



1964 Spyder. Low mileage runs & drives excellent. W/ 5 factory orig. knock off wire wheels. interior very nice. rare tissue dispenser. new tire & brakes. tuned up; new silicone wires. some rust on bottom but not through floors. 20 footer could use paint but presentable as a driver. \$4500/ offer (new price) Bruce Alexander 605-996-1039 Mitchell. SD. brucealexander11@vahoo.com

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1963 Spyder 22,000 ACTUAL miles. Great shape & we do have all four hubcaps for the vehicle. Very rare Chevrolet It is a classic! Was asking \$10,000 for this vehicle, have decided to drop asking price to \$9,000. We will accept offers, but no less than \$8,000. Call/Text (218)251-3484 Kathy







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Happy Presidents' Day

# Spot a 'Vair: ARIZONA REPUBLIC 12/24/2014 Hot rods and pin-up girts will be on hand at the 5 & Diner Rockabilly Bash in Chandler. 4th Annual 5 & Diner Rockabilly Bash in Chandler AZ @ Wild Horse Motorsports Park (Thanks Rich Buratto)

CMI is a non-profit corporation, chartered with The CORVAIR Society of America. Send CORVAIR Minnesota's \$20.00 annual dues, payable by Jan 01, to the CMI Treasurer. Membership in CORVAIR Minnesota entitles you to the monthly newsletter, "The Leeky Seel", with free ads for members, a club window sticker, discounts on club activities, information on parts availability, and good advice on the preservation and enjoyment of the CORVAIR automobile.... Yeah!

# THE LEEKY SEEL

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