

Where Circle City Corvair Club meets  
on the third Saturday of each month

# VALVE CLATTER

## The Labor Day Picnic



# From the Boss

Greetings fellow club members and friends.

About 30 of us spent part of Labor Day at Southeastway Park to celebrate our annual picnic. During this time we conducted our board and regular membership meetings together. **PLEASE DO NOT SHOW UP AT HUBLER THIS MONTH FOR ANY MEETINGS.** Several of us will be traveling to the French Lick area on Saturday 9-16 and/9-17 for a great weekend planned by Alan and Tonja Toons, IF you decide to join up last minute, please feel free to contact anyone on the board or myself to make arrangements to meet. 317-409-5682.



Please consider running or nominating someone for some of the positions for officers of our club. **ALL positions are open from the top-down.** Nominations will be in October and elections in November. New officers will take office in January.

Thank You !! everyone who attended the picnic and brought sides and deserts. I had a sample of almost everything, at least all I could, and it was wonderful. As a side note Jan Bradley drove his newly acquired 1960 Biscayne which was all original with 37k miles. It is a very, very nice memory and looks and drives like new. My only thought when I saw it was, how did GM every find enough steel to make them AND launch the Corvair?? I guess that is why our cars have aluminum engines??

Thanks for supporting our hobby,  
Pres. Dave Beck

We will be meeting at the BP filling station at I 69 and state Road 144 For our weekend trip to French Lick on September 16th. We will depart from there promptly at 8 AM. For more information, contact Tom Miller at 317-504-4624

*Valve Clatter* is the monthly newsletter of the Circle City Corvairs, a Chapter of the Corvair Society of America (CORSA). We welcome story ideas and articles for publication. Advertisements for cars and car parts, either wanted or for sale, are free. Send information to newsletter editor Tom Miller.

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## 2023 Club Service Directory

**Corvair Repair Work** Carry-in component rebuilding. Some NOS and used parts.  
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# Club Activities

Saturday September 16th	<b>There will not be a regular meeting for September.</b> The club will venture to French Lick for an overnite trip with participation in a large car show in Washington Indiana on Sunday. <b>More information is in this newsletter</b>
Sunday September 24th	Beech Grove On Main Street, Car Show/Fundraiser to benefit Shop with a Cop, Kottages for Kids, Anna's celebration of Life and other community organizations. Fee is \$20.00. Registration will be 8:00 a.m. If interested in going, contact Tom Miller, 317-504-4624
Saturday October 21st	Regular meeting at Hubler Chevrolet. Nominations for Board members. Lunch will be at Gray's
Saturday November 18th	Regular meeting at Hubler Chevrolet Election for Board for 2024
Saturday December 2nd	This will be the date for our annual Christmas party. The location will be announced in future newsletter.
Saturday December 16th	Regular meeting at Hublers

## #389 Ultra Weekend

After installing new rear shocks, a rebuilt 65-amp alternator and some new deep cycle batteries Gloria and I decided to drive the Ultra Van to our Saturday Corvair meeting and then about 60 miles farther south to Springmill state Park near Mitchell In. It was a good opportunity to see how the gas shocks compared to the worn-out air shocks and see all the vintage campers that were at the state park for the weekend.



It was a sold-out 9<sup>th</sup> annual 3-day rally that was for anything vintage. We arrived at 3 p.m. and had to park outside the camping area because not only was it full but also closed to all but foot traffic until 6 p.m. so the public could walk around and see inside the open coaches. The two ladies at the gate assured us there were no vacancies or cancellations to camp overnight so we walked in to see hundreds of VW busses, tear drop trailers and even a 1947 Greyhound bus that was nicely converted



complete with the original driver's cap! Many of the trailers were pulled with vintage trucks and cars, it was a walk back in time with every brand and year you could imagine. There also was a Ranger pop up camper one of only 200 ever made between 1954-56. It was the first fiberglass crank up unit and very well built. The cost of \$1,500 put an end to the manufacture of them unfortunately.



To our surprise within an hour the Ultra Van was spotted, and we were tracked down and then escorted in by the park manager to a nice campsite for the night and had a meal of ham & beans and dessert all compliments of the rally group! Few people could imagine a Corvair powered class A motorhome. By the end of the evening, we were part of a parade driving through every section of the 1358-acre park and made friends with one of the gate keepers who came to see us after her shift.

Gloria said this was one of the best unplanned weekends we have had in quite a while. We met nice people and saw many interesting things so take a drive in your Corvair or other vintage vehicle and bring a smile to someone. Dave & Gloria Beck Brownsburg, In. #389



## From Your Vee Pea.....by Todd Stires

**Another successful CCC Labor Day Picnic in the history-books!**

**A big "thank-you" to Chef Tom Miller for his grill work - the hamburgers & brats were outstanding on a hot & steamy day. Also, a large pat on the back to the real organizers that keeps us Corvair Nuts going in the right direction--thru the food line. Great job Anita, Judy, Gloria, Susan—your efforts are noticed and appreciated!**



**We had a great turnout for the picnic with about 15 Corvair's of all makes and models and colors. Convertibles, hard-tops, Hippie-van's and Dan's people-mover! Oh yea, I must mention we allowed Jan Bradley to park amongst the 'Vair's his recently acquired 36,000 mile beautiful 1959 Chevrolet Biscayne Sedan/Boat! A good time had by all so please join us next Labor Day!**

**Attention all CCC Members—there are numerous club activities planned before the end of the year, so plan ahead & mark your calendar& come out and join in the fun! A trip to the French Lick area has been organized by Al & Tonjua Toon for September 16<sup>th</sup> & 17<sup>th</sup>. Please see the August newsletter for a detailed itinerary or contact a board member for more information.**

**After our October 18<sup>th</sup> general club meeting at Hubler Chevrolet, please join the group for a short cruise & lunch at Gray Brother's Cafeteria in Mooresville. I promise not to tell any bad jokes but Tom will have his camera out so smile for the newsletter!**

**Upcoming in November, the CCC members have been invited by fellow member Eddie Pryor to meet at and tour the Skillman Classic Car Collection! Not open to the public, this is a great opportunity to see a magnificent collection of muscle cars, race cars, bicycles, signs, a carousel and maybe a few Corvairs! Join us on November 18<sup>th</sup> at 10 am at Skillman Classic Cars on US 31 in Greenwood for a brief club meeting then tour this great collection.**

**December will be highlighted by the annual CCC Christmas Party on Saturday December 2<sup>nd</sup>. More details will follow soon but this is a good time to mark your calendar and get back on Santa's "good" list! The gift exchange is always a thrilling adventure so start getting your creative juices flowing & plan to attend!**

**Last but not least, the Circle City Corvair Club extends our best wishes to member John Shull & Becca Rose as they tie the matrimony-knot on Sept. 23rd**

**CONGRATULATIONS!**

# Notes and news



Questions regarding membership, a change of address, or a change of email address; contact the club at [valveclatter@yahoo.com](mailto:valveclatter@yahoo.com) or contact Dave Beck – Club President at 317-409-5682; or Rod Lasley – Club Treasurer at 317-294-2871.

Yes! it's a rare 1964 engine lid latch in great condition and one factory 64 Monza brake drum with head dissipating flanges. The drum is rusty but hasn't been turned and needs cleaned up but serviceable. Only one in stock



HURRY. Call Jan or Dave for pricing.  
Dave Beck 317-409-5682

Some of you have heard it run NOW you can own it !! 1964 110 engine complete with pg trans and diff. Engine block is RN (which is 140 according to junk yard book but obviously there are only two carbs) Call Jan or Dave for pricing. Very affordable to the lucky person.



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## For Sale:

Rebuilt Corvair fuel pumps - \$60 with exchange pump . Dan Brizendine, [debrizo@comcast.net](mailto:debrizo@comcast.net) 317-615-9237

## For Sale:

66 coupe rear glass (clear and in good condition)- \$25

61 coupe EZ eye (factory tinted glass) good condition- \$150 includes all glass except the windshield. One bumper mount trailer hitch for sale \$25

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## FOR SALE

1963 Corvair Spyder coupe. White with red interior. Overall, car is in slightly above average condition. Minimal rust but there are some small areas that need minor body work. Repaint is average. Interior is above average. The car has been sitting for quite some time but does run. Runs rough and will likely need carb work. Condition of brakes unknown. MUST SELL. \$4250. Call Florine Dawson 317-498-4835






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has dignity and  
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**- Martin Luther  
King, Jr.**



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