

Art's beautiful Corvair at the Super one food drive in Duluth

# **A Super Food Drive**

Once again The Head of the Lakes Corvair Association held it's annual food drive in Duluth at Super-One in Kenwood. The drive was a HUGE success this year. I think this is one of the finest activities that our club has undertaken. Money is tight for everyone and that didn't stop people from filling our trunks with food and cash for the donation jar. Members attending were Pete and Patty Prudden, Art Bringe, Ed Lampi, Dan Rutka and Jason Agnich.





# **November Meeting Agenda**

Head of the Lakes Corvair club Agenda Tuesday, Nov. 25, 2008 Perkins East Dinner 6:00 Meeting 7:00 Call to order at Attendance - any new member / quests Secretary's Report - Kathy Thompson Treasurer's Report - Jim Linder Oct 50/50 \$2.00 to Pat Murphy \$8.00 to club **Committee Reports**  Corvair Cavalry /Ron Pete's.... Parts Order News Letter - Ron Thompson •Want ads & Articles Merchandise orders -Old Business · Officer hand book - pictures by Aerial bridge Photo shop creation Christmas Party January 11, 1pm at Country Lanes Bowling New Business · World of Wheels Elections • Detroit Homecoming (Peter) National convention Tech Talk Any Other New Business -

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Next Committee Meeting preceding the Club meeting at 6:00 pm March 3rd at Perkins

Next Head of the Lakes Corvair Club Meeting March, 3 2009 7:00 pm Perkins London Rd.

### Vendor List

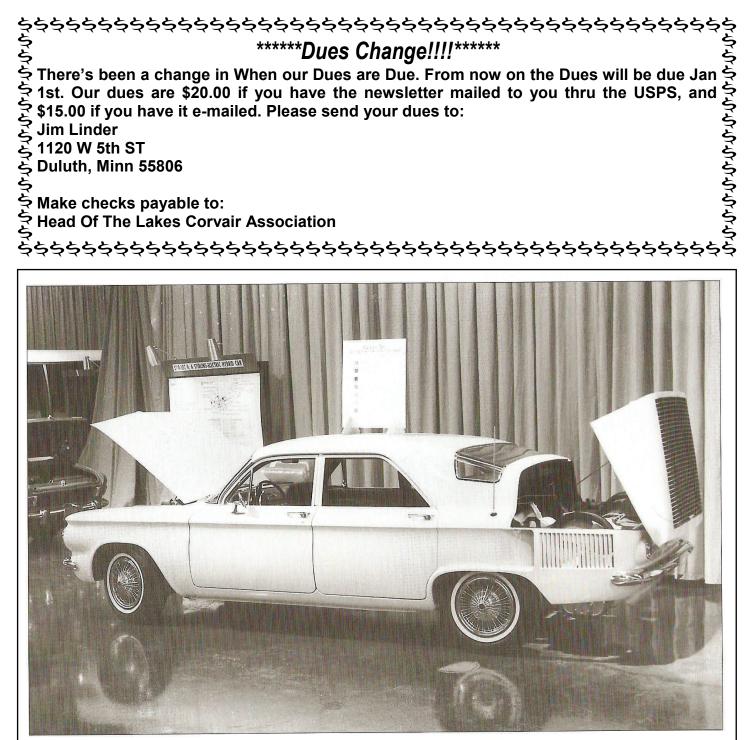
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Not all adaptations of the Corvair were sporty. GM used the Corvair as a basis for its "Calvair," a vehicle powered by a Stirling engine which drew heat from a stored supply—thus the "Cal" for "calories." Bizarrely the GM Research engineers equipped this unique fastback Corvair with optional wire-wheel trim covers.

The above picture was taken from "The Corvair By Chevrolet, Livingsten Library Series."



# The Cavalry in action again

Jason called and said he was coming over and needed his valves adjusted and had a couple other things to do. We made an attempt to adjust a noisy valve and could not get it to stop clacking. We decided to pull the lifter and found the lifter came apart and tore up the valve stem in the process. We decided that the head had to come off and replace it with another from his engine that was in my garage. It was a good days work but we got the head swapped with the engine in the car and he was back on the road by suppertime. We also installed a new heater hose and the bottom tins back in place. Bob Saunders stopped by with his 66 for a bit to check out the action. What a sweet ride.

Ron Thompson

# I Need newsletter articles!!!

I could really use some ideas and Corvair stories for the newsletter. It's getting harder and harder to fill the newsletter when I don't have articles to put in. I know you have a story about your Corvair you want to share. Let us know what work your doing or maybe you took in a show. It's all newsletter material. Our club has approximately 25 members and I'm sure someone has a story to share. I worked most week ends this year so missed all the shows and a lot of the events. Make sure you bring your camera and take some pictures and get them to me with a story and I'll get it in. Or if you have an idea of what you would like to see in the newsletter just let me know. Soon you'll be sick of hearing about my garage.

Ron Thompson Newsletter Editor

## Ron's winter Corvair plans

Well over the winter I will be dropping my 140 engine out of my 62. The plan is IF I can afford it is to convert my monster 140 into a big bore engine. I've been tossing around the idea for a while and think I might give it a go. I'm not sure if I can afford it but we'll see what happens. I'll have to have the block and heads machined to fit the 94MM Volkswagen Cylinders. My engine is a proven engine and has a nice cam in it so I decided to go that route. My Corvair buddy John in Seattle is working with me on this conversion. The end result is more power and we all know we can never get enough. I'll keep everyone posted. Ron Thompson



### Ed's 64 Project

Way back when I purchased my first Corvair. It was a 1963 4 door Monza 900. I talked to a friend of mine who restored cars and he said I needed to get a hold of a guy named Ed Lampi. He said he's the local Corvair guy. I called Ed because I needed some parts and drove my 63 up to show it off to Ed. I told Ed what I paid for it and he just laughed and said he's never paid that much for any Corvair he's had and he's had over 100 over the years. That made me feel really great. Ed gave me the parts I needed and after that anytime I needed help he was there to tell me what to do and supplied the parts. We became great fiends over the years and I learned a lot from Ed about Corvairs. I moved out to Seattle for about 4 years and still kept in contact with my ole pal Ed. I moved back to Superior and the highlight of that move was I was able to show off to Ed how much I learned about Corvairs when living in Seattle. For the next couple of years Ed, Myself, and Art Bringe took in a lot of car shows and had a lot of fun. Now my work kind of gets in the way of car shows but I still try to get in a few now and then. Ed picked up the 64 pictured above and started working on it. It didn't take him long to get it where it is today. Not bad for the eldest member of our club. I hope I make it to his age let alone be restoring a Corvair. Ed has forgot more about Corvairs than I'll ever know. I still call Ed when I'm not sure of something, and he always has the answer. I told Ed before and I'll say it again, Ed I have adopted you as my Corvair Dad and want to say Thank You for all you have taught me!! Keep up the good Work!! The 64 looks GREAT!!! Ron Thompson

Trivia answer: Uni-body



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Corvair Trivia

By Glenn Lemke

What innovative body design was first used by Chevrolet on the Corvair? Answer on page 6 NO PEEKING!! Head of the Lakes Corvair Association Chapter 558 meeting Oct 28, 2008

Meeting called to order at 7:00 PM. There were 12 members in attendance. 50/50 was won by Pat Murphy, \$5.00 Club, \$5.00 Pat who then donated \$3.00 back to club.

Minutes were read and motion made and seconded to accept.

Treasurer report was read and motion made and seconded to accept.

There aren't any car shows to attend during the winter months.

The Corvair Calvary has lots in the garage to work on.

Still in the works are the Officer handbook and the Aerial Bridge pictures.

The club picnic was fun for those that attended, everyone had a good time.

We held two very successful food drives, the Superior food drive collected about 329 pounds of food and the Duluth food drive was very successful and was also interviewed for the News.

The topic of the meeting was the up coming changes for meetings. The proposal was to have 4 meetings throughout the year, held during special events that we attend. There was a lot of discussion and a couple of suggestions that varied the options. One suggestion was to have 8 meetings during the year leaving out the colder months of November, December, January and February. The other suggestion was for 6 monthly meetings every other month.

A vote was taken and it was agreed that the 8 monthly meetings held in March, April, May, June, July, August, September and October would be the most suitable. There would be no meetings in November, December, January or February. The Newsletter will be published every other month starting in February and followed by April, June, August and October.

It is the hope of the Officers, both outgoing and incoming that this new plan will make it easier for more members to attend meetings. The Board will meet 1/2 hour before the general meeting. The general meeting will meet on the First Tuesday of each meeting month. There will be discussion at our next meeting to brainstorm on a meeting place and what we would like to do for our Holiday get together.

It was decided that the renewal notices for the club would be sent out in the Newsletter.

The Treasurer will mail out membership cards and stickers.

The Membership Committee will compile a list of members and payments.

Ron has agreed to continue with the newsletter, Joanne will be the membership committee and Kathy will continue as the Sunshine committee.

Nominations were made at the October meeting and ballots were sent out to every member to vote for next years Officers. Please send the ballot in or plan to attend the November meeting at Perkins (where we always meet) to make your choices count.

On final note, Pete and Ron have accepted position for committee on the World of Wheels Car Show, anyone else interested should contact either of them.

Pat Murphy praised the Calvary a greatly appreciated pat on the back for the Calvary.

The meeting adjourned at 9:00 PM

Kathy Thompson Secertary

## Activities and Events

Nov 25 Regular meeting at Perkins London Rd meeting at 7PM

March 3 Committee meeting 6 pm Perkins London road 1 hr before regular meeting

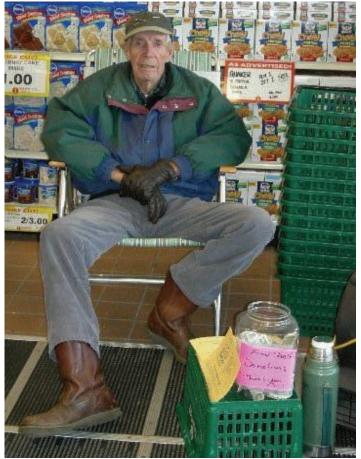
March 3 Regular membership meeting 7PM Perkins London Rd

# **Picnic Pictures**



I was unable to attend but Our President sent me these pictures. Ron Thompson The Food drive in Duluth was a huge success. In 2007 we collected a total of 1002 pounds of food. This year they collected 1074 pounds of food and \$242.85 in cash. The food shelf bought food @20 cents a pound and was able to buy another 1,214 pounds of food. That brings up the total food donated to a whopping 2,288 Pounds of food!!! GOOD JOB !!!!!!!







Art, Jason, Dan and Ed



Jason and Pete's Corvairs



Ed and Dan's Corvairs

# **Ste. Corvair**

No, Ste. isn't abbreviated wrong! Per the dictionary, "Ste abbr saint (female)". Now any female who is associated with a male Corvair enthusiast should be a "Ste.". Here's how I figure it:

#1 – She has to have patience.

Example: Honey, dinner is 20 minutes. 20 minutes later – Honey, dinners on the table Much later – eating alone and suddenly Corvair Man appears.

#2 – She must be unselfish.

Example: March thru November (?) she knows that she won't see too much of Corvair

Man. He's busy tinkering, repairing, updating, and helping other Corvair Men or buzzing about to car shows and car club meetings. So forget about getting any household projects completed and wait until winter.

#3 – She must be understanding.

Example: When Corvair Man comes in after a frustrating day in the garage, she must agree and sympathize about getting the wrong part or the directions are wrong.

#4 – She must be a great actress.

Example: Sure Honey, I'd love to spend the day in a hot, sunny unshaded, field talking about Corvairs with a ton of Corvair Men.

#5 – She must be aggressive.

Example: Honey, when can I drive the Corvair? I have a valid license, no tickets and I love the wind in my hair. You can even come with me!

#6 – She is a Corvair Mans Ste. Corvair and a loving one to boot.

So all your Corvair enthusiasts – give the "little woman" some consideration and let her drive your treasure once in a while and maybe even get her one of her own. She is really a "treasure" and a saint.

> By Ste. Corvair

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