# The Vair Fax





# From the Editor

Hello everyone,

Well, I hope everyone is ready for Helen. If I can get the 63 ready, my nephew Caleb is going to drive it up. Also above is a picture of my valve cover racer. This was painted over 20 years ago and just this year, I finally acquired a kit for it and built it out.

See you in Helen Clay

#### Officers for 2024:

President: Chris Law (229)347-1479 Chrislaw1963@gmail.com

#### Vice-President:

Joe Gleaton

(478) 731-4792

rhondagailjwg@gmail.com

Secretary: : Chuck Smith (478) 221-5133 charlessm6@aol.com

#### **Editor:**

Clay Grant (478) 973-3499

clay.grant@aimovers.com

#### Treasurer:

Joan Law (229) 326-3099 CJLaw1973@gmail.com

#### Webmaster:

Dean Gemberling <a href="http://www.georgiacorvair.com">http://www.georgiacorvair.com</a>

			L
Inside this issue:			
Officers	I		
From the Editor	I		
Swap Shop Upcoming Events	2		
Local Cruise In's	2		
Advertising	2		
Secretary's report	3		
From the Prez	3		
Blast from the past	4-5		
			Ī

April
NO meeting this month
Due to Springfest
See you in Helen
April 19-20

### **Upcoming events**

April 19-20 Springfest 2024 - Helen GA

July 22- 25 - 2024 CORSA International Convention - Dayton, OH

#### Local area cruise ins

Cars Cruzin and Coffee 8:30am 1st Saturday of each month 5915 Zebulon Rd Macon GA

# Our 51<sup>st</sup> Year!

Clark's Corvair Parts<sup>®</sup>
400 Mohawk Trail, Shelburne Falls, MA 01370
(413)625-9776

www.corvair.com

# Secretary's Report

Heart of GA Corvairs
March Minutes

Meeting called to order at 12:30 pm by Club President Chris Law.

11 members and 4 guests in attendance.
As of this date, there are 75 registrations for Springfest, most with 2 or more people.
Autocross price reduced to 10.00.
Only 3 have registered for autocross so far; doesn't seem to be as much interest as in the past. Maybe more in later registrations.
Moon pies have been purchased, for Keith and Sharon to give out along with the drinks from their cooler.
The Hilton Head Concours is coming up in November; Joan will be in contact with the people in charge to see if Heart of GA will be participating. The club is interested going. Meeting adjourned at 1:45.

Respectfully submitted; Chuck Smith Secretary

# From the Prez.....

Greetings, We had another good meeting at Lane's Orchard In Fort Valley. There was a pretty good turnout, there were 15 attending, including 2 NEW MEMBERS – Blair & Josie Northern from Greensboro and Mitch & Amy Browder from Warner Robins. I hope you will all make them feel welcome when you meet them. We will not have a regular meeting in April, because we have SPRINGFEST in Helen April 19<sup>th</sup> & 20<sup>th</sup>. Speaking of SPRINGFEST, Good News - we have 94 registrations, now and Preregistration cutoff is April 10<sup>th</sup>, so if you haven't made yours yet, Times a wastin! Hurry up and gettum in!! You don't want to be left out and miss this event! Looks like we will have a good showing for Valve Cover Races,so get yours built or dusted off and join the fun. Also, don't forget to bring a door prize. I am looking forward to seeing you all there!!!

APRIL

2024

Corvair Society of America ATTN: Dr. David Dean Via <a href="mailto:dr.dean@cox.net">dr.dean@cox.net</a>

RE: Nomination of Dean F. Gemberling to be elected Eastern Division Director

10 February 2024

Dear Dr. Dean

As a long-time CORSA member, I respectfully submit myself for consideration to be elected Eastern Division Director.

As a dedicated Corvair enthusiast, I began working on Corvairs at age 15, helping my brother and father restore & show a 1965 Monza coupe in Buffalo, New York. I have owned, driven and restored many Corvairs over the previous 47 years. Although I appreciate all things Corvair, I am particularly fond of V8-powered Corvairs. I am the current caretaker of the famous yellow V8 Rampside that was built by Ken Arnold and will soon finish the restoration of Ken's former drag racing car, a 1965 Monza coupe, converted into a very nice streetcar, complete with the 1963 Buick 215 V8 located inside the original engine compartment.

I created and maintained the website for Springfest in Helen, one of the largest, most successful regional Corvair-only events in the Southeast, having recently passed along those duties to another club member.

I created and currently maintain the website for the Heart of Georgia Corvair Club.

I am very active on the Corvair Center Forum, having authored some of the most popular and detailed topics of interest. I have also created and posted numerous "How to" tutorials on a variety of Corvair technical topics.

I was blessed to graduate from The United States Military Academy at West Point in 1983 and served our great nation in the United States Army on active duty and in the reserves until 1989.

My wife and I founded IHS Computers in our living room in 1996, grew the company to be the premier computer service company in the Columbus, Georgia area, then sold the company to another successful businessman last year.

I know what it takes to succeed in business and how to lead by example.

I work well with others, will respect a different opinion, and can maintain the "big picture" without getting sidetracked by minutiae.

I am technologically savvy and comfortable with Internet, email & other forms of digital communication.

CORSA is facing some challenging and complex issues that require someone with my skills and experience to help solve, thereby ensuring that our Corvair hobby and CORSA, not just survive, but flourish for the foreseeable future.

Specifically, I will help to restore the Corvair Center Forum to the fun, open, easy-to-use, self-regulated Corvair family forum we used to know and love. I will also work to restore full transparency of all board actions, actively seek member input and ensure that the board is accountable to you, the club member.

With my previous experience as a CORSA Eastern Division Director, having served one term from 2013 to 2016, I can hit the ground running!

I humbly ask for your vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Dean F. Gemberling

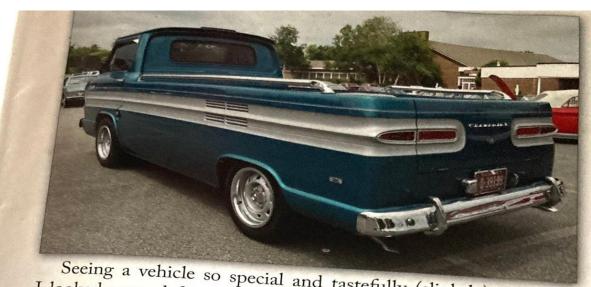


# Blast from the Past - Joan Law

I found this article in the Corsa Communique from 2012. It was written by David Main about the how our cars are cleaned up and shined for display.

I always knew that James cleaned his Rampside by hand ,but I did not know he went to this extreme. Read the article below and you will see. His article was "Stop in the Name of the Law"

2024



Seeing a vehicle so special and tastefully (slightly) modified, I looked around for what I assumed was some whippersnapper owner who trailered the truck around the country. As I looked for the owner I spotted a tall gentleman who was explaining the features of the truck to some show attendees. I introduced myself and asked if he was the owner, and in perfect Georgia Gentleman English he responded, yes, and that his name was James Law.

I then spent about 25 minutes listening to James tell how he cut one coil from each spring to lower the truck and added a spoiler to keep the air from grabbing the truck. How he installed disc brakes that still were not perfect by his standards and how he added air conditioning for the little 1,600-mile trips he likes to make. He went on to say he compounded the entire truck twice using just the pressure of two fingers and he had detailed the entire undercarriage, and we shared a laugh as we both admitted to using "rattle-can" paint as part of the detail process.

At the end of our conversation I had to ask James a personal question: "How old are you?" James responded that he had turned 83 this year.

My short visit with James was just what the doctor ordered. For a day, I forgot all of the headaches I have at work, although I was embarrassed that James drove 1,600 miles to the convention and I would not drive my Corvair 200 miles in the rain. James Convention, outdone only by James himself

APRIL

2024

The Vair Fax 134 McGill Road Sumner, GA 31789

