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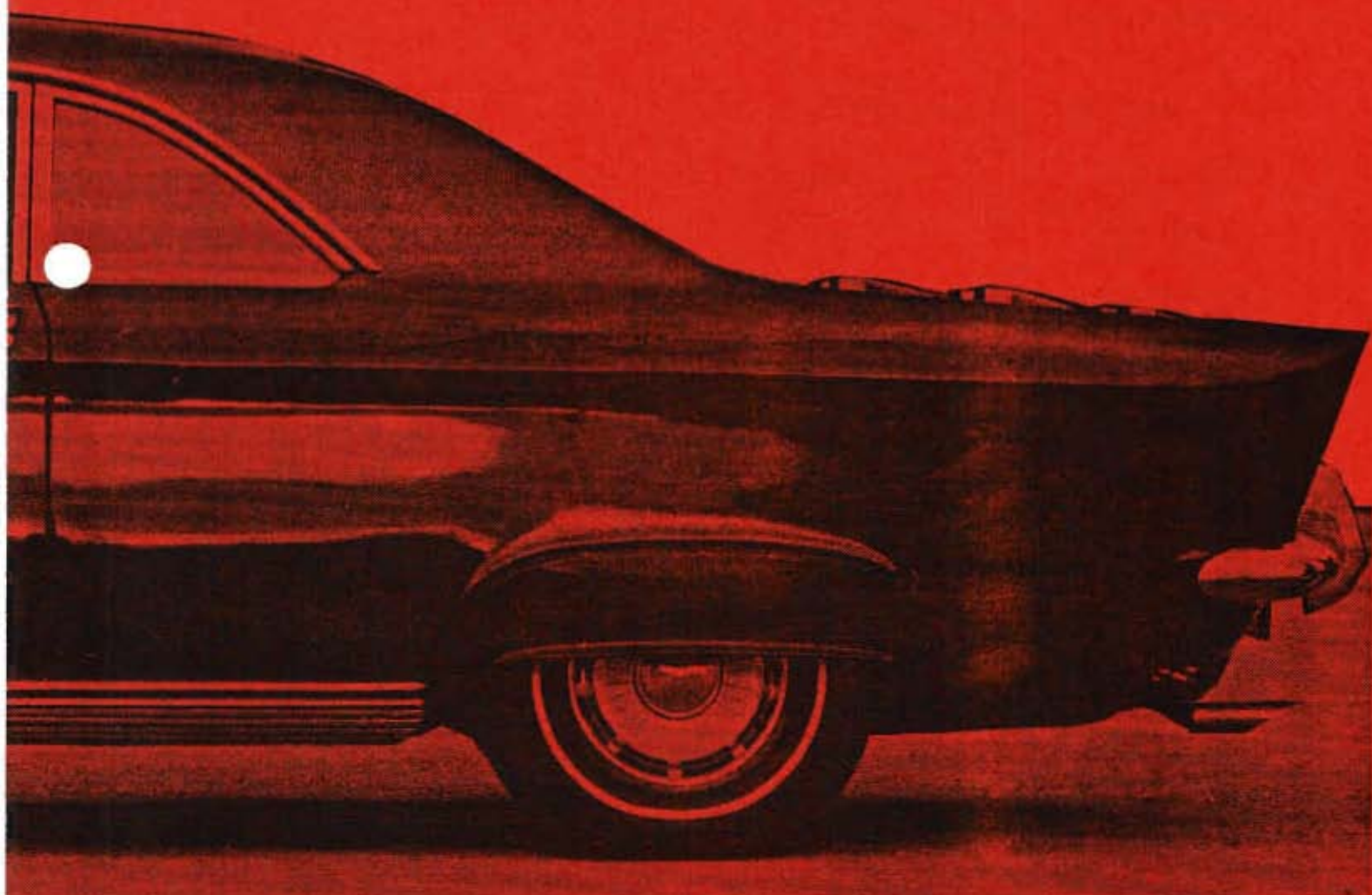
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## TUCSON CORVAIR ASSOCIATION

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**MONTHLY MEETINGS** are held on the fourth Wednesday of each month except December. One technical/social event is planned for every month except July and August.

**MEMBERSHIP DUES** are \$10 per year and are payable to the TUCSON CORVAIR ASSOCIATION through the Membership Chairman.

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We would like to invite you to join the Tucson Corvair Association. We will send you three complimentary issues of the Corvairsation and welcome you to attend all of our activities. This is a great chance to get to know us. No matter what your Corvair interests are, you'll find lots of good folks with similar interests in the Tucson Corvair Association. If you decide to join us, the dues are only \$10 per year.

From the President

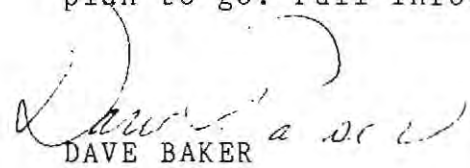
Boy, we've had so much fun and so many things have happened since the last letter, it'll take five pages to tell about it.

First of all our May meeting was a total and huge success. Micheal Valentino headed up the tech session. Michael has been in the paint and body business for over fifteen years. He had all the exotic tools, gidgets, and gadgets to provide an excellent presentation on how to fix that fender and paint that car. We only lacked the 5 H.P. compressor.

Ah, the big event of the year!! The pot luck pool party at the Baker's. There was swimming, dancing, eating, drinking and singing. Milt and Diane Evans furnished the hamburger meat and Don Robinson grilled the patties to perfection.

Ah yes, the singing. Michael Valentino furnished the entertainment with guitar and song while we all joined in for a rousing rendition of the first and second verse of the Corvair Anthem. The first verse was written last year by Ed Sanford and his group, and the second verse competition was won this year by Bob Egger's group. Ester Alex was magnificent as she sang both verses accompanied by the guitar of Michael Valentino.

The national convention in Kansas City is coming up fast. It portends to be a grand affair with five days of activities, July 25th through the 30th. Barry Cunningham and Larry Dandridge plan to go. Full information is in the Corsa Communique.

  
DAVE BAKER  
President

CORVAIR 11 PRESENT 31

The regular monthly meeting of the Tucson Corvair Association was called to order at 7:45pm by President Dave Baker on May 24, 1989 at the Picadilly Cafeteria, 6767 E. Broadway, Tucson, Arizona.

Guests and members were introduced: Barry Cunningham, Albert and Gail Crispin, Woody Wilkins, Dave and Beverly Baker's daughter and son-in-law, Michael and Terry Valentino.

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved as printed in the Corvairsation.

Our mid-month activity, the pot luck and pool party, was fun and a good turnout. Dave and Beverly also celebrated their 45th anniversary. Many More!!!

After the break, drawing were held. Cecil Alex won the license plate gift with 328 L. Other winners: Marcy Tucker, Ester Alex, Barry Cunningham, Milt Evans, Van Pershing, Fred Zimmermann and Daryld Williamson. Again, thanks to the past and future club members for donation of gifts.

Michael Valentino was our guest speaker. Subject was on how to keep our Corvair bodies in shape.

Meeting was adjourned at 9:00pm.

Respectfully submitted,

*Marie Williamson*

Marie Williamson  
Recording Secretary



by Paul Zazarine

**O**n a recent road trip to Pennsylvania, we were introduced to a metal polish called Ouator (pronounced "water") which may just be the best hand applied cleaner/polish we've ever run across. Ouator requires no special tools or equipment to use, just a screwdriver to open the can. Inside is a roll of cotton, impregnated with a cleaning/polishing agent that can remove the grunge off the nastiest piece of aluminum, steel or chrome.

Ouator has been around for the last 80 years, having established itself as one of the largest selling brass and silver polishes in France and Europe. Cambria Products (817 Franklin Street, Johnstown, PA 15901 (814) 535-6761) distributes Ouator in the USA and Canada. The beauty of Ouator is it not only cleans and polishes, but also leaves a protective finish that protects against corrosion, rust, water stains and tarnish.

We tried Ouator out on a pitted chrome bezel, a tattered aluminum threshold plate and a length of old fuel line. We purposely used old, beat up junk parts as opposed to show-quality components just to make the test harder. We can tell you Ouator brought back a shine and luster to all the parts that had been tarnished for years. In fact, the threshold plate and the fuel line look and felt as if they had been put to a polishing wheel and buffed. On show quality chrome, Ouator worked better than any chrome polish we've ever used, and in ten years of showing cars in ISCA and national concours events, we've tried just about all of them.

Ouator is available in fine department stores where brass and silver polish is sold, or you can order it directly from Cambria products for \$4.49 per can plus \$2.00 shipping. Now if they would only put a car on the label instead of a candleholder...

*The chrome on this Mustang backup lamp bezel was pitted, dirty and beat. A quick pass with Ouator didn't remove the pits, of course, but it did return the shine. On show quality chrome, Ouator proved itself to be far superior to any chrome polish we've used.*

*Impregnated in a roll of cotton, Ouator is packaged in a can and sealed in a plastic bag. To use, just tear off a small piece, place the rest back in the bag, drop it back in the can and close the lid. There's no liquid to spill or leak.*



## WATER WORKS

This amazing metal polish is like a buffing wheel in a can.



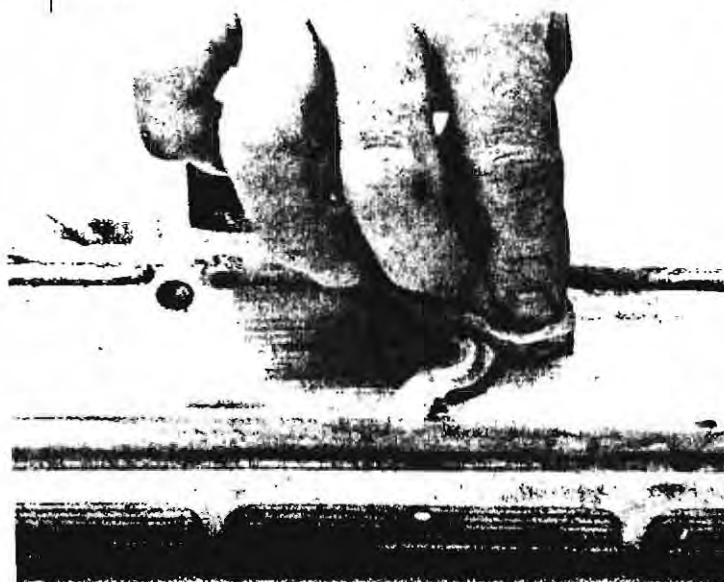
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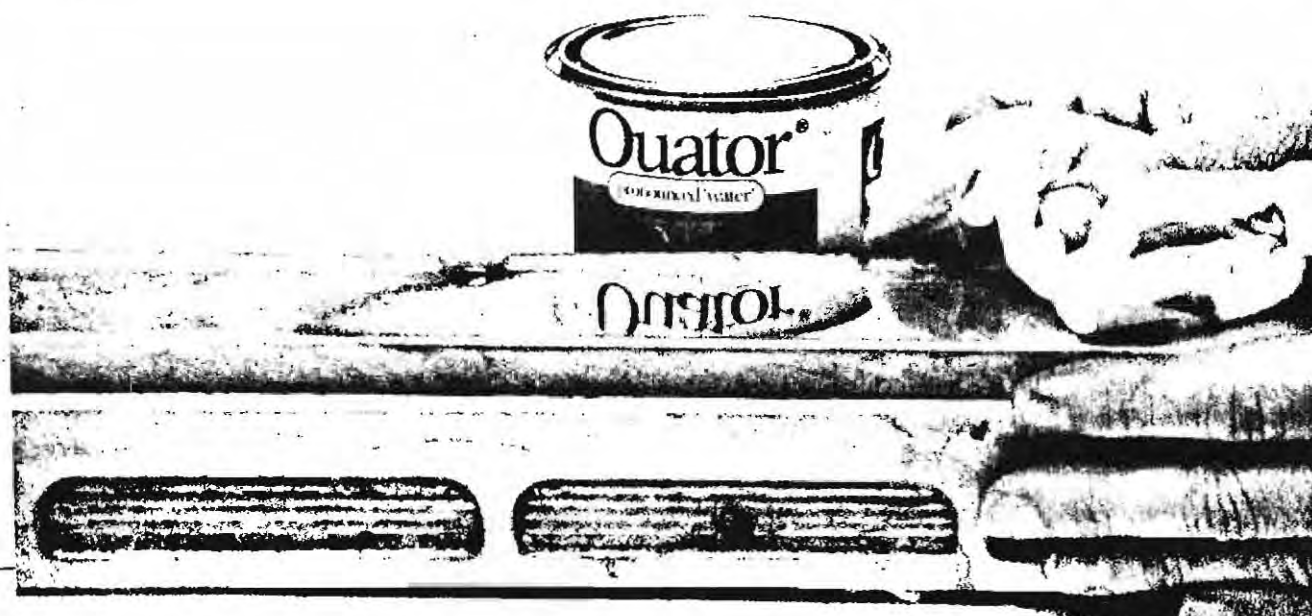




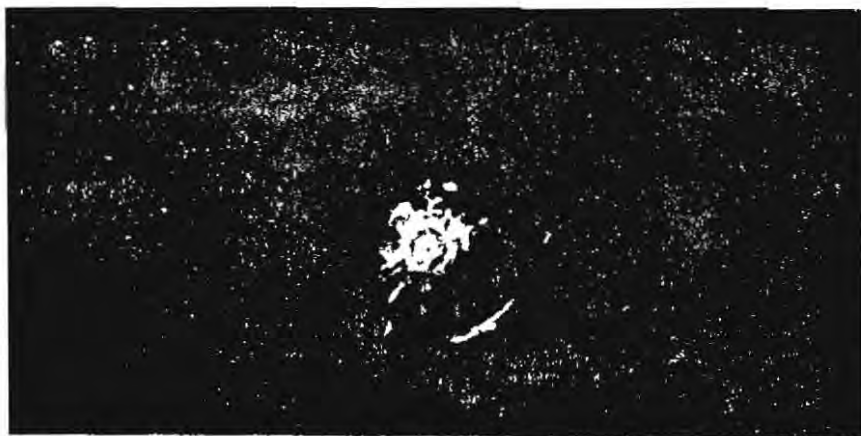
*We next tried the Ouator-impregnated cotton on a nasty looking metal fuel line. It required no hard rubbing. After wiping off any excess, we buffed the tubing with a soft cloth. The result was amazing. The line was clean, and the shine looked as if it had been applied by a buffing wheel.*



*When we put something to the test, we don't do it lightly. To see how well Ouator did on aluminum, we dredged up the cruddiest threshold plate we could find. Ouator not only removed the dirt and grime, it also took out some of the scratches and brought the dull aluminum finish back to an incredible luster. It also lays down a wax-like coating. Ouator works!*







The Kier System can repair damage like this "star break," and save the owner money in the process.

## I CAN SEE CLEARLY NOW

The Kier System of glass repair takes the pane out of windshield cracks and scratches.



This tool vacuums all the air from the break, at the same time injecting the polymer chemical under pressure to fill the air space between the outer layer of glass and the inside sheet of elastic. Here Richard Dickter, the Kier rep for our area, demonstrates the system on a display windshield.



The break can be seen in the center of the vacuum tool just before the pressure is applied to force the chemical into the air space.



After a few minutes the tiny cracks fill with chemical and disappear. The repair is almost completely undetectable.

by Earl Davis

Since the invention and wide spread use of laminated safety glass, very little has happened to automobile windows. They protect us from the elements, and at the same time provide us with essential visibility. Not only functional, glass has become a very important part of automobile styling. With the ability to shape glass, body styles were transformed from the square look of the 20's to the rounded, more aerodynamic shape of today. All of this has not come without a price, meaning the cost of replacing a windshield. Depending on the car, a windshield can easily run \$200 or more, before installation. And in the case of some antique automobiles, there may be no replacement windows available at any cost.

With this in mind and knowing American ingenuity, it was just a matter of time before someone invented a way to repair an otherwise useless piece of damaged glass. Kier Manufacturing Company of Atlanta, Georgia has done just that.

Because windshields are laminated, damage is normally limited to the outer layer of glass. The .030-inch thick sheet of plastic between the two glass layers will usually absorb the shock and preserve the inner layer.

We are, of course, referring to pebble or small stone chips; if something like a bowling ball ends up in the front seat, you might as well call your nearest glass shop. The normal damage caused by flying stones falls under one of the classes Kier has named: the bullseye, the star break or the half moon, which are usually the size of a quarter or less. Sometimes a long crack accompanies one of these breaks, which can also be repaired by the Kier System.

The air space created by a break shows each tiny crack, like looking through cut glass crystal, leaving the impression the damage is much worse than it really is. If the break happens to end up almost anywhere in the center of the windshield, it can be most distracting. And in most states it's illegal to drive a car with a damaged windshield. In a concours car show, a cracked windshield will cost you valuable points, as will a non-stock replacement glass.

Through experience and research, Kier Manufacturing has proved that the majority of these superficial breaks can be repaired by first placing the damaged area in a vacuum to remove as much air as possible, then injecting a polymer chemical, under pressure, to fill the air space. Sounds like a good idea, but before you start trying to



hook up your engine vacuum gauge to your windshield, check the photos with this article to get a clear picture of the process.

A quick phone call will set up an appointment with a Kier representative in your area, who will bring all the equipment and know-how to your garage or shop for the repair. If you are in the automotive restoration business, this type of service is essential.

Individuals can take advantage of this service, too, having the repair done right in their garage or driveway. Also, the windshield is not removed from the car, which is especially beneficial to the guy who owns an unrestored car, in excellent or show condition, and does not want to risk damage to the window molding during replacement.

The service is quick and economical, especially compared to replacing the glass, and in most cases the repair is undetectable. The Kier System has been tested by The Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles in California and Florida. Both agreed there is no decrease in impact resistance of glass below that required of glazing by American Standard Z26.1. Which means a windshield repaired by the Kier System will pass a vehicle inspection in those states.

The Kier System can also remove windshield scratches. Damage from a worn out wiper blade or an ice scraper can make night driving a real challenge, if not impossible, especially during a rain storm. A Kier representative can buff out the scratches using a special compound and a unique buffing wheel.

A lot of labor is involved in the Kier process, but the results are outstanding and it's still cheaper than replacing the windshield. Also, the process is messy due to the large amount of water and compound used, so be prepared to give the car a good washing and detailing when the job is finished.

Now the facts are clear about repairing or replacing a window, and if it's still too much of a pain, call the Kier Manufacturing Company to get the location of the nearest representative.

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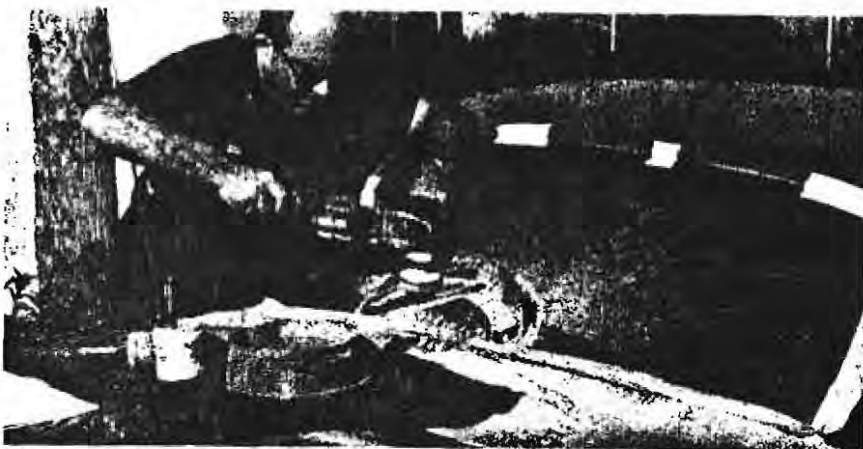
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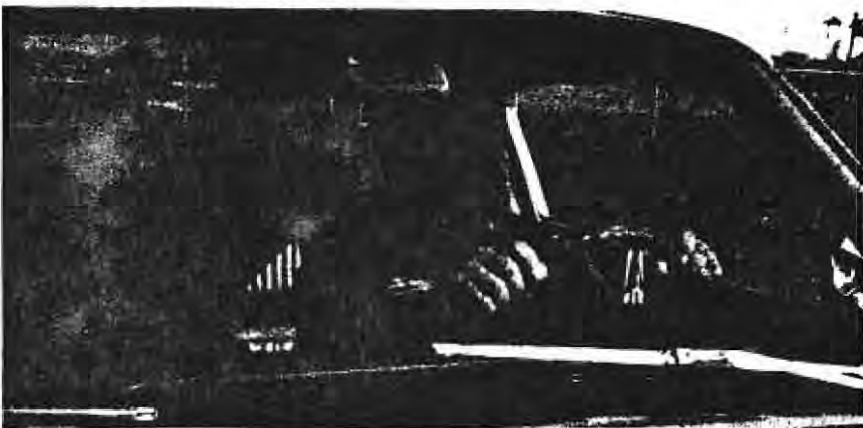
*The Kier System can also take care of wiper scratches like this.*



*Richard puts tape on the inside of each scratch to use as reference marks.*



*As you can tell, this is a lot of work. The trick is to buff out the scratch without distorting the glass.*



*The results of Richard's work is outstanding, the scratch is completely gone.*



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**FOR SALE:** '61 MONZA 900, 4-door, automatic, no rear seat, no headliner, straight body, great engine. \$900. Call Dave Thompson, 748-7105. 5/89

**FOR SALE:** '64 MONZA, 2-DOOR, automatic transmission - not running - complete. Call Del Light (602)883-6794. 12/88

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**FOR SALE:** '61 LAKEWOOD, white, nice appearance, automatic, runs good daily. \$3,000 - will talk! C.G. Turner (602) 326-7203. 1/89

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#### Income

Dues.....20.00  
Raffle tickets.....36.50  
Merchandise sales.....39.75  
Aluminum cans.....33.39  
Name Tags.....4.50  
Advertizing.....15.00  
Total Income.....\$149.14

Balance June 1, 1989 .....\$975.27

Vic Howard

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##### PAST DUE

February - Alan Atwood  
George Sproles

March - John Elliot  
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Al Rivas

April - Leon Mazza  
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FOURTH WEDNESDAY of each month  
Piccadilly Cafeteria, 6767 E. Broadway, Tucson

6:30 pm: Parking Lot Bull Session

7:00 pm: Dinner (Optional)

7:40 pm: Meeting Starts

COMING EVENTS

NEXT MID-MONTH ACTIVITY IN SEPTEMBER!!!

June 28: Regular Monthly TCA Meeting

July 5: TCA Board Meeting 7:30 at JBs, Swan & Speedway

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