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Next Meeting: Regular Meeting: Saturday, May 3, 2025 10:00 AM

Palo Duro Senior Center, 5221 Palo Duro Ave NE, Albuquerque, NM 87110

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On the Cover: Lupe in her Convertible with new engine (top)

Lupe's Mother in front of her Pride and Joy (above right)



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CNM May 2025 Newsletter Articles—Greg Nelson

TriState

It is finally here, albeit at the end of the month. The May meeting is the last meeting before the show. Since it is the weekend before the June meeting there will not be any articles in the June newsletter, but we will show pictures from the convention at the June meeting.

Museum Car Show

Set for Sunday May 18th in the Art Museum parking lot and frontage street, please consider volunteering. I will be there early with the '64, come hell or high water, or the '63 as backup. Robert Gold will also get there early and cone off parking spaces for other Corvairs. Hope to see you there.

New Mexico Council of Car Clubs
Albuquerque Museum

39th Annual

Car Show



Celebrating "Lowriders"

Sunday, May 18, 2025 - 10am - 3pm



Ray and Lilly's '64

We are in the home stretch to get the last panel mounted which is set for April 28th. There are car shows over the weekend that interfere, so we settled for installation on Monday.

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Report for CNM Treasury Account for April 2025

Date	Check	Amount	Payee	Description	Balance	Running Balance
1-Apr-25						\$5,431.25
15-Mar-25	Deposit	184.75		Proceeds from Bingo/Silent Auction/Potluck	184.75	\$5,616.00
26-Apr-25	2031	50.00	Lawler. Tony & Diane - CNM 26 Month Member exp 4-27		50.00	\$5,666.00



My '64

The 'brand new' rebuilt mechanical fuel pump has a large leak and lasted all of five miles. I even installed hex nuts to help 'squeeze' the pump components together to no avail. So, in a rush I will install an electric pump hopefully in time for the Museum Show.



I ran into a snag when I lifted the front of the car onto jacks and forgot I had removed the fuel pump. Quite a bit of gas spilled onto the driveway, and I spent a couple of hours cleaning up and this delayed the lift process by a day. I should have it on jacks before the end of the last weekend of April.



Trash Day

The second Saturday May 10th is trash day, and we will start at the top at Mile Marker 6 and work our way west. Meet around 8:00am in the westbound lane just in front of our Mile 6 signpost.



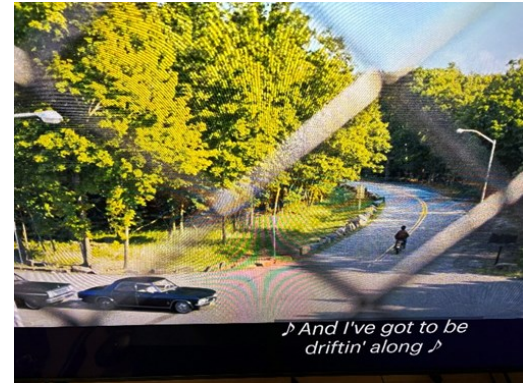
B I N G O					
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2	28	37	55	68	
10	27	39	59	75	

BINGO!!

Our second bingo event was a remarkable success. And I managed to win the last game. I also picked up a nice train poster that Rita found. There was food and beverages available courtesy of the CNM members. We think the next one will be in November when the weather has cooled a bit.

Corvairs of TV

Relatively speaking this was a bumper month for seeing Corvairs on TV. The first was on the Bob Dylan biopic called “A Complete Unknown” and the Corvair shows up in the very last scene before the credits roll.



The second is a movie starring Jude Law. It is set in the 1980s so I was surprised to see a Corvair in the parking lot.

Our member in Silver City, Curtis Shimp shared that his daughter watched the movie, Dark Winds, on Netflix and

saw a late model (Butternut Yellow?) in the film. Since the film was shot entirely in New Mexico, does our club know anything about that Corvair? By the way, Curtis is heading for the National CORSA Convention and will meet at the Tri-State in Trinidad.



Super Van Stereo—Steve Gongora

I owned two Corvairs in the past with stereo systems that would rock your socks off. All the work was done at Driver's Den at Eubank and Constitution. Jim Gooden and I went to school together. He graduated a year after me and we have been doing work for each other over the years at House of Covers. Jim was a perfectionist and the sound couldn't have been any better. I sold my 62 Rampside and 66 Corsa with the sound systems to a museum in Covington Kentucky in December of 2017. I have been hoping to upgrade my Super Van to attain the same level of performance in the stereo department since then. When we sold the business in 2021, I thought this would be a good time to redo the seat and stereo in the van. Well, it has been over 4 years and I am still trying to get to those projects. I was made aware in November 2024 that Driver's Den was closing and I better get over there quick as Jim was liquidating his inventory. I made it there the next day and told Jim to set me up with what I needed. We filled up my car and I took it home. I am hoping to get this this project sooner than later.



CNM Meeting – April 5, 2025—Steve Gongora

The meeting was lightly attended due to the unexpected snow.

We made our annual CORSA dues payment of \$35.00 leaving a balance of \$5431.25

To promote the Bingo/Silent Auction/Potluck, Lupe will send a reminder email for the event

Greg Nelson will bring knives, forks, plates – etc. and one dollar bills

We will come early to set up tables etc. The Palo Duro Senior Center has acknowledged the event and will get the room ready.

The Tri-State in Trinidad will be coming May 30—June 1. We hope all have made their reservations. We can see if anyone will be caravanning at the next meeting.

Greg has been working on both of his Corvairs to resolve the fuel issues. He will be driving one of his Corvairs the Albuquerque Museum Car Show.

Ann Wiker has found a future location for CNM dinner events at Mario's at Juan Tabo and Menaul. They have a separate room for future dinners.

Rita also discovered the Los Altos Golf Course events room with Jaime Elias catering events. Jaime and his father used to own Charlies Front Door and we held an Anniversary event at Charlies Other Door on Montgomery in the past. The food is outstanding.

Remember to put the Museum Car Show on your calendar – Robert has asked if CNM members can help out on parking for clubs?

If anyone goes to CORSA convention – please take photos

Larry Yoffee connected us to a link of his video the Durango Tri-State Convention in 2015. We showed the video at the meeting and the link is on the Tri-State page. We were all amazed to see many of the people who have passed on.

Link: <https://youtube.com/watch?v=WxHya7R7yPI&si=K2iyQAKqkVsejz96>



Birthdays in May

Pat Hall 5/22

Anne Mae Gold 5/28



***Anniversaries
in May***

Robert & Anne Mae Gold 5-13

MAY 2025**JUNE 2025****JULY 2025**

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
27	28	29	30	1	2	3
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
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29	30	1	2	3	4	5

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27	28	29	30	31	1	2

Saturday, May 3, 2025 10:00 AM **Meeting—Palo Duro Center, 5221 Palo Duro Ave NE, Alb, NM 87110**

Saturday, May 10, 2025 8:00 AM CNM Route 66 Trash Pick-Up at Mile Marker 6—Tijeras Canyon

Saturday, May 10, 2025 1:00 PM Tour of Upton Ethebah's Art Studio (limited to the first 10 people)

Sunday, May 18, 2025 6:30AM—3PM Albuquerque Museum Car Show

Wed-Fri, May 20—23, 2025 4 days CORSA International Convention—San Luis Obispo, CA

Wednesday, May 28, 2025 6:30 PM Car Council Meeting – 4th Wednesday

Manzano Mesa Senior Center , 501 Elizabeth St SE, Alb, NM 87123

Fri-Sun, May 30-June 1, 2025 3 Days 40th Annual Tri-State—Trinidad, Colorado

Friday, May 30, 2025 9:00 PM Deadline for Newsletter

Monday, June 2, 2025 ***** Target completion of newsletter

Saturday, June 7, 2025 10:00 AM **Meeting—Palo Duro Center, 5221 Palo Duro Ave NE, Alb, NM 87110**

Sunday, June 15, 2025 TBA Fathers' Day Car Show at La Vida Llena

Wednesday, June 18, 2025 7:00 PM Board Meeting—3rd Wednesday via Zoom

Wednesday, June 25, 2025 6:30 PM Car Council Meeting – 4th Wednesday

Manzano Mesa Senior Center , 501 Elizabeth St SE, Alb, NM 87123

Friday, June 27, 2025 9:00 PM Deadline for Newsletter

Monday, June 30, 2025 ***** Target completion of newsletter

Saturday, July 5 2025 10:00 AM **Meeting—Palo Duro Center, 5221 Palo Duro Ave NE, Alb, NM 87110**

Saturday, July 12, 2025 TBA Tinkertown Museum

Wednesday, July 16, 2025 7:00 PM Board Meeting—3rd Wednesday via Zoom

Wednesday, July 23, 2025 6:30 PM Car Council Meeting – 4th Wednesday

Manzano Mesa Senior Center , 501 Elizabeth St SE, Alb, NM 87123

Friday, July 25, 2025 9:00 PM Deadline for Newsletter

Monday, July 28, 2025 ***** Target completion of newsletter

Tri-State 2025 in Trinidad, Colorado—The link is below or go to the CNM web-site and go to the Tri-State page: <https://www.rockymountaincorsa.org/upcomingevents/rmc-tri-state/>

The time is here!!

It is going to be a great time!!!

40TH ANNUAL TRI-STATE CORVAIRS MEETUP

Trinidad, Colorado

2025

May 30 - June 1, 2025

Hosted by the Rocky Mountain Corsa Club

MORE INFO TO COME!

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Dues Due

send your Dues to:
CNM Treasurer
Steve Gongora
 8419 Palo Duro Ave NE
 Albuquerque, NM 87111-3238

Makes Checks Payable to: CNM or Corvairs of New Mexico

Due in November 2024

Maggi Kitts inactive as of Dec 2024

Due in December 2024

David Huntoon inactive as of Jan 2025

Alex Johnson inactive as of Jan 2025

Due in January 2025

Anne Wiker inactive as of Feb 2025

Lilian Shortle inactive as of Feb 2025

Due in March 2025

William Heil inactive as of April 2025

Mark Morgan inactive as of April 2025

Due in April 2025

John Dinsdale inactive as of May 2025

Art Gold inactive as of May 2025

Due in May 2025

Robert & Connie McBreen inactive as of June 2025

Fred & Brenda Edeskuty inactive as of June 2025

Due in June 2025

Jim Pittman inactive as of July 2025

Schedule of Dues: CNM: 12 months = \$25.00 or 26 months = \$50.00 - CORSA: 12 months = \$45.00 or 26 months = \$90.00

If you want to pay CNM and CORSA to Treasurer: Both memberships 12 months = \$70.00 or 26 months = \$140.00



OFFICIAL CONVERSION CHART

HOW TO INTERPRET

ANTIQUE CAR ADS

IF IT SAYS:

IT REALLY MEANS:

Rare model.....	Nobody liked them when new either
Older restoration.....	Can't tell it's been restored
Needs engine work.....	It's been frozen for 30 years
Uses no oil.....	Just throws it out
No rust.....	Body and fenders missing
Rough.....	It's too bad to lie about
One owner.....	Never been able to sell
No time to complete.....	Can't find parts anywhere
Needs interior.....	Seats are gone
Rebuilt engine.....	Has new spark plugs
May run.....	But it never has
Low mileage.....	Third time around
Many new parts.....	Keeps breaking down
29 coats hand-rubbed paint....	Needed that much to cover rust
Clean.....	It sat out in the rain yesterday
Best offer.....	About what I expect to get
Always driven slowly.....	Won't go any faster
Prize winner.....	Hard luck trophy 3 times in a row
Stored 25 years.....	Under a tree
Real show stopper.....	Orange with purple fenders
Easy restoration.....	Parts will come off in your hand
Ready to show.....	Just washed it
Top good.....	Only leaks when it rains
Good investment.....	Can't depreciate any more

New Mexico Council of Car Clubs Albuquerque Museum

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Celebrating "Lowriders"

Sunday, May 18, 2025 - 10am - 3pm

**Open to all makes and models of motorized vehicles with a
special display of Lowriders.**

\$10 Entry Fee - Free Public Admission to Car Show

Dash Plaques for Entrants - No Pre-registration - No Trophies - No Sales

There will be a Special Toy and Model Program and an Auto Art Exhibit
inside the Museum Ventana Salon.

Albuquerque Museum

2000 Mountain Road NW at 19th Street

For more information contact:

Website – <http://nmcarcouncil.com>

Albuquerque Museum – 505.243.7255 Press 0 [9am-5pm Monday-Friday]

Studio Art Tour**May 10, 2025—1:00 PM**

Get Ready for a wonderful treat for CNM members.

Upton is opening his studio for our club. It is limited for the first 10 members to sign up. The sign-up sheet will be at the May meeting or call or email Steve Gongora with his information on page 2.

**Upton Ethelbah Jr.—Artist**

Greyshoes is the artistic pseudonym of Upton Ethelbah Jr., an acclaimed sculptor who has won multiple 1st place awards from such prestigious shows as the Santa Fe Indian Market, Heard Museum Indian Fair and Market, Autry Museum Masters of the American West, and the Museum of Indian Arts and Culture's Native Treasures Art Market.

Greyshoes' sculptures are contemporary, stylized, and brimming with movement, drawing inspiration from the aesthetic motifs found in the ceremonial regalia and dances of his Native American heritage (Santa Clara Pueblo and White Mountain Apache). His works include representations of Apache crown dancers, Pueblo corn, deer, elk, antelope, buffalo dancers, pan-American Matachines, as well as "essentialized" Native American medicine bears and various sacred animals.

Greyshoes exclusively uses stone in his sculptures, including both exotic and domestic marble, limestone, alabaster, and onyx. Some one-of-a-kind stone originals are then chosen to be cast in bronze in limited editions, featuring patinas in a variety of colors, patterns, and textures.

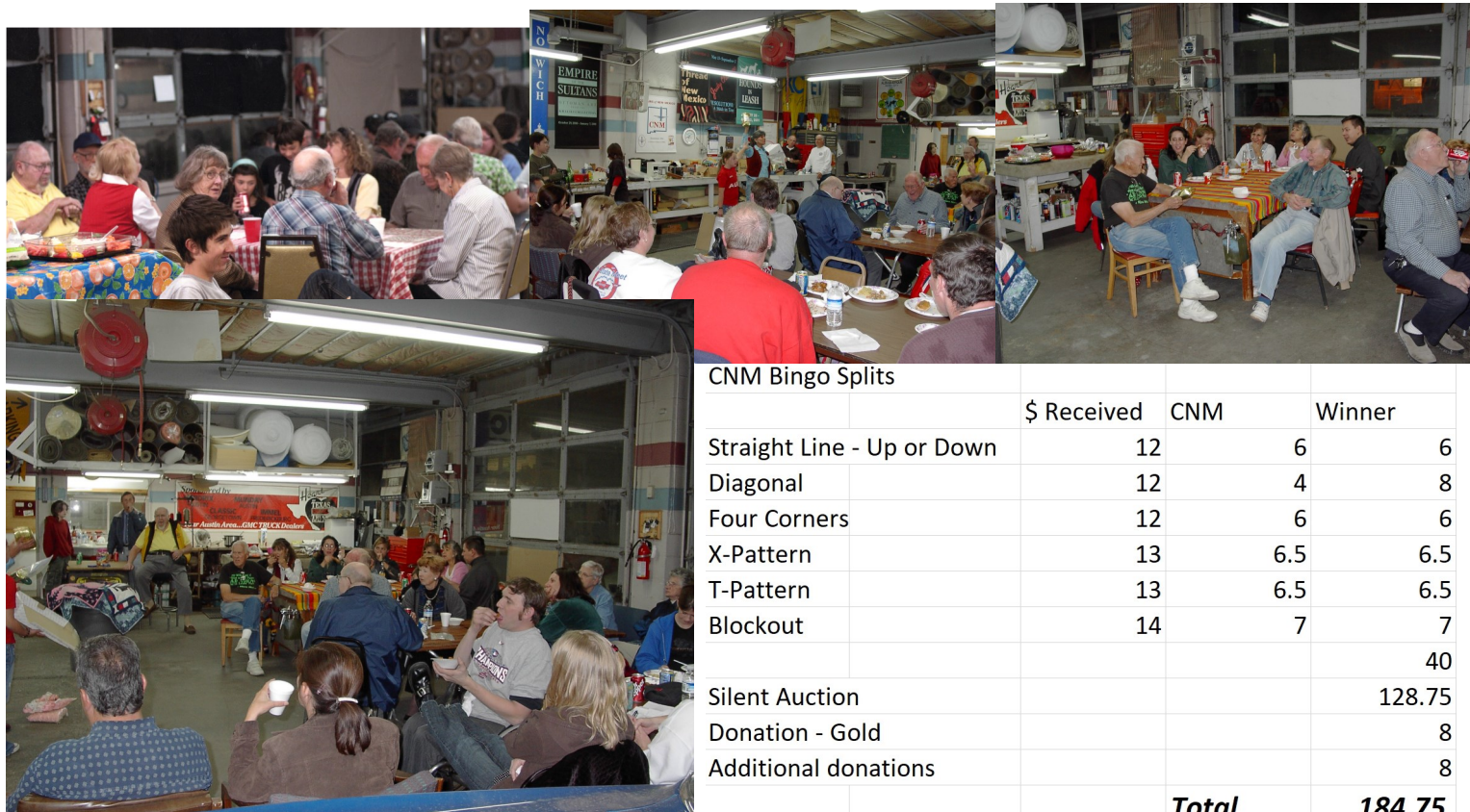
Greyshoes holds a Bachelor of Science from the University of New Mexico, is a graduate of the Poeh Arts Center sculpture program, and was mentored by notable sculptors such as Evelyn Fredericks, Clifford Fragua, Robert Dale Tsosie, George Rivera, and Nelson Tsosie. He served as Chairman of the Board of Directors for the Southwest Association for Indian Arts (SWAIA)—the producers of the Santa Fe Indian Market—from 2002-2003.

For more information about Upton please visit his website at: <https://www.greyshoes.com>

CNM Bingo/Silent Auction/Pot Luck—April 12, 2025—Steve Gongora

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Palo Duro Senior Center was the place to be for the Bingo Event. We were treated to some fine cuisine and members brought items for the Silent Auction and the club benefited from the proceeds. The sparsely attended event brought a great amount to the club bank. I've detailed the income in a spreadsheet below. In the past we used to conduct this event at House of Covers filling the entire room with table, chairs and of course, people. In the early days, we had Leroy Rogers as the auctioneer. We auctioned off items in the traditional bidding process. It was a lot of fun. We rented the Bingo equipment from Disco Display House. I always thought the "Disco" part of the company name was short for "Display Company". Nope, that was not the case. Their last name was Disco. For many years, their location was convenient, as they were one block from House of Covers on Bryn Mawr. Disco Display Company took over the Goodyear Tire building and remained there for many years until their closing. When they closed shop, I bought the Bingo equipment for CNM, knowing it would be a benefit for the club. We continued to have House of Covers as the host location until we sold the business in 2021. John Wiker was at the helm calling out numbers and keeping track of the which particular game would be played next. He always gave time between games to chat and continue to bid on the auction items. Robert Gold organized the next event after "Covid" at the Manzano Multi-Generational Center on Elizabeth and an additional event in November of 2024. This is a great event to bid on high quality items and everyone leaves happy. I have come across some fantastic items over the past many years. Robert Gold talks about his "treasure find" at the last Bingo. He can easily see the time at any time of the night as he bought a clock that projects the time on the ceiling. Be sure to put the next Bingo event on your calendar and see if we can beat our record of over \$800.00 to the club treasury.— *Enjoy past photos!!*



CNM Bingo Splits				
	\$ Received	CNM	Winner	
Straight Line - Up or Down	12	6	6	
Diagonal	12	4	8	
Four Corners	12	6	6	
X-Pattern	13	6.5	6.5	
T-Pattern	13	6.5	6.5	
Blockout	14	7	7	
			40	
Silent Auction			128.75	
Donation - Gold			8	
Additional donations			8	
		Total	184.75	

Photos from our Bingo Event on April 12, 2025

Photos provided by Steve Gongora



Steve,

Just thought this might be interesting. 1966 when in the Air Force in Sacramento with my '62 Monza coupe. A tune up, compression check, reset timing, balance carbs and replace fan belt. \$14.73..... David Huntoon

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David - Huntoon				CHANGE DIFF.
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1000 Cleveland Ave				PACK FRONT WHEEL BRGS.
Apt 1071				BALANCE WHEELS
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BODY NO.				
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OPER. NO.				
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Balance Carbs				
{ Oil Sending Unit Leaking } 500				
{ Replaced Fan belt }				
ALL PARTS LISTED ARE GENUINE CHEVROLET PARTS UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED				
I hereby authorize the above repair work to be done along with necessary materials. You and your employees may operate above vehicle for purposes of testing, inspection or delivery at my risk. An express mechanic's lien is acknowledged on above vehicle to secure the amount of repairs thereto. You will not be held responsible for loss or damage to vehicle or articles left in vehicle in case of fire, theft, accident or any other cause beyond your control.				
SIGNED: David Huntoon				
TERMS: STRICTLY CASH UNLESS ARRANGEMENTS MADE				
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SALES TAX 18				
TOTAL AMOUNT 14.73				
THANK YOU				

Easter 1964 in Illinois. My Dad, me and my little brother Gary. Ready for church. New '64 Monza 4 door. Our family car that replaced a '61 Monza 4 door. David Huntoon



OVER THE MOON! - Lupe Arellanes

I'm absolutely over the moon about getting my Corvair back from Dave Langlois! That man is a true wizard with these machines. Can you believe he did a complete engine swap for under \$2K? The club members weren't exaggerating about his skills - he's worth his weight in gold to our Corvair community.

The car's running better than ever now, purring like a kitten just as you said. That distinctive air-cooled boxer engine sound is

music to my ears. I've been waiting weeks for this moment, and now I'm all set for that Route 66 cruise I've been dreaming about.

There's something magical about these old cars that the newer models just can't capture. That vintage steering feel, the simplicity of the dash, and oh - clicking on that AM radio and scanning through those few precious stations. Limited options, sure, but that's part of the charm! Nothing beats cruising down the highway with some classic tunes flowing through those original speakers.

Dave even threw in an oil change as a bonus. In the week and a half I have had it back, the oil levels are steady with no leaks. He couldn't let a fellow Corvair enthusiast hit the road without everything being just right. That's the kind of camaraderie you only find in the classic car community.

Have you had any work done by Dave before? Worth it! The way he restored my Corvair, I'm thinking I'll be a customer for life!

All the best,
Lupe Arellanes



What If?

Ever wonder what the Corvair would look like if the designers and engineers were at play? Here are a few ideas of what the 2025 Corvair would be. Thanks to Larry Blair for sending in a Corvair photo from Facebook. I added the extra photos around the center. Steve

