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June 27-July 1

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Tuesday     8:30-6:00
Wednesday   8:30-6:00
Thursday    8:30-NOON
(Hours subject to change)
Greetings from the City of Independence

We are thrilled to welcome you and the 2017 Corvair Society of America’s International Convention to Independence, Missouri. With an amazing membership of 4800 Corvair enthusiasts in the Americas, Europe and Australia and 125 chapters in the USA, the City of Independence is honored to be selected as this year’s host city.

We are proud to have you experience the hospitality that only Independence can offer. Our small town feel with Midwest traditions and values is why our most famous citizen, President Harry S Truman chose to come back home and live the rest of his life at the corner of Truman and Delaware Streets.

While you’re in town, we encourage you to stop by our Visitor Experience Center in the Historic Truman Courthouse on the Independence Square. Our Independence Ambassadors would love to customize your visit to include your particular interests. Whether it be shopping, museums, sporting events, historic sites, water parks, or taking a walk back in time on the Square, our goal is to make your visit the best experience possible and make Independence a vacation destination in the future.

Welcome and enjoy your stay.

Sincerely,

Eileen Weir
General Information:

Parking
The parking lot at the Hilton Garden Inn is going to be crowded. We’d like to give preference to Corvairs and non-Corvairs with handicap tags. Please consider parking your non-Corvair across the street (see map). There is a sidewalk that runs under Jackson Drive that’s safer than using the crosswalks.

Trailer Parking
Parking for trailers and tow vehicles has been provided in the Rib Crib parking lot on the south side of I-70 next to the Holiday Inn Express. There will not be room for them in any of the Hilton Garden Inn parking lots. If you bring your tow vehicle and your Corvair back to the Hilton, please park the tow vehicle in the parking lot across the street (north side of Jackson Drive). There is also a walking trail under I-70 back to the Holiday Inn Express/Rib Crib parking lot. It’s about a 6-minute walk.

Club Banners
Please drop them off at Registration with the contact information of someone in your club.

Newcomers Orientation
Is this your first convention? Larry Claypool will present an overview of a CORSA convention and answer questions in Independence C on Tuesday night.

Welcome Party
What better way to spend a summer evening than going out for ice cream with friends? Tuesday evening officially kicks off the Convention with an Ice Cream Sundae/Dessert Bar in the Oregon Ballroom followed by the Valve Cover Races; lots of family friendly fun! There will be a cash bar in the Truman Grand Foyer.

Hard Luck Award
If you suffered but overcame hardship while driving your Corvair to the convention, you are eligible for the Hard Luck Award; the award no one wants to win. Write a summary of your experience and submit it to Larry Claypool no later than noon on Friday. Remember, you have to have actually arrived in your Corvair to be eligible.

Long Distance Award
A special award is given at the banquet on Friday night to the person who drove their Corvair the farthest direct distance from home to the host hotel. (Side trips, no matter how fun or necessary, don’t count.) If you feel you’re a contestant, know your mileage at the Banquet.

Hospitality Room
The Hospitality Room is in the Lewis & Clark room in the north wing of the host hotel on the ground floor near the pool. It is conveniently near the north doors with easy access to the Outdoor Vendors, the Concours field, and access to the Little Blue Trace walking trail. Check in frequently to check the notice board, pick up a snack or redeem your door prize ticket.

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See Us in the Indoor Vendor Area
Vendor Sales

Vendors will be set up in the Santa Fe and California Ballrooms. Clark’s Corvair parts will have a limited display and there will be plenty of additional vendors to supply your Corvair needs. Shop early; the Ballrooms clear at noon on Friday in preparation for the Awards Banquet.

Outdoor Vendors

Outdoor vendors will be in the north parking lot with easy access from the north doors just past the Hospitality Room. Shop early; the parking lot will start clearing at noon on Friday in order to set up for the People’s Choice Car Display.

Car Wash Area

There will be a hose and bucket wash on the north side of the hotel near the pool area. Look for the sign. The Drury Inn has offered a bucket wash area for its guests also. Check at registration for the exact location.

Banquet Ticket Exchange/Seating Assignments.

Registrants for the Saturday night banquet will receive a banquet ticket, which must be brought to the banquet ticket exchange in order to receive their seating assignment. Chapters wishing to be seated together must gather all their banquet tickets and bring them to the Truman Grand Foyer on Thursday at 4:00.

Awards Banquet

The CORSA Annual Awards Banquet will be in the Harry S Truman Ballroom on Friday night. There will be a Social Hour starting at 5:30 with a cash bar in the Truman Grand Foyer. The Banquet begins at 6:30. Tickets are required.

Directions to Classic Car Wash from Hilton Garden Inn

Turn left onto E Jackson Dr
Turn left onto East 39th St S.
Turn right to merge onto MO-291 N
Turn right onto Gudgell Rd.
In one block turn left onto East RD Mize Rd
The Classic Car Wash is on your left.

Local Amenities

Medical Services:

Medical Emergency Call 911
Centerpoint Medical Center
19600 East 39th Street
Independence, MO 64057
816-698-7000
1.1 miles north

Urgent Care and Pharmacies
Minute Clinic (CVS)
3825 S. Noland Rd.
Independence, MO 64055
866-389-2727
Hours 8:30am-7:30pm
3.9 miles west

Walgreens Healthcare Clinic
3915 S. Noland Rd.
Independence MO 64055
816-254-8748
Hours: 8:00am to 7:30pm
4 miles west

Car Wash:

Classic Car Wash
2500 E. R.D. Mize Rd
Independence MO 64057
3.2 miles north via 291 Hwy

Auto Parts:

Check Convention Vendors First
Santa Fe Ballrooms Hilton Garden Inn

O'Reilly Auto Parts
16630 E US Hwy 40
Independence, MO 64055
Open 7:30 am-9 pm
3.5 miles west

Groceries:

Terra Health and Wellness Market
19800 E. Jackson Dr.
Independence, MO 64057
Open 10am-8pm
Across the street from Hilton Garden Inn

Walmart Super Center
4000 S. Bolger Road
Independence, MO 64055
Open 24 hours
1.6 Miles west
**Competition Events**

**Cole Competition**

The Edward N. Cole Award is given to the person who excels in the four main competitive events at the convention (Concours, Rally, Economy Run and Autocross) in a Corvair bodied and Corvair powered vehicle. This year marks the 40th presentation of the award given in honor of Ed Cole, “the father of the Corvair.” The family of Ed and Dollie Cole provides the trophy.

**Concours d’Elegance**

Concours competitors represent Corvairs at their very best. Cars are judged against a standard of perfection in quality, cleanliness and operation. Plan to attend the Concours Participant’s Meeting at 1:00 pm on Tuesday. The event will be held Wednesday morning on the west lawn between the Hilton Garden Inn and the Little Blue Trace Trail. In the event of excessive rain, an alternate site will be announced.

**Economy Run**

Plan to attend the Economy Run Participant’s meeting first thing Thursday morning to receive your instructions and any last minute route changes. This event tests the Corvair’s fuel efficiency and the driver’s ability to conserve gas by careful pacing.

**Road Rally**

Plan to attend the Rally Participant’s meeting first thing Thursday morning to receive your instructions and any last minute route changes. This will be a Continental Rally under CORSA rules. It will test the driver and navigator’s ability to follow directions and identify landmarks through a scenic tour of the area around Independence. This year both the driver and the navigator are eligible for a trophy in the Competition Class. Please be sure both your driver and navigator are identified to the Rally Event Team before you leave on the Rally. Touring Class participants are eligible for a driver’s trophy. Non-Corvairs are also encouraged to compete although no trophy will be awarded.

**Edward N. Cole Award**

Previous winners:
- 1978 Herb Berkman
- 1979 Tom Seversin
- 1980 Larry Rollow
- 1981 Ed Kramer
- 1982 Jim Becker
- 1983 Clay Carmean
- 1984 Albert Schneider
- 1985 Don Leamon
- 1986 Bill Pursell
- 1987 Ray Fallot
- 1988 Rich Carrol
- 1989 Tom Seversin
- 1990 Larry Shapiro
- 1991 Jim Garrison
- 1992 Mike Dobie
- 1993 Mike Seversin
- 1994 Scott Seversin
- 1995 Susan Walker
- 1996 Mike Seversin
- 1997 Corbin Tayloe
- 1998 Scott Seversin
- 1999 Steve Kirkton
- 2000 Steve Kirkton
- 2001 Corbin Tayloe
- 2002 Herb Berkman
- 2003 Rusty Rose
- 2004 Mike Dobie
- 2005 Richard Jenkins
- 2006 Tom Seversin
- 2007 Philip Raker
- 2008 Jim Allen Jr.
- 2009 David Abell
- 2010 Dale Dewald
- 2011 Tom Seversin
- 2012 Bob Manwaring
- 2013 Philip Raker
- 2014 Dale Dewald
- 2015 Gary Greenwood
- 2016 Gary Greenwood

**William L. Mitchell Award**

William L. Mitchell Award honors the Best of Show in the Concours d’Elegance. William Mitchell was the VP of Styling for General Motors and influenced the Corvair design.

Previous winners:
- 1993 Larry Shapiro
- 1994 Larry Shapiro
- 1995 Louis Pinard
- 1996 Bob Hoffman
- 1997 Katie Russell
- 1998 no award given
- 1999 Bob Hoffman
- 2000 Tom Carpenter
- 2001 Rich Thompson
- 2002 Eleanor Bruce
- 2003 Rich Thompson
- 2004 Rich Thompson
- 2005 Bill Jabs
- 2006 Mike Dobie
- 2007 Rich Thompson
- 2008 Bill Jabs
- 2009 Harold Warner
- 2010 Stephan Spence
- 2011 John Willis
- 2012 Michael Kovacs
- 2013 Jim Allen
- 2014 Bill Jabs
- 2015 Ray Lett
- 2016 Rich Thompson
**Autocross**

Autocross will be at the MCC Precision Driving Center Emergency Vehicle Operations Course located just a nine minute drive from the host hotel. (See Map) The local SCCA uses this track and we will be using their timing and scoring equipment. This should make for a smooth, professional event. Food vendors will be on site. Remember to bring a chair and some shade. Shelters can be put up but must be staked or tied down to weights. To encourage new participants we will award Fastest Rookie trophies to the man and woman who are running in their first autocross who finish nearest the top in their respective classes.

Autocross pre-tech inspection is Thursday afternoon at the host hotel.

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**Don Yenko Award**

First presented in 1987, the Don award goes to the person who achieved the fastest time of the day in the Autocross competition. Don Yenko built the Yenko Stinger Corvair. This award is sponsored by the Chicagoland Corvair Enthusiasts.

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## Schedule of Events

All meeting rooms are on site at the Hartman Heritage Center adjacent to the Hilton Garden Inn or in the HGI parking lots unless otherwise noted. The Hospitality Room is in the Lewis & Clark room on the ground floor of the north wing (near the pool).

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<td>Stock Car Group Event: Bill Hubble</td>
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<td>Concours Mentoring Program: Ray Morales and Don Wagner</td>
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<td>Minidrive Display: Mike Dawson</td>
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North Parking Lot
- Swap Meet/Outdoor Vendors Tuesday–Friday
- People’s Choice Car Display Saturday

North Doors
to Hospitality, Hotel Lobby

Bucket Wash

West Lawn
- Concourse Wednesday; Car Display Saturday

Bucket Wash

Hotel Loading Zone; Vendor access to Ballrooms

Overflow Parking

Hereford House
East Parking Lot
- Concourse Unit 6
- Autocross Pre-March

To Truman Grand Foyer
To Hotel Lobby
Autocross

Precision Driving Center 1317 S Powell Road
Independence, MO 64057

Directions from Trailer Parking at Holiday Inn Express:

Head east toward E Valley View Pkwy.
Turn right at the first cross street onto E Valley View Pkwy.
Use the left two lanes to turn left onto S Little Blue Pkwy.
Drive north for two miles then turn left onto E RD Mize Rd.
Turn right onto S Jackson Dr.
Continue northbound onto S Holke Rd (Road changes names at an intersection)
Turn right onto MO-78E.
Turn right onto S Powel Rd (just past the Great Plains SPCA)

From Hilton Garden Inn:
Turn left onto S Jackson Drive.
Continue north on S Jackson Drive to S Holke Rd (Road changes names at an intersection)
Turn right onto MO-78E.
Turn right onto S Powel Rd (just past the Great Plains SPCA)

Trailer Parking

Park all trailers and (if possible) tow vehicles in the Vacant Rib Crib lot and the grassy area near the Holiday Inn Express.

It’s a 6-8 minute walk north on the Little Blue Trace Trail, under both East Valley View Pkwy and I-70, to the north doors of the Hilton Garden Inn. (Yellow dotted line at right.)

It’s a 5 minute drive between the Holiday Inn Express and the Hilton Garden Inn.
Hotel Meeting Rooms
Harman Heritage Center at the Hilton Garden Inn
19677E Jackson Drive, Independence, MO 64057 (816) 350-3000

To Outdoor Vendors
North Parking Lot

Parking
The parking lot at the Hilton Garden Inn is going to be crowded. We’d like to give preference to Corvairs and non-Corvairs with handicap tags. Please consider parking your non-Corvair across the street (see map). There is a sidewalk that runs under Jackson Drive that’s safer than using the crosswalks.
CORSA Group Meetings:

AirVairs Group Meeting
Facilitator Mark Corbin
Independence C, Wednesday 3:30 pm
Air-conditioned Corvairs are the topic of this group with emphasis on installation, maintenance, and the changing technology of auto air conditioning.

Ultra Van Chapter Meeting
Facilitator Jerry Mello
Independence A, Wednesday 4:30 pm
Motorhomes powered by Corvair engines were produced in the 1960s and many are still on the road. This group provides both social activities and technical support.

Officers/Editors/Webmasters Meeting
Facilitator Bryan Blackwell
Independence A, Wednesday 6:30 pm
The separate meetings for Officers and Editors were combined and Webmasters added to discuss all items common to all local CORSA Chapters—from membership to editing to activities. The topics vary from year to year.

Corvair Preservation Foundation Meeting
Facilitator Mike Hall
Independence A, Wednesday 7:30 pm
The annual meeting of the CPF will include a discussion of past and future plans for the CPF and a recap of the annual CPF Board meeting. All members are welcome to attend.

Corvair Preservation Foundation
Meeting
Facilitator Current CORSA President
Independence A, Wednesday 8:00 pm
Please attend to hear the latest news, ask questions, and meet the leaders of CORSA. All members are encouraged to attend.

Corvanatics Meeting
Facilitator John Nickel
Independence A, Wednesday 9:00 pm
All forward Control Corvairs, Greenbriers, Corvans, Rampside and Loadside pickups are the subject of this group, which is the oldest and largest of all CORSA Special Interest Groups.

Stock Corvairs Group Meeting
Facilitator Bill Hubbell
Independence C, Thursday 7:00 pm
The SCG encourages research, preservation, restoration and operation of stock Corvair cars and trucks. If you registered for a Stock Corvair Evaluation please plan to attend to pick up your packet. There will also be general discussion and election of officers.

The Stock Corvair Event will be held during the People’s Choice Car Display on Saturday. Stock Corvair Evaluations by a team of experts will take place from 9:00 am to Noon.

Yenko Stinger Group Meeting
Facilitators Ken Hand and Danny Davis
Independence A, Thursday 7:00 pm
Don Yenko created the Yenko Stinger to compete in SCCA road races. Yenkos of all types are highly prized collector cars. This group of Yenko enthusiasts supports the history of the Yenko Stinger and provides technical advice specific to Yenko Corvairs.

V-8 Registry Meeting
Facilitator John Lanning
Independence C, Thursday 8:00 pm
Non-Corvair engines in Corvairs provide exceptional power with excellent handling. V-6, V-8, and even V-12 engines are enjoyed by this fast-moving group.

Internet Forum/Virtual Vairs
Facilitator Bryan Blackwell
Independence A, Thursday 9:00 pm
Corvair discussion activity on the web takes place on Virtual Vairs, Internet Forums and Social Media. This is the annual opportunity to meet in a non-virtual environment.
Competition Events continued:

Valve Cover Races
Oregon Ballroom, Tuesday 8:00 pm

The five clubs that host the Great Plains Corvair Round Up have a recently revamped Valve Cover Racetrack complete with a light tree and electronic finish line. Creativity and speed combine for a good time.

Model Car Concours
California Ballroom, Wednesday 3:00-5:00 pm

This year’s Model Concours should be a good one. Set up is in the California Ballroom from 3 pm to 5 pm on Wednesday. See Bill Bennett if you can’t place your entry during that time. Judging takes place on Thursday afternoon. All entries must be removed by noon on Friday to allow for banquet set up.

People’s Choice Car Display
North Parking Lot/West Lawn, Saturday 9:00 am

This is the last event of the Convention. Trophies will be awarded in eight categories including Concours and Best of Show. The Mayor of Independence will present a Mayor’s Choice award to her favorite Corvair. Members of the public are welcome and may even bring their Corvair. However, only registered participants will be eligible for awards and only convention attendees will receive a ballot. “Where’s my ballot,” you ask? In your registration packet. In addition to the car display there will be a Stock Car Group Event, the Concours Mentoring Program and a Minddrive Car.

Stock Corvair Evaluations by a team of experts will take place from 9:00 am to Noon.

Concours Mentoring Program also takes place from 9:00 am to noon for those interested in learning how to be a Concours judge or putting their Corvair in Concours.

MINDDRIVE is an innovative afterschool program for high school students in Kansas City with a focus on automotive design. Their first automotive project was converting a salvaged Indy racecar into an electric vehicle. Mike Dawson, president and founding member of HACOA and former owner of The Small Car Shop, has been working with the group to convert a Corvair body into an electric vehicle. He has asked them to bring it to Saturday’s Car Display.

It’s hard to find bad BBQ in KC!

So we’ve listed them by distance from the host hotel. The following list excludes national chains. Most are one-of-a-kind restaurants and some are KC area chains. When that’s the case, we’ve listed the closest location unless there’s a quality difference between the closest and the original.

Smokehouse BBQ 1 mile
19000 E. 39th Street
Independence, MO 64057

Zarda Bar B Q 5.2 miles
214 NW Hwy 7
Blue Springs, MO 64014

Gates and Sons BBQ 6.9 miles
10440 E. US Highway 40
Independence MO 64055
816-353-5880

Plowboys BBQ 7.5 miles
3111 MO Hwy 7
Blue Springs, MO 64014

*A Little BBQ Joint 8.9 miles (easy Corvair Driving north on Jackson drive)
1101 W US Hwy 24
Independence, MO 64050
This one is near the Truman Library and Historic Downtown Independence. The décor is full of automobile memorabilia.

Jack Stack BBQ 11 miles
1840 NW Chipman Rd, Lee’s Summit, MO 64081
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Tech Sessions

Rochester Carburetors

Presenter Mike Dawson
Independence A, Wednesday, 2:00 pm

Mike Dawson of the Heart of America Corvair Owners Association (HACOA) will address Rochester carburetors. The session will cover a wide variety of tips and solutions to age and mileage related issues and will include diagnosis. Assembly and disassembly will be covered only to the extent of problem areas. A ten-page handout and slide show will accompany the presentation.

Valuing Your Classic Car

Presenter Fred Bybee
Independence C, Thursday, 5:00 pm

Fred Bybee, also from HACOA, will cover buying or selling collectible vehicles. He will cover Corvairs, of course, and rank them from most to least collectible. He also will cover 1940s through 1970s American vehicles and some of the most popular import models. In covering the American brands he will advise on desirable accessories including wheels and wheel covers. There will be handouts.

Electric Fuel Pumps

Presenter Larry Claypool
Independence A, Thursday, 6:00 pm

Larry Claypool of the Chicagoland Corvair Enthusiasts will cover electric fuel pumps; everything you need to know about choosing one, installing one and why you need one in the first place.

Non-Corvair “Tech Sessions”

Independence C

There will be a come-and-go, make-and-take crafts project on Wednesday night. You are invited to drop in at any time and stay as long as you like. Or come for an hour of BINGO on Thursday night. Check at registration for details.

Congratulations to Steve Goodman on celebrating the 50th anniversary of his business “Rear-Engine Specialist” in Golden, Colorado. Thanks for being a good friend to all Corvair Enthusiasts.

Pictured here with Mike Dawson at Steve’s tech session at the 2011 Great Plains Corvair Round Up in Excelsior Springs, Missouri.
Tours:

Tour participants may gather in the Truman Grand Foyer (near registration) while waiting for the bus to arrive. If the weather is pleasant, we may gather on the sidewalk out front instead. Please have your tour ticket with you and anything else you need to make your day pleasant. (Comfortable walking shoes in particular.)

National World War I Museum and Memorial:

Wednesday, 9:30-2:00

This is the largest museum in North America solely dedicated to serve as a monument to the men and women who served and died in the Great War. It depicts the history of what led to World War I, how the war evolved and events afterwards. It holds National Historic Landmark status and features extensive exhibits, hands on displays and interactive activities that are state of the art. The tour includes a box lunch and will arrive back at the Hilton Garden Inn by 2 p.m.

Steamboat Arabia Museum and historic City Market area:

Thursday, 9:30-2:00

The Steamboat Arabia, which had been bound north to the Dakota Territories laden with trade goods, was excavated from a farm field just north of Kansas City. The amazing contents of the ship are now on display at the museum as well as a film illuminating the story of the ship, its discovery and excavation. Everyone will have plenty of time to explore the museum on their own after which there will be time to have lunch at one of the numerous restaurants in the Historic City Market area. After lunch, everyone will reassemble in front of the museum to board the bus, which will arrive back at the Hilton Garden Inn by 2 p.m.

City Market restaurants near the Arabia Museum:

Winslow’s Barbeque, Carollo’s Italian Deli, Minsky’s Pizza, Beignet (for a taste of New Orleans), the Taste of Brazil Market and the City Diner.

Truman Presidential Library and National Frontier Trails Museum:

Friday, 8:30-2:00

The Truman Library was the second presidential library ever to be created. In addition to the oval office, the museum includes the cars Truman drove (he was partial to Chryslers) and a special exhibition, "Saving the White House; Truman's Extreme Makeover." President Truman and his wife Bess are both buried on the museum grounds.

Everyone will have approximately two hours to explore the Truman Library before boarding the bus for a short ride to the National Frontier Trails Museum. There, everyone will watch an introductory film and have a box lunch in the auditorium. You will have an hour to explore this small but delightful museum on your own. The National Frontier Trails Museum depicts the history of the Santa Fe, California, and Oregon Trails all of which began in Independence. The bus arrives back at the Hilton Garden Inn by 2 p.m.

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Listed by category and distance from the host hotel. Check the Independence Visitor’s Guide in your packet for details on the local attractions. (More than are listed here.) Check the web or your GPS for driving directions or see the rack of brochures in your hotel lobby.

Shopping:
Hartman Heritage Shopping Center (Just across the street from the Hilton .2 miles N)
Independence Center Shopping Mall (1 mile W)
Bass Pro Shop (3.6 miles W)
Country Club Plaza, one of the first shopping malls in the US (17 miles W)

Entertainment with the kids:
AMC Independence Commons 20 Theatres (.7 mile N)
Main Event Bowling and Family Center (2 miles SW)
Truman Sports Complex, Arrowhead and Kaufman Stadiums (8.8 miles W)
KC Zoo (16 miles W)
Worlds of Fun/Oceans of Fun (19 miles NW)

Interesting Tours
Community of Christ Church (Casavant pipe organ tour; check website for times) (7 miles NW)
The Roasterie Coffee tour/tasting (17.3 miles W)
Boulevard Brewery tour/tasting (17.3 miles W)

Special Interest and Museums
Midwest Genealogy Center (3 miles NW)
Independence Square and Courthouse (7 miles NW)
The Old Jail on Independence Square (7 miles NW)
Truman Home (7.2 miles NW)
Vaile Mansion (7.8 miles NW)
Nelson-Atkins Museum of Art 16.7 miles W)
Toy and Minature Museum (16.7 miles W)
Negro Leagues Baseball Museum (16 miles NW)
Thomas Hart Benton home and studio (18.4 miles W)
Union Station/Science City (16.3 miles W)
TWA Museum the National Airline History Museum (17 miles NW)

On your way home:
Powel Gardens (30 miles SE)
Jesse James Birthplace and Farm (30.3 miles NW)
Battle of Lexington State Historic Site (35 miles N)
Moon Marble Company (40 miles W)
Missouri Star Quilt Company (65 miles NE)

In Memoriam
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Dennis Dorogi
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John Karl Koll
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History of HACOA
Heart of America Corvair Owners Association

Celebrating 53 years!

Formed by four Corvair enthusiasts, first meeting in November of 1964.

Incorporated on April 7, 1964 and in continuous existence since that time.

In 50 years the club has only had to cancel two meetings. One because of a blizzard the other the 1968 riots.

The original goal of the club was to promote the car as a competition sports machine. For this reason, the early club events centered on Rallies and Gymkhana events.

The club’s first sponsored event was held on April 26, 1964 “The Wheelspin Crankcase Caper Fun Rally.”

HACOA has enjoyed a very active membership throughout the years. Because of this it has hosted many regional and national events including:

- 1982 Vair Trek CORSA Mini-Convention
- 1984 HACOA 20th Anniversary Celebration
- 1989 CORSA International Convention and HACOA Twenty-fifth Anniversary
- 2004 HACOA 40th Anniversary
- 2007 Great Plains Corvair Round Up
- 2011 Great Plains Corvair Round Up
- 2014 Great Plains Corvair Round Up, CORSA Mini-Convention and HACOA 50th Anniversary

HACOA also expanded activities to include Concours, Car Shows, Parades and Caravan Tours. As a result, our membership is currently about 70 families that own over 250 Corvairs of all years and styles.

Past Convention Locations:

- 1971 Chicago, IL
- 1972 Washington, DC
- 1973 Anaheim, CA
- 1974 Chicago, IL
- 1975 Seattle, WA
- 1976 Philadelphia, PA
- 1977 Minneapolis, MN
- 1978 San Diego, CA
- 1979 Detroit, MI
- 1980 Atlanta, GA
- 1981 Denver, CO
- 1982 Syracuse, NY
- 1983 Seattle, WA
- 1984 Parsippany, NJ
- 1985 Houston, TX
- 1986 Grand Rapids, MI
- 1987 Chicago, IL
- 1988 Asheville, NC
- 1989 Kansas City, MO
- 1990 Ontario, CA
- 1991 Washington, DC
- 1992 Atlanta, GA
- 1993 San Jose, CA
- 1994 Williamsburg, VA
- 1995 Dallas, TX
- 1996 Albuquerque, NM
- 1997 Lake Placid, NY
- 1998 St. Louis, MO
- 1999 Lake Tahoe, NV
- 2000 Daytona Beach, FL
- 2001 Chicago, IL
- 2002 Flagstaff, AZ
- 2003 Carlisle, PA
- 2004 Lexington, KY
- 2005 Portland, OR
- 2006 Buffalo, NY
- 2007 Detroit, MI
- 2008 Ventura, CA
- 2009 Jacksonville, FL
- 2010 Cedar Rapids, IA
- 2011 Denver, CO
- 2012 Sturbridge, MA
- 2013 Kalamazoo, MI
- 2014 Tacoma, WA
- 2015 Knoxville, TN
- 2016 Springfield, IL

53 Years of HACOA Presidents

- 1964-65 Gene Caldwell
- 1966-67 Wilbur Nott
- 1968 Mike Dawson* / Jim Anderson
- 1969 Jim Anderson
- 1970 Bill Cook
- 1971-72 Mike Jones
- 1973 Dick LeClaire
- 1974 Mike Nott
- 1975 Jim Anderson
- 1976 Bill Whitsitt/ Bill Martin
- 1977 Dick Berger*
- 1978 Mike Dawson*
- 1979 Tom Prather
- 1980-81 Mike Dawson*
- 1982 Bernard McCarty
- 1983-84 Bob Brought
- 1985-86 Fred Bybee*
- 1987 Chris Short
- 1988-89 Sharon Bybee*
- 1990-91 Karl Cozad
- 1992-93 Mike Dawson*
- 1994-95 Kevin Koch*
- 1996-97 Bob Shellhorn
- 1998-99 Keith Miller
- 2000-01 Chris Cushman
- 2002-03 Steve Lankford
- 2004-05 Karl Cozad
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