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Gary and Helen Moore, Editors

## 2015 HACOIA Holiday Party



We had a wonderful time at this year's Holiday Party. Don and Wilma Cory, with help from their daughter Kyla, made this a memorable event. The club owes them a well deserved "Thank You."

St. Nick watches over the items donated to Synergy House. Thanks to all for their generous donations, including Seth Emerson our member from California.



Wilma and Kyla Cory baked batches of awesome cookies and cakes. Joe's KC Bar-B-Que provided the rest of the meal. Don seemed to be everywhere, but somehow avoided the camera.



Six brave souls presented themselves as contestants vying for the Ugliest Christmas Sweater. When the voting was over Gary Wolfe finished on top. Besides having the ugliest sweater Gary's reindeer/ring toss hat was a big hit. Anyone able to toss the ring onto the reindeer's antlers received a kiss from Gary. A Hershey's kiss, of course.

# HACOIA Calendar at a Glance

Social Chair Scott Allison

Date	Event
Tuesday <b>January 12</b>	<b>HACOIA Monthly Meeting, Paul and Jacks, North Kansas City, MO</b>
Tuesday <b>February 9</b>	<b>HACOIA Monthly Meeting, Paul and Jacks, North Kansas City, MO</b>
Tuesday <b>March 8</b>	<b>HACOIA Monthly Meeting, Paul and Jacks, North Kansas City, MO</b>
Tuesday <b>April 12</b>	<b>HACOIA Monthly Meeting, Paul and Jacks, North Kansas City, MO</b>
Tuesday <b>May 10</b>	<b>HACOIA Monthly Meeting and Charity Auction, Paul and Jacks, North Kansas City, MO</b>
Tuesday <b>June 14</b>	<b>HACOIA Annual Meeting in the Park, Sar-Ko-Par Park, Lenexa, KS</b>
<b>July 12-16 2016</b>	<b>2016 CORSA International Convention, Springfield, IL</b>
<b>September 23-25 2016</b>	<b>2016 Great Plains Corvair Round Up, Tulsa Renaissance Hotel and Convention Center</b>

Check the online calendar for more information and additional events visit: [WWW.HACOIA.org](http://WWW.HACOIA.org)

## HACOIA member recommended events

Date	Event
Saturday <b>February 20, 2016</b>	<b>MCCA Cold Tuna, Terry Kalp's Shop, Valley Center, KS</b>
Saturday <b>April 2</b>	<b>Jerry and Donna Pentzer's Anniversary Gathering, Ozark, AR</b>
<b>June 4-5 2016</b>	<b>Tri-State Corvair Event, TBA</b>
Saturday <b>June 18</b>	<b>MCCA Juna Tuna, Terry Kalp's Shop, Valley Center, KS</b>
Saturday <b>October 15</b>	<b>MCCA Luna Tuna, Terry Kalp's Shop, Valley Center, KS</b>

### **Mid-Winter Tech Session: Saturday, January 23, 2016** **4:00 – Dinner to Follow** **16001 Oakland Ave, Belton, MO**

This tech session will be hands on work with Corvair necessary tools. This will include bending and double flaring gas and brake lines, removing broken studs in exhaust manifolds, installing helicoils, welding loose carburetor shafts and possibly other procedures. There will be a small fee to cover supplies. Feel free to bring your own tools including pipe benders, flaring tools and portable vices.

When feeding time arrives (approximately 5:30) Sandy will provide soup and stew with tableware, soda, coffee and adult beverage. Please bring something to compliment dinner such as veggies, chips, bread etc.

Bring a chair to be comfortable and spouses are encouraged to attend the upstairs session.

**Please RSVP** to insure food and beverage supply, and so that I can contact you if we need to cancel due to weather.

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# The Preventive Maintenance Series

By Mike Dawson

Mike is taking the month off to take care of Presidential Stuff. If you are suffering from withdrawal and need your Preventative Maintenance Series "fix," go online to find all his articles at: <http://www.hacoa.org/index.php/technical>

## More Holiday Party

Below: Gary Wolfe may have won the \$20 prize for best Ugly Sweater, but he picked the dreaded Number One for the gift exchange. He unwrapped a mini-keg of Heineken which Gary Lenen promptly swiped.



Kat King opened her gift to find a marvelous car cleaning kit. Dick Berger who had the next number said, "I'll Take that." She turned and handed Dick the gift saying, "OK! Fine!" in her best holiday greeting voice.



Above: Cute hats and fun gifts. Scott Allison (snowman) and Chas King (elf). Scott was thrilled to get his K.C. Royals paint can, with baseball park food (peanuts and Cracker Jacks) inside.

Right: Joan Bennett opens up something made of pretty black silk. It's a Scarf you guys! A scarf!!

*Below: The girls enjoy a tour of the Cory's amazing house. Helen Moore, Cindy Anders, Suzi Sherwood, Meghan Green, and our waitress from Paul & Jacks, Dani.*

*Below Center: Kevin and Ada Koch enjoy visiting with Chuck Morris and Cindy Anders.*

*Bottom: We all enjoyed meeting Scott's mom, Sharon Allison. We liked Scott's hat too.*



*Left Top: Nope, Kevin Rafferty's not keeping this one long!*

*Left Center: Dani gets a fuzzy blue blanket!*

*Left Bottom: Suzi Sherwood got a candle and a painted box.*

*Right Top: Melissa Holstrom got a toy Rampside. Several other people already had theirs stolen from them. She pleaded, "Please don't steal this; it's my ride home."*

*Right Center: Larry Sherwood finally ended up with a toy Rampside--and a blue one too!*

*Right Bottom: Fred Bybee finds a bottle of Jim Beam in his gift. Of course it was stolen. He will have to go to Kevin Koch's house to have some.*

## 2016 HACOIA Officers and Committee Chairpersons

### Elected Officers:

President: Mike Dawson 1<sup>st</sup> term  
 Vice-president: Gary Wolf 1<sup>st</sup> term  
 Secretary: Linda Reece 1<sup>st</sup> term  
 Treasurer: Gary Jones 2<sup>nd</sup> term  
 Board: Dean Segó 2<sup>nd</sup> term, Chuck Morris 2<sup>nd</sup> term,  
 Sherman Rutherford 1<sup>st</sup> term, Cliff Carlino Past-president.

### Appointed Chairpersons:

Program Chairman (By tradition, the Vice-president): Gary Wolfe.  
 Membership Chairman: Don Wagner  
 Tool Crib: Ken Ragan  
 Social Chairman: Scott Allison.  
 Parades: Kat King.  
 Cruise Nights: Bill Bennett  
 Car Shows and Special Events: Don Cory  
 2016 Christmas Party Committee: Kevin and Ada Koch  
 Autocross Coordinator: Travis Bolton  
 Roundup Coordinators: Chris Green and Larry Sherwood

2017 CORSA International Convention Chairpersons: Gary and Helen Moore

By-Laws Review Committee: Karl Cozad and Cindy Anders

Nominating Committee: TBA September 2016

And our two award winning committees:

Newsletter Editors: Gary and Helen Moore

Webmaster: Travis Bolton

There is room to add to this list; if you have an idea that improves the club experience or would be just plain fun, let me know.

By Mike Dawson, President and Don Wagner, Membership Chair



*Our new secretary Linda Reece.*

## 2017 CORSA Convention Update

By Gary Moore, Convention Chair

The search for the host hotel is over. While none of the hotels submitting proposals were perfect, the Hilton Garden Inn in Independence seems to be the best compromise. It is a little small, but there are plenty of hotels nearby for overflow. The hotel has over 300 parking spaces with plenty of public parking just across the street.

The Hereford House adjoins the hotel and will be catering the banquet.

Inside there is enough room for all indoor events and the Registration, Hospitality and Concours Tally rooms have been identified. There is plenty of room for the indoor vendors in the ballroom. Clarks will have their own room (a division of the ballroom), and the outdoor vendor area is just outside the hotel near the Hospitality Room.

There are at least three venues we can use for Wednesday's Concours judging, including Bass Pro Shop's parking lot (with a Tally Room inside), one of Independence Center's parking lots, or the parking lots in the strip mall next to the hotel.

The Precision Driving School at the Kansas City Community College, Blue Valley Campus, will let us rent their facility for the Autocross. This is the track we used for the 2011 Round Up and it is only eight minutes from the host hotel.

The Rally and EconoRun courses will be identified later. If you are familiar with the roads around Independence please offer to help with the Rally and EconoRun planning.

Starting in February convention planning meetings will be held at 6:00 prior to the regular HACOIA meetings. If you have questions don't hesitate to ask Helen or I before hand.

I sent out a preliminary list of committee chairman for the convention. If your name appeared on the list, and you do not wish to serve or would like to serve in a different capacity, please let me know. If your name was not on the list you are welcome to volunteer either as a chair or part of a committee. Mike or I will try to ask everyone on this list for his or her preferences.

The next order of business is coming up with a logo to go on the back of the 2016 Convention program. All ideas welcome. I would suggest incorporating Independence history into the logo.

This will be hard work, but thanks to the experience we've gained taking our turn hosting the Great Plains Corvair Round Ups, I think we are well prepared.



*The 1989 CORSA Convention Logo*

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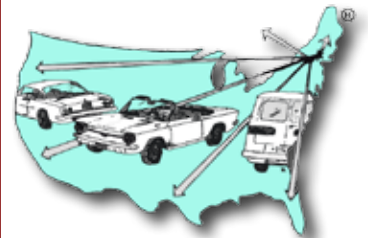


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## The President's Corner

Wow, what a great year 2015 was for our group! After coming off of a very successful Round Up the previous fall we might have been expected to take a break, but that was not the case. We had a year full of social events, tech sessions, tours, autocross participation, Round Up and International Convention trips and some very well attended meetings. A delightful Christmas Party hosted by Don and Wilma Cory rounded out the year.

According to our By-Laws, "the general purposes of the Club are to have fun," and we did that! Thanks to Cliff and all the other officers and committee chairpersons, and to the overall membership participation, that made this past year so successful.

2016: One of the duties of the President is to appoint Committee Chairpersons and to that end I have worked up a list of both volunteers and appointees (see page 5). One immediate mention: Scott Allison will be the Social Committee Chairman, and as such will be the "clearing house" and he will maintain the Calendar of Events for the year. This will help coordinate between parades, cruises, car shows, tours, tech sessions, parties, etc. If you are interested in hosting a social event, please notify Scott so he can check for any conflicts and add the event to the newsletter

By Mike Dawson

and website calendar. *Our newsletter and website both are award winning information centers; take advantage of them to stay informed of club activities.*

If I counted correctly, we will have 22 members involved either as an officer or a committee chairperson. Outstanding participation!

This should be another great year for all of our activities, and there should be a variety of events that provides interest and fun for all members. But, if you don't see something you are specifically interested in, jump up and volunteer to be a host!

See you at the meeting,  
Mike



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## HACOA By-Laws Review

By Mike Dawson

The current By-Laws have served the Club well for over 50 years with only one amendment, that being the requirement that all HACOA members be CORSA members. However, at the November BOD meeting it was brought up that the use of email for ballots without instructions for secrecy needed to be addressed and that a general review would be beneficial.

In order to make a review as simple and professional as possible I have appointed a By-Laws Review Committee consisting of two members with diverse demographics but legal backgrounds. Karl Cozad (Attorney) and Cindy Anders (Legal Analyst) have agreed to handle the review. That gives us a long time member (and past President) and a new member, a male and a female, a northland resident and a southland resident, a late model owner and an early model owner.

Below is a link to our By-Laws. Please read them at your convenience and at the January meeting bring any specific concerns or suggestions **in writing** and submit them to Karl or Cindy. If you are unable to attend the January meeting, then please email your concerns and suggested revisions to Karl Cozad (karl.cozad@gmail.com) and Cindy Anders (cander5@sbcglobal.net) by January 31.

They will make the review and, according to current By-Laws, the full membership will be notified 30 days prior to a meeting where a vote on amendments would take place. Amendments require a two-thirds affirmative vote.

*[Editor's Note: Here is the link to the By-Laws in case they weren't attached to the email or you only get a paper copy of this newsletter. <http://www.corvair.org/chapters/chapter640/misc/ByLaws.pdf>]*

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## It's Time to Renew Your Membership

Please bring your dues and a filled out membership form with you to the January Meeting.

**Dues are still \$15**



Believe it or not, Bill Bennett and Chris Green did not win the ugly Christmas sweater contest. Full details on page one.

VairCor is the official publication of the Heart of America Corvair Owners Association, the oldest incorporated, continuously active single marquee Corvair club and Chapter 640 of the Corvair Society of America. The HACOA membership fee is \$15.00 annually, payable January 1. CORSA membership is required. Heart of America Corvair Owners Association monthly meetings are held the second Tuesday of each month (except June and December) at 7:30 pm at Paul and Jack's Restaurant, 1808 Clay Street, North Kansas City, MO 64116. Social time begins at 7:00. The June meeting is in Sar-Ko-Par Trails Park and the December meeting is our Holiday Party.

