# The Flat Six Journal

Mid Continent Corvair Association Newsletter

April 2025



MCCA members and family gather on the Main Street of Peabody during the first Road Trip of the year. The Peabody Downtown Historic District was listed on the National Register of Historic Places in 1998. Many of the buildings were constructed in the 1880s.



## Newsletter a Week Early

Usually the FlatSix Journal is published the week of the monthly meeting. The April issue is a week earlier than usual because the editor is having surgery on April 3 and a hospital stay afterward. With a little luck, everything should be back on schedule for May.

Note the information on the May Road Trip to McPherson College Show, that will be taking place before the next newsletter is out. With the nicer weather there are many opportunities to enjoy Corvairs.



#### For Sale



**FOR SALE** 1963 Corvair Convertible. New fuel tank, electric fuel pump. Entirely new brake system with dual master cylinder. SOLID floor pan. Good Interior. Needs New top. Runs and drives good. \$3500. Contact Dennis Fuller 316 650 4071

FOR SALE There is a car that can make you feel the magic, the magic of a 1963 Corvair Monza 900 Spyder Coupe! That magic is for sale, not at your local dealer but right here. New features include a sealed engine; new brake shoes on all four corners; rebuilt transmission; sealed differential; cleaned and inspected wheel bearings on



both the front and rear; new heater hoses; new muffler; rebuilt carburetor and turbo (by Mike Dawson); upgraded electrical from generator to alternator; and many other items. All with low miles! This car is a pretty solid Kansas car that is ready for some dents to be repaired and your choice of color to be applied. The magic of a Monza 900 Spyder Coupe can be yours for a reasonable price of \$6000. Contact Keith Hammett at (417) 844-8627.

#### Pre-meeting Eating At Hog Wild BBQ

Some MCCA members will be gathering at Hog Wild Bar-B-Q at 630 E. 47th St. South, Wichita, to eat before the April 12th meeting. So bring your appetite and join your friends starting at 5:30-6 on Saturday.

#### Found My Corvair Stories Needed

Need MCCA members to share the tale of how their Corvairs were found and purchased. It seems every Corvair has a story. The author does not need to be a great writer, if they submit the details and some photos, the Editor can make an interesting story.

There are many Corvair "hunting" stories out there that should be shared in the FlatSix Journal. Help the Editor out by gathering up some photos and notes about a Corvair purchase.

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# Peabody Brunch

The first MCCA Road Trip of the year to Peabody, KS for brunch at Pop's Diner was a great success. On Saturday, March 22 seven MCCA members and family met at the Kalp Shop in Valley Center. The group piled into four Corvairs and headed North to Peabody. Jay Allen and his father were in Jay's '64 Monza, Roy and Connie Juenemann in their "66 Monza, Carl weaver in his '64 Spyder, Terry Kalp in his '65 Monza was joined by Randy Wier for the trip.

After a pleasant drive down secondary roads, the group arrived in Peabody. They were greeted by Marcus Trotter on their arrival.



MCCA members stretch and chat as they emerged from their Corvairs after the winding trip to Peabody's historic downtown.

They spent the next few minutes talking and taking in the 1880's architecture of Peabody's downtown.

Shortly they shuffled into Pop's and found spots around the row of

tables set up for the group. A few minutes later everyone was joined by Daryl Klassen and his wife. Orders were taken and soon the food arrived. Good food, great company.



ABOVE: Connie and Roy Juenemann take a break from studying the extensive menue at Pop's. There was a great variety of traditional breakfast items as well as lunch and dinner comfort food.

RIGHT: Ten MCCA members and family gathered around the tables at Pop's. Breakfast items were a popular choice. The waitress was very helpful,

including taking this photo.



# April Road Trip to Larry Lee Show



Saturday April 5th is Road Trip to Larry Lee Memorial Car Show. Runs from 11 am to 4 pm Main Street Goddard, KS. There is usually a special parking section for Corvairs. Photo from '24 show.



At the September 2024 First Friday MCCA was represented by Bill Smith in a '64 convertible and Terry Kalp in his '65 coupe. Marcus Trotter photo.

## First, First Friday

The First, First Friday for 2025 will be April 4th. The show is located at the shopping center parking lot on the corner of Central and West Streets in Wichita. Cars start arriving around 5 pm, but cars can come in anytime. This show put on by the Cars & Donuts folks has turned in a nice, laid back way to spend a Friday night. The May First Friday will be on May 2nd. First Friday is a Mel Horstman Award Event.

\$20 to Jason Pool, 301 W. Willow Ct., Goddard, KS 67052

#### **HACOA** Tech

The HACOA Working Tech Session & Front Yard Car Show will be held Saturday May 17, 2025. The session starts at noon and goes until finished. Location is 16001 Oakland Ave, Belton, MO.

Take this opportunity to enjoy some great socializing, get to know other members, and most important, take care of any repair or maintenance item you have been contemplating doing prior to summer events. Come and be comfortable knowing that parts, tools and advice will be available to make sure you can drive home whatever project you take on. The following will be furnished: grill food, service, soft drinks and adult beverage. Please bring a dish or snack to share; grilling begins at 4:00.

Please RSVP to insure food and beverage supply and Mike will email attendees of any changes. Mike Dawson 816 322-4057, <a href="mailto:dawsonm1942@gmail.com">dawsonm1942@gmail.com</a>







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One of the featured cars of the 2024 McPherson College Show was the 1968 Chevrolet Astro II concept. It was a test bed for a mid-engined Corvette. It featured a big block Chevy engine and a two speed automatic that looked familiar.

# McPherson Show MCCA May Event

On Saturday, May 3, MCCA members will gather at the Kalp shop, 2140 W. 101st Street North, Valley Center for the road trip to McPherson . The group will leave at 8 am to take secondary roads to the college for the car show. The show starts at 9 am and runs until 2 pm. Registration is available online or the day of the show.

The tree lined college campus makes a great spot to display the collector cars. Tours of the restoration shops are available during the day. Various college musical groups perform during the show and a student team assembles a Model T Ford in under 10 minutes for the crowd. Food trucks are available for lunch.

Variety is the strong point of the McPherson show. Vehicles on display range from million dollar full classics, to student projects; brand new cars to brass era vehicles; sports cars to trucks and tractors; 100% stock restorations to hot rods and race cars. The GM Heritage Museum has been displaying vintage GM Concept cars the last few years.

Bring a chair, some sun screen and a comfortable pair of walking shoes. For anyone interested in cars, This show is the place to be.



#### EVENTS

April 4, 2025: Friday April First Friday show and Shine at Central and West Streets in Wichita. 5 pm. Contact Marcus Trotter 316-214-6419. April 5, 2025: Saturday April Road Trip to Larry Lee Memorial Car Show. 11 am to 4 pm Main Street Goddard, KS Contact Marcus Trotter 316-214-6419.

**April 12, 2025: Saturday** April MCCA Regular meeting at the Oaklawn Activity Center. Pre-Meeting eating at 5:30-6 meeting at 7.. Contact Marcus Trotter 316-214-6419.

May 2, 2025: Friday May First Friday show and Shine at Central and West Streets in Wichita. 5 pm. Contact Marcus Trotter 316-214-6419

May 3, 2025: Saturday May Road Trip to McPherson College C.A.R.S. Car Show, 1600 E. Euclid, McPherson, KS Contact Marcus Trotter 316-214-6419.

May 10, 2025: Saturday May MCCA Regular meeting at the Oaklawn Activity Center. Pre-Meeting eating at 5:30-6 meeting at 7.. Contact Marcus Trotter 316-214-6419.

May 17, 2025: Saturday HACOA Working Tech Session & Front Yard Car Show. Noon until finished. Mike and Sandy Dawson's 16001 Oakland Ave, Belton MO. Bring a chair and a side dish for the pot luck supper. Grilling begins at 4 pm. Please RSVP to insure food and beverage supply and Mike will email all potential attendees of any changes. Mike Dawson 816 322-4057, dawsonm1942@gmail.com.

#### Ran When Parked



This Ran When Parked Corvair was posted on Facebook by Greg Clemens. Just part of the inventory at the Corvair Ranch in Pennsylvania. Send your Ran When Parked photos to tkalp@cox.net.

# April Meeting Saturday, April 12th 7:00pm

Oaklawn Activity Center,

4904 S. Clifton, Ave. Wichita, KS

## Ten Years Ago



The April 2015 Road Trip was to the El Dorado Oil Museum. Ned Madsen, Larry Lee and Lyle Ackerman chat on the porch at the Kalp Shop. Gathering before the trip were six Corvairs and nine MCCA members.



#### Calendar

April First Friday Show April 4

April Road Trip April 5

**April Meeting** April 12

**May First Friday Show** 

May 2

May Road Trip May 3

May Meeting May 10

HACOA Tech May 17