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As an ice storm rages outside, I’m watching Ken Block’s Gymkhana 3 on YouTube (http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4TshFWSsrn8). If you haven’t watched one of his Gymkhana videos, you need to. Don’t worry, it’s safe for work, and people will start lining up behind you to watch it on your screen. This is motorsports and car control at its best. They take a seriously fast rally car, and drive it, drift it, spin it around (and inside) all sorts of obstacles. Watch him do multiple donuts on dry pavement around a guy on a moving Segway scooter. The 3rd one is the best yet, I think. Be sure to watch the credits as well, because they put in some outtakes - like the one where he accidentally bumps the Segway!

Oops! Very cool stuff. This reminds me that I wanted to pass along some great examples of automotive awesomeness on the web for your viewing pleasure. Take these as a starting point, and use the search engines to find more:

- ‘Captain Slow’ of BBC’s Top Gear maxes out a Bugatti Veyron (http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jk1t6S737Cs)
- Twin-turbo Lamborghini Gallardo crashes after 200 mph+ run (http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SINUl66qT5Y)
- Come along with Derek Bell in a Porsche 962 at the Nurburgring (http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1YvnC16Xc0)
- Finally, a movie every car enthusiast needs to own: C'était un rendez-vous by Claude Lelouch. Look this up on Wikipedia, but the Cliff’s Notes version is this: A Ferrari 275 GTB drives like hell through Paris at about 5:30 am on a holiday for 8 minutes at seriously illegal speeds. A short film, but a spine-tingling classic. Plus, you’ll love the end!

TechSpalte: ...will return next month... And why is it taking so long? Because I want to publish an article on replacing brake pads and rotors on a 986 Boxster - a procedure which applies to 986 and 996 cars, and probably is close enough to what you’re doing. Arrgh! So I have an idea for TechSpalte, or an article you’d like published? Send it in!

With the snowstorm starting early and all that slush on the floor being replaced by hard-packed ice, I’ll get right on it then! Otherwise... as soon as it’s January, 2) I don’t have a heated garage, and 3) the floor in the garage is wet and salty. But don’t worry...as soon as it’s February, all that slush on the floor will be hard-packed ice, and I’ll get right on it then! Otherwise... have an idea for TechSpalte, or an article you’d like published? Send it in!

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**WMR Meeting Minutes, 03 January 2011**

**Minutes:**

Approved. Correction: November 17 – Dinner Drive hosted by Amber Door and Jerry Arens – Watermark Country Club.

**Treasurer’s Report:**

Approved. A check in the amount of $2,835.00 was sent to the Calvary Church Benevolent Fund in honor of Bob Fripp.

We have submitted a deposit for the Grattan DE event.

**Membership Report:**


**Uber Alles Editor’s Report:**

The latest edition has been mailed and is on the website.

**Advertising Report:**

Dan has started a dialogue with Michael regarding web advertising. They plan to come up with a policy, fee structure and some ideas regarding implementation, and will present these to the Board when available.

**Webmaster’s Report:**

The site is completely up-to-date and Michael has done some very nice work with updating the format.

**Insurance Report:**

Nothing to report.

**Business:**

- Winterfest – Final details are being worked out. The enthusiast award is being redesigned. The wooden “25” trophy will be retired and will be replaced with the new travelling award. Dan will send the Board some of the initial renderings for the design for input. The new award will start fresh with the 2010 Enthusiast.

- Annual Service Award; tweaking the Enthusiast Award (event weighting, other ideas). The Annual Service Award would be decided by the Board on a case-by-case basis (initially). We may open this up to the membership for nominations. No further discussion has occurred regarding changing the existing Enthusiast Award point system.

- Charity – Offered a solicitation in the Uber. No response yet. Individuals interested in selecting a charity and facilitating the collection of donations, should contact any member of the Board. The Board will revisit the charity issue during the next meeting.

**New Business:**

- January Dinner Drive – Leo’s, Grand Rapids, January 12, 2011. Hosted by Rick Riley. Details in the Uber and on the website.

- North American International Auto Show – Detroit MI. Ron Carr has proposed a Zone 4 meet & greet at noon, Saturday, January 15. Information will be available in the Uber and on the website.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:50pm

Respectfully submitted by Brenda Hildon-Kaempf
ATLANTA – November 17, 2010 – Featuring 121 pounds less weight and the most horsepower available in a mid-engined Porsche, the 330-hp Cayman R has been created for one reason: pure driving dynamics. With its highly-tuned sports suspension and vigilant attention to weight savings, the third Cayman model offers an even more precise driving experience than the “standard” Cayman S.

A direct descendant of the famous 1950’s 550 and 1960’s 904 mid-engined, high-performance Coupes, the 2012 Porsche Cayman R is celebrating its world premiere at the Los Angeles Auto Show November 17, 2010.

The newest member of the mid-engine family features the highly efficient 3.4-liter six-cylinder Direct Fuel Injection (DFI) boxer engine found in the Cayman S, but produces 10 more horsepower. With a six-speed manual transmission, the Cayman R sprints from a standstill to 60 mph in 4.7 seconds, two-tenths of a second faster than the Cayman S. With the optional seven-speed dual-clutch PDK (Doppelkupplungsgetriebe) transmission and the Sport Chrono package, the exercise is reduced to 4.4 seconds. Top track speed with the manual transmission is up by 3 to 175 mph (282 km / h), 174 mph (280 km/h) with the PDK.

The main objective in the concept and execution of the Cayman R was to improve the already energetic two-seater through a systematic reduction in weight, thereby increasing performance, driving dynamics and agility. With a DIN unladen weight of 2849 lbs. (1295 kg), Porsche engineers were able to achieve a power-to-weight ratio of 8.58 lbs per hp (3.9 kilograms per hp) and with 8.8 lbs per hp (4 kilograms per hp) with the PDK.

The greatest savings comes from the use of lightweight components and the omission of certain standard equipment not directly associated with driving performance.

In addition to the removal of the A/C and stereo, the driver-focused Cayman R utilizes a sports suspension system that lowers the Cayman R by 20 mm, helping lower center of gravity. Optional on the Cayman S, the Cayman R comes with a standard limited slip differential, front and rear spoilers from the Cayman Aerokit and special lightweight 19” wheels also found on the Boxster Spyder.

Lightweight aluminum door skins, carbon-fiber backed sport bucket seats and interior door panels from the 911 GT3 RS also contribute to the weight reduction. Black-framed halogen headlights, contrasting side mirrors and decorative “PORSCHE” side-stripes add to the unique appearance.

The 2012 Cayman R goes on sale in February 2011 and U.S. base pricing is $66,300.

Upcoming Events: February and March

19 Feb

WMR’s Annual Winterfest Celebration!
Event Chair: Brenda Hildon-Kaempf
Date: Saturday Evening, February 19th, 2011
Location: Cascade Hills Country Club
3725 Cascade Rd SE, Grand Rapids, MI

You are cordially invited to join us on Saturday, February 19th 2011 at Cascade Hills Country Club for your Porsche club’s annual Winterfest celebration!

This year’s gala banquet will knock your socks off. Set against the backdrop of the beautiful traditional clubhouse inspired by the architecture of Normandy, France, the expert chefs at Cascade Hills will impress you with their culinary expertise. And your friends in the Porsche club will ensure a fun-filled evening with door prizes, awards, and the warmth of friends new and old.

The cost this year will be $45 per person, with a cash bar available. You must return your RSVP card with payment to attend. This will be a great event, so plan on enjoying a fun and light-hearted evening with your fellow Porsche philes in this classically beautiful Grand Rapids location.

20 Feb

Winterfest Morning-After Brunch
Hosts: Amber Door & Jerry Arens

2011 brings the return of Winterfest and with that the Morning After Brunch. Reservations have been made for 20 (or more) at Charley’s Crab in downtown Grand Rapids, overlooking the Grand River. They have been offering some of the best seafood in Grand Rapids since 1979 - and a Sunday Brunch that has been rated the Best by Grand Rapids magazine. Mark your calendars for what will prove to be, yet again, a fabulous dining experience. Food, Fun & Fabulous Friends – The only 3 reasons you need!

Where: Charley’s Crab, 63 Market Ave SW, Grand Rapids When: Feb. 20, 2011 -- High Noon
Please RSVP by Thursday February 17, 2011 to amdoor242@aol.com or call (616) 457-4515

09 Mar

March Dinner Drive to the Grattan Bar
Host: Kurt Wirth

Let’s put some fun into the dreary month of March! Join us at the Grattan Bar on Wednesday, 09 March for hearty home cooking meals, famous all-you-can-eat fish fry, and great selection of other choices. Relax with us and enjoy this charming, historic hang-out that’s a favorite of all our Grattan fans in the summer.

Where: Grattan Bar
11817 Old Belding Road NE
Grattan, MI 48032
(616) 691-8221

When: Wednesday, 09 March 2011
7:00 pm
(...or earlier for drinks!)

Please RSVP by 07 March to kurtwirthsc356@comcast.net or call (616) 956-0249. Hope to see you there!
Western Michigan Region’s Annual Charity Drive

Text and Photo by Amber Door

WMR PCA has a long tradition of giving back to our community, and thanks to the generosity of our membership, that tradition continued in 2010. If you attended any WMR event this past year, you were sure to have encountered the ‘Change for Charity’ bucket. This is the 4th year that our members have dug to the bottoms of their purses and pockets at each event to feed the bucket for the selected WMR Charity. In 2010 that ‘change’ added up to $482.00 towards a donation in the name of WMR PCA member Bob Friday, who lost his battle to ALS in 2010. In addition to the charity bucket, WMR raised monies for the 2010 charity from various other fundraising activities at Grattan and our 50th Anniversary Celebration. If you donated in any way, give yourself a hand, because with everyone’s help we were able to give $2,835.00 in 2010.

So what about 2011? The tradition will continue, but the Charity is yet to be determined. Do you have a charity that you would like to see the bucket filled for? If so, the board is open to suggestions for the upcoming year. We would love your help in promoting your charity throughout the year and helping out with the fund raising at the Grattan DE in September. If you would like more information regarding what this would entail please contact any of the WMR board members.

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Well, we are into the New Year and the Great Lakes Zone is mostly blanketed with snow, ice, and slush!! It’s time for doing indoor events and planning the outdoor ones. Most Regions have wonderful indoor events in the winter such as Chili Cook-off’s, Wine Tastings, new member parties, and other social events to keep up our spirits and provide an opportunity to talk about summer driving! Another popular indoor event is a Tech Session, usually held at a local Porsche service shop. Please check out you Region’s website for the latest local region events that may interest you. If you are traveling around the Great Lakes area and find yourself looking for something to do in another region area, check their website before going and see if there is something going on that would interest you. Generally speaking, PCA Regions will be happy to accommodate visitors from other Regions at their events if at all possible. It’s a great way to make new friends or catch up with some old friends that you only see in the summer.

Now, for upcoming zone events to plan for in the spring and summer:

- Drivers Education Opportunities are being planned for the springtime at:
  1. Mid Ohio SCC on April 15-17 (Ohio Valley Region) (tentative)
  2. Mid Ohio SCC on April 30-May 2nd (Northern Ohio Region) (tentative)
  3. Watkins Glen on May 13-15th (Allegeny Region)
  4. Mid Ohio SCC on May 13-15th (Mid-Ohio Region)
- The Central Indiana Region will be celebrating their 50th Anniversary on June 17, 18, & 19 in Indianapolis, IN. Stay tuned for details.
- On the weekend of June 25th, the Vintage Grand Prix will be at the Mid-Ohio Sports Car Course in Lexington, Ohio. Porsche will be the featured Marque for the event. Information is available at http://www.midohio.com/.
- The Allegheny Region will celebrate their 50th Anniversary on July 23rd at the Pittsburgh Vintage Grand Prix at Schenley Park in Pittsburgh, PA. Porsche will be the featured Marque at this event also, and they are hoping to attract 1000 cars to the weekend event. Information will be forthcoming on the Allegheny Region website or at http://www.pvgp.org/pvgp/site/default.asp.
- Ohio Valley Region celebrates their 50th Anniversary on October 29th & 30th in Cincinnati, OH with a banquet at the Porsches of the Village dealership. See the website for details.
- The annual Porsche Parade will be held in Savannah, GA from July 31st to August 6th. See the PCA Website for details at http://parade2011.pca.org/. Registration opens on March 8th.
- The PZO multi-region event will again be in Oxford, Ohio (near Cincinnati) on July 30th weekend. Come and be a part of a “Casual Porsche Party” that attracts over 400 cars from the surrounding regions.

If you have any questions or comments, please contact me at zone4rep@embarqmail.com. Hope to see you at an event soon!

**In Review: Detroit Auto Show**

It’s been since January of 2007 that either Porsche or I have been to the North American International Auto Show at Cobo Hall in Detroit, Michigan. But it was absolutely worth a harrowing drive through white-out conditions on the morning of Saturday, January 10th to be there once again. The excitement in the crowd, the pomp and grandeur of the manufacturer’s displays, the spotting of celebrities, and gorgeous models in haute couture and high heels... Tony Dungee, famous former NFL coach and now sports commentator walked right by us, not two feet away, while famous Detroit athletes stood on invitation-only displays with Maybach and Bentley reps.

But more than anything, it was about those gorgeous, awesome cars under those stunningly bright lights! This year’s show was more about breakthrough technologies than mind-bending concept cars, so the tone was decidedly more technical, with a focus on hybrids and electrics. And the crowd seemed a little smaller and less intense than in the past, which made for a very enjoyable, relaxing time, with plenty of opportunity to sit in the car of your choice with almost no waiting.

But the most special part of the day by far was the VIP treatment given to Porsche Club members by the PCNA staff at the Porsche display. Organized by Ron Carr, our Zone 4 rep, our high-noon meet-and-greet took place in the private invitation-only area of Porsche’s gorgeous modern auto show facility. We were treated to posters, brochures, and conversation with the extremely courteous and helpful Porsche staff. Many thanks to Ron for helping put this together with PCNA and the Zone 4 regions, and we look forward to making this an annual event! The only real downer was that Porsche flew the new 918 RSR back to Germany the day before the public show started - disappointing, as it was their show headliner. Even so, it was a great time, and was definitely worth the trip. And we at least got to have one of the big 918 RSR posters!
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Additional events happening in neighboring PCA regions will be posted within the next two months. Additional Porsche racing events and other unique events of interest will be posted as well.
In the Zone: Springtime Events Throughout Zone 4

Ron Carr, PCA Zone 4 Representative visit us at: zone4.pca.org

Well, we are into the New Year and the Great Lakes Zone is mostly blanketed with snow, ice, and slush!!! It’s time for doing indoor events and planning the outdoor ones. Most Regions have wonderful indoor events in the winter such as Chili Cook-offs, Wine Tastings, new member parties, and other social events to keep up our spirits and provide an opportunity to talk about summer driving! Another popular indoor event is a Tech Session, usually held at a local Porsche service shop. Please check out you Region’s website for the latest local region events that may interest you. If you are traveling around the Great Lakes area and find yourself looking for something to do in another region area, check their website before going and see if there is something going on that would interest you. Generally speaking, PCA Regions will be happy to accommodate visitors from other Regions at their events if at all possible. It’s a great way to make new friends or catch up with some old friends that you only see in the summer.

Now, for upcoming zone events to plan for in the spring and summer:

• Drivers Education Opportunities are being planned for the springtime at:
  1. Mid Ohio SCC on April 15-17th (Ohio Valley Region) (tentative)
  2. Mid Ohio SCC on April 30-May 2nd (Northern Ohio Region) (tentative)
  3. Watkins Glen on May 13-15th (Allegany Region)
  4. Mid Ohio SCC on May 13-15th (Mid-Ohio Region)

• The Central Indiana Region will be celebrating their 50th Anniversary on June 17, 18, & 19 in Indianapolis, IN. Stay tuned for details.

• On the weekend of June 25th, the Vintage Grand Prix will be at the Mid-Ohio Sports Car Course in Lexington, Ohio. Porsche will be the featured Marque for the event. Information is available at http://www.midohio.com/.

• The Allegeny Region will celebrate their 50th Anniversary on July 21st at the Pittsburgh Vintage Grand Prix at Schenley Park in Pittsburgh, PA. Porsche will be the featured Marque at this event also, and they are hoping to attract 1000 cars to the weekend event. Information will be forthcoming on the Allegheny Region website or at http://www.pvgr.org/pvgsite/default.asp.

• Ohio Valley Region celebrates their 50th Anniversary on October 29th & 30th in Cincinnati, OH with a banquet at the Porsche’s of the Village dealership. See the website for details.

• The annual Porsche Parade will be held in Savannah, GA form July 30th to August 6th. See the PCA Website for details at http://parade2011.pca.org/. Registration opens on March 8th.

• The PZO multi-region event will again be in Oxford, Ohio (near Cincinnati) on July 30th weekend. Come and be a part of a “Casual Porsche Party” that attracts over 400 cars from the surrounding regions.

If you have any questions or comments, please contact me at zone4rep@embarqmail.com. Hope to see you at an event soon!

In Review: January Dinner Drive to Leo’s

Text by Rick Riley. Photos by Dan Phillips

Well it wasn’t a dark and stormy night like last year. It was a pleasant evening for a winter drive. We had 23 members join us at Leo’s Seafood Restaurant in downtown Grand Rapids for a wonderful evening of camaraderie and fellowship. Leo was there and thanked us for coming to his establishment. That is a nice touch you will NOT get at a chain restaurant! We also had a new couple that Arnie and Val Axelrod have enticed to join the club, Tom and Lori Vacchiano. He is a newly first-time Porsche owner and said his check was in the mail to join the club!

This event has always been a great time to celebrate the passing of the Holidays and the coming of the new year. These events are especially good for the non-car enthusiast spouse because there are people from all walks of life that enjoy discussing everything from Gardening to theater. The dinner drives are very fun, low-key events. I would encourage all of you to put these events on your calendar for the coming new year. Happy New Year, and hope to see you at Winter Fest!

In Review: Detroit Auto Show

Text and Photos by Dan Phillips

It’s been since January of 2007 that either Porsche or I have been to the North American International Auto Show at Cobo Hall in Detroit, Michigan. But it was absolutely worth a harrowing drive through white-out conditions on the morning of Saturday, January 10th to be there once again. The excitement in the crowd, the pomp and grandeur of the manufacturer’s displays, the spotting of celebrities, and gorgeous models in haute couture and high heels... Tony Dungee, famous former NFL coach and now sports commentator walked right by us, not two feet away, while famous Detroit athletes stood on invitation-only displays with Maybach and Bentley reps.

But more than anything, it was about those gorgeous, awesome cars under those stunningly bright lights! This year’s show was more about breakthrough technologies than mind-bending concept cars, so the tone was decidedly more technical, with a focus on hybrids and electrics. And the crowd seemed a little smaller and less intense than in the past, which made for a very enjoyable, relaxing time, with plenty of opportunity to sit in the car of your choice with almost no waiting.

But the most special part of the day by far was the VIP treatment given to Porsche Club members by the PCNA staff at the Porsche display. Organized by Ron Carr, our Zone 4 rep, our high-n00m meet-and-greet took place in the private invitation-only area of Porsche’s gorgeous modern auto show facility. We were treated to posters, brochures, and conversation with the extremely courteous and helpful Porsche staff. Many thanks to Ron for helping put this together with PCNA and the Zone 4 regions, and we look forward to making this an annual event! The only real downer was that Porsche flew the new 918 RSR back to Germany the day before the public show started - disappointing, as it was their show headliner. Even so, it was a great time, and was definitely worth the trip. And we at least got to have one of the big 918 RSR posters!

North American International Auto Show

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Ted is a long-standing member and past President of Porsche Club of America, Western Michigan Region.
Western Michigan Region’s Annual Charity Drive

Text and Photo by Amber Door

WMR PCA has a long tradition of giving back to our community, and thanks to the generosity of our membership, that tradition continued in 2010. If you attended any WMR event this past year, you were sure to have encountered the ‘Change for Charity’ bucket. This is the 4th year that our members have dug to the bottoms of their purses and pockets at each event to feed the bucket for the selected WMR Charity. In 2010 that ‘change’ added up to $482.00 towards a donation in the name of WMR PCA member Bob Friday, who lost his battle to ALS in 2010. In addition to the charity bucket, WMR raised monies for the 2010 charity from various other fundraising activities at Grattan and our 50th Anniversary Celebration. If you donated in any way, give yourself a hand, because with everyone’s help we were able to give $2,835.00 in 2010.

So what about 2011? The tradition will continue, but the Charity is yet to be determined. Do you have a charity that you would like to see the bucket filled for? If so, the board is open to suggestions for the upcoming year. We would love your help with promoting your charity throughout the year and helping out with the fund raising at the Grattan DE in September. You would like more information regarding what this would entail please contact any of the WMR board members.

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2012 Porsche Cayman R

ATLANTA – November 17, 2010 – Featuring 121 pounds less weight and the most horsepower available in a mid-engined Porsche, the 330-hp Cayman R has been created for one reason: pure driving dynamics. With its highly-tuned sports suspension and vigilant attention to weight savings, the third Cayman model offers an even more precise driving experience than the “standard” Cayman S.

A direct descendant of the famous 1950’s 550 and 1960’s 904 mid-engined, high-performance Coupes, the 2012 Porsche Cayman R is celebrating its world premiere at the Los Angeles Auto Show November 17, 2010.

The newest member of the mid-engine family features the highly efficient 3.4-liter six-cylinder Direct Fuel Injection (DFI) boxer engine found in the Cayman S, but produces 10 more horsepower. With a six-speed manual transmission, the Cayman R sprints from a standstill to 60 mph in 4.7 seconds, two-tenths of a second faster than the Cayman S. With the optional seven-speed dual-clutch PDK (Doppelkupplungsgetriebe) transmission and the Sport Chrono package, the exercise is reduced to 4.4 seconds. Top track speed with the manual transmission is up by 3 to 175 mph (282 km / h), 174 mph (280 km/h) with the PDK.

The main objective in the concept and execution of the Cayman R was to improve the already energetic two-seater through a systematic reduction in weight, thereby increasing performance, driving dynamics and agility. With a DIN unloaded weight of 2849 lbs. (1295 kg), Porsche engineers were able to achieve a power-to-weight ratio of 8.58 lbs per hp (3.9 kilograms per hp) and with 8.8 lbs per hp (4 kilograms per hp) with the PDK.

The greatest savings comes from the use of lightweight components and the omission of certain standard equipment not directly associated with driving performance.

In addition to the removal of the A/C and stereo, the driver-focused Cayman R utilizes a sports suspension system that lowers the Cayman R by 20 mm, helping lower center of gravity. Optional on the Cayman S, the Cayman R comes with a standard limited slip differential, front and rear spoilers from the Cayman Aerokit and special lightweight 19” wheels also found on the Boxster Spyder.

Lightweight aluminum door skins, carbon-fiber backed sport bucket seats and interior door panels from the 911 GT3 RS also contribute to the weight reduction. Black-framed halogen headlights, contrasting side mirrors and decorative “PORSCHE” side-stripes add to the unique appearance.

The 2012 Cayman R goes on sale in February 2011 and U.S. base pricing is $66,300.

Upcoming Events: February and March

19 Feb

WMR's Annual Winterfest Celebration!
Event Chair: Brenda Hildon-Kaempf
Date: Saturday Evening, February 19th, 2011
Location: Cascade Hills Country Club
3725 Cascade Rd SE, Grand Rapids, MI

You are cordially invited to join us on Saturday, February 19th 2011 at Cascade Hills Country Club for your Porsche club’s annual Winterfest celebration!

This year’s gala banquet will knock your socks off. Set against the backdrop of the beautiful traditional clubhouse inspired by the architecture of Normandy, France, the expert chefs at Cascade Hills will impress you with their culinary expertise. And your friends in the Porsche club will ensure a fun-filled evening with door prizes, awards, and the warmth of friends new and old.

The cost this year will be $45 per person, with a cash bar available. You must return your RSVP card with payment to attend. This will be a great event, so plan on enjoying a fun and light-hearted evening with your fellow Porschephiles in this classically beautiful Grand Rapids location.

20 Feb

Winterfest Morning-After Brunch
Hosts: Amber Door & Jerry Arens

2011 brings the return of Winterfest and with that the Morning After Brunch. Reservations have been made for 20 (or more) at Charley’s Crab in downtown Grand Rapids, overlooking the Grand River. They have been offering some of the best seafood in Grand Rapids since 1979 - and a Sunday Brunch that has been rated the Best by Grand Rapids magazine. Mark your calendars for what will prove to be, yet again, a fabulous dining experience. Food, Fun & Fabulous Friends – The only 3 reasons you need!

Where: Charley’s Crab, 63 Market Ave SW, Grand Rapids
When: Feb. 20, 2011 – High Noon
Please RSVP by Thursday February 17, 2011 to amdoor242@aol.com or call (616) 457-4515

09 Mar

March Dinner Drive to the Grattan Bar
Host: Kurt Wirth

Let’s put some fun into the dreary month of March! Join us at the Grattan Bar on Wednesday, 09 March for hearty home cooking meals, famous all-you-can-eat fish fry, and great selection of other choices. Relax with us and enjoy this charming, historic hang-out that’s a favorite of all our Grattan fans in the summer.

Where: Grattan Bar
11817 Old Belding Road NE
Grattan, MI 48032
(616) 691-8221

When: Wednesday, 09 March 2011
7:00 pm
(...or earlier for drinks!)

Please RSVP by 07 March to kurtwirthsc356@comcast.net or call (616) 956-0249. Hope to see you there!
As an ice storm rages outside, I’m watching Ken Block’s Gymkhana 3 on YouTube (http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4TsdfWFsEn8). If you haven’t watched one of his Gymkhana videos, you need to. Don’t worry, it’s safe for work, and people will start lining up behind you to watch it on your screen. This is motorsports and car control at its best. They take a seriously fast rally car, and drive it, drift it, spin it around (and inside) all sorts of obstacles. Watch him do multiple donuts on dry pavement around a guy on a moving Segway scooter. The 3rd one is the best yet, I think. Be sure to watch the credits as well, because they put in some outtakes - like the one where he accidentally bumps the Segway! Oops! Very cool stuff. This reminds me that I wanted to pass along some great examples of automotive awesomeness on the web for your viewing pleasure. Take these as a starting point, and use the search engines to find more:

• ‘Captain Slow’ of BBC’s Top Gear mixes out a Bugatti Veyron (http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jkIt6S377Cs)
• Twin-turbo Lamborghini Gallardo crashes after 200 mph+ run (http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ySUU6xqT3Y)
• Come along with Derek Bell in a Porsche 962 at the Nurburgring (http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LYmC16Xcz9)
• Finally, a movie every car enthusiast needs to own: C’était un rendez-vous by Claude Lelouch. Look this up on Wikipedia, but the Cliff’s Notes version is this: A Ferrari 275 GTB drives like hell through Paris at about 5:30 am on a holiday for 8 minutes at seriously illegal speeds. A short film, but a spine-tingling classic. Plus, you’ll love the end!

TechSpalte: …will return next month… And why is it taking so long? Because I want to publish an article on replacing brake pads and rotors on a 986 Boxster—a procedure which applies to 986 and 996 cars, and probably is close enough

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Treasurer’s Report: Approved. A check in the amount of $2,835.00 was sent to the Calvary Church Benevolent Fund in honor of Bob Friday. We have submitted a deposit for the Grattan DE event.


Uber Alles Editor’s Report: The latest edition has been mailed and is on the website.

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Insurance Report: Nothing to report.

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• Charity – Offered a solicitation in the Uber. No response yet. Individuals interested in selecting a charity and facilitating the collection of donations, should contact any Board member. The Board will revisit the charity issue during the next meeting.

New Business:
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2001 PORSCHE 911 CARRERA 4 CABRIOLET – What can I say about this great car you don’t already know? Perhaps that it has several options, like heated seats, leather front and back, black interior, electric seats, a MSRP of $93,850 when built, Tiptronic S trans. New tires, and battery. Professionally maintained at Delta in GR and Foreign Car Service in Kalamazoo. The car was purchased out of Calif. for what it’s worth. The car is a beauty with 79,000 miles. Hey, if your spouse objects, just tell her it is an small economy car with all wheel drive. $25,950. Call Jack Vandenberg at (269) 217-3338 or Email jackvdv@gmail.com.  (Jul 2010)

1996 PORSCHE 911 CABRIOLET – Polar Silver w/black top & black interior. 6-sp. factory ltd slip diff, Hi-Fi opt, CD, new battery, new tires, like new top, many extras. Car is in superb condition. Stored winters, etc. 44,300 miles. $40,000 obo. Call John Weidenfeller at (616) 942-7050 (work) or (616) 540-4386 (cell)  (Aug 2009)

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FOR SALE: TIRES – Two Dunlop SP Sports, 255-40-ZR 17, never mounted, excellent condition, $150.00. Call Dave Reid at (616) 560-3583 or (517) 667-9943  (Aug 2009)

FOR SALE: 928 ENGINE – 1985 928 5.0l quad cam, 88k actual, runs good. VIN: WP0JB0921FS860652. Engine take out for engine upgrade for track use. ALL accessories, alt, PS, smog pump, ignition coils, wires, new injectors, rails - EVERYTHING GOES - Lots of new and upgraded parts, please call or email for photos or a time to see the engine. No reasonable offer refused. Call (616) 893-0891 or Email sgober@mycfcr.com  (Aug 2009)

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AUTO DETAILING SERVICE – References available. Call or e-mail Eric at Professional Car Appearance, LLC, (616) 706-4421 or ericpca911@yahoo.com.  (Feb 2010)


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