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February/March 2006

Upcoming Club Events at a Glance:

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- 25 WinterFest @ The B.O.B in Grand Rapids: Brenda Hildon 269-327-4520 Brenda.hildon@nationalcity.com
- 26 Morning After Breakfast: Candis and Barry Collick 269-345-2488 cblick@iserv.net



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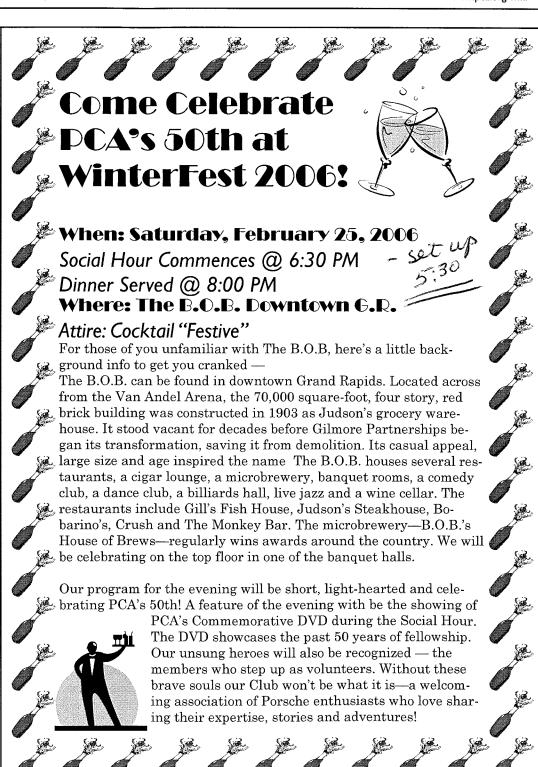
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Check out our new schedule of events for the upcoming year and plan on getting involved!

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- 15— Dinner Drive: Schnitzelbank Restaurant, GR Kurt Wirth 616-956-0249 kurtwirthsc356@comcast.net

April 2006

- 3 Monthly Meeting: 7:00PM
- 22 Dinner Drive: Cook Off Dorilee and Terry Schieble 269-329-1578 DCrown-Schieble@kalfound.org

May 2006

- I Monthly Meeting: 7:00PM
- 6— "Shine and Show" @ Delta Imports Eric Spross 616-987-6419 ericnlina@sbcglobal.net
- **20** Dinner Drive: Marshall and John Walters 269-672-5055

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June 2006— Monthly Meeting: 7:00PM

- 3 Dinner Drive: Gimmick Rally Gabriele and Ted Blacklidge 616-866-4143 sgrafex@chartermi.com
- 24 Spring Up to Traverse Joyce and

Denny Weise jweise@chartermi.net

July 2006

10 — Monthly Meeting: 7:00PM

19(?) or 20(?) – Dinner Drive: Gilmore's Car Museum Earlene and Larry Baum 269-945-5009 Irbaum@hotmail.com

August 2006

- 7 Monthly Meeting: 7:00PM
- 26 Dinner Drive: Saunter to the Shore Candis and Barry Collick 269-345-2488 cblick@iserv.net

September 2006

- II Monthly Meeting: 7:00PM
- 9 Dinner Drive: Val and Arnie Axelrod 616-676-1330 valaxelrod@cs.com

22-24 - Grattan DE Weekend

October 2006

- 2 Monthly Meeting: 7:00PM
- 14 Dinner Drive: Color Tour Brenda and Duane Weed 231-937-4867 duane@dwvideo.com

November 2006

- 6 Monthly Meeting: 7:00PM
- 29 Dinner Drive: Kris and David Reid 616-957-1498 dreid993@comcast.net

December 2006

- 4 Monthly Meeting: 7:00PM
- **TBA** Annual Appetizer Party Carol and Bob Friday 616-863-9395

Monthly Meetings will occur @ 7:00pm at Delta Imports, 6025 28th St. SE Grand Rapids, 49546. They are located in the former Zoom motors location — on 28th street, east of Wal-Mart on the North side of the street.

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Club Minutes — January 9, 2005

David called the meeting to order at 7:02PM at Delta Imports

Members present were: David Reid, Arnie Axelrod, Kurt Wirth, Amber Door, Brenda Hildon, Rick Riley, Lina Spross, Larry Baum

Minutes: Approved.

Treasurer: Approved. Amber created a great financial summary of the last 6 years. The checking account is in the process of being changed over.

Webmaster: No report.

Membership: No report.

Advertising: No report.

UBER: No report.

Insurance: Kurt did not have anything new to report regarding insurance.

Driving Events: Kurt reported that we've made the down payment for Grattan. Insurance will be \$50 more this year. Discussion was made regarding increasing the number of participants and/or increasing the fees. No decision was made at this time.

IROC: We are in need of a replacement for Doug Tepper.

Activities: No report

Enthusiast Award Report: Lina is in the process of ordering the awards that will be presented to the Enthusiast and runner up.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT:

Regional Report Forms at National are due by the $15^{\rm th}$ – David is in the process of getting these forms submitted.

Winter Transition Checklists and Board Continuity Information – contains suggestions for club activities/events, etc. If anyone would like a copy of the checklist, email David.

The Regional Presidents Meeting is March 18th in Detroit. The location has not been announced.

NEW BUSINESS:

January Dinner Drive: 1/18 @ Mangiamo's in Grand Rapids. This event will be priced \$25 per person + gratuity, cash bar, no separate checks (please bring cash!) Details in the Uber and on the web (please note the new menu).

David would like ideas, suggestions and feedback to help him out with improving the club. Please email David @dreid993@comcast.net. All feedback will remain confidential.

The Cayman intro is January 14th @ Noto's restaurant in Grand Rapids 5-7pm. RSVP Delta Imports

Meeting adjourned at 7:54PM

Respectfully submitted by Brenda Hilden





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We're Going Back to the "Schnitz" in March!

Once again Kurt Shirley Wirth have graciously offered to host our group at the Schnitzelbank Restaurant in downtown Grand Rapids. The "Schnitz" features authentic specialties like German Beef Rouladen, Sauerbraten with Spätzle, Wienerschnitzel and their own delicious German Sausages like Bratwurst and Smoked Mettwurst. The Schnitzelbank is also renowned for great American cuisine like Chops, Roast Prime Rib or Beef, Rainbow Trout and many others. Through the years, they have received many local Reader's Choice Awards of Excellence as well as Grand Rapids Magazine's Ethnic Dining Awards. So make sure you get this date on your calendar early so you don't miss out on one of the Club's finest traditions!

March Dinner Drive Hosted by Kurt and Shirley Wirth on Wednesday, March 15 @ 7:00PM 32 Jefferson SE, Grand Rapids MI RSVP to Kurt @ 616-956-0249 or kurtwirthsc356@comcast.net

C. C.'s Chatter

by Candis Collick

"One cannot think well, love well, sleep well, if one has not dined well." -Virgina Woolf, "A Room of One's Own

No one can accuse Western Michigan Region members of not loving to "dine well"! Have you seen the line up of excellent Dinner Drives our members have planned for this year? They are nothing short of fantastic and should provide excellent opportunities for Porsche enthusiasts to gather together and share good stories over great food!

First up is our always entertaining WinterFest Gala Event.
Brenda Hildon always does a wonderful job of pulling this huge event together. It is the one time each year that we take the time to recognize those among us who

have stepped up and sponsored an event or volunteered in some way to help keep our Club alive and kicking. And the B.O.B. is a great choice for this venue—with the chefs from four of the restaurants

setting out some of their best for us to sample buffet style.

And if you can make it up the following morning you won't go wrong joining the gang for "The Morning After" Sunday

Brunch at Charlie's Crab. It is no wonder that this brunch is listed among the best in G.R.—the selection is out of this world!

In March we will be savoring authentic German specialties at The "Schnitz". Kurt and Shirley Wirth

sponsor this Dinner Drive annually and it makes for a great opportunity to honor the German heritage of our beloved autos.

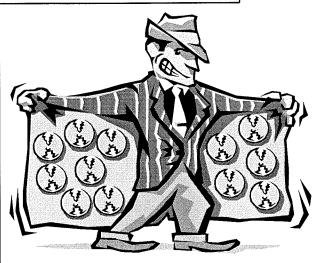
In April we all get to summon our inner gourmet chiefs as we compete for Judge's Pick and People's Choice awards at Dorilee and Terry Schie-

> ble's Annual Cook-Off event. They haven't announced the theme yet, but past events have showcased "Stuttgart Stroganoff", "A Night of Chili Madness", "Cayenne Wings Cook-Off", and "Spaghetti Cook-Off" to name but a few. So iron your apron, dust off your cookbooks and get out the

crock pot . . . it's time to get creative!

Mark your calendars now — by joining us for these awesome dining experiences there should be no excuse for not thinking well, loving well and sleeping well!

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WELCOME NEW MEMBERS . . .

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Robert & Marie Migliorino Kentwood, MI 2005 Cayenne

New members	2
Transfer in	1
Transfer out	0
On time renewals	2
Multi year renewals	1
Late renewals	4
Delete renewals	1
Non renewals	8
Cancellations	0
Total Primary Members	252
Total Affiliate Members	212
Region Total Membership	464



It's Cook-Off Time:

Once again Dorilee and Terry Schieble have agreed to open up their house for our Annual Cook-Off Event!

Don't miss out on this one — even if you are not a gourmet chief, you can still enter the contest! There are awards for Judge's Choice and People's Choice so everyone has a shot at coming away a winner!

When: April 22, 2006

Time: TBA

Where: Dorilee and

Terry Schieble's

726 Lakeview Drive

Portage, Michigan

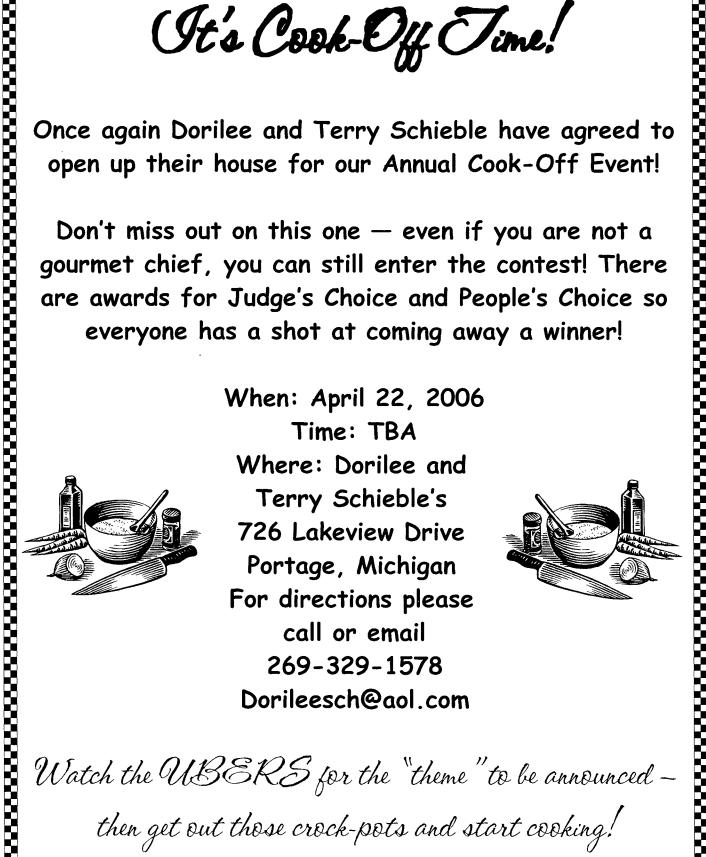
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PORSCHE CLUB OF AMERICA



History of PCA

Bill Sholar was a commercial artist in the Washington, D.C. area in the early 1950s. He also was an admirer of well-designed automobiles, and thus purchased his first Porsche, a 1953 356 Coupe. As time passed, Bill met other Porsches on the road, always blinking his headlights in silent greeting. By late 1954 Bill was convinced that a more personal meeting would be appropriate with other Porsche owners to discuss the positive and not-so-positive aspects of driving the infrequently encountered mar-

50 YEARS OF FELLOWSHIP and not-so-positive aspects of driving the infrequently encountered marque. Following a first gathering February 8, 1955 at the Sholar house, several Porsche owners occasionally got together that spring and summer to share knowledge about the unique cars they drove. Eventually they decided to start a club. A brief paragraph in the August 1955 issue of Sports Car Illustrated informed readers that a Porsche club was being formed in the United States; all inquiries were directed to Bill Sholar's attention. Additionally, the Porsche factory was petitioned for recognition of the proposed club. Unofficially referring to themselves as "the gripe group," they officially titled the new organization the Porsche Club of America, and held their first business meeting on September 13, 1955 at Blackie's Grille in Alexandria, Virginia. Thirteen prospective members showed up but one had to reluctantly be asked to leave when she revealed that she owned not a Porsche but a Volkswagen, which didn't qualify under the club bylaws, which remain in effect today. Those in attendance at that first meeting were Bill Sholar, Karl Grimm, Peter Pearman, Ken Twigg, Frank Beckett, Gamble Mann, Fred Schulenburg, Bob Flick, Bob Elliott, Ray Pitts, Harvey Brown, and Don Carr. Sholar was elected President and a release was sent to the factory magazine Christophorus, introducing the Porsche Club of America to other Porsche enthusiasts. Word spread, and the 64 Porsche drivers who joined before January 1956 were designated as charter members.

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How Will You Spend "The Morning After"? How About Sunday Brunch With Your Fellow Revelers?

Join us the day after WinterFest at Charlie's Crab in Grand Rapids for a Sunday Brunch that is out of this world! Charlie's Crab is located in downtown Grand Rapids on the former site of the Grand Rapids Ice Company overlooking the Grand River. The restaurant has many features that give tribute to the local businesses of Grand Rapids. We have reserved a table for twenty (20) so be sure to get your RSVP in to your host and hostess ASAP!

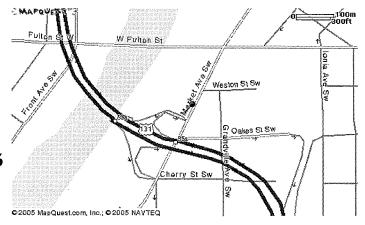
When: Sunday, February 26th

@ 12:00 noon

Where: Charlie's Crab

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As more and more members joined outside the Washington area, Regions were formed in other communities. The original Washington group eventually became Potomac Region, which remained the hub of activities. First appearing in December 1955, the club's monthly magazine, Porsche Panorama, kept all members, both nearby and remote, appraised of the latest technical information, factory news and events planned.

Early in 1956, Potomac Region arranged the first Porsche Parade as a gathering of all PCA members, and a blanket invitation was extended to all PCAers. Held at the Washingtonian Motel in Gaithersburg, Maryland, from August 29 through September 1, 1956, this first national convention drew 64 PCA members. Apart from a

rally, a gymkhana, and technical tips from the factory service reps present, there was plenty of time for socializing and pit talk. Living up to its name, this Parade (and several others later) featured an actual parade of Porches through local streets.

By the time of the second Parade, there were 550 members in 21 Regions, mostly in the eastern U.S. Besides including a concours d'elegance for the first time, this 1957 Parade saw the first national officers elected from outside the founding Region, starting a trend that developed the club into a truly nationwide and, later, international organization.

These early days always saw a group of PCA members at local and national sports car races.



With Max Bunnell as president, the 1958 Parade moved

to New York State. That year also saw Sholar come up with something new for PCA members: a trip to the Porsche factory in Stuttgart. Eighty-one members made that first Treffen aboard a prop-driven Lufthansa Super Constellation, arriving to a welcome from not only the factory, but also many of the German Porsche Clubs. The Treffen presented the attractive option of taking delivery of a new Porsche at the factory, a tradition that is still available today. In October of that same year Sholar was appointed PCA's Executive Secretary, a job he held until 1962, running the day-to-day operations of the club with the help of a part-time secretary.

Although each Region held a wide variety of events and meetings, the Parade became the pinnacle of PCA activity and the focal point for friendships among far-flung Porsche enthusiasts. By the late 1960s a typical Parade kept 500 entrants busy for an entire week, not to mention the time spent in preparation and travel. Classes in speed events and concours increased as the club's focus expanded to include all the models Porsche has given us. The Parade rally offered classes for both equipped and unequipped cars. 2001 found 1,300 Porsche people at the 46th Parade, in Milwaukee, WI celebrating the newest Porsche, the Carrera GT.

PCA has experienced exceptional growth, not only in members, but in the quality of its events and services. With the help of Ruth Harte, Executive Secretary from 1980 to 2001, and her successor, Diana Tringali, PCA serves over 50,000 members in 140 local Regions. PCA concours standards are second to none. Multiple national committees help members with technical problems, insurance valuations, event safety, public relations, and Region newsletters. Through its legislative liaison, PCA has a respected profile in Washington, DC, enjoying an excellent rapport with legislators. Activities today range from autocrossing, rallying, concours, and socializing to growing interests in restoration, Porsche history, and PCA Club Racing. A revised "Treffen" allows PCA members to visit the factory works in Stuttgart and the R & D unit at Weissach. The Club functions like a finely tuned Porsche.

One of the objectives stated in PCA's Bylaws is to promote the enjoyment and sharing of goodwill and fellowship engendered by owning a Porsche. Based on its steady growth in members, regions and events over the years, PCA is definitely achieving that objective.

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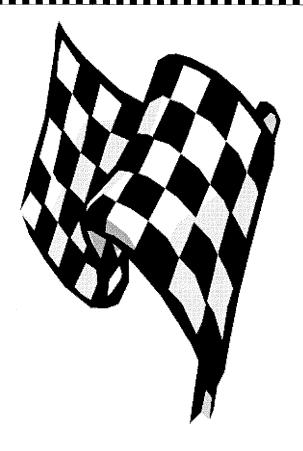
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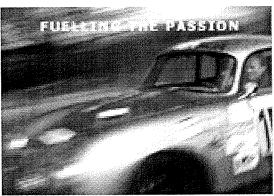
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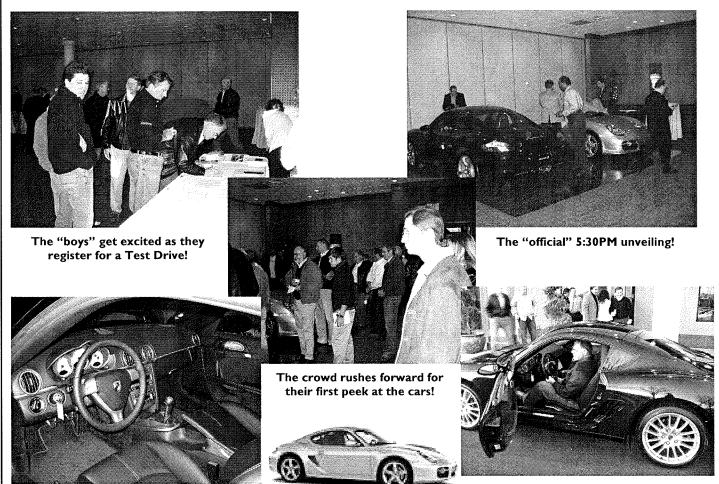


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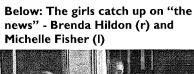
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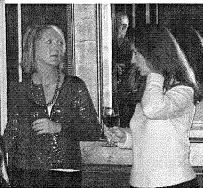
Barry Collick is among the first to take one out for a spin!

Mangiamo! and the WMR Porsche Oub Make for a Perfect Night ...



Above: The plumber checks out the pipes





Above: Host Rick Riley (center) entertains Claudio Kaempf (I) and Barry Collick (r) with a story (or 2)!

Below: Now this is what I call a bath-



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When you receive your personal invitation to WinterFest 2006 be sure to RSVP ASAP! All RSVPs post marked by February 3, 2006 will be entered in the Early Bird drawing with one lucky winner taking home a substantial prize the night of this gala event.

WinterFest is scheduled for February 25, 2006 and will be held again this year at The B.O.B. in downtown Grand Rapids. Social Hour will begin at 6:30 PM with the dinner slated to commence at 8:00 PM. A cash bar will be available during Social Hour and throughout the evening's festivities.





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See you at The B.O.B.!

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