

# ÜBER ALLES



## December 2009

## **UPCOMING ACTIVITIES**

## DECEMBER 2009

05 Holiday Appertizer Party, Hosted by EJ and Helene Czarnopys

07 Monthly Meeting 7:00pm, Delta Imports

25 Christmas

## JANUARY 2010

07 Monthly Meeting 7:00pm, Delta Imports

13 January Dinner Drive Leo's, Hosted by Rick Riley

29-31 Rolex 24 Race @ Daytona

## FEBRUARY 2010

4 - 7 Sebring Club Race

08 Monthly Meeting 7:00pm, Delta Imports

21 Brunch - Charley's Crab, Hosted by Amber Door

## HOLIDAY APPETIZER PARTY

December 5th @ 7:00 pm

Ring in the holidays on the first Saturday in December!
In keeping with tradition, bring an appetizer and/or a bottle of wine to share with your friends in the WMR Porsche club.

EJ and Helene Czarnopys have graciously offered to host the party at their home in Rockford.

So dust off your holiday sweaters and vests and join a relaxed evening reliving memories of Porsche events in 2009 and looking forward to those of 2010!

Please RSVP by Tuesday, December 1st to:

(616) 866-4239 or <u>helene6632@charter.net</u>

## Directions:

131 North to Rockford/10 Mile Exit
Turn left (west) on 10 Mile
First right hand turn is Algoma
2 Miles to 12 Mile
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## **Upcoming Events**

Monthly Meetings will occur on 1st Monday of every month at 7PM at Delta Imports, 6025 28th St. SE Grand Rapids, 49546

## JANUARY '10 DINNER DRIVE

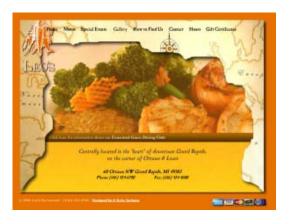
Start off the New Year right by joining your WMR PCA club friends for a classy dining Experience at Leo's Restaurant in the heart of Downtown Grand Rapids. It will be an adult evening with no grating distant relatives or clamoring children and/or grandchildren from the 2009 holiday celebrations. Our dinner at Leo's offers a nice relaxing time to chat about new Porsche-related presents and plans for the driving season.

Join your host, Rick Riley, on Wednesday, January 13th, 2010 @ 7:00 p.m.

Leo's Restaurant is located at 60 Ottawa, on the corner of Ottawa & Louis,

Downtown Grand Rapids

Pease RSVP by January 13, 2010, by emailing Rick at <a href="rick.riley@grandxray.com">rick.riley@grandxray.com</a> or call Sarah Lewis at (616) 459-0145





From the Desk of the President ...

Holiday Greetings and Happy New Year!

This is it - my final message to the Club as its President. Of course, you will still hear from me as Driver's Education Chair!

It has been an honor and a pleasure to serve WMR PCA as your Vice President and President. Gabriele and I have made many friends through our association with this great club that we will treasure in the years to come. With well over 400 members and affiliates, the Western Michigan Region is an active club that offers members a variety of activities - social events, dinner drives, rallies, concours, autocross, and Driver's Education Classes – and we're always looking for more! If you have an interest, suggestion or idea that you have heard of or participated in with another club, please pass it on to the Board and your new President, Dan Phillips. The Porsche Club of America's motto, "It's not just the car, it's the people" is truly representative of WMR.

If you need further proof of the vivacity of this club, please note that the 2010 will mark the 50th Anniversary of the Western Michigan Region Porsche Club of America!! Check out the information sheet on this three-day August celebration and mark your new 2010 calendar. As you can imagine, events like these don't happen without the help of club members - so join in and have some fun!

Thanks again and see you at an event in 2010!

Ted Blacklidge, Past President

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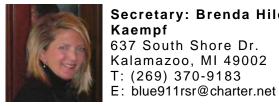
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## PORSCHE CLUB OF AMERICA





## WEST MICHIGAN REGION 2010 CALENDAR

Board Meeting - Delta Imports Jan. 13 Dinner Drive - Leo's Restaurant Host: Rick Riley 29 - 31 Rolex 24 Race @ Daytona Feb. 4 – 7 Sebring Club Race Board Meeting - Delta Imports 8 February Brunch - Charley's Crab 21 Host: Amber Door & Jerry Arens March 8 Board Meeting – Delta Imports 9 Parade Registration opens Dinner Drive - Grattan Bar 10 Host: Kurt Wirth April 5 Board Meeting – Delta Imports Dinner Drive -Cookoff 17 Hosts: Terry & Dorilee Schieble Board Meeting - Delta Imports May 3 8 Dinner Drive - Destination TBD Hosts: John & Marshall Walters 14 - 16 Mid Ohio Club Race June 7 Board Meeting - Delta Imports 23 Gilmore Gathering - Hickory Corners Host: Rick Riley & Kurt Wirth TBD Spring Up to Traverse City

## PORSCHE CLUB OF AMERICA





## WEST MICHIGAN REGION 2010 CALENDAR

(Cont.)

July 2 - 4 Gingerman Club Race / DE 3 - 9 PCA Parade (National) - St. Charles, IL

5 Board Meeting – Delta Imports

16 - 18 Putnam Park Club Race 31 P20 - Oxford, Ohio

Aug. 2 Board Meeting – Delta Imports

7 Red Barn Car Show - Gilmore Car Museum

Hosts: Amber Door & Jerry Arens

TBD Golf Outing

20 - 22 50th Anniversary Celebration

Sept. 4-6 Road America

13 Board Meeting - Delta Imports

17- 19 Grattan Driver Education

TBD Dinner Drive - Destination TBD

Hosts: TBD

Oct. 4 Board Meeting – Delta Imports

TBD Fall Color Tour - Destination TBD

Hosts: Dan and Ren Phillips

Nov. 1 Board Meeting – Delta Imports

(2011 planning)

TBD Dinner Drive

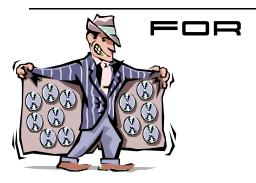
Hosts: TBD

Dec. 6 Board Meeting – Delta Imports

TBD 13<sup>th</sup> Annual WMR Appetizer Party

Hosts: TBD

Visit wmi.pca.org for more fun events!



944T & 944T PARTS - 1986 944 Turbo coupe, stone gray/burg., koni 2-way cup-car coilovers, M030 front sway bar, racer's edge bushings, camber plates, Lindsey Racing stage-3 heads, MAF, intake manifold & solid lifter/cam, larger turbo, chips, adj. air/fuel, 968 - 6 speed trans., 3 sets of wheels, roll bar, sparco racing seats and belts, fiberglass rear bumper \$16,000 OBO. 944T parts: Front fiberglass fenders \$250. Fiberglass hood \$200, Fiberglass 924T LeMans real spoiler for 944T \$200, Lexan rear hatch \$500. Window net \$50, 944T front brake calipers \$60, 944T 5-speed trans. with cooler \$600, SFR stage-3 turbo \$900. Prices as listed, OBO. Ron Hendrick (616) 402-0362 (NOV)

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- If you eat something and no one sees you eat it, it has no calories.
- If you drink a diet soda with a candy bar, the calories in the candy bar are canceled out by the diet soda.
- When you eat with someone else, calories don't count if you do not eat more than they do.
- Food used for medicinal purposes NEVER count, such as hot chocolate, brandy, toast and Sara Lee Cheesecake.
- If you fatten up everyone else around you then you look thinner.
- Cookie pieces contain no calories. The process of breaking causes calorie leakage.
- Things licked off knives and spoons have no calories if you are in the process of preparing something.
- Anything consumed while standing has no calories. This
  due to gravity and the density of the caloric mass.
- Anything consumed from someone else's plate has no calories since the calories rightfully belong to the other person and will cling to his/her plate. (We ALL know how calories like to cling!)

## HAPPY HOLIDAYS!!

## 2009 Fall Color Tour Hosted by Paul Krapp

Perfect fall weather accompanied 12 Porsches to the Fremont / Newaygo area of Michigan for our annual PCA Color Tour on October 10<sup>th</sup>, 2009. Enthusiast Paul Krapp selected a beautiful route of country roads filled with the colors of fall, with a brief intermission at the scenic riverside park in downtown Newaygo.

After more driving, the group made a quick pit stop at a small, unassuming county park just east of Newaygo, where there was an unexpected and quite breathtaking vista. From the high ridge of the park, one could see the Muskegon river down below as it snaked through the beautiful fall foliage of the Manistee National Forest. The Porschephiles also had a chance to pick up some old-fashioned caramel corn and caramel apples from a vendor situated in the park in a vintage 1950s peddler truck.

The drive ended at the Northern Trails restaurant on M-82 just outside Newaygo, where revelers enjoyed good food, good spirits, and the company of Porsche friends old and new. The bar in the rear part of the building was filled to capacity with patrons watching Ohio State pummel Wisconsin. But even if one was a Wisconsin or a Michigan fan, a good time was had by all.

Submitted by Dan Phillips, devoted Michigan fan





































Pietro's Restaurant, Grand Rapids – Meeting was called to order by Ted Blacklidge at 7:08pm. Members present were: Ted and Gabi Blacklidge, Dan and Ren Phillips, Amber Door, Brenda Hildon-Kaempf, Kurt Wirth, Arnie Axelrod, Colin Carpenter, Randy and Lyn Portoluri, Andrew Craig and Bryanna Taylor, and Don Sazama.

**ALS Check Presentation:** A check was presented to Robbie Banfill, representative of the ALS Foundation Michigan Chapter. Robbie gave a brief presentation to the group detailing ALS and the various ways our contribution benefits the ALS Foundation.

Minutes: Approved.

Treasurers Report: Approved.

Webmaster: The website is up-to-date.

Membership Report: 243 Primary Members, 194 Affiliate Members – total 437. New members are: Andrew Craig and Bryanna Taylor, Kalamazoo, '09 Cayman; David and Carol Laenens, Harbor Springs, '06 911; Cur Pullen, Grand Rapids, '97 911. Transfers In: 0, Transfers Out: 2. Non-renewals: 2, Renewals: 8.

**Advertising:** Delta will advertise 6 months with a one page ad if copy quality is satisfactory after a test run.

**Uber:** Ren reported that the January Uber will be new/revamped.

Insurance: Kurt has nothing new to insure.

**Driving Events:** Ted is creating a survey to send to Grattan attendees to get feedback which will aid in planning. Ted will be chairing IROC. He will try to avoid date conflicts with fair events and other region's events.

#### Old Business:

 October Color Tour: Beautiful weather, lovely drive and fun curves.

#### **New Business:**

- Dinner Drive, November 6 Hosted by Duane and Brenda Weed. Details in the Uber and on the web.
- Dinner Drive, November 18 Hosted by Jerry Arens and Amber Door. Details in the Uber and on the web.
- Appetizer Party, December 5 Hosted by the Czarnopy's
   Details in the Uber and on the web.

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## SAVE THE DATE





Porsche Club of America

Western Michigan Region

50th Anniversary Celebration!

## 20-21-22 August 2010 Mark you Calendar!

We're celebrating our region's 50th anniversary in 2010! Come celebrate with us - it will be a weekend filled with Porsches, friends, and fun!

Here is a quick outline of what you can enjoy:

#### Friday:

PM casual dinner drive, ending at a casual restaurant Meet up downtown for drinks later

#### Saturday:

AM topside Concours d'Elegance, at Calder Plaza, downtown Grand Rapids A catered box lunch at the Calder Plaza Afternoon Gimmick Rally, departing from Calder Plaza PM cocktail hour / reception PM formal banquet with special guests and awards

#### Sunday:

AM Cars & Coffee AM lunch drive, ending at a casual restaurant Farewell by early Sunday afternoon

Please help us make our 50th Anniversary Celebration a success! We are looking for leaders to plan and manage the various events of our 50th Anniversary celebration weekend. We welcome volunteers to help in any way you can.

Please contact Dan Phillips at (616) 281-2459 or <a href="mailto:dphil66@hotmail.com">dphil66@hotmail.com</a> to volunteer, or for anything else. We look forward to seeing you there!!

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Joe & Nancy Chess 30 Years

Dennis & Joyce Weise 30 Years

Phil & Sue Bohlander 25 Years

> Gary Jarrold 1 Year



## Porsche Builds New Paint Shop with Latest Environmental Technology Innovative Production Facilities Conserves Resources and Cuts Emissions to a Minimum

Atlanta, November 3, 2009 - Porsche AG has announced it is expanding its innovative automobile production at the main factory in Stuttgart-Zuffenhausen to include one of the most modern and environmentally-friendly paint shops in the world that will significantly reduce overall emissions of this notoriously problematic industrial process and still result in a more superior paint finish on the cars going through it.

The factory at Zuffenhausen is where Porsche builds all its 911 and Boxsters sports cars.

The outer skeleton structure of the new paint shop has already taken shape, with the steel supports set to be completed in early 2010, and the entire facility is scheduled to be operational by 2011.

The paint shop will be run on two-shift-operation with a daily capacity of up to 170 911 and Boxster models at the Zuffenhausen facility. The latest environmentally sensitive technologies are being used during the new construction process as well as for the painting operation. For example, the painting process will feature complete dust protection with 100 percent encapsulation. This method not only enhances the already high quality of the vehicle paint coat, but also reduces the required amount of conditioned hall air required.

A unique electrostatic precipitator for paint dust will further cut the emission of solvents and particles to a minimum. The painting process is able to coat the cars without the mandatory 195- foot-high exhaust smokestack usually required to dissipate paint dust exhaust. This is attributed to the increased amount of circulated air and the exceptionally effective exhaust air purifier that only requires a small smokestack, which extends 33 feet above the roof.

Another environmentally-friendly innovation for the shop is a highly efficient energy management system.

"With the new paint shop, Porsche is ensuring that it will deliver surpassing quality in Zuffenhausen today and tomorrow - while also conserving resources in an exceptionally ecological and economical manner", explains Wolfgang Leimgruber, Member of the Executive Board for Production and Logistics, Porsche AG.

Porsche is relying on regional specialists for these technical innovations.

The Stuttgart-based Maschinen- und Anlagenbaukonzern Dürr AG, as the general contractor, is equipping the painting lines with the latest application technology, driers for hardening the paint as well as control and conveyor technology.

"Porsche will have one of the most modern paint shops in the world that will initiate new potential for quality and productivity, thereby setting new standards," explains Ralf Dieter, Chairman of the Executive Board at Dürr AG.

The pretreatment system and cathodic paint dipping system with novel conveyor technology and the electrostatic separator for paint particles will be supplied by the Böblingen system provider, Eisenmann, a sub-supplier of Dürr AG.

With a comprehensive wastewater treatment facility, this environmentally-friendly technology enables effluent levels that are many times less than legal limits.

"Porsche is the first automobile manufacturer in the world to use this technology", explains Dr. Matthias von Krauland, spokesperson for the Executive Board of Eisenmann AG.

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## 2011 Porsche Boxster Spyder: Light, Powerful, Purist Roadster to be Introduced at Los Angeles Auto Show

Porsche's newest entry will be the lightest in its line-up

ATLANTA - November 5, 2009 - Weighing in at just 2,811 lbs., the new 2011 Porsche Boxster Spyder will be the lightest Porsche available - from a company known for lightweight, proficient sports cars. This new mid-engined roadster represents the true, purist form of the sports car - agile, powerful, open and efficient. This third Boxster model will join the Boxster and Boxster S and will make its world debut at the Los Angeles Auto Show, December 2, 2009.

The newest member of the Boxster family stands out from the other versions of Porsche's mid-engined roadster. Its low-slung, lightweight soft top - when closed - extends far to the rear to protect the driver and passenger from bright sunshine, wind and weather. This top, when combined with extra-low side windows and two striking bulges on the single-piece rear lid, provides the Boxster Spyder with a sleek silhouette reminiscent of the Carrera GT.

The Boxster Spyder features a 3.4-liter six-cylinder engine with Direct Fuel Injection upfront of the rear axle. Maximum output is 320 horsepower (hp), 10 hp more than the Boxster S. The combination of 10 more hp and 176 pounds less weight than the award-winning Boxster S, plus an all-new sport suspension that lowers the Boxster Spyder 20 mm, a lower center of gravity, a standard limited slip differential, and

exclusive wheels provides the kind of driving dynamics that back up the unique look. Aluminum door skins and lightweight interior door panels from the 911 GT3 RS contribute to the weight reduction.

When equipped with Porsche-Doppelkupplung (PDK) transmission and the Sports Chrono Package, the new Spyder, using Launch Control, accelerates from a standstill to 60 mph in 4.6 seconds. Top track speed is 166 mph - with the roof open.

Fundamentally, the entire Boxster family is the successor to the legendary 550 Spyder and RS 60 of the Fifties and Sixties, all sharing the same mid-engine roadster concept. Low weight and supreme agility combine to provide outstanding driving pleasure.

In 2004 and 2008 Porsche produced limited editions of the Boxster bearing the additional name Spyder, honoring the 550 and RS 60. In contrast, the new Boxster Spyder is a regular, but specially developed and upgraded production model as compared with the Boxster and Boxster S.

The 2011 Boxster Spyder goes on sale February 2010. U.S. pricing is \$61,200. ###

Videos of the 2011 Boxster Spyder are available to view on <u>PCA.org</u> at <u>http://www.pca.org/PCAorg/Videos.aspx</u>

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