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Ted Blacklidge
Past President, Western Michigan Region

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As a special note, Fegel Insurance and Morris Builders have supplied Gabi and me with quality service for many years. Be sure to give them a call - I promise you can't go wrong!

Grattan Driver Education Update

Two days this year - set for September 25-26. Our plan is to focus on new drivers that want to enjoy becoming comfortable with their Porsche. We will have enough instructors to take care of all our beginning students. Registration will be through Clubregistration.net. Also, we will have Registration forms and Tech forms printed in the Uber for those that do not want to deal with the computer. *(But PLEASE help ease the burden on us, please use clubregistration.net! -Ed.)*

Please plan to join us this year at Grattan Raceway. Your DE Committee has 20 years of experience producing an exceptional program.

Autocross (IROC III) (that's "Inter-Regional Race of Champions"!)

WMR's IROC III autocross is set for September 5 at the Ionia Fair Grounds. Come on folks, this event is fun and safe - guaranteed not to hurt your precious Porsche. Duane Weed is the new chairman and we'll have many experienced helpers to offer you advice. It's you against the clock, and guaranteed to be a very fun time!

Looking forward to seeing you this summer!!
Ted Blacklidge

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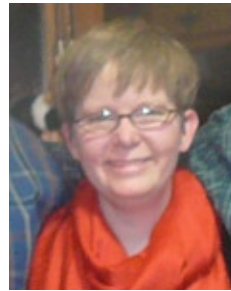
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Upcoming Events

08 May

May Dinner Drive - Fenn Valley Winery

Hosts: John & Marshall Walters



Please join us on Saturday, May 8th, for a scenic (and fun) drive through the Allegan county countryside. The dogwoods should be in full bloom and it will give us a chance to blow the dust off our cars (and out of our engines)!

The drive will end at Fenn Valley winery for a cellar tour followed by a 3-course dinner with wine pairings. The dinner will be catered by renown local chef Christine Ferris who has been involved with many events at Fenn Valley. Cost is \$50 per person, which includes a choice between 2 entrées and the selected wines. Visit <http://www.fennvalley.com/> to learn more about Fenn Valley.

When: Saturday, 08 May 2010, 3:30 pm

Where: Shelbyville Tavern (1 mile east of Exit 59 off of US-131), depart 4:00 pm sharp

Destination: Fenn Valley Winery, 6130 122nd Avenue, Fennville, MI 49408, (269) 561-2396

RSVP: By Thursday, 30 April, just email jwalters@wmis.net or call (269) 672-5055.

23 Jun

Gilmore Gathering

Hosts: Rick Riley & Kurt Wirth

It's turning into an annual thing...we're getting together at the Gilmore Car Museum again in Hickory Corners, MI! And there's nothing at all wrong with that - everybody needs an excuse to blow off work...or whatever else...on a beautiful Wednesday afternoon in June.

Bring your polished, beautiful Porsche out for a nice afternoon in the sun with friends and acquaintances new and old. Visit gilmorecarmuseum.org for more info on the museum.

Where: Gilmore Car Museum
6865 W. Hickory Rd
Hickory Corners, MI 49060
(269) 671-5089

When: Wednesday, 23 June 2010, 1:00 pm until 5-ish or "whenever"

RSVP: Not necessary...but if you wish, email rick.riley@grandxray.com or kurtwirthsc356@comcast.net to let them know you'll be there.



Upcoming Events: Spring-Up & Parade 2010!

26 Jun

Spring-Up to Traverse!

June & Steve Knoll along with Tricia & Matt Wollam will host the 20th Annual Spring Up to Traverse event on 26 June. We'll meet at the Clinch Park Marina at 12:00 noon, go for lunch, then a leisurely drive. Afterward, dinner will be held at the Knoll's home overlooking the south end of Lake Leelanau.

The event will be \$30.00 per person. The deadline for payment will be June 11th 2010. Please make checks payable to: Stephen Knoll, 7131 S Whispering Hills Dr., Traverse City, MI 49684.

We're looking forward to a great time with our friends and another wonderful season of Porsche excitement. Hope to see you all there! Questions? Please e-mail jsknoll1@yahoo.com or call (231) 946-2766.



WMR Meeting Minutes: April 2010

Editor's Note: Due to unexpected circumstances, meeting minutes for the April 2010 board meeting were not available at the time of publication. Please visit wmi.pca.org for the latest meeting minutes.

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5 years	Eric Hannapel
10 years	Ted & Gabriele Blacklidge

New Members:

Patty & James Pelizzari - Traverse City
1963 Porsche 356B Coupe

Willkommen!!

2009 WMR Enthusiast of the Year: Amber Door



Congratulations, Amber!

Every year, we recognize the most enthusiastic member of our club with a special honor, the Lloyd LaHuis Enthusiast of the Year trophy. This year, that honor goes to our club Treasurer, Amber Door.

Our enthusiast award is determined by a points system, enacted to keep track of member participation by awarding each WMR member points for every event attended, event hosted, Über article submitted, and so on. Members accrue additional points for driving their Porsche to club events, as well as for distances traveled to WMR events in excess of 50 miles. Amber was our high-scorer for 2009.

But Amber does so much more for our club than just participate as a member. She not only supports our club as an officer (as Treasurer, she even does our taxes every year), but supports other regions (SEM) and even national events (Parade). Not only does she do all of that, but she routinely goes well above and beyond the call of duty for any willing volunteer. For all this and more, we salute you, Amber!

- Dan Phillips, President, Western Michigan Region, Porsche Club of America

Past WMR PCA Enthusiasts of the Year:

2008 Dan Phillips
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2006 Amber Door

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2004 Brenda Hildon
2003 Kurt Wirth

2002 Craig & Cris Ackerman
2001 John & Sally Neurenberg
2000 Larry & Earlene Baum



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Dan Bird article, p. 12)

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PORSCHE CLUB OF AMERICA 2010 CALENDAR

May	1	Gilmore Car Museum Get-Together (Rally-Sport Reg.), Hickory Corners, MI
	3	Monthly Meeting - Delta Imports, Grand Rapids, MI
	8	Dinner Drive - Fenn Valley Winery <i>Hosts: John & Marshall Walters</i>
	8	Motor-Stadt Reg. Autocross Practice @ Spartan Speedway
	13	SEM Region DE @ Waterford Hills Raceway, Waterford, MI
	14-16	Mid-Ohio Club Race & DE, Lexington, OH
	16	Michiana Region Autocross @ The Tire Rack, S. Bend, IN
	22	IROC I Autocross @ Spartan Speedway (Motor-Stadt Reg.)
June	7	Monthly Meeting - Delta Imports, Grand Rapids, MI
	10	SEM Region DE @ Waterford Hills Raceway, Waterford, MI
	18-20	Mid-Ohio Region DE + 944 Fest @ Nelson Ledges, Garrettsville, OH <i>Visit 944fest.com for more info!</i>
	23	Gilmore Gathering, Gilmore Car Museum, Hickory Corners, MI <i>Hosts: Rick Riley & Kurt Wirth</i>
	26	Spring-up to Traverse, Traverse City, MI <i>Hosts: Steve & June Knoll</i>
July	2-10	PCA Parade (National), St. Charles, IL
	5	Monthly Meeting - Delta Imports, Grand Rapids, MI
	14	Tech Session - 5 - 7 pm, Delta Porsche, Grand Rapids, MI <i>Hosts: Dan & Ren Phillips</i>
	16-18	Putnam Park Top Gun Club Race & DE, Mt. Meridian, IN
	24-25	Pittsburgh Vintage Grand Prix + Car Show, Pittsburgh, PA
	25	Meadowbrook Concours d'Elegance, Rochester, MI
	31	Porsches to Oxford (P20), Oxford, OH

For more PCA National and Inter-Regional events, visit <http://www.pca.org/Activities.aspx>.

For the full PCA Club Racing Schedule, visit <http://www.pca.org/Activities/ClubRacing/Schedule.aspx>.



August	2	Monthly Meeting - Delta Imports, Grand Rapids, MI
	7	Red Barn Car Show, Gilmore Car Museum, Hickory Corners, MI <i>Hosts: Amber Door and Jerry Arens</i>
	TBD	2nd Annual Golf Outing - Location TBD <i>Host: Arnie Axelrod</i>
	20-22	WMR 50th Anniversary Celebration, Grand Rapids, MI <i>Host: Dan Phillips</i>
	22 27	IROC II AutoCross @ The Tire Rack (Michiana Region) Advanced Instructor Driving School (Mid-Ohio), Lexington, OH
September	4-6	Road America Club Race, Elkhart Lake, WI
	5	IROC III AutoCross @ Ionia Fairgrounds (Western Michigan Reg.)
	9-12	PCA Escape, Sun Peaks, BC (Canada)
	11	Dinner Drive - Location TBD <i>Hosts: Randy and Linda Portoluri</i>
	13	Monthly Meeting - Delta Imports, Grand Rapids, MI
	19 25-26	Dayton Concours d'Elegance, Carillon Park, Dayton, OH WMR Driver Education, Grattan Raceway, Grattan, MI
October	4	Monthly Meeting - Delta Imports, Grand Rapids, MI
	9	Fall Color Tour, Leelenau Peninsula, MI <i>Hosts: Dan and Ren Phillips</i>
	16	Covered Bridge Tour (invitation from Ohio Valley Region), East Dayton, OH
November	1	Annual Planning Dinner - Location TBD
	TBD	Dinner Drive - Destination TBD <i>Hosts: TBD</i>
December	6	Monthly Meeting - Delta Imports, Grand Rapids
	TBD	13th Annual WMR Appetizer Party, Location TBD <i>Hosts: TBD</i>

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PCA, Zone 4, + Other Summer Events Schedule

<u>Region</u>	<u>Region Name</u>	<u>Dates</u>	<u>Event (Web Address)</u>
AR	Allegheny Region	May 14-16	DE @ Watkins Glen, Watkins Glen, NY
CIR	Central Indiana Region	May 21-23	Spring Brake DE @ Putnam Park, Mt. Meridian, IN
N/A	Non-PCA	June 3-6	Blue Ridge Boxster Summit, Blowing Rock, NC (http://www.brbs.org/)
AR	Allegheny Region	June 26	Car Control Clinic @ BeaveRun, Wampum, PA
PCA	PCA National	July 3-9	Porsche Parade @ St. Charles, IL (http://parade2010.pca.org/)
MOR	Mid-Ohio Region	July 10-11	DE @ Putnam Park, Mt. Meridian, IN
MR	Michiana Region	July 16	Autocross @ The Tire Rack, South Bend, IN
AR	Allegheny Region	July 24-25	Pittsburgh Vintage Gran Prix and Car Show (http://www.pittsburghvintagegrandprix.com/)
SEM	South-East Michigan Region	July 25	Meadowbrook Concours d'Elegance & Porsche Corral (http://www.meadowbrookconcours.org/)
MOR	Mid-Ohio Region	July 31	Porsches to Oxford (P2O), Oxford, OH
SEM	South-East Michigan Region	Aug 12	DE @ Waterford Hills Raceway, Waterford, MI
OVR	Ohio Valley Region	Aug 13-15	DE @ Bluegrass Motorsports Park, Sparta, KY
WMR	West Michigan Region	Aug 20-22	50th Anniversary Celebration (http://wmi.pca.org/50.htm)
PCA	Zone 4 (All 12 Regions)	Aug 27	Advanced Instructor Driving School @ Mid-Ohio
MOR	Mid-Ohio Region	Aug 28-29	DE @ Mid-Ohio, Lexington, OH
N/A	Non-PCA	Sep 9-12	Boxstober Fest 2010, Fredricksburg, TX (http://www.boxstoberfest.com/)
PCA	PCA National	Sep 9-12	PCA Escape 2010, Sun Peaks, BC (Canada) (http://www.pcaescape2010.com/)
N/A	Non-PCA	Sep 19	Dayton Concours d'Elegance @ Carillon Park, Dayton, OH (http://www.daytonconcours.com/)
N/A	Non-PCA	Sep 23-25	356 Registry East Coast Holiday 2010, Cleveland, OH
N/A	Cincinnati VW Club	Sep 26	19th Annual VW-Porsche Reunion @ Cincinnati, OH (http://www.cincyvwclub.com/Reunion.aspx)

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In Review: April RS Ribs Cookoff

17 Apr

April RS Ribs Cookoff at the Schieble's

Submitted by Dorilee Schieble

The RS Ribs Cook Off was fun as well as competitive! With 32 people and one white dog to help with any droppings, nine recipes were judged. Len Gawron, Ren Phillips and Marshall Walters handled the judges tough choice and their trophy was presented to Colin Carpenter. After much sampling, Chris Ackerman earned the People's Choice Award. We had a great gathering of members and met new friends, Jack & Eileen Kooreman, who will hopefully attend many more events so we can become better acquainted.

The recipes have varied these last 14 years, and Terry and I hope to have this event for many more years. After the work was finished and we could relax with the crowd, discussion revolved around the recipe for 2011. A few decided that Macaroni and Cheese would make for great judging. Any input on the theme recipe of Mac-N-Cheese W.O.S. would be welcome! What's W.O.S.? Just ask Terry Schieble or Ren Phillips!

- Dorilee, Terry & Enzo



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Ted is a long-standing member and past President of Porsche Club of America, Western Michigan Region.



Parade 2010: For Kids, Teens, and Young Adults

By Cole Scrogam

"If there was just something for the kids to do at this Porsche Parade thing, we would do it every year as a family vacation."

Oops, now you did it, the Parade staff has taken away that last excuse and you will have to own up to entering the Parade! When I was a kid at some of the early Porsche Parades, I spent my alone time skipping rocks across a lake or sitting in the hotel room bored out of my mind. I remember one year in particular, at one of the resort based Midwest Parades the only thing I could find to do was fishing at the "catch and release" pier. My parents were happy that I found something productive to do, as they were really busy having fun with their "older" Porsche friends. The only problem was that they charged you for the bait and I spent so much time there...well, you get the picture. My Dad was none-too-happy to get the bill at check out time.



As I got older and really started getting into Parade activities things changed a lot, but I still remember those early years and I can really appreciate all of the activities that are planned for kids and young adults at today's Parades. Plus, with the new Cayenne and Panamera models, you don't have to stuff them into the rear seat of a 356 or early 911 for a few thousand miles!

Janet Ledesma and the Parade Kids Staff have put together one of the best "Kid Friendly" Parades in recent memory... In addition to the RC car autocross and slot cars that have been a big hit in the last few years, this year will feature RC Boat Racing and Summer Splash Pool parties for the Teens and Young Adults. For the Fourth of July there is a big Fireworks Celebration planned after an evening of miniature golf! Personally, I think I may have to be a fly on the wall at the Karaoke Party though.

For younger kids there is also a complete schedule of events. The popular slot cars will run from Monday through Thursday of Parade week, plus pool and lawn games and crafts each day. During those long banquets, the Parade Kids Staff have planned a dinner of sing a longs and Wii fun for the kids, which is a great idea! Loaner bikes and helmets are available on Wednesday for a Bike Autocross on the tennis courts, sure to be a crowd favorite...

Once Mom and Dad are finished taming the competition with their Porsche, the whole family can enjoy one of several trips to local attractions. Locally, there is Miniature Golf (to go along with big people golf), Riverboat Cruises, Movies, a Splash Park and Biking. A short trip to Chicago for some deep-dish pizza also affords access to the Sears Tower (oops, now it is the "Willis" Tower), Museums, Zoos, an Aquarium and even tours of Wrigley Field or Soldier Field for sports fans. If you prefer, you can take any number of short outings with other PCA members and tour the countryside in your Porsche. There is no shortage of activities, but you can also relax poolside or at Parade Hospitality to slow down the pace a little before returning home.

Wait a minute, where was all this cool stuff when I was a Parade Kid? I wonder if I can bring my own bike to that Autocross...



Upcoming Events - WMR's 50th Anniversary



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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! Look for your formal invitation to arrive sometime in May.

Some people have asked, just what is this all about anyway? Back in 1960, a few Porsche enthusiasts founded a new region of the Porsche Club of America, in Western Michigan. We are honoring Porsche, PCA, and you, our members, with a celebration of our region's past 50 years. It's our golden anniversary, and we want to make it something very special.

Think of it as a "mini-Parade" in your own back yard. We are planning a number of events spread out over 3 days in August. Many members are already planning on spending the entire weekend in downtown Grand Rapids, the spritual home of our region and the center of our celebratory weekend.

To pay homage to our rich history, we've secured the Calder Plaza for our Saturday morning Concours, a centerpiece of our special weekend. The photos you see here are from our 1973 event known as "Holiday on Wheels". As our membership has grown, we anticipate many more Porsches to surround Alexander Calder's legendary sculpture in August of 2010.

This will be a tremendous weekend, to be remembered by WMR members for decades. Your officers and a small group of devoted volunteers are working now to finalize details of all the events, and you can expect this weekend to be truly special. You will not want to miss it!

- Friday: PM dinner drive, ending at a casual restaurant
Enjoy downtown Grand Rapids on a Friday night
- Saturday: AM topside Concours d'Elegance, at Calder Plaza, downtown Grand Rapids
A catered box lunch at the Calder Plaza
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PM banquet with special guests and awards
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