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## Spring in Shelbyville!

John Walters President, Western Michigan Region

It's mid-March and I've already had the car out a couple of times (thanks to the above average temperatures and sunshine). The Porsche is cleaned and ready for summer! Looking forward to all of the activities already planned for the next 2 months, including the soup cook-off at Terry and Dorilee Scheible's, Eric Spross's Tech Session on detailing your Porsche, the dinner drive being planned by Paul and Renee Krapp, and the weekend at the Grand Hotel. I hope to see many of you for at least one of these pre-summer gatherings.

For those of you who couldn't attend Winterfest, you were missed. Blythfield Country Club didn't disappoint – the food and service were outstanding! Yes, we got some snow, but no blizzard. As is tradition, club members who helped make 2011 a banner year were recognized for their contributions.

- 25 bottles of FennValley wine, with a WMR PCA label, were handed out to members who hosted events during 2011
- Len Gawron received the newly designed Enthusiast of the Year award (presented the following morning at brunch, as a change in flight schedules kept Len and Bonnie from the party.) The trophy does look very nice and is meant to serve for at least the next 25 years.
- As a show of appreciation for his leadership and orchestration of activities (such as our 50th anniversary weekend),
   Dan Phillips was presented with a Porsche Design jacket.

After a great dinner, we danced to music from the 70's and 80's – YMCA was a hit, as many got on the dance floor to spell out letters with their arms! The evening ended with an AC/DC song (yes, you can dance to AC/DC without banging your head against a wall.)

Pictures from both WinterFest (including the dancing!) and the yummy morning after brunch at 616 are available on the website.

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## **Upcoming Events: Annual April Cook-off**

#### 21 Apr

#### **Sebring Soup Party and Cook-off Competition**

Hosts: Terry & Dorilee Schieble

Enter your favorite soup recipe in the Western Michigan Region's annual April Cook-off competition. Bring your own home-made soup in a crock pot, and enjoy some friendly competition for Judge's Trophy and People's Choice awards!

Menu: YOUR home-made soup (no chili or chowder)

All the extras provided

BYO: Beer & wine





The more recipes entered in the event, the more tasting we will enjoy! If you don't cook, you can judge!

Cost is \$10 per person, or FREE for chefs who bring at least one crock pot of soup.

When: Saturday, 21 April 2012, starting at 6:30 pm

Where: The Schieble Residence 726 Lakeview Dr Portage, MI 49002

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## Upcoming Events: April Tech Session + May DD

#### 28 Apr

#### April Tech Session: Detailing Your Porsche Like a Pro

Host: Eric Spross

The spring tech session topic will be on keeping your car looking good. The event will be hosted by Eric Spross at his shop in Lowell, MI, and will start at 1:00 pm on the 28th of April.

Topics will include cleaning the outside as well as the inside of your car. Tips and techniques will be discussed, along with some tools used in the cleaning of the various surfaces found in Porsches. If you have never attended a tech session, or are new to the club, I invite you out to see what tech sessions are all about, and meet your fellow club members.



When: Saturday, 28 April 2012, 1:00 pm Where: 3465 Bewell Ave SE, Lowell, MI 49331

Please contact Eric at ericpca911@yahoo.com, or call (616)987-6419 to let him know you'll be coming.

#### **12 May**

## May Dinner Drive: Muskegon to Ludington

Hosts: Paul and Renee Krapp

It's Spring Time! Come and relax for a nice leisurely drive and dinner in the beautiful month of May!

We will meet at Pere Marquette Park in Muskegon at 2:00 PM. Please park in the lot across from the restaurant/bar. We plan to depart for Ludington at 2:45 PM. The drive will wind through some of the most scenic and twisty roads in the area!

Dinner will be at P.M. Steamers, located at 502 West Loomis Street, Ludington, MI. Learn more about PM Steamers at www.pmsteamers. com, and check out our web site (wmi.pca.org) for maps and more info.

*When:* Saturday, 12 May 2012, 2:00 pm *Where:* Pere Marquette Park in Muskegon

Please RSVP by Wednesday, 09 May to Paul Krapp at PKrapp@sintelinc.com.



Understeer is when you hit the wall with your front end.
Oversteer is when you hit the wall with your rear end.
Horsepower is how hard you hit the wall.
Torque is how far you move the wall.

- Don Sazama



## Upcoming Events: May Trip to Mackinac Island

### 18-20 May

Spring Fling to Mackinaw, The Grand Hotel, Mackinac Island, MI

Hosts: Len & Bonnie Gawron

So you may wonder why a car club would plan an excursion to an island...particularly one where cars are *verboten*... But please don't concern yourself with such trivial details, because...as the PCA slogan goes, "it's not about the cars, but the people". Really! But of course, we'll still all gather beforehand and cruise up together (in our Porsches!) for an unforgettable weekend on Mackinac Island, as spring blooms in Michigan.

Is there anything about that sentence that <u>doesn't</u> sound like fun?

So please join your WMR PCA friends for a wonderful weekend at The Grand Hotel on beautiful Mackinac Island on the 18, 19 and 20th



of May! We have reserved a special opportunity for WMR PCA members to enjoy the WMR PCA Pure Michigan Package:

#### Package Includes:

- Standard room accommodations (package room only)
- Breakfast and dinner daily
- 1/2 lb. Grand Hotel fudge
- Free golf green fees (cart fee required, subject to course availability)
- Admission to the Richard and Jane Manoogian Mackinac Art Museum
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- No tipping within Grand Hotel

<u>Package Price:</u> \$715.80 (including all fees/taxes) per couple, for 2 nights' stay (nights of 18 & 19 May) Package is based on a Category I, interior room.



We will establish a plan shortly regarding a group drive up to Mackinaw City on the 18th, details will be forthcoming...so please watch this space and your email blasts for the particulars! Safe, protected parking for your Porsche will be available during your stay on the island, so you need not worry about your car during your stay.

Please contact Len Gawron at lagawron@comcast.net for more information, and contact The Grand Hotel directly at www.grandhotel.com to book your room. Please note that there is limited availability for this weekend, so book early!

We can't wait to enjoy your company on this very special weekend!

## **Upcoming Events: May**

### **25 May** May Dinner Drive

Host: Mike Murphy

Have you ever seen Saturn the ringed planet through a telescope? Or perhaps Mars? Or a globular cluster of over 100,000 stars? On Wednesday evening, May 25, you will have you chance. The Western Michigan Region Porsche Club of America has reservations for a group visit to one of the area's best kept secrets, the James C. Veen Observatory.

We will begin the evening with dinner at Vitale's in Ada at about 7:00 pm, followed by a drive to the observatory located at 3308 Kissing Rock. Please note that Kissing Rock is unpaved for about a mile before reaching the observatory.



The Veen is equipped with a state of the art 16 inch computerized scope in the West dome with a 17-inch telescope adjacent to the observatory. The number of people in this group visit will have to be limited to around thirty. Since this is weather dependent, there will be a backup or weather date of May 31.

When: Wednesday, 25 May 2012, 7:00 pm

Where: Vitale's Restaurant, 400 Ada Dr SE, Ada, MI 49301

Please RSVP to Michael Murphy via email at m.d.murphy@comcast.net by Monday, 23 May 2012.





**April Anniversaries:** Glückwünsche!

1 year (2011)

Mike Dakoske Bob & Pamela Hall Dave & Ed Kerkstra Robert & Ríse Landeros David Madiol **New Members:** 

Willkommen!

Steven Netherton, Glen Arbor, MI 2012 Porsche Panamera

### In Review: Winterfest

Contributed by the Ackermans and the Blacklidges

WinterFest was just that...snowy and festive! Our hope, by moving the event to March, was for "better" weather than in February; so of course, one of the few times it snowed this season was on March 3rd...but, it certainly could have been much, much worse!

Our event was in a room at Blythefield Country Club made cozy by a fireplace and beautiful damask curtains. We were also warmed by dancing to the music of a DJ! The decor was festive with table accents of red, yellow and black – the colors of the German flag. The evening's moderator was Michael Betz, who guided us through our brief presentations with his usual aplomb and wit. The event featured door prizes, drawings, a delicious dinner and dessert; all of which made more special by the congenial company of our Porsche friends.



From One President to Another...John Walters and Dan Phillips



Having a good ol' time...Rick Riley, Brenda & Claudio Kaempf



Ed and Sandy Scott



A couple of nice grilles...Bob Clark and Colin Carpenter



Marshall and John Walters enjoying dinner



Duane and Brenda Weed

## 2012 Calendar Porsche Club of America Western Michigan Region





April	2 21	Monthly Board Meeting – Delta Imports, Grand Rapids, MI Annual WMR Cook-Off: Sebring Soup! – Portage, MI Hosts: Terry & Dorilee Schieble
	28	Tech Session: Spring Detailing – Lowell, MI  Host: Eric Spross
	TBD	SEM Region Gymkana – Location TBD
Мау	7 12	Monthly Board Meeting – Delta Imports, Grand Rapids, MI May Dinner Drive #1 – Muskegon to Ludington, MI Hosts: Paul & Renee Krapp
	18-20	Mackinac Island Road Trip - Mackinaw City, MI  Hosts: Len & Bonnie Gawron
	25	May Dinner Drive #2 – Ada, MI Host: Mike Murphy
	31	(Alternate Date / Weather Date for May DD #2)
June	4 7-10	Monthly Board Meeting – Delta Imports, Grand Rapids, MI Porsche Parade Europe 2012 – Chantilly, France (near Paris) Porsche Clubs France Event (http://www.porscheparade2012.fr)
	13	Gilmore Car Museum Wednesday Night Cruise-in – Hickory Corners, MI Hosts: Rick Riley & Kurt Wirth
	16-17 16 23	PCA Club Race (SEM Region) – Gingerman Raceway, South Haven, MI Aircooled Show (Franklin Club) – Gilmore Museum, Hickory Corners, MI Spring Up to Traverse – Traverse City, MI Hosts: Denny & Joyce Weise, Bill & Natalie Brown
	23-24	RSR Region Driver Education – Grattan Raceway, Grattan, MI (TBD)
July	2 8-14	Monthly Board Meeting – Delta Imports, Grand Rapids, MI Porsche Parade 2012 – Salt Lake City, Utah PCA National Event
	27-29 28	Porsches 2 Oxford (P20) (MORPCA) – Granville, OH WMR PCA Summer Party Hosts: Craig & Chris Ackerman



## 2012 Calendar Porsche Club of America Western Michigan Region

August	4	Gilmore Car Museum Red Barns Spectacular – Hickory Corners, MI Hosts: Amber Door & Jerry Arens
	6 TBD	Monthly Board Meeting – Delta Imports, Grand Rapids, MI August Dinner Drive – Rockford, MI
		Hosts: Dan & Ren Phillips
	18	2nd Annual Kalamazoo Car Fest – Kalamazoo, MI Non-PCA Event
	15-19	Porsche 356 Registry's 2012 East Coast Holiday – Boston, MA  Porsche 356 Registry Event (http://www.ech2012.com/)
	24	28th Street Metro Cruise – Delta Porsche, Grand Rapids, MI
September	7	4th Annual Golf Outing – Egypt Valley Country Club, Ada, MI Hosts: Arnie & Val Axelrod
	10	Monthly Board Meeting – Delta Imports, Grand Rapids, MI
	TBD	IROC III, the annual WMR Autocross – Location TBD
	15-16	Grand Prix of Grattan DE – Grattan Raceway, Grattan, MI Event Chair: Ted Blacklidge
	TBD	Boxstoberfest 2012 – Location TBD  Non-PCA Event
	TBD	September Dinner Drive – Traverse City, MI  Host: TBD
October	1	Monthly Board Meeting – Delta Imports, Grand Rapids, MI
0010201	- 13	Annual Fall Color Tour – Location TBD
		Hosts: Jim & Ardis Schaaf, Len & Bonnie Gawron
November	5	Annual Planning Dinner – Location TBD
	8-11	PCA Escape 2012 - Eureka Springs, AR
		PCA National Event (http://www.pca.org/Activities/Escape.aspx)
	TBD	November Dinner Drive – Location TBD Host: TBD
December	3	Monthly Board Meeting – Delta Imports, Grand Rapids, MI
2000111001	8	December Appetizer Party – Shelbyville, MI  Hosts: John & Marshall Walters

Additional events happening in neighboring PCA regions will be posted within the next two months. Additional Porshce racing events and other unique events of interest will be posted as well.

### The WMR PCA Enthusiast of the Year

Contributed by Dan Phillips

Every year, the Western Michigan Region honors one member who has displayed the utmost enthusiasm and committment to our club with the presentation of the Enthusiast of the Year trophy.

For 2011, our Enthusiast of the Year is **Mr. Len Gawron**! Congratulations, Len! Upon receiving the award, Len had these words to offer:

"Following several years of owning a number of plastic-bodied sports cars, Bonnie and I decided to sample the engineering and design of a Porsche 911. Now, some three years later & with our 3rd Porsche, we couldn't be more thrilled with ownership of this great automobile.

"We quickly realized that Porsche ownership is best enjoyed with the company of other likeminded people. Accordingly, we joined PCA and began participating in a number of events with the Western Michigan Region. Soon we were deep into new friendships with about as diverse a group as one could imagine, all with Porsche ownership being the common thread. Over the last year or two, friendships have grown and our participation and enjoyment with the club has increased significantly. As the PCA slogan puts it so clearly, 'It's not just the cars, it's the people.'"





Our new Enthusiast of the Year trophy was conceived and built with the help of outgoing WMR President Dan Phillips. Dan leveraged his personal and professional contacts to have a custom trophy designed by professional Industrial Designer Ricky Biddle, whose extensive resume includes product designs for Swingline, Jenn-Air, and Steelcase. Dan engineered the final design into a buildable trophy using 3D CAD software, selected materials and construction techniques, and worked with Signature Stone Tops owner Dan Stein to fabricate this unique, one-of-a-kind trophy for your Porsche club.

The trophy consists of a CNC-machined solid-surface base, with 25 hexagonal aluminum pegs lining its perimeter. Even the bolts holding the pegs in place are lightweight aluminum. In the center resides an aluminum crest frame that was CNC-milled from a solid 1" plate. The two-sided center

'medallion' shows the WMR logo on the front, and all the winners of the past trophy (the retired '25' trophy) on the reverse. The new trophy is intended to serve WMR for the next 25 years, with the first two names already engraved on the front two pegs: Dan Phillips was the EOTY for 2010, and now Len Gawron for 2011.





A PowerPoint slideshow showing the making of the new trophy will be available soon on our website, be sure to check it out!

For 2012, WMR welcomes new Enthusiast Chair Marshall Walters. Marshall will manage the points accrued by WMR members over the coming year in order to determine the EOTY for 2012. We wish to thank Lina Spross for all her hard work, attention to detail, and new ideas as the outgoing Enthusiast Chair. Thank you, Lina!

The EOTY points system is fairly simple, and every WMR member has an equal opportunity to become our Enthusiast of the Year. Every member earns points for each event attended, driving their Porsche to events, driving more than 50 miles to an event, hosting events, acting as larger event chairpersons, and contributing writeups and photos of their events to our newsletter. (All the details are on our website.) So get involved, have fun with us, and go for it – it's yours to win!

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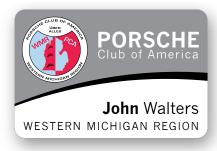


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## TechSpalte: Summer, Porsche, Hot Rods, and the Need for More Speed

Contributed by Tim Thatcher, ASE-Certified Master Technician and Owner, Euro Autowerks

Here is a quick view on octane booster for that little extra when you really want it.

Octane numbers...we all see them at the pump, but what do they really mean? Octane is a rating that indicates the fuel's resistance to pre-ignition, often referred to as spark knock.

The most obvious sign of pre-ignition is a pinging sound heard under hard acceleration. If the fuel burns too fast (low octane), the noise you hear is a result of the gas igniting early and causing the "explosion" to hit the piston as it is traveling to the top of it's stroke. The point of ignition or "flame front" is controlled by the engine's ignition timing, often referred to simply as "timing". Higher octane levels allow for more advanced timing, producing more power on acceleration.

On modern day cars, ignition timing is controlled by the ECU (Engine Control Unit). If you are going to use a booster or buy a higher octane fuel at the pump, remember that it takes time for the ECU to adjust. Going to the track? You should up your octane the day before and drive the car some, or you may not realize the power increase until track day is over.



Be careful when purchasing octane boosters in a can as, rating numbers can be misleading. For instance, many boosters claim to raise your octane by a point or two or three. The important thing is to know what they are referring to as a point. In most cases it is only 0.1, 0.2 or 0.3, which means your raising the octane from say 93 to 93.2. This is hardly worth the purchase.

Very few booster products consider a point to be 1.0. If they do and claim 2 points for example, their product would take your octane rating from 93 to 94 making this product a better value than one such as mentioned above. Bottom line is to be careful when purchasing boosters and make sure the rating is clearly spelled out.

You can avoid all the confusion by increasing your octane at the pump. Sometimes the simplest ways are the best.

So what about our older non-ECU cars or those with high compression, no catalytic converters, or that still require leaded fuel due to the valve train parts? Here is my suggestion (unable to recommend for your car, it but it works well for my street rod, which produces 500+ hp):

Take a red 5 gallon gas can, make one trip to the gas station and purchase 5 gallons of 110 octane racing fuel. Pour racing fuel into street rod tank, drive to gas station and purchase premium fuel (unleaded, at the pump). Approximate mix ratios: 50/50 93 octane and racing gas equals 101 octane, while two to one ratio (premium to racing) comes out to about 98 octane. This mixture is not legal for street use (nor is texting while driving) and should never be used in a car with a catalytic converter.

Why do these numbers come out so high? Simply put, lead is the best octane booster there is. There is also a great added benefit: it sure smells good when running!

Finally, with the weather improving at a record rate, I would like to ask that you forward all your questions to me at tthatcher911@sbcglobal.net, as this will allow me to make maximum use of my day. Please don't hesitate to contact me with any questions, I'm here to help you enjoy your car and these sunny days.

## **Upcoming Events: PCA and Beyond!**

Contributed by Dan Phillips

Beyond all the great PCA events in our own Region, there is no shortage of other opportunities to fill up your entire summer calendar with great Porsche and car-related events - both near and far (and sometimes very, very far) from home.

#### SEM Annual Swap Meet – 14 April – Farmington Hills, MI

SEM, RSR & Motorstadt Regions of PCA are holding their annual Swap Meet on 14 April, Hosted by Porsche of Farmington Hills (37911 Grand River Avenue, Farmington Hills, MI 48335)

This event will take place on Saturday, 14 April, 2012 from 10:00 am – 2:00 pm. This event will be inside, so come rain or shine! For tables contact Dave Burton: 248 • 882 • 0231

#### Munk's Motors DE and Tech Session – 21 April – Waterford, MI

Enjoy Tech Day at Munk's Motors, located at 3080 Huron St. (M-59), Waterford, MI. Food and drink provided by Munk's and Hungry Howie's. No charge! Free brake flush for PCA members who are registered for a PCA DE event.

#### Pittsburgh Vintage Grand Prix – 13-22 July – Pittsburgh, PA

You missed the big one last year, where Porsche was the marque of the year, and the Allegheny Region PCA celebrated their 50th anniversary...but it's still one of the best VGP events to attend. MG is the marque of the year for 2012. It's vintage racing, car shows, and more for over a week in Pittsburgh, PA. Visit www.pvgp.org for more info!

#### Vintage Grand Prix of Mid-Ohio – 23-24 June – Mid-Ohio

Featuring British sports car marques, you can celebrate classic cars on and off the track, with a British Car Showdown on Saturday, 23 June, and a Concours d'Elegance on Sunday, 24 June. Located at Mid-Ohio, visit miohio.com.

#### 2nd Annual Kalamazoo Car Fest – 18 August – Kalamazoo, MI

Help support your very own WMR PCA Webmeister Michael Betz in his efforts to get a truly awesome car festival off the ground in downtown, Kalamazoo. This year, we'd love to have a nice gaggle of Porsches in tow...and we promise, this time there will be no rain!! Really! Visit www.carfestkalamazoo.com or call (269) 344-0795 to register!

#### 356 Registry East Coast Holiday – 15-19 August – Boston, MA

Enjoy a 'real' East Coast Holiday in Boston, MA with the 356 Registry, an official PCA Register group. It doesn't get more 'east coast' than this. For more information, check out www.eastcoastholiday.org.

#### Cincinnati VW Club's VW-Porsche Reunion – 29-30 September – Cincinnati, OH

Mix up your Porsche with the Cincinnati VW club! Enjoy a night of camping under the stars at GE Park, and a swap meet and car show the next day, it may be a family reunion you'll really enjoy. See cincyvwclub.com.



## In The Zone: What's Happening Throughout Zone 4

Ron Carr, PCA Zone 4 Representative

Well, since we've had quite a mild winter this year In the Zone, many of you continued to drive your Porsche, which has been a great bonus! For those that have packed them away, spring is here and the time has arrived to get them out, clean them up, and get on the road. Many regions are hosting a car clinic this month at a local shop to help us make sure that the car is ready for the demands of the summer driving season. Take the opportunity to get your car checked over by one of the many experts that support PCA – you'll be glad you did. Check your local region's website and newsletter for the latest details on the many events close to you that are being planned for your enjoyment, and check the Zone 4 Website for other regions events.

- The summer driving event season kicks off this year in Zone 4 with the Ohio Valley Region Spring Drivers Education at Mid-Ohio Sports Car Course in Lexington, OH on April 20th through the 22nd. Contact Lynne Burnett at 111margaret@att.net or http://clubregistration.net for details.
- The following weekend, two more events present themselves:
  - The Northern Ohio Region hosts their first Drivers Education of the season at Mid-Ohio Sports Car Course in Lexington, OH on April 27th through the 29th. For more information contact Lori Bryant at loribryant@ att.net 330-247-1487 or Deneene Lance dennelan@aol.com 330-528-0841. You can register at http://clubreg-istration.net.
  - The same weekend (April 27th through the 29th), the Central Indiana Region with hold their Spring Brake Drivers Education at Putnam Park in Mt. Meridian, IN. Registration information can be found on their website or at http://clubregistration.net.
- Not ready for DE? Come and checkout the Autocross scene!! Its lots of fun to watch and to drive.
  - The Northern Ohio Region is holding their Autocross School on Sunday, April 22nd at the Lakeland Community College parking lot in Kirtland, OH. You can RSVP to Doug Bradley at bradleyd@adelphia.net or call 440-428-7043 for more information.
  - The first Inter Regional Auto Cross (IRAC) event of the season will be hosted by the Ohio Valley Region in Cincinnati, OH on Sunday, April 29th. Check their website for the exact location and more details.
- Need time behind the wheel, but not on the track? How about a Road Trip?
  - Join the Allegheny Region on their annual visit to the Hershey Swap Meet in Hershey PA on April 20/21st. To join in the caravan to Hershey Park, check for the details on the http://arpca.com/ website.
  - Or, you can join the Northern Ohio Region in caravanning to the same destination on the same dates- contact Ava Singerman (440,821.8630) for details and reservations.
  - Going the other direction, join the Central Indiana Region for their Spring Color Tour to Cincinnati, OH on April 21st & 22nd. Great driving roads and deluxe accommodations and dinner in the Queen City-reserve you spot now by contacting Bob & Brigitta Snider at 765-282-7985 or bsniderjr1977@comcast.net
  - Join Rally Sport Region, Southeast Michigan Region, and Motor-Stadt Region for a Swap Meet at Porsche of Farmington Hills (MI) on April 14th from 10 am until 2 pm. Details on the RSR website.
- It's not too late to register for the Annual PCA National Porsche Parade being held in Salt Lake City, UT on July 7-14, 2012. Plan to join a bunch of other Zone 4 PCA members for fun in the mountains. If you are not yet sure about helping at the 2013 event, the Parade in SLC presents a great opportunity to come and see what it's all about. Registration opened March 27th and will continue until sold out.



## WMR Meeting Minutes, 05 March 2012

Delta Imports, Grand Rapids, March 5, 2012 – Meeting was called to order by John Walters at 7:04 pm. Members present were: John and Marshall Walters, Amber Door, Brenda Hildon-Kaempf, Dan and Ren Phillips, Ted and Gabi Blacklidge, Rick Riley, Kurt Wirth, Len Gawron, Chris Ackerman, Colin Carpenter.

Minutes: Approved.

<u>Treasurer's Report:</u> Approved. Tally for WinterFest not yet complete.

Membership Report: 219 Primary Members, 170 Affiliate Members – total 389. New Members – 1: Steven Netherton, Glen Arbor, '12 Panamera. Transfers In – 0. Transfers Out – 0. Non renewals – 4. Renewals – 13. Len suggested having a new member gathering 2 times/year.

February Meeting Minutes: Approved with one correction: Len Gawron was inadvertently not listed as an attendee.

<u>Über Alles Editor's Report:</u> March Über is complete. Dan is looking for cover photos. He has a write up for Spring Up. The April promo will be the Schieble Cook Off. Needs May Dinner Drive information.

Webmeister's Report: No report from the Webmaster.

<u>Insurance Report:</u> Kurt is working on insurance for the Tech Session on 4/28/12. Insurance will be needed for the May Dinner Drive, Mackinaw and Spring Up.

#### Old Business:

- PCA National Awards submissions John provided a blast today and it is on the website.
- 2012 Porsche Parade Europe information to members On the website
- WMR PCA Enthusiast Points Award Chair Marshall Walters has volunteered and was accepted as Chair.
- February Dinner Drive Grattan Bar. 21 participants which included several new members. The food was great!
- 2013 Porsche Parade Traverse City Michigan Still working on logo issues (due mid-March). Logo must contain something unique to the state/region, contain a Porsche or part of one, must look good in color and black & white, and must be able to be stitched on apparel. Len Gawron is working on driving tours. Ted Blacklidge is the Transportation Chair. There are 3 remaining openings 1. looking for a warehouse 2. TSD local support needed 3. Local equipment person. We may have a general meeting for chairs and potentially interested parties. There will be numerous opportunities for volunteering. Salt Lake City Parade is scheduled to open next Tuesday (3/13/12) but may be delayed due to technical issues which would push the date to 3/20/12.

#### New Business:

- March Dinner Drive Gilmore Car Museum. Building is open, but grand opening has not occurred. On hold and will likely move to another date.
- WMR PCA Enthusiast Award point system Proposed changes: 1. If you're a winner, you're not eligible for 2 years following. This proposal was approved by members present. 2. Winner may rescind. This was also approved by members present.
- Family friendly events Ideas are welcome. A suggestion was made to note the events that are adult-only versus family friendly in the write-ups listed in the Uber and on the web.
- Spring Up June 23, hosted by the Weises. Bill Brown will be organizing the tour.
- Fast Signs we will be obtaining a quote for an event banner to replace our existing one.

Meeting adjourned at 7:50pm

Respectfully submitted by Brenda Hildon-Kaempf



## Classifieds

**1994 PORSCHE 911 SPEEDSTER** – Gran Prix White over Black Leather. 5 speed manual. Loaded w/onboard computer, cruise control, cold A/C, etc. Only 18,684 miles, always garaged, no track, snow or smoke. Books and records, keys and factory air pump. None nicer, still smells new. I purchased the car with 1,500 miles in 1996. \$79,000. Contact Jerry King in Sarasota, FL at (941) 225-5832. (March 2012)

**1989 PORSCHE 911 TURBO** – Linen Metallic (silver) over grey leather interior. 115k miles, 2nd owner, service by German Auto for the past 14 years. Many mods, very fast. Divorce forces sale. \$38,000. Contact Al Nelson at (231) 690-9092 or email i.xlr8@live.com. (that's the letter "i", a period, followed by "xlr8") (Dec 2011)

**1987 PORSCHE 911 TURBO CABRIOLET** – Factory slant-nose (one of 216 real 505 factory built and documented), pristine all-original condition, black on black, with Porsche certificate of authenticity. Contact Frank Berris at (616) 887-0956 or email fgberris@americango.biz (July 2011)

**1986 PORSCHE 944** – Guards Red. 143,500 miles. 2nd owner (purchased in 1989). Engine rebuilt by Porsche-certified mechanic at 82,725 miles (10.1995). Great-sounding and nice-looking car is improved and very competitive in autocross. Turbo front end with electrics. Expertly maintained by Claudio at FCS. Porsche Evaluation Committee says \$10,710 is average price, asking \$8,000. Call Michael Betz at (616) 460-8880 or email mmbetz@image-stream.com. (Oct 2010)

**1985-1/2 PORSCHE 944** - Great 1st Porsche and beginning autocross or track car. Roll bar, Dino steering wheel, Recaro driver's seat, 17" Cup wheels with Kumho Cector Racer tires. 5-point harnesses plus stock belts. HD springs & swaybars, Koni adjustable shocks, more. Asking \$6,000 OBO. Contact Jim Morgan at (574) 457-2044 or email jimandjudi@hoosierlink.net. (Michiana Region PCA) (May 2011)

**1983 PORSCHE 911 SC CABRIOLET** – Burgundy/Black with only 55,000 miles. Stainless Steel headers/muffler; Kuehl A/C Upgrade (really works!); H4 lights, K&N, front Carrera spoiler, new AM/FM/CD w/IPOD/MP3 hookup, power antenna; lots of new parts and stuff. No Rust–No Race–No wrecks. Looks and runs great. Asking \$23,000 OBO. Contact Jim Morgan at (574) 457-2044 or email jimandjudi@hoosierlink.net. (Michiana Region PCA) (Jul 2011)

WHEELS AND TIRES – Porsche OEM 19" Carrera S II wheels to include valve stems and colored center caps. Fitment to 997.1/997.2 Carrera Turbo, 4 & 4S widebody. Porsche P/N and size; Front - 997.362.157.00 / 8.0J X 19H 2ET57 - Rear 997.362.163.01 - 11J X 19H 2ET51. The wheels have 14,000 miles of light use, and would be a terrific upgrade from the standard Porsche Classic wheel or a second set for track or winter driving. Price \$1,300 for the set. Contact Len Gawron at (231) 670-3274 or email lagawron@comcast.net. (April 2012)

**WHEELS AND TIRES** – 16" factory wheels & tires from a Porsche 911 (993), sizes are 205/55-16 front, 245/45-16 rear. \$500 o.b.o. Call Glenn at (269) 751-5644. (July 2011)

911MAX MULTI-CHIP – Fits 1984-1989 Porsche 911. Multiple mappings, including Stock, 93 Octane, Valet (3,000 RPM limit) and No-Start, easily modifiable via external switch, customizable via software. Works w/either 24 or 28-pin DMEs. Price reduced - now only \$100! Call Greg Calahan at (616) 617-0369 or email greg@cerulean-group.com. (June 2011)

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

**WANTED** – PCM 1st-generation CD-ROMs to copy; I have discs 1, 5, & 6, need the rest. Need maps 1, 5, or 6? I can help. These are NLA from Porsche. Call Dan Phillips at (616) 281-2459 or email dphil66@hotmail.com.

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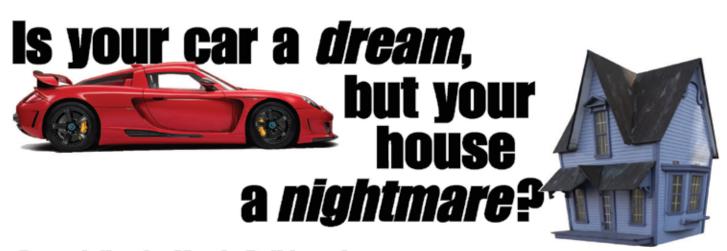
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