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On the cover:
April showers bring May flowers.

Photo by Gabi & Ted Blacklidge

DEAR BEWILDERED

LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT



Mike Karluk
*President,
Western Michigan Region*

I'd like to thank all who organized and attended the 2015 Winterfest and Morning-After Brunch in late January. Our warm and congenial group enjoyed a great venue and meal and donated in excess of \$1,800 plus a heavy supply of foods to Feeding America - West Michigan Food Bank. Thank you all!

I was listening last week to John Prine's "Dear Abby" from 1973 and it prompted me to wonder if there's a place in "Panorama" for a personal advice column, possibly called "Dear Adelina" or something else appropriately Teutonic. A question and response came to mind that is purely fictional and bears no relationship to persons living or deceased: "Dear Adelina, I recently became concerned that my spouse has been spending late hours on-line. One day I looked on her computer and found a folder entitled "X-Files." Fearing the worst, I opened it and found links to Porsche USA, RUF Auto, Safe Racer, something called HPDE Insurance, and a mysterious link that was password protected called "R Gruppe."

I found dozens of downloaded configurations from "Build your Porsche" on the Porsche USA website. Should I be worried? Signed, Bewildered."

"Dear Bewildered, Rob Siegel a long-standing columnist for the BMW CCA's 'Roundel' magazine wrote in his Memoirs of a Hack Mechanic: "Cars offer us a complete, rich, ready mix of visual, auditory, and olfactory sensations. They catch our eye. We respond. We select them. There's a dance. They seduce us. We make them ours. They move beneath us. They are responsive. They are predictable. They can be fixed when they are broken. We can control them, or at least we can try. They jump and twitch when we nail them. Once you have experienced this sensation, you want to do it again. And again. And again. And if, in addition to all this, the car is visually gorgeous [like all Porsches] and literally screams and claws when it's driven hard..." Oooo! Perhaps you get the idea, Schatzi? It's a world of magic out there! Relax and enjoy your Porsche and remind your Porscheophile of the bauble fund!"

I hope to see lots of you at the Schieble's on April 18th for the crockpot meat loaf cook off! — Mike

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APRIL MEATLOAF COOKOFF

HOST: TERRY & DORILEE SCHIEBLE

Enter your favorite Meatloaf recipe in the annual **“Porsche Club Cookoff Party & Cookoff Competition”**. On April 18th you’re invited to enter your own meatloaf in a crock pot creation and compete for: Judge’s Choice, People’s Choice, or be an Official Sampler of them all! Please make at least 1.5 pounds so everyone can have a taste, because “like a bat out of hell it’ll be gone when the morning comes.” Please bring your own drinks too. (Pop will be available). Prizes will be presented to the Judge’s Choice and to People’s Choice. **Each person may either enter the competition with your favorite meatloaf recipe or bring \$10 to cover all the extra dishes provided.** We will gather at the home of our gracious hosts Terry and Dorilee Schieble. RSVP is REQUIRED, so please contact Terry or Dorilee by April 10th by phone: (269) 329-1578 or Dorilee’s Cell: (269) 910-4306.



Where:

Terry and Dorilee Schieble
726 Lakeview Dr., Portage, MI

When:

Saturday, April 18, 2015, 6:30 pm

SPRING BRUNCH AT CYGNUS 27

HOST: WOLFGANG & MILUZKA BUBECK

Join us for a unique brunch in a lovely contemporary restaurant and let’s forget about the long gone winter days. To have something to talk about and share, please bring your favorite (best or worst) winter picture you can find. This will let us enjoy the warmer weather even more and enhance the driving spirit for the upcoming season.

It promises to deliver us a wonderfully fresh and utterly stylish dining experience that we will savor. Mark your calendars for what will prove to be, yet again, a fabulous dining experience. No worries about downtown parking or weather. — Complimentary valet parking is available.

We will have the upstairs room and seating is limited

to about 32 people. Don’t be late and RSVP before April 19th to Wolfgang & Miluzka at:
wolfgang.bubeck@gmx.com

Where:

Amway Grand Plaza Hotel, 27th floor
187 Monroe Avenue NW
Grand Rapids, MI 49503

When:

Sunday, April 26, 2015, 10:30 am



GILMORE MUSEUM TOUR

BY INVITATION OF: LARRY ALEXANDER · NON-PCA EVENT

The Western Michigan Section of the Mercedes-Benz Club of America is excited to announce the 2015 season opening event. We have partnered with the Gilmore Car Museum (GCM), to offer automotive enthusiasts an exceptional activity.



For our event, the museum staff is preparing a special day. It will be open not only to MBCA members, but all automotive enthusiasts. The program's presentation is, indeed, specific to Mercedes-Benz, but the balance of the day is enjoying the Gilmore collection and grounds.

To pre-register, by April 10th, with lunch choice, or with any additional questions, **contact Larry Alexander** at lalexander@winntel.net or at 989-463-1274.

The day's agenda follows:

9:30 - 10:00 am Registration

10:00 - 12:00 pm Escorted Tour

12:00 - 1:00 pm Lunch

1:00 - 2:00 pm Program on Mercedes-Benz

2:00 - 6:00 pm Open to Enjoy Museum Grounds

Event cost:

Mercedes-Benz Club of America members - \$20

All other visitors - \$25, Visitors under 18 yrs. - \$16

Lunch will be provided by the Gilmore Food Service staff, and is included in the event price.

Where: Gilmore Car Museum

6865 Hickory Road, Hickory Corners, MI 49060

When: Saturday, April 25, 2015

9:30 am - 2:00 pm

SPORTING CLAYS EVENT

HOST: AMBER DOOR & JERRY ARENS

Join us on Saturday, May 23 for our 3rd Annual Blendon Pines Gun Club for a Sporting Clays event.

For those unfamiliar with Sporting Clays it is a form of clay pigeon shooting that is described as "golf with a gun". No skill or previous shooting experience is required to participate and have fun. This is outside and in the woods along a groomed trail — rain or shine. Please wear appropriate clothing and shoes. Eye and ear protection is REQUIRED. Regular glasses/sunglasses are adequate and they do have some protective eye-wear available, but if it's busy they may run out. They also sell earplugs. Guns are available to rent for \$10.00 and of course ammunition is available for sale. Of course you are welcome to bring your own shotgun.

For those members that want to accompany another participant, but are not interested in shooting or watching, there is an indoor area available to hang out. You are also welcome to join us to spectate and wander through the wood with us! More to come via web blast regarding possible lunch to follow.

RSVP by Tuesday May 19, with Jerry or Amber:

Jerry: (616) 340-2192, jdarens62@aol.com

Amber: (616) 340-0971, Amdoor242@aol.com

When: Saturday, May 23, 10:30am

Where: Blendon Pines Gun Club, 8455 88th Ave. Zeeland, MI 49464

Traditional Grattan Pub March Dinner Drive



Our club members created a full house for the Grattan Pub as we turned 9 tables into one large one. — Photo by Kurt Wirth



Mike Karluk, strategically seated to connect the North and South of the table, brought some Presidential Glow to this very special gathering.



Have you ever wondered what is written above the door?
"One hundred thousand welcomes."

What a unique establishment, the great home made food assortment and of course, the very close togetherness. A German word comes to mind, "Haut nah" meaning skin tight. But everybody had a great time, sharing the latest on everything, including our beloved cars. So, Danke Schön — to all of you for coming and sorry if you missed another great WMR event. Mark your calendar for next year.

Auf bald. — Kurt Wirth



A pint of the black stuff, Gov! ...or green, red, amber, white. Good thing we know, when we need designated drivers. — Photo by Amber Door

2015 EVENT CALENDAR

WESTERN MICHIGAN REGION · PORSCHE CLUB OF AMERICA

	Date	Event	Location	Host(s)/Event Chair(s)
APR	04-06	Monthly Board Meeting	Delta Imports, Grand Rapids, MI	WMR PCA Club
	04-18	Annual Cookoff	Schieble Residence, Portage, MI	Terry & Dorilee Schieble
	04-26	Spring Brunch	Cygnus 27, Grand Rapids, MI	Wolfgang & Miluzka Bubeck
MAY	05-04	Monthly Board Meeting	Delta Imports, Grand Rapids, MI	WMR PCA Club
	05-16	May Dinner Drive	Destination TBD	John & Marshall Walters
	05-23	Sporting Clays Event	Blendon Pines Gun Club, Zeeland, MI	Jerry Arens & Amber Door
JUN	06-01	Monthly Board Meeting	Delta Imports, Grand Rapids, MI	WMR PCA Club
	06-10	Wednesday Night Cruise-In	Gilmore Car Museum, Hickory Corners, MI	Rick Riley
	6-13	Euro Autowerks Open House	Rockford, MI	Tim Thatcher and Euro Autowerks
	06-21 through 06-27	Porsche Parade 2015 PCA National Event	French Lick, IN	Porsche Club of America, National Event, Susan Brown
	06-27	Parade Orphans Lunch Drive	Destination TBD	Len & Bonnie Gawron
	07-06	Monthly Board Meeting	Delta Imports, Grand Rapids, MI	WMR PCA Club
AUG	08-01	Red Barns Spectacular	Gilmore Car Museum, Hickory Corners, MI	Amber Door & Jerry Arens
	08-03	Monthly Board Meeting	Delta Imports, Grand Rapids, MI	WMR PCA Club
	08-21 through 08-22	28th Street Metro Cruise	28th Street SE, Grand Rapids, MI	Non-PCA Event
SEP	09-14	Monthly Board Meeting	Delta Imports, Grand Rapids, MI	WMR PCA Club
	09-26	Sept. Dinner Drive	Destination TBD	Dan & Ren Phillips
	09-25 through 09-27	Porsche Rennsport Reunion V	Mazda Raceway Laguna Seca, 1021 Monterey Salinas Hwy, Salinas, CA 93908	Porsche Cars North America
	09-30	PCA Escape 2015 Escape to Rushmore	Black Hills of South Dakota	Porsche Club of America, National Event
OCT	10-05	Monthly Board Meeting	Delta Imports, Grand Rapids, MI	WMR PCA Club
	TBD	Annual Fall Color Tour	Destination TBD	TBD




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ADDITIONAL EVENTS WILL BE ADDED AS THEY BECOME AVAILABLE


	Date	Event	Location	Host(s)/Event Chair(s)
NOV	11-02	Annual Planning Dinner	Destination TBD	WMR PCA Club
	11-07	November Dinner Drive	Destination TBD	Randy & Linda Portoluri
DEC	12-01	Monthly Board Meeting	Delta Imports, Grand Rapids, MI	WMR PCA Club
	12-12	December Appetizer Party	West Olive, MI	Mike & Barbara Karluk

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



Thinking about hosting an event? Have a brilliant event idea?

Simply stop by our Monthly Board Meeting, or contact your WMRPCA Officers. We can help you work through the details. For example: Driving Events require insurance, etc.





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MOTORSPORT EVENTS CLOSE TO HOME

	Date	Event	Location	Host(s)/Event Chair(s)
AUG	TBD	IROC Series I – III	Destination TBD	Duane Weed, Michael Betz
	08-07 through 08-09	Driver Education Event	Gingerman Raceway, South Haven, MI	South-East Michigan Region PCA (SEM)
SEP	09-12 through 09-13	Grand Prix of Grattan DE	Grattan Raceway, Grattan, MI	Ted Blacklidge

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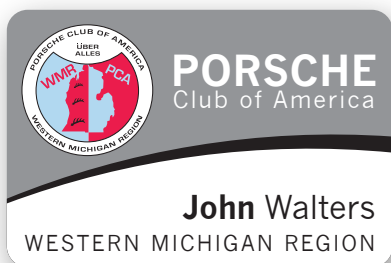


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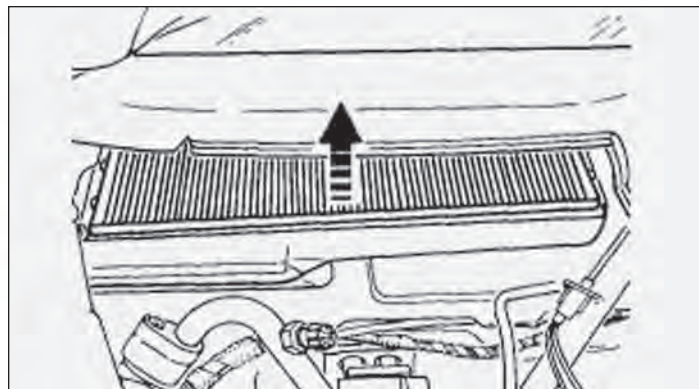


Illustration 1

CABIN FILTERS - EASY DIY MAINTENANCE, PART 2 REPLACING FILTERS ON A 1999 (996, 997) 911, BOXSTER, OR CAYMAN

Replacing the filters on these cars is much easier. Though the locations vary slightly. The filters on the Boxster are located on the passenger side, under the plastic cowl in front of the windshield, whereas 996 & 997 are a little more toward the center of the car. To replace these filters follow the steps below.

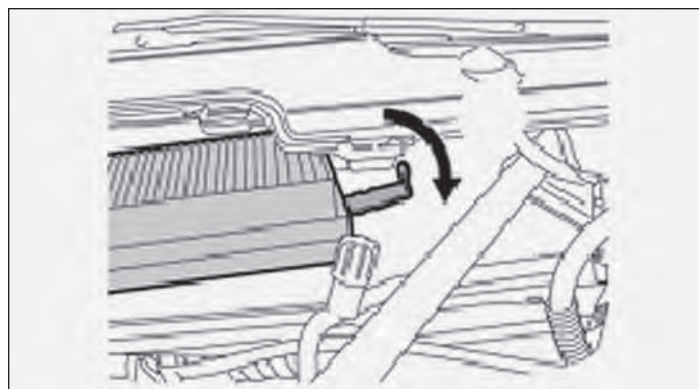


Illustration 2

1. Remove the cowl.
(See Illustration 1).
2. Slip the filter out of the housing.
(Boxster see Illustration 2).
3. Clean all debris out of the housing.
4. Install new filter paying attention to the indicated direction of the airflow to assure proper installation.
5. Inspect the filter and make sure it is properly set in its holder.
6. Re-install cowl.

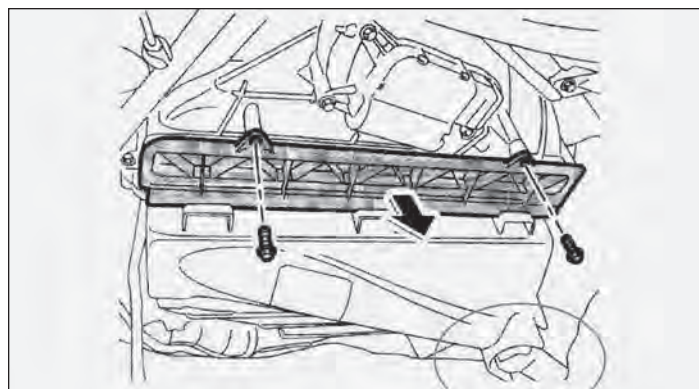


Illustration 3

Replacing the filter on the Cayenne is a little more work, but still a worthwhile project. Just follow the steps below.

1. Remove the lower dash panel on the right side (under the glove box area).
2. Remove the filter cover by removing the two Torx head screws that secure it. (See Illustration 3)
3. Once the cover is removed, simply pull the filter downward and removing it from its holder.
4. Clean all debris from the filter area.
5. Install the new filter paying close attention to positioning the airflow arrow in the correct direction.
6. Re-install the filter cover and dash panel.

Though changing the cabin filter is a relatively simple job, it is important that you perform the installation correctly.

The top three things to watch are:

- Clean all debris out of the filter area.
As with any filter change, always clean-up any debris with a vacuum so that it does not get drawn into the heating and/or the AC system.
- Install the filter in the correct airflow position
- Double-check that the filter is correctly seated to prevent mice from entering the system.

Don't forget, June 13th will be our annual Open House at EuroAutowerks. I'm already looking forward to it. — Tim

WMR MEETING MINUTES

MARCH 2, 2015

Delta Porsche, Grand Rapids, March 2, 2015

Meeting was called to order by Mike Karluk at 7:05 pm.
Members present were: Mike Karluk, Amber Door, Brenda Hildon-Kaempf, Wolfgang Hofmann, John Walters, Ted & Gabi Blacklidge, Joyce Lo, Rick Riley, and Larry Alexander

Treasurer's Report: Approved.

Membership Report:

Primary Members: 279
Affiliate Members: 186
Total Members: 465
New Members: 3
Transfers In: 0
Transfers Out: 0
Non renewals: 0
Renewals: 0

Minutes: January meeting minutes were reviewed and approved.

Über Alles Editor's Report:

Nothing new to report from Wolfgang.

Webmaster's Report:

Nothing new to report from Craig.

Social Media Report: Total likes are at 184 which up 9 from last month. March issue of the Über Alles is online. We had an inquiry about the Chocolate 911s from the Alpine Region – Mike Karluk will respond.

Insurance Report: No report.

Old Business:

- WinterFest – 44 members in attendance, nice atmosphere and a great time had by all
- Morning After Brunch at Charlie's Crab – hosted by Jerry Arens and Amber Door. 22 attendees – enjoyed by all
- Charity report – great effort with regard to food and donations. Gabi did not have the tally at the time of this meeting.

New Business:

- Grattan Pub – March 18.
Details in the Über and on the web
- Zone 4 President's meeting – March 21
- Mercedes Club Invitation – Larry Alexander is on the board of the Mercedes Club and extended an invitation to Gilmore Car Museum on April 15, 2015 for a tour and program. \$25/person, includes lunch. Details will be posted in the Über. RSVP by April 10.
- Leo's – Rick is currently looking into other venues for our long-standing January Dinner Drive due to a few unforeseen issues. More to follow.

Meeting was adjourned 8:00 pm

Respectfully submitted by Brenda Hildon-Kaempf

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BY WOLFGANG HOFMANN, ÜBER ALLES EDITOR

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Glückwünsche! — Anniversaries

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| 1 year | Dan Casey, Dave Dean, Dave Goodell, Fred & Kimberly Wroblewski (2014) |
| 5 years | Jeffrey Diffenderfer, Michael & Kathleen Hiemstra, Patty & Jimmy Pelizzari, Pete & Sue Stott (2010) |
| 10 years | Jack Burns (2005) |
| 15 years | Jeff Simonis (2000) |
| 20 years | Claudio & Brenda Kaempf, Tom & Luann Nemitz (1995) |
| 25 years | Willard Brown (1990) |

Willkommen! — New Members

Dennis Gradler, Holland, MI · '04 Boxster

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Wolfgang Hofmann
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Survey Comment(s):

“The newsletter arrives after the
event(s) have already taken place.”

First off, I would like to extend a
sincere apology to anyone who
has been inconvenienced by this
particular issue. It's certainly my
goal to inform you on time. Our
club offers multiple channels of
communication. From our website, event E-mail blasts to
a Facebook page. Digital media, by its very nature, will
beat the printed newsletter to your door every time.
You might say, we don't race in the same class, but on
the same team. It's GT not LMP, see what I did there?
When I volunteered to take over as Editor in 2014, one of
my first concerns was, how I can keep up with the pace
of monthly issues. I try to take a very proactive approach
to managing the Über Alles deadlines. Most times it
comes together fast, but it's an ongoing effort.

Here are some of the things implemented last year:

1. The deadline for contributions and ads became the 15th, vs. the 22nd of each month.
2. The calendar of events was redesigned to give everyone a chance to stay ahead of upcoming events. Even, if exact detail isn't yet available.
3. I strive to finish the layout and get it to the Printer the last week of each month.

Printing and mailing is based in Grand Rapids, MI — and I certainly understand that not everyone lives in the same urban ZIP code. Swift Printing provides a valuable service to our club. We couldn't do it without them. It's a very streamlined process, but it has dependencies too. They receive the newsletter, send me a proof to review, I approve the issue, it is scheduled for Printing. We're not always first in the printing cue. Then, the ink has to dry for a few hours, before it can be handed to the United States Postal service for delivery. On balance, it can take anywhere between 3 to 7 business days. — *Wolfgang*

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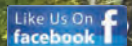
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