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In Review:

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If you look closely, you can see our President, Mike Karluk, raising his trophy spatula. He took home the Judge's Choice Award at the Meatloaf Cookoff.

Flip to Page 7 for the People's Choice winner and event review.

Nice work, Troops! · Photo provided by Amber Door

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On the cover:
*Jack & Kathleen Hartman's
wonderful 356. Peace!*

Photo by Amber Door

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LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT



Mike Karluk
*President,
Western Michigan Region*

Putting together this month's letter was difficult, as initially I felt somewhat at a loss for words, which is a bit unusual. The primary cause for this was a statement published in the March 2015 issue of Britain's "GT Porsche" magazine in Andrew Frankel's interview of Wolfgang Hatz, Porsche's head of research and development, at the North American International Auto Show. Frankel reported that the new Cayenne Turbo S, which was unveiled in Detroit with its bi-turbo V8 making 570 hp and 590 lb. ft., clocked an astonishing 7:59.74 minute lap of the Nürburgring Nordschleife, less than three seconds slower than the new 996 GT3 in the hands of Walter Röhrli in 1999! Also revealed were: 1) All future 911s will be turbocharged, except for the GT3 RS, 2) A Cayman GT4 and a high performance Boxster model were coming soon, and 3) Porsche was at work on a two seat, mid-engine production supercar akin to the Ferrari 458 and McLaren 650S. That means if you want to hear the song of a naturally-aspirated Porsche in a few years, you'll need to buy a 991, an older 911, or a Cayman/Boxster.

If you go to Porsche.com/USA, you can see and configure the new Cayman GT4 and Boxster Spyder, the latter which I think should command even more interest than its predecessor with its awkward fabric top. In the May issue of "MotorSport" magazine, Frankel reported the GT4's time around the Nordschleife is halfway between that of the Cayman GTS and the 911 GT3 and that the Cayman GT4 "is as deserving a member of the Porsche Motorsport stable as any other." As to the new Porsche supercar, I'll probably read about it, but with those target competitors, its price point will put it beyond the point at which I stop even fantasizing. I'm seeing a lot of Porsches on the road and have recently run into a number of WMR members who have their Porsche out of winter storage. Barb and I enjoyed another wonderful evening at the Schiebles' Cookoff, sampling 14 different meatloaves. Marshall & John Walters are hosting a dinner drive to The Dock on Gull Lake on May 16; Herb Welz is giving a tour of his Euro Lighting Designs factor on May 22; and Jerry Arens & Amber Door are hosting the enormously fun sporting clays event at Blendon Pines Gun Club in on Saturday, May 23. Even more events are coming in June aside from Parade. Looking forward to seeing you soon! — *Mike*

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MAY DINNER DRIVE

HOST: JOHN & MARSHALL WALTERS · PHOTO BY THE DOCK AT BAYVIEW

Please join John and Marshall on Saturday, May 16th, for a scenic drive through Allegan, Barry and Kalamazoo counties, ending with dinner at The Dock on Gull Lake. <http://www.thedockatbayview.com>

The Dock offers a variety of food and drink options, with many beers on tap and a nice cocktail list (for the non-beer drinkers). We will meet in the parking lot of the Family Farm and Home Store in Wayland (Wayland exit no. 64 behind the Big Boy and Shell gas station) at 3:30, departing at 4:00. We expect to arrive at The Dock around 5:30.

Please RSVP to Marshall at marshall.walters@towerswatson.com or (269) 672-5055 by Tuesday, May 12th.



Where: Family Farm and Home Store, Wayland exit 64 off US 131, behind the Big Boy and Shell gas station

When: Saturday, May 16, 2015, 3:30 pm

EURO LIGHTING DESIGNS TOUR

HOST: HERB WELZ

Owner Herb Welz has put together a tour of his factory, where he manufactures bubble lights according to an old Howard Miller design.

We are invited to join him on Friday, May 22 at 5 PM for the tour, which will be followed by brats, beer and wine

(the latter provided by Cascade Winery) and possibly sushi made by his wife at his Gun Lake bakery, Stickmann Bäeckerei. The lighting factory is located at 945 Grand Rapids Street in Middleville.

Please RSVP via e-mail by May 8 to: score@mei.net or send a mail to: stickmann.baeckerei@gmail.com.

Where:

Euro-Lighting Designs
945 Grand Rapids Street, Middleville, MI 49333

When:

Friday, May 22, 2015, 5:00 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”. The sporting clays course consists of 10 shooting stations laid out over natural terrain. Unlike traditional skeet shooting, sporting clays simulate the unpredictability of live-quarry shooting, offering a great variety of trajectories, angles, speeds, elevations, distances, and target sizes. No skill or previous shooting experience is required to participate and have fun.

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.

Additionally, if you would like to participate, but are unsure about the walking, there are golf carts available if needed.

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.



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 eyewear available, but if it’s busy they may run out. They also sell earplugs.

Guns are available to rent for 10.00 (2 people can share 1 gun) and of course ammunition is available for sale. The cost will be 22.00, not including gun (10.00) / ammunition (6.95/box).

RSVP by Tuesday May 19, with Jerry or Amber:

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When: Saturday, May 23, 10:30am

Where: Blendon Pines Gun Club, 8455 88th Ave.
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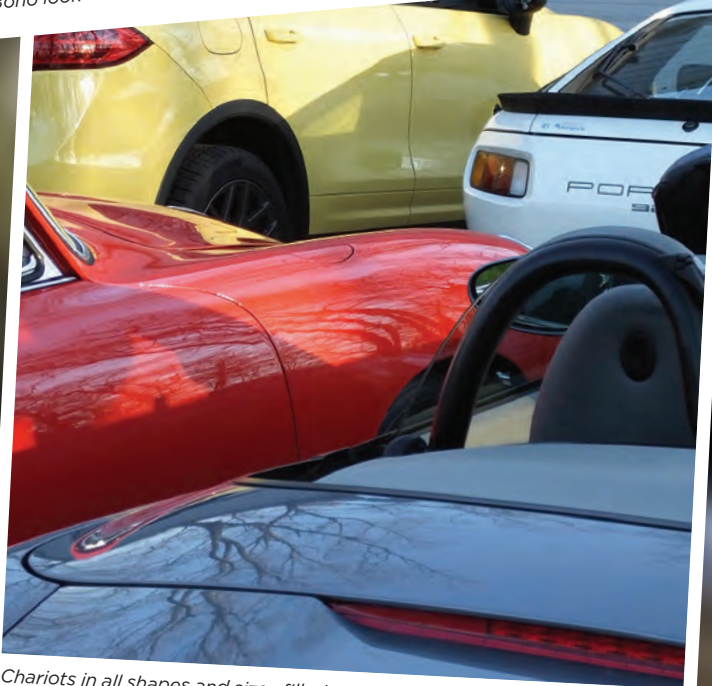
THE APRIL MEATLOAF COOK-OFF



Bonnie Gawron is either trying a new chop-stick prototype or labeling her plate, to judge one of 14 meatloaf recipes and vote for her favorite.



From left to right: Renwick Brutus and guest, Greg Koning (our silver-haired Bono look-a-like) with Gabi and Ted Blackledge — Photo by Amber Door



Chariots in all shapes and sizes filled Schieble's Colosseum of Food and Speed, at the annual Cookoff event. — Photo by Amber Door



Trish Gradler is beaming, as she wields the coveted People's Choice Award Spatula.



Mark & Kathy Bonnema enjoying a night with WMR PCA / WMU friends. Looking great, you guys! — Photo by Amber Door

2015 EVENT CALENDAR

WESTERN MICHIGAN REGION · PORSCHE CLUB OF AMERICA

	Date	Event	Location	Host(s)/Event Chair(s)
MAY	05-04	Monthly Board Meeting	Delta Imports, Grand Rapids, MI	WMR PCA Club
	05-16	May Dinner Drive	The Dock on Gull Lake	John & Marshall Walters
	05-23	Sporting Clays Event	Blendon Pines Gun Club	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
	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
JUL	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
	8-29	Euro Autowerks Open House	Rockford, MI	Tim Thatcher and Euro Autowerks
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
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	Dec. Appetizer Party	West Olive, MI	Mike & Barbara Karluk



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MOTORSPORT EVENTS CLOSE TO HOME



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	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 Blackledge

For the full PCA Club Racing Schedule, visit: <https://www.pca.org/club-racing>
For more PCA National and Inter-Regional events, visit: <https://www.pca.org/events>

PARADE ORPHANS DINNER DRIVE

HOST: LEN & BONNIE GAWRON

Not able to attend 2015 Porsche Parade? - Join your hosts Len & Bonnie Gawron instead! They'll guide you on a relaxed drive through the West Michigan countryside and lake-shore, to a 5 PM dinner at Pereddies Restaurant. Pereddies has been serving Italian cuisine in Holland's historic Washington Square for over 20 years.

The family run business uses old world recipes from southern Italy. The aroma of fresh baked bread greets you as you stroll through the gourmet deli and galleria. We will enjoy an Italian dinner in their European atmosphere that includes grapevines, fountains, music, and original art. This white-table-cloth restaurant offers a large selection of great wines, a full bar and authentic Italian foods. Everything is homemade using the highest quality ingredients.

You don't want to miss this Old World Italian treasure! Please RSVP by June 19th to lagawron@comcast.net or call at 231.670.3274

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When: Saturday, June 27, 2015, 3:00 pm



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DO NOT forget to check a service manual to make sure you are prepared to complete the job.

DO NOT begin a job without being sure you have the proper tools and ability to complete it. (Wrecker bills are expensive and bringing your car into a shop with boxes of loose parts and bolts can be expensive and ultimately cost more than having the shop do the work in the first place.)

DO NOT purchase “cheap” parts. They may not fit properly and are often unreliable.

DO NOT assume the part you need is in the box. Always check the box before leaving the store to ensure you have the proper part and everything that’s supposed to come with it.

DO NOT put tools in your pocket, having them there is an open invitation to rips in your interior and scratches in your finish.

DO NOT wear rings or jewelry as these items can become caught in tight places or may cause an electrical burn if shorted out on a terminal or live wire. Damage may be done to your car as well.

DO NOT wear belt buckles made of metal or other material that will scratch your vehicle as you lean over it.

DO NOT forget to use a fender cover or if one is not available use your best bath towel.

DO NOT use your clothing as a “handi-wipe”. Doing so will not only upset your wife, but may leave grease and oil stains or just plain old dirt on your interior. Hand towels work great! They are the ones your wife stores next to the bath towels, save yourself an extra trip and grab them both at the same time.

DO NOT use your car as a work bench or beverage holder as you can damage the finish very easily.

DO NOT place loose nuts, bolts or other parts in the engine bay area. If they are dropped they can be very difficult to find and/or retrieve and if forgotten they could cause damage to the engine or vehicle.

DO NOT forget to tighten fasteners as you go, forgetting to tighten them will result in a poor repair.

DO NOT overtighten fastener. Use the proper torque setting for each type fastener to avoid damage to the fastener or plastic parts.

DO NOT forget to lubricate or use anti-seize on fasteners.

DO NOT use anti-seize on spark plug threads. Doing so may cause a poor ground for the plug and result in a misfire.

DO NOT use an incorrect wrench size. This can round off the corners of fasteners making them useless.

DO NOT use improper bits on your fasteners. Using a Philips screwdriver when a Torx is required or other such scenarios can ruin your fasteners and tools.

DO NOT use any type of torch around rubber, cloth, brake lines, or, get ready for this, fuel lines. Remember also that there are fuel vapors in your intake system.

DO NOT forget where the fire extinguisher is when using a torch. This can be a tragic mistake if one is needed.

DO NOT use incorrect fluids or fasteners.

DO NOT continue working if you become frustrated or angry. Doing so may cause you to forget to tighten or install something or leave a tool in the engine bay. Rather take a break from the job and come back later.

DO NOT forget to have a large box of band aids on hand for the inevitable cuts and bruises.

DO NOT forget to remain calm and collected when you rap the xxxx out of your knuckles.

DO NOT forget to enjoy the experience.

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YOU MAY LAUGH at some of these items, but we’ve seen it all. Good luck and have fun, summer is coming. — *Tim*

WMR MEETING MINUTES

APRIL 6, 2015

Delta Porsche, Grand Rapids, April 6, 2015

Meeting was called to order by Mike Karluk at 7:06pm.
Members present were: Mike Karluk, Amber Door, Brenda Hildon-Kaempf, Wolfgang Hofmann, John and Marshall Walters, Joyce Lo, Rick Riley, Don Sazma, Craig Paull, Colin Carpenter and Arnie Axelrod.

Treasurer's Report: Approved.

Membership Report:

Primary Members: 277
Affiliate Members: 181
Total Members: 468
New Members: 1
Transfers In: 0
Transfers Out: 1
Non renewals: 3
Renewals: 18

Minutes: One correction to the March minutes - the date of the Mercedes-Benz event at the Gilmore Car Museum was reported incorrectly. The correct date is 4/25/2015. Minutes were approved.

Über Alles Editor's Report: The latest edition should be arriving in mailboxes soon. There has been a huge swing between the time newsletters get sent in the mail and the time Wolfgang uploads them to the printer.

Editors Note: See "Tailpipe" in April issue.

A 70 yr. old Münster resident is interested in buying/trading Porsche lapel/hat pins. Send inquiries to Wolfgang.

Webmaster's Report: Nothing new to report from Craig.

Social Media Report: Total likes are at 189 - hope to reach 200 by summer.

Insurance Report: We are set for now. Will need insurance for May 16 dinner drive, may need it for the clays event.

Editors Note: For the full meeting minutes, please visit our website at <http://wmr.pca.org>

Meeting was adjourned 7:56 pm

Respectfully submitted by Brenda Hildon-Kaempf

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GLÜCKWÜNSCHE!

BY WOLFGANG HOFMANN, ÜBER ALLES EDITOR

Congratulate these fine folks on their WMR PCA Anniversaries and extend a warm “Willkommen” to our new members and transfers.

Anniversaries

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| 1 year | Gordon Kirsch Sr. |
| (2014) | Ryan Goy |
| | Jeffrey Szczepanski |
| | Pierre Treter |
| | William Cullen |
| 10 years | Eric Hannapel (2005) |
| 15 years | Ted & Gabi Blacklidge (2000) |

Willkommen! — New Members

- Bill Dodds, Grand Rapids, MI · '02 911
- David Blandford, Saugatuck, MI · '99 Boxster
- Christopher Markin, Portage, MI · '84 911
- Shashin Kothawala, Kalamazoo, MI · '03 911
- Dale & Sandra Carr, Fruitport, MI · '05 Cayenne Turbo
- Arthur Vachon, Wyoming, MI · '03 911

We're looking forward to meet you at one of our upcoming club events!

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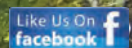
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