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2018 ENTHUSIAST OF THE YEAR

The 2018 Enthusiast of the Year will be announced at WinterFest. Please join us to see who will take home the coveted trophy! The top 9 in points, in alphabetical order, are:

- Jerry Arens (Excluded - 2016 winner)
- Ted Blacklidge
- Jim Chiavaras
- Frank Conner
- Raeni Conner
- Amber Door (Excluded - 2017 winner)
- Chuck Olenyk
- John Walters
- Marshall Walters

How do you earn points? Attend an event (10+ points), host an event (20+ points), or submit pictures and/or articles to the Über (10 points). Extra points are earned for driving your Porsche, bringing a new member, or driving more than 50 miles to the starting point of the event. There are exciting events throughout this newsletter, so mark your calendars so YOU can be the 2019 Enthusiast of the Year!



April Event

Annual Cook-Off

April 13, 2019

Ada, MI

Hosted by

Frank & Raeni Conner and Glenn & Lannie Eisenbrandt

More information to come in the March 2019 Über Alles

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UPCOMING EVENTS

LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT



Jim Chiavaras
President,
Western Michigan Region

Greetings and warm wishes,

And so it goes... Just when I thought I could pull the car cover off of the Cayman and enjoy a drive even if only for a few days, old man winter has reared his ugly head once again in what is so aptly named the polar vortex. I guess even a brief drive was asking a little much considering it is still January, although when Kim and I were downtown on Saturday someone was brave enough to have their Cayman out for a drive on Pearl St. There is hope however, as warmer weather is on the way with the forecast calling for 39 degrees this Sunday. I hope we don't see a return of the extreme weather for quite some time.

The year of events started off with a bang, with the first get together at Charley's Crab, thanks to the planning of Rick Riley, the event had a turnout of 35 Porschephiles in attendance. A nice start to what I see as a great year of drives and socializing with friends.

I am looking forward to seeing everyone at Winterfest on February 16 as well as the morning after brunch at the JW Marriott Six.One.Six, both of which are an extraordinary good time.

Frank Conner and I will be attending the PCA presidents meeting in beautiful Ohio, February 22-24, so if anyone has any questions please let me know.

All the best,
-Jim

AROUND THE ZONE

BY: LORI SCHUTZ



Hi Zone 4,

The year started off with very unusual weather patterns for Zone 4. Could this be the sign of an unusual year? I would like you to make this an unusual year in PCA by getting out to an

event you haven't tried yet. Only doing track events? Try an autocross, or a driving tour. Haven't been to a track Driver Education event? Try coming out to the Southeast Michigan DE 101 on April 20th at Waterford Hills Raceway. Or to one of the Driver Education events

the following weekend April 28-29th at either Mid Ohio Sportscar Course with Mid Ohio Region, or Putnam Park with Central Indiana region. See what it's all about, stay for lunch and you may get a chance to drive the touring laps on the track over the lunch break. Most regions have a monthly breakfast - Maumee Valley Region, or Thirsty Thursday - Eastern Buckeye Region, or a Saturday Breakfast with Central Indiana Region. Events are posted on each region's website, or Facebook page.

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ACCESS THE MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES ON OUR WEBSITE.

[HTTP://WMI.PCA.ORG/ABOUT-US/MINUTES/MINUTES-ARCHIVE/](http://wmi.pca.org/about-us/minutes/minutes-archive/)



We're looking for event hosts for 2019

Simply stop by our Monthly Board Meeting, or contact our WMR PCA Social Events Coordinator, Lynne Olenyk, with your event ideas. Lynne will help you work through the details and make your event a success. E-Mail: lynniemarie@charter.net · Phone: (616) 710-0122



WinterFest 2019

Mark your calendars for the
Western Michigan Region Porsche Club's annual gala event.
This year we look forward to celebrating at a new venue -



Enjoy fellowship and Porsche enthusiasm over cocktails, followed by dinner and a brief presentation. Formal invitations and RSVP cards were mailed out in January 2019 with all of the details.

**Where: Thousand Oaks Country Club
Oak Leaf Lounge
4100 Thousand Oaks Drive
Grand Rapids, MI 49425**

**When: February 16, 2019
6:00pm Hors d'Oeuvres
7:30pm Dinner**

MORNING AFTER BRUNCH

HOSTED BY JERRY ARENS & AMBER DOOR



Join us the "Morning After" Winterfest for brunch at Six.One.Six.

Even if you are unable to attend WinterFest, mark your calendar to join us Sunday morning for a casual brunch at Six.One.Six in the JW Marriott Grand Rapids.

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Six.One.Six is the signature restaurant within the JW offering highly inspired cuisine in a stylish, cosmopolitan setting and has one of the best brunch buffets in Grand Rapids. The Six.One.Six brunch promises to deliver us a fresh and utterly stylish dining experience that we will savor either from the menu or the buffet.

Mark your calendars for what will prove to be another great meal with friends. No worries about downtown parking or the weather -- Complimentary valet parking is available at the front door.

Where: Six.One.Six in the JW Marriott
235 Louis Campau St. NW
(NW corner of Louis Street and Campau Avenue)
Grand Rapids, Michigan 49503

When: Sunday February 19, 2019 at 11:45am

Why: Food, Fun & Porsche friends - what else do we need?

RSVP: Amdoor242@aol.com or 616-340-0971
(text or call - but, please leave your name(s))
by Thursday February 14, 2019



DAYLIGHT SAVINGS BRUNCH

HOSTED BY: WOLFGANG & MILUZKA BUBECK

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Is it that time again? Yes! Daylight Savings Time is quickly approaching so let's begin it with a fabulous brunch at Cygnus27 in Downtown Grand Rapids.

Foods with a Latin touch and various other cosmopolitan touches will provide an unforgettable start-up to the new driving season.

Join us to form a fun-loving crowd with an edge to enjoyable culinary challenges on March 10.

Nevertheless there is a catch this year with our lovely spot on the 28th floor. They are now charging for the room. So please bring \$3 in cash per person to cover the charges. If we collect more than the room charge, our wonderful charity, Kids' Food Basket, will be the beneficiary from our annual get together.



Where: Cygnus27

Amway Grand Plaza, 28th Floor
187 Monroe Ave NW
Grand Rapids, MI 49503

When: Sunday March 10, 2019 at 11:00am

RSVP: wolfgang.bubeck@gmx.com or
text 616-780-6590 (please leave your name(s))
by Monday March 4, 2019



KURT WIRTH GRATTAN IRISH PUB EVENT

HOSTED BY: RICK RILEY

The snow better be gone by the time you are reading this! Once again, it's time to drive your beater for beans and wieners. Actually the food at the Grattan Bar is wonderful and it is now NO smoking! Wednesday night is fish night and then there is always the legendary Grattan Burger.

As many of you know, we lost our dear friend Kurt Wirth last November 2018. This was Kurt's event every year and he loved the hamburger, burnt, no bun! As a tribute to our dear friend, we are naming the Grattan Irish Pub Dinner Event in his honor to celebrate his life.

Where: Grattan Irish Pub

11817 Old Belding Rd NE
Belding, MI 48809

When: Wednesday March 27, 2019

6:00pm Cocktails
7:00pm Dinner

RSVP: Rick.Riley01@gmail.com

by Monday March 25, 2019

Fáilte



Grattan Irish Pub



IN REVIEW: CHARLEY'S CRAB DINNER EVENT

PHOTOS BY: AMBER DOOR

BY: RICK RILEY

It was a suitable kick off for the first Dinner Drive of the 2019 season, Thirty-five Western Michigan Region (WMR) members made their way "downtown" to Charley's Crab. We had the main dining room all to ourselves so there was plenty of space for lighthearted conversation and bench racing. The Charley's staff was very attentive and the food was wonderful. Something new members may not realize is that within this diverse group of people, the WMR members have many and varied interests that also just happen to encompass a great Sports Car brand. Conversations ran the gamut of topics, it's not all about cars...gardening, art and psychology were just a few of the other topics.

If you missed this event, check your Über or go to the [Western Michigan Region PCA website](http://www.wmrcpa.com) for up coming events in Western Michigan area. The Dinner Drives are a great, low stress way to enjoy cars, good food and friends on a Wednesday night or weekend. Another great reason to attend is to support our charity. At each Dinner Drive, we "pass the bucket" to collect "change for charity". Our designated charity is Kids' Food Basket; this event alone raised over a hundred dollars. For more information on Kids' Food Basket, visit <https://www.kidsfoodbasket.org/>.



Hope to see all of you at Winterfest; details are on page 5 of this issue of the Über or you can go to our [website](http://www.wmrcpa.com).



Our illustrious Host, Rick Riley (left) with Barb and Craig Paull



Lynne Olenyk & Barb Paull...photobomb!...



Lively conversations over drinks and dinner



*The dapper gentlemen of WMR PCA
Jim Chiavaras (left) - WMR PCA President,
Wolfgang Bubeck (middle) - our gracious host for the March
Daylight Savings Brunch, and Our host - Rick Riley (right)*

2019 EVENT CALENDAR

WESTERN MICHIGAN REGION · PORSCHE CLUB OF AMERICA

	Date	Event	Location	Host(s)/Event Chair(s)
FEB	01-31 to 02-03	Michigan International Auto Show	DeVos Place, Grand Rapids, MI	Non-WMR PCA Event
	02-04	Monthly Board Meeting	Porsche Grand Rapids	WMR PCA
	02-16	Winterfest 2019	Thousand Oaks, Grand Rapids, MI	WMR PCA
	02-17	Morning After Brunch	six.one.six (JW Marriott) Grand Rapids, MI	Jerry Arens & Amber Door
MAR	03-04	Monthly Board Meeting	Porsche Grand Rapids	WMR PCA
	03-08	WERKS Reunion - Amelia Island	Omni Amelia Island Plantation, Fernandina Beach, FL	PCA
	03-10	Daylight Savings Brunch	Cygnus27, Amway Grand Plaza, Grand Rapids, MI	Wolfgang & Miluzka Bubeck
	03-27	March Dinner Event	Grattan Irish Pub, Grattan MI	Rick Riley
APR	04-01	Monthly Board Meeting	Porsche Grand Rapids	WMR PCA
	04-03 to 04-06	Treffen Santa Barbara Spring 2019	Hilton Santa Barbara Beachfront Resort	PCA
	04-13	Annual Cookoff	Ada, MI	Frank & Raeni Conner, Glenn & Lannie Eisenbrandt
	04-27	PCA Multi-Region Swap Meet, Car Show & Tech Quiz	Farmington Hills, MI	SEM,RSR and Motorstadt Regions
MAY	05-06	Monthly Board Meeting	Porsche Grand Rapids	WMR PCA
	05-11	May Dinner drive	TBD	Frank & Raeni Conner, Glenn & Lannie Eisenbrandt
	05-18	Sporting Clays	Blendon Pines Gun Club Zeeland, MI	Jerry Arens & Amber Door
JUN	06-01 to 06-02	Belle Isle Grand Prix Porsche Car Corral	Belle Isle Detroit, MI	PCA
	06-03	Monthly Board Meeting	Porsche Grand Rapids	WMR PCA
	06-08	Tech Session	Euro Autowerks Rockford, MI	Euro Autowerks
	TBD	Spring Up	Northern Michigan	Robert Steffens
JUL	07-01	Monthly Board Meeting	Porsche Grand Rapids	WMR PCA
	07-06	Deutsch Marques: A German Auto Event	Gilmore Car Museum Hickory Corner, MI	Non-WMR PCA Event
	07-03	TBD	TBD	Barb Doss
	07-17	Gilmore Cruise In	Gilmore Car Museum Hickory Corners, MI	Rick Riley
	07-21 to 07-27	2019 Porsche Parade	Boca Raton Resort & Club Boca Raton, FL	PCA



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ADDITIONAL EVENTS WILL BE ADDED AS THEY BECOME AVAILABLE

	Date	Event	Location	Host(s)/Event Chair(s)
AUG	08-03	Red Barn Spectacular	Gilmore Car Museum, Hickory Corners, MI	Jerry Arens & Amber Door
	08-05	Monthly Board Meeting	Porsche Grand Rapids	WMR PCA Club
	08-16	WERKS Reunion - Monterey	Corral de Tierra Country Club Salinas, CA	PCA
	08-17	August Dinner Drive	TBD	Tyan & Lisa Roelands
	08-23 to 08-24	28 th Street Metro Cruise Kickoff	Porsche Grand Rapids	Porsche Grand Rapids
SEP	09-04 to 09-07	Treffen Vermont Fall 2019	Woodstock Inn & Resort Woodstock, VT	PCA
	09-07 to 09-08	Grand Prix of Grattan High Performance Driver's Education	Grattan Raceway, Grattan, MI	Ted Blacklidge
	09-09	Monthly Board Meeting	Porsche Grand Rapids	WMR PCA
	09-21	Porsches and BBQ	Allegan, MI	CB & Kelly Bursk
	09-28	September Dinner Drive	TBD	Randy & Lin Portoluri
OCT	10-07	Monthly Board Meeting	Porsche Grand Rapids	WMR PCA
	TBD	Fall Color Tour	TBD	TBD
NOV	11-04	2020 Planning & Board Meeting	TBD	WMR PCA
	11-16	November Dinner Drive	TBD	Randy & Lin Portoluri
DEC	12-02	Monthly Board Meeting	Porsche Grand Rapids	WMR PCA
	12-07	Annual Appetizer Party	West Olive, MI	Mike Karluk & Barb Doss



PORSCHE PARADE 2019 REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN!

Everybody Boca!

PORSCHE PARADE 2019 HEADS TO THE FLORIDA BEACHES

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Even with the weather we've had of late, summer WILL arrive. When you think of summer, you begin to think about Porsche Parade. Registration opened Monday, February 4 at 12:00 pm EST. This is a deadline you DO NOT want to miss if you're planning to attend. To help you organize for registration, go to the [Porsche Parade 2019 Website](#) and visit the [Phase I Registration Guide](#) or you can head to our [WMR PCA Website](#) for more information.



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TIDBITS FROM FUN IN THE SUN – SCOTTSDALE AUCTIONS, JANUARY 2019

Again, this year I was fortunate enough to travel to sunny Arizona for a few days. Blue skies and warm sunshine are hard to beat this time of year and I took advantage of my time in the sun. But I wasn't there to play, no, I had some serious work to do.

Unfortunately, I missed the R/M Sotheby's Auction at the Biltmore Resort and Bonhams as well. However, I got a great start when I attended a very interesting seminar at the Penske Racing Museum, which was hosted by Hagerty.



The topic of the seminar was "how to buy a car at auction" and it was very informative. The seminar included the explanation of the following terms or statements:

- One of One – Your first thought might be to believe you're in the presence of something pretty special, but it could be just a reference to a screw that was installed horizontally rather than vertically. One of One may not depict the car is exclusive.
- "The bid is with me" – You'll hear this statement from the auctioneer when he has "upped" the bid. Basically, it means you are now bidding against him, the auctioneer.
- Chandelier Bid – A chandelier bid is a false bid, often from spotters on the floor calling out false bids.
- Auction Juice – It costs \$10-\$15, comes in a plastic cup and works best after 6PM.
- Due Diligence – Your responsibility to have the car inspected well before the auction and know what your top bid will be in advance. Then, Stick To It. (This was the best advice given!)

The auction is made up of the following "players":

Barrett & Jackson – With more than ten tents full of cars may have overcome Ringling Brothers and Barnum & Baily, to become the "Greatest Show On Earth". At least for automotive enthusiasts.

Russo & Steele – Here's where you're most likely to see some of the terms noted above in action. (I'm not sure I'm allowed to say "dog and pony show"?)

Gooding & Company – I don't believe you could describe a typical auction referee (what a relief), each auctioneer has his brand of humor and method of interacting with bidders. This was a very entertaining auction to watch.



Here's a short list of cars that sold or did not sell:

- 1964 SC Cabriolet – Very nicely restored, high bid was over \$100,000. No sale
- 1962 B Cabriolet – Very nice restored exterior, high bid \$160,000. Sold
- 1980 911 Bisimoto Coupe – High bid \$69,000. No sale
- 2007 GT3 RS Clone 4.0L – High bid \$100,000. Sold
- 1966 912 – High bid \$46,000. Sold
- 1989 911 Carrera – High bid \$82,500. Sold
- 1973 911S 2.4L – High bid \$205,000. Sold

The hardest part of the whole trip was coming home. Because of the recent snow storm our flight was postponed for 24 hours, then we flew to Baltimore rather than Chicago, making the flight quite a bit longer than expected. All in all, it was a great trip and I'm glad to have arrived home no worse for wear.

I look forward to seeing you at Winterfest,

-Tim



1986 930 Turbo

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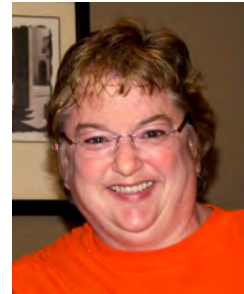
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AROUND THE ZONE (cont'd from page 4)

Despite that fun winter stuff called snow, I visited 2 events in Indiana in January. First, the New Member Party for Michiana on January 26th, in Elkhart, IN. Many nice door prizes were awarded after a very nice dinner at the country club. The following Saturday, actually sneaking into February, I joined members of Central Indiana Region and Michiana in Fort Wayne for a 2019 planning meeting. Many great events going on each month for all types of interest from Auto-X to shows, to tours. This year the CruZionsville event is taking a break, so we look forward to see the CIR and Michiana member joining us for the Belle Isle Car Corral on May 31st - June 2nd. The registration link is ready, and more to follow soon. https://clubregistration.net/events/event-details.cfm?event_id=9535

My January actually began far from Zone 4 with my first PCA event of the year. I was asked to be the guest speaker at the Zone 8 Awards Banquet - Zone 8 is southern California, southern Nevada and Arizona. We had a wonderful evening, and visited a private collection the next day. I had the pleasure of presenting my story about the Journey with my father Peter Schutz and his contributions to Porsche history when he was CEO from 1981-1988. I am scheduled to deliver the same presentation to regions in our area, please check the websites for the details. Current schedule is March 12th Upper Canada Region, April 2nd Rally Sport Region, and May 8th Michiana Region.

I look forward to seeing all of you in 2019 -

Cheers - Lori



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