











Upcoming EVENTS

TECH SESSION

Euro Autowerks

June 4, 2022

PORSCHE PARADE

PCA, Kalahari Resort Pocono Manor, PA June 06-19, 2022

DEUTSCHE MARQUES

Gilmore Car Museum July 09, 2022

DINNER TOUR, LAKES 23

Paul Krapp & Lou Deleguardia July 23, 2022

PORSCHE CLUB OF AMERICA Western Michigan Region

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JUNE 2022

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Euro Autowerks...... Back Cover

Hagerty's Garage set up for our springup event. See more on page 7.

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Picture by Wolfgang Bubeck

THERE'S NO HAGGLING ABOUT HAGERTY

THE DAY WAS OUTSTANDING!

LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT



Frank Conner President, Western Michigan Region

The actual driving season could not have started any better! The event up at Traverse City hosted by the Curries and Rohdys and sponsored by Hagerty was phenomenal. We had a wonderful drive with almost 60 Porsches gleaming on a spring day (earlier having been washed by a little rain). Driving up the east side of Grand Traverse Bay, we ended our drive with wine, cider, and various snacks at CELLAR 1914 Winery. Some of us added to the day by finding our way back to Traverse City by traversing around Torch and Elk late. At the conclusion, we coalesced and met with about 100 of our fellow members having hors d'oeuvres, drinks, and dinner, all provided by Hagerty. The day, the organization, the detail, the Hagerty garage, and more set a very high bar for future events.

However, not to be outdone, Amber Door & Jerry Arens once again hosted our annual event of Sporting Clays at Blendon Pines. Some of you may have heard that Blendon

Pines had a fire that burned down their primary building. That is true. A little over a week before our event that did occur. However, they were open again in a couple days and came through on their promise of being available to host our event.

Looking forward, on June 4th we again will have a Tech Session at Euro AutoWerks. While we expect the same level of expertise and hospitality provided by Tim Thatcher and his team in previous years, what will be new is the owner. Tim has finally found a suitable caretaker for his business. Don Sjolin and his wife Amy are now the owners to this place so near and dear to our hearts. Don has been a club member of 18 years and drives a '74 911. Don has been in contact with me about the day and he plans on providing all the amenities of years past, with possibly a twist or two!

Of course, I can't mention June without referencing Porsche Parade. This year we will be at the Kalahari Resort in the Poconos. Western Michigan will be well represented as always. If you haven't gone to Parade, put it on your bucket list. You get to spend from a few days to a full week socializing, driving, having dinner, going to interesting places, competing, and so much more with the great people who make up PCA.

In some non PCA news, it is now official that Porsche will be joining Formula 1 racing, maybe as soon as 2026. The path isn't completely clear, the most likely scenario is them partnering with Red Bull. Three races in the U.S. and Porsche back on the grid, might be time to revisit open wheel racing that isn't based on a spec chassis. (To be fair, I enjoy Indy as well.)

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Of course, Porsche will also return to prototype racing in 2023 on both sides of the pond in IMSA and WEC. We will get to see them at Daytona, Sebring, as well as Le Mans. If you don't want to travel to Florida or France to see a race, a little closer to home, on the other side of our much smaller pond, we will be able to watch them at Road America in Elkhart Lake, Wisconsin.

Warm weather is here, don't let it go to waste! Cheers,

Frank

RIVER - LAKE - DAM - DINNER TOUR

BY PAUL KRAPP (DRIVE) & LOU DELEGUARDIA (DINNER)

The Drive:

We will drive along the south side of the Muskegon River and wind our way back to Fremont on the north side. There will be a break to stretch our legs near Fremont Lake. The second half of our tour will traverse the Croton and Hardy Dams.

Starting Location:

Brew Works 5909 S Warner Ave, Fremont, MI 49412 https://www.thecommonsoffremont.com Phone: (231) 335-5105

We will meet between 11:00AM and 12:00PM for sign-up and drivers meeting. Snaks and restrooms will be available at Brew Works. The drive starts promptly at 12:30PM arriving at Lakes23 approximately 3:00PM.

End Destination:

Lakes23 - Restaurant & Pub 1100 Ramshorn Dr, Fremont, MI 49412 https://www.lakes23.com Phone: (231) 335-3330

NOTE: The route is divided into two parts.

Contact for drive info:

Paul Krapp (231) 245-3756 pkrapp59@hotmail.com

The Dinner:

Lakes 23 is located on the waters edge of 2 lakes with gourgeous views and is the finest dining location around Freemont. We will have the entire restaurant and parking lot for us with a cash bar in the room and the main bar for credit card open tabs.



Appetizers

Warm Feta Dip and Bruschetta

When: Sunday July 24, 2022

Main Course

Lemon Thyme Chicken

Rottella Pasta with Shrimp

Carrots

Wild Rice

Salad, Rolls and Butter

Dessert

Cheesecake or Cobbler

Cost per person is \$53.24 incl. 20% Gratuity and 6% sales tax.

RSVP by 7/15/22 and prepayment to my Paypal account deleguardia@gmail.com before the event.



2022 GRAND PRIX OF GRATTAN

Lloyd LaHuis Memorial Grand Prix of Grattan Driver's Education, September 10 & 11, 2022

HOST: WESTERN MICHIGAN REGION PCA

Join us for an exciting weekend at Grattan Raceway, considered to be one of the finest road courses in America, located just 20 minutes northeast of Grand Rapids, for our annual High Performance Driver's Education (HDPE) event. Learn how to maximize your driving performance on the 2-mile course through the challenges of twists, turns, hills and valleys.

Instructors are available for a limited number of students, with track and classroom instruction included before going solo. You will acquire skills that will enhance safer vehicle operation in everyday driving situations. Be sure to register early to reserve one of these instruction spots.

Registered drivers may share a car if they have different skill levels and will run in different run groups. Each driver must be a registered participant. This event is not limited to just Porsches – we invite a wide variety of automobiles with male & female drivers! Single day registration is also available, but Sunday only registration is only available to experienced drivers.

New this year: The concession stand will be open, run by a professional operator for lunches.

Saturday, after track time, complimentary food and beverages is provided for registered participants. (Non-participants can also partake with a \$10 cover and advance notice.)

Can't commit to a whole day of track time? Join us on Saturday or Sunday (or both days) for the Noon Charity Laps. For a \$20 donation per licensed vehicle, you can experience the track at controlled speeds with family & friends for the full hour. Be at the gate promptly by noon for the "cross-over" into the track area. Cars do not need to be teched and helmets are not required. Cars must be registered and road worthy vehicles with doors. No motorcycles will be permitted.

When: September 10 & 11, 2022

Where: Grattan Raceway, 7201 Lessiter Rd. NE, Belding MI





HPDE REQUIREMENTS:

Helmets: MANDATORY Snell Rated SA2015 or newer. (Snell rated motorcycle helmets are acceptable)

Vehicles: All participants must certify that their car is safe to run on the track and has been inspected within 30 days or less prior to the event by a person or shop qualified to do such inspection. Each vehicle must have a completed pre-event inspection sheet done prior to arrival, which is available on the website WMI.PCA.ORG

Registration: Opens June 9th at ClubRegistration.net
Search for Western Michigan Region as the event sponsor.

Cost: \$360 for 2 days / \$220 for 1 day. Registration or payment after August 26th is \$390 for 2 days / \$250 for 1.

Registration also includes a track shirt - be sure to indicate your size when registering.

Track insurance is optional, and can be obtained through hastrack.com, trackinsurance.com or locktonmotorsports.com

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Get all the info at:

http://wmi.pca.org/events/grand-prix-of-grattan

IN REVIEW - SPRING-UP TO TRAVERSE





Startup conversation by Rex and Joyce

58 cars with 102 participants rolled out of Meijer's parking lot in 3 run groups – heading for the twists, hills and scenery of Antrim County. "Mostly" good weather prevailed on the cruise to Cellar 1914, where the fruit trees were in full bloom. The family-owned winery & cidery offered many good tastes, photo ops and lively conversation.



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Brenda & Claudio Kaempf with Beth & Dave Howard

Drive back on-your-own directions allowed all to pick their activities before heading to the Hagerty Learning Garage. After oogling their classic collection and working area, Hagerty treated guests to appetizers and cocktails before a presentation of their participation with PCA; and followed-up with a gourmet dinner.

A shout-out and heart-felt thank you to Hagerty for their active participation with our Club and providing such a top-notch event.



Dan & Ren Phillips, Michael Betz, Michele Fisher, Karlene & Greg Currie



See more pics on page 12



Barb & Jeff Rohdy at their take-off

Marilyn Goby & Amber Door. Were they onto something?









WESTERN MICHIGAN REGION · PORSCHE CLUB OF AMERICA

	Date	Event	Location	Host(s)/Event Chair(s)
JUN	06-04	Tech Session	Euro Autowerks Rockford, MI	Euro Autowerks
	06-06	Monthly Board Meeting	Porsche of Grand Rapids	WMR Board
	06-12 - 06-19	66th Annual Porsche Parade	Kalahari Resort, Ponoco Manor PA	PCA
JUL	07-09	Deutsche Marques	Gilmore Car Museum	Not a PCA Event
	07-24	Dinner Drive	Lakes 23 in Fremont	Paul & Renee Krapp, Louis Deleguardia
AUG	08-01	Monthly Board Meeting	Porsche of Grand Rapids	WMR Board
	08-06	Porsche Car corral	Gilmore Car Museum	Amber Door & Jerry Arens
	08-13	German Auto Open House / Car Show	2189 Avastar Pkwy Grand Rapids	The German Auto Team Non PCA Event
	08-20	Dinner Drive	TBD	Dan & Ren Phillips
	08-26	Metro Cruise	TBD	Not a PCA Event
SEP	09-10 - 09-11	HPDE	Grattan Raceway	WMR
	09-12	Monthly Board Meeting	Porsche of Grand Rapids	WMR Board
ОСТ	10-03	Monthly Board Meeting	Porsche of Grand Rapids	WMR Board
	10-15	3rd Annual Porsche Board Walk Reunion	Ocean City, NJ	Zone 1 / 2
	10-15	Deutsche Marques Oktoberfest	Gilmore Car Museum	Non PCA Event
NOV	11-07	Membership / Planning Meeting	TBD	WMR Board
	11-12	Dinner	Finn's Chophouse & Speakeasy, Spring Lake	Randy & Lynn Portoluri
DEC	12-05	Monthly Board Meeting	Porsche of Grand Rapids	WMR Board



We're looking for event hosts for 2022

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





ACCESS THE MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES ON OUR WEBSITE.
HTTP://WMI.PCA.ORG/ABOUT-US/MINUTES/MINUTES-ARCHIVE/



For some of us Parade is occupying a large part of June for preparation and of course participation of Parade. No other events are planned for June so far. The next dinner drive will be on the 23rd of July. I hope you have some personal driving time in mind to enjoy your Heilig's Blechle in the summer time. Let me explain what the German phrase "Heilig's Blechle means. The roots stem from the 18th century, but since cars are around the meaning has changed completely. It is only used in the southern region of Swabian (Porsche region). Heilig = holy and Blech = sheet metal, add some belittlement and you have "Heilig's Blechle", which means your holy piece of sheet metal, aka your precious car.

Enjoy the ride....





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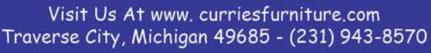








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BY AMBER DOOR

This year saw now the 9th year that WMR has hosted a sporting clay event at Blendon Pines Gun Club. For those that do not know, Blendon Pines is owned and operated by the family of WMR member Jim Schaaf. Tragically, ten days before our scheduled event Blendon Pines suffered a fire that burned their gun store and their club house. The Grasman family, Russ, Kyle and Amy along with their employees worked hard to ensure that the driveway into the gun club and the paved parking area was Porsche ready!

While the weather was not picture perfect like last year the rain held off until we was done shooting. Our group was small again this year with 8 gun-touting WMR members (we had several that came to spectate only). Our shooting participants included members Rick Riley, Bill White, Ron Windemuller, Jerry Arens, Gary Buth, Lou Deleguardia, and first-time attendees, but not first time shooters, Chris and Teresa Thorpe.

Our top shooters of the day in the 50 clay group were Chris Thorpe (31 clays) and Teresa Thorpe (24 clays), but because they did 100 birds they took home top honours of downed "birds" of 53 and 41 respectively.

Close behind through were Lou Delaguardia with a very respectable 24 and Gary Buth with 22 this year.

Everyone that participated is looking forward to next year. We also hope to see some new faces. Remember - no prior shooting experience is necessary, equipment is available for rent and the group is provided instruction.



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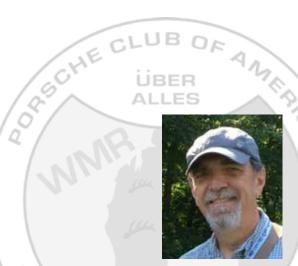
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15 years (2007) William & Christy Fitzgerald

John Zevalkink

Stephan Wolf 10 years (2012)

5 years (2017) Jeff Halvorson

1 year (2021)

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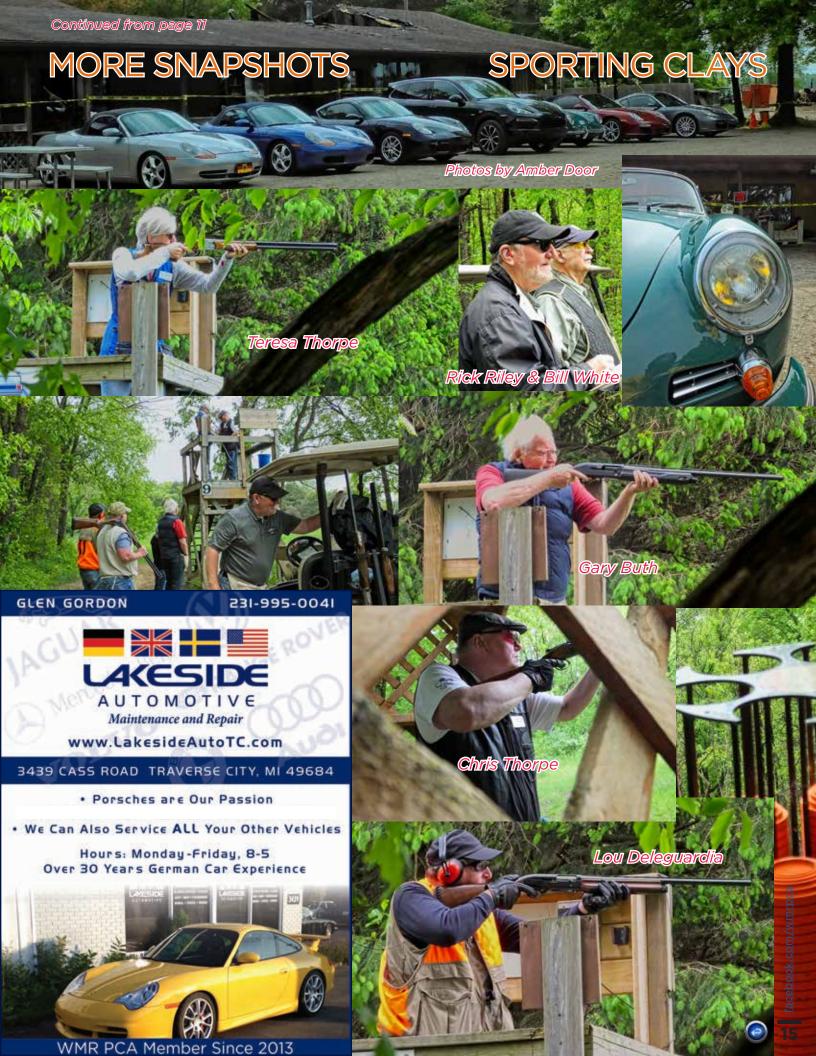
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