



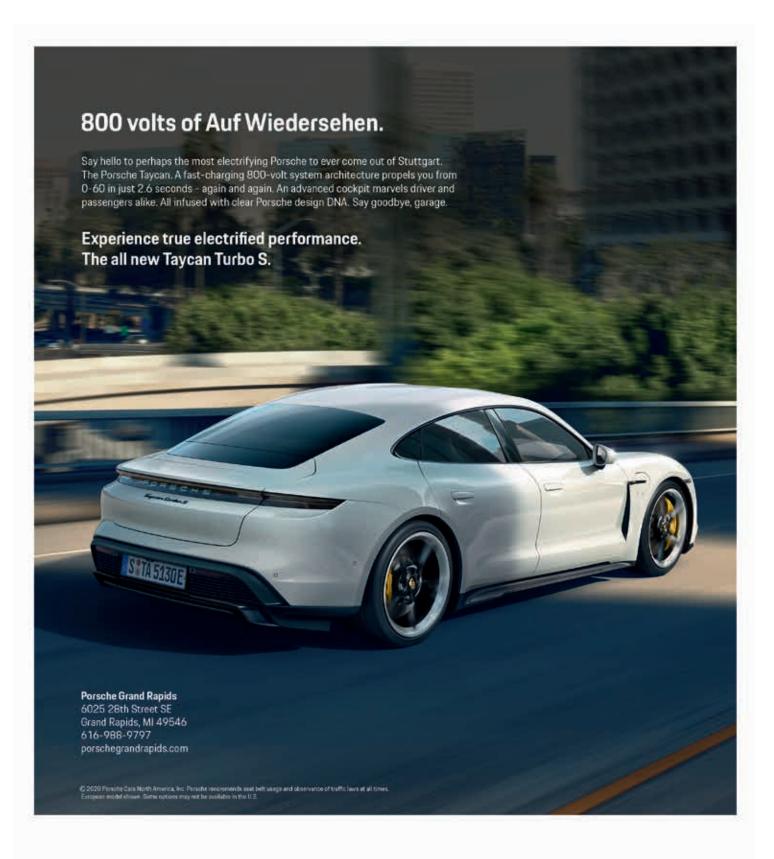
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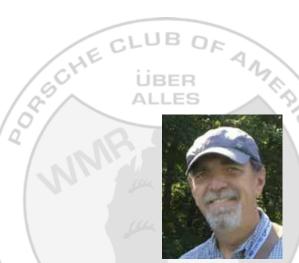
Parking lot with a view from our dinner drive to Lakes 23 Restaurant in Fremont with only Porsches on site.

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# WILLKOMMEN! - NEW MEMBERS & TRANSFERS

Please extend a warm "Willkommen" to our new members and transfers.

Peter Alvarado, Traverse City, '06 Boxster

Ken Burrows, Grand Rapids, '01 911

Dale & Marilyn Goby, Boyne City, '06 911

Ken Koster, Spring Lake, '15 Cayman S

Michael Sherman, Boyne City, '07 Cayman S

### Transfer in:

JP & Meilou Calabrio, Grand Rapids, '08 911 S



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# IT'S HOT OUT THERE!

# LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

Summer is heating up and so are our activities.

While not exclusively a PCA event, the first event of July was DeutscheMarques at the Gilmore Car Museum, an activity directly supported by members and attended by many. If you were there you saw Michael Betz with a mic in his hand, Craig Paull directing traffic (with some assistance by Cb Bursk), and Chuck and Lynne Olenyk registering Porsche participants. I'm guessing there were others with the club lending a hand, so I'm sorry if I missed you.

Once again, Porsches were not the number one marque in attendance (we were second), but in my biased opinion, we won when it came to the total number of interesting and important cars. And as always, it was WMR members that contributed to the quality of that showing. Award winners for Porsche included Rick Riley; Best in Show, Al Wilson; Best of the 2000s, Claudio Kaempf; Best of the 1990s, Paul & Marci Thieme; Best of the 1970s, Steve Maslen; Best Classic, Amber Door; Best Survivor, and Josh Quellet with the Judge's Special Award.

Rick Riley hosted a drive-in to the Gilmore on July 20th. I had just gotten back from Road America (more on that in a minute) so I couldn't attend. It sounded like that was the case for many. While sparsely attended this year, we appreciate Rick's effort for what has been historically well attended. If you don't know, during the summer the Gilmore Car Museum has a drive-in after hours every Wednesday evening. It's open to any car the owner wants to share with others. The drive is beautiful, and I encourage you make your way there on your own. There is food, music, and cars of many different makes and models.

As I mentioned, I could not attend the Gilmore drive-in because I had just returned from Road America at Elkhart Lake, Wisconsin. Raeni and I, along with the Chiavarasrises, Eisenbrandts, and Olenyks (along with a few other WMR members we saw while there) spent the weekend at WeatherTech International Challenge with Brian Redman. If you love vintage race cars from all eras (and who doesn't), this should be on your bucket list.

Another event that I could not attend because of a family commitment was the July 24th drive and dinner hosted by Lou Delegaurdia. I was told we had 20 cars, including several first-time event attendees (including a first-time host, thanks Lou). All reports suggest fun was had by all.

Before I transition to future events, I want to share that working with the Autocross chair, Michael Betz, the board has decided for a one year respite in the IROC Series Inter-Regional Race of Champions. While there are some struggles coordinating an inter-regional event, the primary reason is availability of pavement and cost. Autocross is part of our DNA and something to which we are committed, but we need to look for creative solutions to make this a viable event moving forward. If you have any ideas, please contact Michael or any member of the board.

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Looking forward, the first event in August is the Red Barn Spectacular on August 6th at the Gilmore Car Museum. This event brings in every type of car imaginable. And while the event itself only allows cars older than a certain age, the club will be hosting a hospitality tent which means any Porsche can drive into the event, pay your \$20.00 entrant fee, and park on the lawn. Sadly, I again can't be to this event because I will be back at Road America attending the IMSA FASTLANE™ Sports Car Weekend. I've been attending and camping at this event with my boys for years and unfortunately for the last seven years or so it conflicts with the Red Barn.

One event I will attend is the dinner drive hosted by Ren and Dan Phillips on Saturday, August 20th. It's an early drive starting at the Porsche dealer and ending at Nonna's Trattoria in Ada. You can see more information in this edition of Uber. And as always, remember to check your

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# IN REVIEW - DINNER DRIVE TO LAKES 23

# BY LOU DELEGUARDIA



The Lakes 23 Dinner Drive started out a little wet. But, we had good attendance with 20 cars. Within the first hour the rain had stopped and the roads were dry. The route wasn't familiar to anyone except myself and I wanted winding country roads with wooded and open farm sensory. The drive took a little over an hour leaving from the Meijer store on 10 Mile Road in Rockford and headed north-westerly through Sparta, Kent City, Grant, Bridgeton and finally arriving in Fremont at the Waters Edge Country Club. The drive didn't disappoint according to feedback from participants.



Waters Edge has a restaurant that seats over 150 people. We had the parking lot and restaurant to ourselves. The staff was waiting for us with open arms ready to

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My local paper the Times Indicator is doing an article about our event which will be out on Wednesday, August 3rd. https://www.timesindicator.com

This was my first event and I will be glad to host another in the future.

See SnapShots on P. 7





# 2022 EVENT CALENDAR







# WESTERN MICHIGAN REGION · PORSCHE CLUB OF AMERICA

	Date	Event	Location	Host(s)/Event Chair(s)
AUG	08-01	Monthly Board Meeting	Thornapple Brewing Company	WMR Board
	08-06	Porsche Car Corral	Gilmore Car Museum Red Barns Spectacular	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	Lunch Drive	Nonna's Trattoria, Ada	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
NEW	10-08	Fall Color Tour	TBD	Dan & Ren Phillips
	10-15	3rd Annual Porsche Boardwalk 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





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https://www.pca.org/events



# LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

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email. This is a primary tool for communicating details (or changes) in an event at the last minute.

Speaking of the dealership, I have spoken to them and there is every expectation that they will again host a viewing party for the 28th Street Metro Cruise at their location on Friday, August 26th. No details yet, so keep track of your email for specifics.

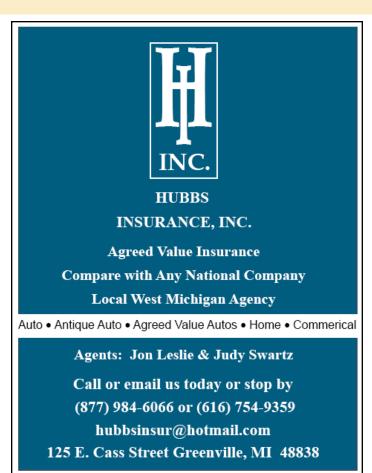
And lastly, as rumored (well, still rumored but like most of F1, nobody keeps a secret), it has been reported that Porsche is purchasing fifty percent of the Red Bull Formula 1 team. We knew this was a strong possibility, but now it's almost official. More details are to be released next month. With Porsche returning to Le Mans, 24 Hours of Daytona, and now F1, it's an exciting time in racing.

Enjoy the weather and keep your convertible tops down and Targa tops off (or down with new models). And as a nudge, remember the Grand Prix of Grattan is in September. Maybe you couldn't autocross this year, but that doesn't mean you can't experience the thrill that is owning a high-performance automobile in a safe environment.

For anything happening with the club, look to our newsletter, emails, Facebook page, and web-page for more information on any of these events. Yes, we are a multifaceted media usage organization!

Frank











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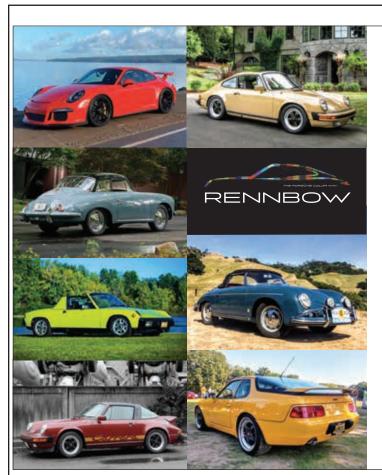
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# LUNCH DRIVE TO NONNA'S TRATTORIA

BY REN & DAN PHILLIPS

# NONNA'S

We invite you to join us for a spirited country drive on Saturday, August 20 through rural Alto, Lowell, and Ada. We have a beautiful set of roads in mind that we think you'll enjoy as the summer comes to a close.

We will gather at 11:30am at Porsche of Grand Rapids, located at 6025 28th Street SE, and

depart by noon. The drive through sun-soaked country roads will take about an hour.



Visit Nonna's website and view their menus at www.eatwithnonna.com.

Please RSVP to Dan Phillips at (616) 900-8828 or dphil66@hotmail.com by no later than Tuesday, August 16th, so that we can get a final headcount to the restaurant. We can't wait to see you again!

When: Saturday, August 20

Starting Point: Porsche Grand Rapids, 6025 28th Street SE





# **Going Electric**

With the on slaught of E.V. (Electrical Vehicles) and the push from the powers to be as well as the high cost of fuel toward E.V. I thought some terminology that goes with them may be beneficial to get familiar with.

Some of us may already have one in our stable of cars. With all the miles I drive I was really tempted to by one but soon figured out that it was still cheaper to buy gas for my truck when all costs were considered. However, I see a time when that will change.

I did however enter the E.V. world with the purchase of 2 electric bikes. The manufacturer says they will go 45 miles on a charge but I have yet to manage that. It's been my experience to average about 20 miles. On the upside, they

do have me peddling again and they are fun to ride.

I imagine that my need for speed would prevent me from experiencing the advertised miles per charge and there are no peddles on the E.V.s.

So, let's get to know some of the terminology being used in this new world.





AC Alternating Current

AMP A unit of electric current

BEV A 100% battery powered electric vehicle

Charging Refilling the battery

Charging Point Location of plug-in receptacle on the vehicle

Charging Station Infrastructure that safely supplies electrical energy

CHAdeMO Plug Plug-in for Quick Charging System

DC Direct Current

EV Electric Vehicle

EREV Extended range vehicle (Most likely has a combustion engine)

HEV Hybrid/Electric Vehicle

ICE Internal Combustion Engine

KWH Kilowatt hour

Lithium-Ion Battery Current Standard Battery Type

used in E.V.s

Level 1 Charging Slow Charge

Level 2 Charging Fast Charge (240 Volt Outlet)

Range Distance on pure electric power

Range Anxiety Me thinking I will have to pedal my

bike home

SAE-J1772 North America Standard for electrical connectors used

SAE Combo (CCS) Enhanced version of the Type 2

Plug for fast charging

Type 1 Plug Single Phase Plug
Type 2 Plug Triple Phase Plug

Torque Twisting force (Electric motors

are very good at this)

Utility Rate (TOU) What you are going to pay

at the "Plug-in station"

ZEV Zero Emission Vehicle

These are just a few samples of the terminology we will be learning over the next few years.

Happy motoring and may the fall find more falling gas prices so we can enjoy the sweet sound of our gas-powered Porsches.

# 2022 GRAND PRIX OF GRATTAN

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





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.

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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

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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 <a href="https://hackinsurance.com">hagerty.com</a>, <a href="trackinsurance.com">trackinsurance.com</a> or <a href="https://hackinsurance.com">locktonmotorsports.com</a>

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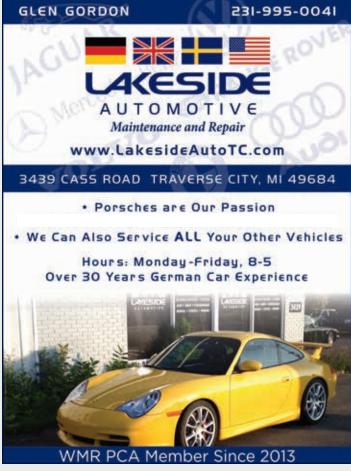
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