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Photo on cover: Turbo line up. *Photo from Porsche AG*

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Schnell Fahrspur

By Todd Mierzwiak





I'm looking at over a foot of snow outside my window as I am writing this column. Mother Nature sure has dealt us some fun stuff over the past week or so. Hopefully,

Phil the groundhog will see his shadow soon & it we will have warmer weather shortly! At least this weather allows us to get work done on the cars such as clutch work, engine maintenance & paint work while the cars are put away for the season.

Chris & Jeanne Krauser were kind enough to open their lovely home to the club last month for a Club planning/business meeting. We had about 25 people show up for a potluck dinner with great food and to brainsform on the activities we are going to be having throughout the year. Our new Zone 4 Representative. Ron Carr and his wife even showed up at the meeting to introduce themselves and to bring the members up to speed on the Zone 4. We even got a very special treat of when one of our members showed up with their new Ferrari California. You have never heard a sexier sound pulling into the driveway. Now if I could only convince him to let me drive it...

We have a terrific agenda starting in

February at Bravo Restaurant. I would encourage people to check our website periodically to see the upcoming events. We are constantly updating the site to keep the members up to date. If anyone comes across something interesting that the club members might want to attend, please contact Jeanne Krauser or Lisa Soriano.

Sarah & I just got back three days ago from a cruise along with a three day start in San Juan Puerto Rico. We had a fantastic time sampling the local cuisine and seeing the local sites such as Old San Juan and El Morro. It was amazing to see the number of nice cars and the variety of Porsches on such a small island. There were plenty of 911's, Boxsters and even a few Panameras that I saw.

I have read several articles coming out of Stuttgart lately regarding the Porsche branding. The consensus is that Porsche brand will become

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Planning Meeting January 2010

by Chris Krauser

The Krauser's hosted this year's planning meeting on January 21st. Thanks to Ron and Constance Carr for coming up from the Columbus area to join us and the 20 or so members for helping get the year off to a good start. Ron is our new Zone Rep and we can be assured we will be well represented in future PCA activities, as we were with Roy Wilkins, our Zone Rep before Ron who followed Denis Moore. Members in Zone 4 continue to be very fortunate in having individuals as dedicated as our representatives have been over the years. As Ron noted, if you have any questions or concerns about our Zone, don't hesitate to contact him.

Special thanks to Todd Merzwiak, President for presiding over the meeting and to Lisa Soriano, who did a great job of establishing an agenda for our social events in 2010. Final dates and locations can be reviewed on line on our MVR web site to confirm member participation. What follows are some highlights for 2010.

- -February 27th Dinner Meeting at Bravo's in Westfield Franklin Park Mall which is a firm date. Start time is 6:30 PM
- -House Party hosted by Diane and Bruce Butcher in March
- -House Party hosted by Beth and Barney Stewart in April
- -Return to Mon Ami on Catawba Island sometime in May
- -Monte Carlo Night
- -Concours and House Party hosted by Barb and Rick Lederman
- -Dinner Party at Olers Mexican

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Maumee Valley Region 2010 Calendar of Events

Check our web site at www.mm.pca.org for the latest event information.

FEBRUARY

27 Bravo at Franklin Park

MARCH

- 11 Business Meeting
- 27 Party at the Butchers

APRIL

17 Party at the Stewarts

MAY

- 8 Monte Carlo at Mierzwiaks
- 23 Mon Ami brunch

JUNE

- 10 Business Meeting
- 19 Concours at the Ledermans

JULY

- 3-9 Parade
- 31 Party at the Schoens

AUGUST

14 Olers restaurant in Findlay

SEPTEMBER

- 9 Business Meeting
- 19 European car show at Vin Devers

OCTOBER

TBD Kart 2 Kart 30-31 MVR Mid-Ohio DE

NOVEMBER

TBD Holiday Party

DECEMBER

TBD TBD

February 2010 Social Gathering

Saturday Evening, 6:30 PM, 27 February, 2010

Bravo Restaurant 5001 Monroe St Westfield Franklin Park Mall

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MVR/PCA Membership News

February 2010 - Club Member Anniversaries

| Cecile Nichols | 27 Years |
|-------------------------------|----------|
| Stephen Nichols | 27 Years |
| Jim and Cheryl Wilson | 12 Years |
| Roche and Carla Simmons | 8 Years |
| Kenneth and Carolyn Leffel | 7 Years |
| Dale and Sharon Fundum | 6 Years |
| Sam and Sharon Scamardo | 3 Years |
| John and David Laube | 2 Years |



New Members

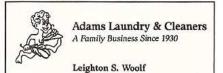
No new members to report

MVR members can earn points as part of the activities program as follows. All activities must be confirmed to the MVR Secretary via Sign Up Sheets, Event Chairs, Notice of Participation at Zone 4 event outside MVR or Newsletter Editor.

1 point for attending a MVR event

- 1 Point for attending any Zone 4 event outside of MVR
- 2 points for organizing and hosting a MVR event
- 1 point for assisting in a significant manner at a MVR or Zone 4 event

1 point for any article of at least 250 words (about one page) published in the MVR Newsletter



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|------------------|---|
| Judy Bellman | 1 |
| Marshall Bellman | 1 |
| Susan Brown | 1 |
| Rich Brown | 1 |
| Sue Burrow | 1 |
| Mark Burrow | 1 |
| Diane Butcher | 1 |
| Bruce Butcher | 2 |
| Bob Cryan | 2 |
| Sharon Gargasz | 1 |
| Ron Gargasz | 1 |
| Shirley Gobba | 1 |
| Dick Gobba | 1 |
| | |
| Ruth Gulliford | 1 |
| Ron Gulliford | 1 |
| Carol Hauser | 1 |
| Dave Hauser | 1 |
| Deb Isley | 2 |
| Tom Isley | 2 |
| Suzanne Jennens | 1 |
| John Jennens | 1 |
| Sandra Kinker | 1 |
| Alan Kinker | 1 |
| Jeanne Krauser | 2 |
| Chris Krauser | 2 |
| Barb Lederman | 1 |
| Rick Lederman | 1 |

| Deb MacDonald | 1 |
|-----------------|---|
| Pete MacDonald | 1 |
| Linda Mechel | 1 |
| Jack Mechel | 1 |
| Sarah Mierzwiak | 2 |
| Todd Mierzwiak | 2 |
| Barb Nolen | 1 |
| Richard Nolen | 1 |
| Linda Roan | 3 |
| Bill Roan | 3 |
| Diane Schoen | 2 |
| Jim Schoen | 2 |
| Lisa Soriano | 3 |
| Michael Soriano | 3 |
| Janet Sternfeld | 1 |
| Bill Sternfeld | 1 |
| Beth Stewart | 1 |
| Barney Stewart | 1 |
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| Sweatshirts - men's and women's | grey | \$25.00 |
| Men's Henley - long sleeve | blue | \$30.00 |
| Cayman die cast car | blue, black | \$25.00 |
| Pewter Porsche crest pin | | \$10.00 |

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| Friday April 30 | Lapping Day fo | r instructors and advanced students | \$150 |
|------------------|----------------|-------------------------------------|-------|
| Saturday and Sur | nday May 1-2 | Driver's Education event | \$350 |
| Garage | | | \$150 |

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Sign-up will be at www.clubregistration.net. Please email Lori Bryant at lori.bryant@att.net or Deneene Lance at deneelan@aol.com with questions

Lori Bryant (440) 247-1487

The Dubai Journal

by Bob Cryan

The Dubai journalist has been missing in action for the last two months. Chalk it up to multiple visitors in successive weeks; some honest down to earth work. HA!! our trip to Malaysia and then our kids were here right after Thanksgiving. Travelling to Malaysia means a flight to Kuala Lumpur of only 7 hours. We flew on Emirates Airlines for the first time. It is a very fine airline with excellent service. We are hoping to build many air miles with them over the coming years. We landed at the fairly small airport and were met by our host from the University of Malaya who took us to our Hilton Hotel for check in. Charlotte and my colleague's wife stayed there while Bryan and I went on a tour of the campus followed by several meetings * the real reason for the trip. After the business portion of the trip was concluded the fun began. We signed up for a Malaysian cooking class in a chef's home. Her driver picked us up and took us to her house where we spent four very enjoyable hours learning to cook traditional Malay foods *an appetizer, the main

course and a desert. The best part was then getting to eat it. The next day we went sightseeing all



around Kuala Lumpur enjoying the Central market, much shopping at the Petaling Street Bazar in the Chinese Quarter filled with Chinese temples, Clan Houses and excellent little restaurants.







The Guanyin Temple was so very beautiful. The major attraction was the Petronas Twin Towers clad entirely in steel and glass. This huge structure (sorry no picture as camera broke) was built in 1996 and held the record as the world's tallest building until 2003. The city is a

contrast of new, modern buildings like some in Dubai surrounded by much more traditional Asian dwellings and middle to poorer classes of people living at what seems like subsistence levels. The urban transit system is outstanding with easy access to almost all points of the city including direct connections with the airport and the downtown. Sadly, we had to return after such a short stay and are looking to return combining the trip with a visit to Singapore and Bankok sometime next year. Stay tuned for that report on the exotics of more Asian cooking and sensual massage.

Had a wonderful time with the kids here through the first week of December. We took them all over the city of Dubai from one mall to another. We travelled to the mountains of Hatta and went dune bashing in four wheel drive Toyota Land Cruisers. That evening ended with a tradi-



tional Arabic feast and a beautiful belly dancer to stimulate digestion! Our most spectacular event of their visit was an evening of appetizers and wine on the top of the Burj Al Arab. We could only schedule our time there in the evening after dark so the view out of the top floor was only of twinkling Dubai lights. While there we toured the premium hotel floor with its two story suites,

huge Jacuzzis, full kitchens and absolutely magnificent bedrooms. The





next day before they left we went to see the Burj Dubai which was still under construction. This was December 4th just a month before the scheduled Grand Opening. Daytime shots give you a real feeling of this building's enormity. As it turns out, it is 828 meters tall * do the math and you get the height at just over ½

mile.
Anyway
the kids
left on
December 5th
and we
suffered
withdrawal
symptoms. It
was really
hard to



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Xmas came and went punctuated by our hosting 25 people for Xmas dinner. Nice evening but not the same as being in Toledo with PORSCHE CLUB FRIENDS!

The Grand Opening of the Burj Dubai was the evening of January 4th. Charlotte had to stake out our seats 5 hours in advance at a little coffee shop near the base of the building. I joined her after work and we sat, drank coffee and waited for the wa-

ter fountain show, fireworks and amazing colored lights. What a wild and crazy show! It ended at 9:30 and we escaped before the traffic got



bad. There were thousands of people mostly standing throughout the entire show. A most memorable experience topped only by our return to see it from the top on the 28th. Tickets to go to the top are of two types advanced purchase for about \$25.00 or on demand while supplies last for \$100.00. Our advanced purchase was for 1:00PM. You cannot imagine the excitement of going up that far. The lines form for the scanners followed by several lengthy walkways and two escalators before arriving at THE elevator which takes you to the 124th floor in less than one minute and rising at a rate of 60 miles per hour. You have absolutely no sensation of acceleration or

speed. Without any sense of stopping the doors open and you are at the top. This floor is at the 450 meter mark with a complete walk around view of 360 degrees. There is also an outside observatory covering about 50 degrees of the complete circle. At this height the building does not seem to sway, but clearly is does because the rumor has it that the top 20 floors are uninhabitable due to the motion back and forth. We will find that out over time I am sure. We took many pictures and hope you enjoy not only those included here, but those we have posted on Charlotte's facebook as well.





Happy New Year to all from Dubai!

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Restaurant Findlay

- -House Party hosted by Diane and Jim Schoen
- -Car Corral at German-American Festival
- -Car show and festivities at Vin Devers with a European flavor which includes MVR
- -Holiday Party
- -IRAC autocross in August chaired by Greg Herr
- -DE at Mid-Ohio October 30th and 31st

It should be noted that the MVR officers met before the planning meeting to establish some guidelines

for MVR support of events hosted by MVR members. Members who volunteer to host parties are allowed, as needed, to be reimbursed for beverages and paper products up to \$150. Requests for any reimbursements should be sent to the MVR Treasurer with receipts. Please remember to RSVP to Lisa Soriano or Jeanne Krauser, social Co-Chairs, if you plan to attend any event and what you plan to bring.

As you can see there are a number of events we plan to have in 2010. Again refer to the MVR web site to confirm the final details for each month's event as the year progresses.

Chris Krauser MVR Secretary

New 2010 Porsche 911 Turbo Now On Sale

ATLANTA - January 25, 2010 - Porsche Cars North America announced today that the 2010 Porsche 911 Turbo will arrive at its U.S. dealers this week and go on sale on January 30. This is only three months after the debut of the highly acclaimed Panamera, Porsche's first Gran Turismo and sports car for four.

Porsche traditionally has emphasized efficiency, but the new flagship 911 gives a new meaning to its high-performance label. While its acceleration, braking and handling capabilities make it a true super sports car, it goes about its business with a thriftiness that is equally remarkable and by no means the norm in its class. With 20 more horsepower, and a 13 percent increase in fuel econ-

omy, the new 911 Turbo is indeed more powerful and more efficient.

"The 2010 Porsche 911 Turbo features the first entirely new engine in its storied 35-year history. The new flat-six boxer engine now delivers 500 horsepower, 20 more than the previous power plant. Maximum torque is up by 15 to 516 lb. ft. when equipped with the optional Sport Chrono Package Turbo.

All of this means that the new 911 Turbo can accelerate from 0 to 60 mph in 3.2 seconds when combined with the new, highly acclaimed Porsche-Doppelkupplungsgetriebe (PDK) seven-speed dual clutch transmission. Top track speed is 194 mph for both the Coupe and the

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more focused with the new models coming out. There is talk of an "entry level" four cylinder model priced below the Boxster. An all new 911 & Boxster are scheduled to debut in 2011 as 2012 models. Look forward to economies of scale as the merger of Porsche & VW becomes more apparent.

Remember to keep the blink alive !!

The planning meeting is over and the majority of the year's events are scheduled. Now is the time to mark your calendar and prepare to attend the many events. Lisa and



Jeanne have put together another great year. One of my favorites is the annual trip to Mon Ami winery in Port Clinton. I look forward to seeing all of you out there.

Again I must thank Bob Cryan for his stories from the Middle East. It sure provides interesting reading while I prepare the newsletter. If anyone has an idea or suggestion please let me know. I am always looking for newsletter content.

Flash your headlights at a fellow Porsche owner on the road!! Keep the kindred spirit alive!!

.....the editor

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Cabriolet models and its EPA estimates are a best-in-class 17 mpg city and 25 mpg highway for the new Coupe when equipped with the PDK transmission.

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