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From The Driver's Seat

By Michael Soriano



I sincerely hope everyone enjoyed the holiday season. During this time of year, everyone's social calendar gets filled up, so we take that into account, and as a result, our PCA activities during this period are relatively light. This is a

wonderful time of year with all of the parties and festivities that present us with a fantastic chance to renew old friendships and begin new ones. I am thankful and grateful, to those of you who are reading this that I have had the opportunity to spend time with during the holidays, for your hospitality and friendship.

As we enter the New Year and begin to put our PCA social calendar back into gear, I anticipate that 2012 will be another fun filled year. Most notably, it is our region's 40th Anniversary, and this year long celebration will be capped off by a weekend of activities to commemorate this milestone, planned for the last weekend in October.

Preparations have begun for the big celebration; however we are in need of more volunteers. If you are interested in assisting with this momentous occasion, please contact the 40th Anniversary Committee Chair, Jeff Vollmar at jvollmar@att.net. In addition to our own region's anniversary, 2012, also marks the 60th anniversary of Porsche Clubs worldwide.

Our December social event was held

in Findlay at the newly opened Restaurant' El Mexicano on December 10. A number of members took time out of their busy schedules to enjoy some delicious Mexican food and Porsche club camaraderie. I want to thank Ruth and Ron Gulliford for organizing this delightful evening. And, on Saturday, January 14, Ron Carr is once again organizing a trip to the North American International Auto Show, including an overnight stay at the Dearborn Inn, dinner at the Edison Restaurant, as well as a visit to the Henry Ford Museum the following day.

The Planning Meeting is by far one of the most important events of the year, as this is the time and place where we establish our entire social calendar for the upcoming year; the meeting is scheduled for January 28 at the home of Chris and Jeanne Krauser. Please contact Lisa or Jeanne if you would like to host a party or have any suggestions to help us organize another wonderful year of unique and exciting events.

February's Social event has already been scheduled, so plan to attend Dinner at Ciao on Thursday, February 23.

DER Ruckspiegel is one of the ways to stay informed about all of the Maumee Valley Region's events. Another fantastic tool is our website <http://mm.pca.org>. If you have not yet visited the site, please do so, and if you have pictures from events or items to

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sell, contact our webmaster, Janet Sternfeld at jms1@sev.org. Additionally, there is the social committee's email reminders and updates. If you are not receiving these e-mail reminders and updates, please notify Lisa at Mrs.LisaSoriano@juno.com.

Last year we began our Join the Club membership card program. If you need more cards please contact Barney Stewart or myself. Also, if you know someone who owns a Porsche and would like to introduce him/her to the club, please invite them to attend an event. You can also provide Barney

with their contact information.

Our attendance and participation was outstanding in 2011, with over 125 of our members attending at least one event, and I would love to see that level of commitment and enthusiasm continue.

I want to wish everyone a Happy and Healthy New Year, and look forward to seeing you at our events throughout the year!

Michael

Remember to Keep the Blink Alive!!!!!!!!

MAUMEE VALLEY PCA FEBRUARY SOCIAL EVENT

Thursday, February 23 at 6:30 p.m.

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Maumee Valley Region 2012 Calendar of Events

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

JANUARY

28 Planning meeting

FEBRUARY

23 Dinner at Ciao Ristorante

MARCH

TBD Social event

APRIL

TBD Social event

MAY

TBD Social event

3-6 MVR Drivers Education

JUNE

TBD Mon Ami Brunch and driving
tour

JULY

8-14 Parade in Salt Lake City

2012 PLANNING MEETING

Saturday, January 28, 2012

6:30 p.m.

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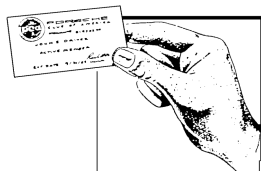
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MVR/PCA Membership News

January 2012 - Club Member Anniversaries

Thomas and Marilyn Edwards	30Years
Dave and Carol Hauser	21 Years
David Vrooman	14 Years
Jim and Timothy Grabowski	12 Years
David and Darlene Kimple	10 Years
Mohamad and Malik Almasri	9 Years
Christopher and Dana Dunbar	9 Years
Bruce Zieglar	7 Years
Roderick and Julia MacLachlan	3 Years

The Region has a name badge available for purchase. The cost is \$10 per badge. Contact Tom Isley at derruckspiegel@bex.net to place your order. Badges will be delivered at the next event.



New Members

Larry Chaffee of Ann Arbor
driving a 1999 Black Boxster

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

If you are not currently receiving Social Event e-mail updates, please contact Lisa at
Mrs.LisaSoriano@juno.com

MVR 2011 Point Totals as of 1/1/2012

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Verne Armstrong	1
Bill Bauman	1
Judy Bellman	1
Marshall Bellman	1
Susan Brown	1
Rich Brown	1
Diane Butcher	1
Bruce Butcher	1
Tom Cable	1
Becky Cable	1
Tony Calabrese	2
Deb DeHaven	1
Tom DeHaven	1
Rebecca Flores	2
Keith Franklin	2
Sharon Gargas	1
Ron Gargas	1
Shirley Gobba	1
Dick Gobba	1
Ruth Gulliford	2
Ron Gulliford	2
Kim Harris	1
Bob Harris	1
Chris Heidenreich	1
Mary Heidenreich	1
Deb Isley	2
Tom Isley	2
John Jennens	2
Suzanne Jennens	1
Sandra Kinker	2
Alan Kinker	2

Jeanne Krauser	2
Chris Krauser	2
Barb Lederman	1
Rick Lederman	1
Michael Levison	1
Rob Mack	2
Shellie Mack	2
Linda Mechel	2
Jack Mechel	2
Todd Mierzwiak	1
Sarah Mierzwiak	1
Jason Perry	1
Colleen Perry	1
Linda Roan	1
Bill Roan	1
Chuck Schaub	1
James Schenk	2
Lisa Soriano	3
Michael Soriano	4
Janet Sternfeld	1
Bill Sternfeld	1
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Barney Stewart	2
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Hellenic Motor Museum

The cover photo was found while looking for a few pictures for use in the newsletter. A Facebook search located the picture and a link to a new museum in Athens Greece.

The Hellenic Motor Museum is a car museum in Athens. It is owned by the Theodore & Joanna Charagionis' Foundation and opened in March 2011. It is located in the corner of Ioulianou & 3rd Septemvriou street, on the three top floors of the newly built Athenian Capitol shopping centre.

The collection of the museum currently consists of 340 cars of which 112 are displayed periodically. The Museum offers many other facilities such as a Formula 1 simulator, a road safety educational program for children and an amphitheatre/cinema with 3D technology

From the highly-coveted private collection of the Theodore and Joanna Charagionis foundation, numbering 300 vehicles, to start with, 112 cars are exhibited in the Museum. While touring the museum, the visitor has the opportunity to admire unique exhibits of the world automotive, exhibits that one can only see in the (few) corresponding foreign museums or read about them in the international bibliography. Highlights in the collection include Paul Newman's Mercedes 300SL Gullwing, Led Zeppelin front man Robert Plant's 1959 Chrysler Imperial, Formula 1 driver Lorenzo Bandini's personal 1953 Lancia Aurelia and the 1979 Cadillac Seville Gucci with its Gucci-designed interior and exterior fittings, the famous

Chevrolet Corvette Stingray, that the late Johny Pesmazoglou won numerous Greek championships and is a generous offer of his family, as well as cars that belonged to Dukes (such as the Aston Martin Lagonda, owned by the Duke of Westminster), barons and members of the House of the lords. The Museum offers road safety simulation programs for children, while the more adventurous ones have the opportunity to try their reflexes on a Formula 1 simulator. Hellenic Motor Museum also features a conference centre with 200 seats capacity that functions as a conference centre, during the day, attracting a large number of companies and organizations, while at night it transforms into a modern 3D cinema.

The Hellenic Motor Museum, hosts a memorabilia store, the "Museum Store". Visitors of all ages, through the Museum products have the opportunity to "taste" part of the car history, not only in Greece. Memorabilia objects, such as old posters or modern DVDs transfer images of historic races and cars. The visitor may also obtain miniature car replicas that may or not may be exhibited in the Museum, as well as everyday use objects. Also, the Museum operates the café PIT STOP.

More information can be found at:
<http://www.hellenicmotormuseum.gr>

Chip Holst: A man with drive

Reprinted from DTE Energy Quest News



Chip Holst, principal account manager, Industrial Accounts. Photo by Mark Houston

A lot of people who have hobbies talk about their gardening or book club activities. But if you ask **Chip Holst**, principal account manager, Industrial Accounts, about his "leisure" hours, you won't get any stories about garden mulch or the latest **Alex Cross** thriller.

Holst is a part-time race car instructor who spends most of his free time driving - fast.

Recently featured in a *Detroit News* article, Holst gave a half-dozen media "thrill rides at speeds 40 mph slower than NASCAR's stock cars will run when they race on the newly-improved Michigan International

Speedway (MIS) track in Brooklyn, Mich."

Reporter **Doug Guthrie** said:

"The retired NASCAR racing pickup truck roared like a 150 mph roller-coaster around the towering asphalt bowl that is Turn 3 at Michigan International Speedway. A \$7 million re-paving of the two-mile tri-oval - unveiled and tested for the first time in November - clung to the truck's Good-years' like glue. Multiplying forces of gravity pressed me against the passenger door, toward the white cement wall and empty grandstands at the top of the turn. And then, I felt a wobble

and watched driver Chip Holst's hands make a quick and large correction with the steering wheel. That's also when I noticed a tiny, gold crucifix Scotch-taped to the truck's instrument panel."

Holst, who has been involved in some sort of motorsports for most of his life, said, "It was just a wind gust. The new surface has surprisingly more grip than I expected. It's smooth and it's going to be very fast." Holst has turned thousands of laps over the last few years with the Brooklyn-based Mach 1 Racing School.

Prior to MIS, Holst began his driving career in the 1980s through road racing with the Porsche Club of America and the Sports Car Club of America. He was part of the Porsche Pit Crew at the 24-hours of Daytona. Holst was an instructor for the Porsche Club, and has also worked for auto manufactur-

ers during "Ride and Drives," where journalists are able to drive all the newest vehicles. A lot of these Ride and Drives are held at MIS.

"**Roger Penske** owned the place," Holst said about his early days.

"About the same time, **Richard Petty** started up stock car experience schools." By 1994, Penske opened his own school, with Holst getting plenty of "seat time" driving at that level. Now, Holst spends most of his summer weekends driving the track.

"It helps me stay sharp," Holst says, "and the more seat time I get, the more comfortable I am."

Asked if he has received many speeding tickets, Holst says, "No, I get it out of my system (the need for speed) because the regular road is just fraction of what I can do on an open course."

Employe teaches police to drive safely at high speeds

A call comes over the police radio describing a getaway car used in an armed robbery. A patrolman spots a vehicle matching the description, switches on his siren and flashing lights, and enters the dangerous world of high-speed pursuit.

Fortunately for the patrolman and innocent bystanders, the officer had attended a high-performance driving course taught by Craig S. (Chip) Holst, account executive, Detroit Division.

Holst, a successful road race driver, teaches law officers how to manage their vehicles safely during high-speed chases. He stresses safety, accident avoidance and vehicle weight management as well as high-speed braking and cornering.

The son of a former dirt-track driver, Holst took up road racing shortly after joining the Porsche Car Club of America in 1985. When a fellow club member later formed his own racing school, Holst joined as an instructor.

"Being an instructor and explaining



subtle actions that can make a big difference — whether in a race or on the street — has made me a better driver," Holst said. "A lot of people

drive because they have to. But once they learn more about it, they can concentrate and enjoy it more. This helps avoid accidents."

In 1992, Chip Holst was featured in a Detroit Edison Today article about teaching police to drive safely.

In The Zone

By Ron Carr

Zone 4 Representative



Now that the driving season ***In the Zone*** is on winter break, it is a good time to check out some of the indoor winter social activities going on in your local region and adjacent regions. Check your

local region's website and newsletter for the latest details on events close to you, and check the Zone 4 Website for other regions events. If you have a suggestion for an event that you think would be fun for your region membership, please communicate it to your region officers- they will appreciate your input.

On February 18, 2012, the Southeast Michigan Region will host their first ever ***CLASSROOM SESSION Introduction To High Performance Driver's Education***. More information will be available in January- watch their website and newsletter for details.

The third annual ***Winter Concourse at Porsche of the Village***, Cincinnati, OH is planned for Saturday evening, February 25, 2012. This is a PCNA event that is also supported by the PCA Ohio Valley Region- watch for details in their newsletter or website.

The Rally Sport Region will be hosting its annual ***Mid-Winter Get Together at the Historic Holly***

Hotel on February 25th for great food, company and comedy. See the RSR website for details.

Grand Am Racing season kicks off in Zone 4 with the ***Detroit Grand Prix at Belle Isle*** on June 1, 2, and 3, 2012. A Porsche Car Corral will be organized for all interested Porsche Owners.

The following weekend, the same crowd will gather for the ***Mid-Ohio Sports Car Course Grand Am Race*** in Lexington, OH on June 8, 9, and 10, 2012. A PCA Region will also host a Porsche Car Corral for Porsche Owners.

The Southeast Michigan Region will hold their annual ***Club Race at Gingerman Raceway*** in South Haven, MI on June 15, 16, and 17, 2012. Watch their website for details.

While not technically in Zone 4, the ***Annual PCA National Porsche Parade*** will be held in Salt Lake City, UT on July 7-14, 2012. Plan to join a bunch of other Zone 4 PCA members for fun in the mountains.

The following weekend is the annual ***Pittsburgh Vintage Grand Prix*** at Schenley Park, PA on July 21 & 22, 2012. This is actually a week-long event with a great Concourse on Saturday, sponsored in part by the PCA Allegheny Region.

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The third Grand Am event in Zone 4 will be part of the **Brickyard 400 Weekend** in Indianapolis, IN on July 27, 28, and 29, 2012. A PCA Region will host a Porsche Car Corral for Porsche Owners on Friday the 27th.

The annual **P2O** event moves to Granville, OH on July 27-29, 2012, sponsored by the Mid-Ohio Region. Watch the P2O.us web-site for details.

The Mid-Ohio Region will move its annual **DE and Club Race** event at the Mid Ohio Sports Car Course in Lexington Ohio to the

weekend of August 17-19th, 2012.

And finally, join fellow PCA members for a memorable fall weekend at the **Escape to the Ozarks** in Eureka Springs, AR on November 9, 10, and 11, 2012. More information will be available next year as the event grows closer.

If you have any questions or comments, please contact me at zone4rep@embarqmail.com. Hope to see you at an event soon!

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Web Site Location Information for All Models of Porsches

By Ken Koop—*The Yellowstone Region (Old Faithful Newsletter)*

There are some web sites with excellent overall information for all models of Porsches. Whether you work on your own Porsche, need answers to questions or just want general information on Porsches, these sites can be of great assistance. A good independent mechanic or dealer may be a useful source if they are willing to spend the time to help answer your questions. If they are not available, then the internet can be a great resource. The following are some very useful Web Sites that have Web Forums or Q&A sessions that can help answer questions. If you look at the past postings on these sites, chances are your questions have already been asked and

answered by other people before you. You will find most of these sites loaded with facts, photos, updates on current and future models, wallpaper for your computer, practical applications and solutions for Porsches. You may need to register with the site before you can utilize them to the fullest, but all are free and the registration is pretty short. I hope you get a chance to visit some of them and they prove to be helpful to you. Good surfing.

If you have additional sites that are not listed below, please let us know and we can publish them in another newsletter

Porsche Club of America --- www.pca.org (click on tech section)

The “Tech Section” is *excellent* for getting questions answered on your Porsches by experts. You can post a question under your model and have it answered in a few days. If you browse through the questions and answers, chances are your question has already been asked and answered. This is a great resource.

Rennteam --- www.rennteam.com

An *excellent* site with current information on all models of Porsches. The moderators have very good knowledge on all Porsches as well as inside information on upcoming models and options. If you have a question, you can probably get it answered here.

Rennlist --- www.rennlist.com (click on rennlist area and then click on web forms)

A very good site for Q&A and has some very knowledgeable moderators for useful feedback and insider information.

6 Speed--- www.6speedonline.com/forums/

Useful for browsing past Q&A. Moderators are not quite as knowledgeable but good information is still available if you browse through the site occasionally. The “Gallery” has some nice pictures as well.

Renntech---www.renntech.org

A very good site for do it yourself information, manuals and general information on all Porsche models.

Flat 6--- www.flat-6.net

The forum is just ok, but the information under “Models” is very good and the pictures and wall paper are also good.

Cayman Club--- www.caymanclub.net/

Specific to the Cayman, this site has some good pictures, complete order guide and some good overall information from magazines, International Auto Shows and Cayman fans around the world. Cayman news generally breaks first on this site.

Pelican Parts---www.pelicanparts.com

This site offers some good do it yourself articles in the “Tech Articles” section. The “Tech Q&A” also has some good answers for frequently asked questions on all models of Porsches.

356 Registry---www.356registry.org

The site offers coverage on all of the 356 model line.

German Car Fans---www.germancarfans.com/manufacturers/porsche/

This site covers current news and has a photo gallery.

Only Porsche---www.onlyporsche.net/

The site offers current news on Porsche, model information and articles, downloads and a photo gallery.

The Autobahn---www.autobahn.com

The site offers semi-current news, pictures and other potentially useful information.

997 GT3---www.997gt3.com

This site posts the latest information on the new GT3.

Editors note: For model specific information the various PCA register groups are a great source. Check out the listing of the register groups in the August issue of the Der RÜCKSPIEGEL.

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Welcome to 2012. This is the year of the 40th anniversary of Maumee Valley Region and there will be a celebration later this year to mark the anniversary.



While developing this issue I learned more about my first DE instructor, Chip Holst. The story on page 12 describes Chip's driving background. I now know why he was so good back then.

The planning meeting is just around the corner. It is your opportunity to influence what social events we will be enjoying this season. We are always looking for new and creative ideas for the events. Come on out at let us know your ideas.

Thanks to the hospitality of Howard Cooper Porsche and Porsche Cars North America, Chris Krauser and I were able to visit the North American International Auto show on Industry Day. We were able to see the new 911 Cabriolet and thought it looked great.

We welcome a new advertiser to the Der Ruckspiegel in this issue. Panelwerks in Mentor, Ohio provides service and repair for Porsches. If you have any need for service or repair on your Porsche, give Bill Kemper a call.

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