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Photo on cover: Summer will be here soon. Be ready.
Photo by Tom Isley

Vorschall!

Looking Ahead!

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- 9 #Cars and Coffee
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- 30 Ladies Tea

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From The Podium

By Diane Schoen



March is finally upon us and hopefully Spring will be soon to follow! Sorry that I missed you all at Gradkowski's. I was informed that it was an excellent turn out and several new members were also in

attendance. I hope to see them and meet any other new members at our "Spring Fling Social" for new members that will be held at Central Classic Cars. Chuck has graciously offered MVR the use of his space for this event. The Spring Fling new member social will be held on Saturday, May 3, 2014, from 5-9PM. This will be that perfect opportunity to get your Porsche out of hibernation, cleaned up and get those tires turning! I hope to see many of you there. I know that I'm anxious to get our new Boxster off the car hauler and take her for a spin!

The implementation of the 50/50 raffle seems to be getting profitable for our members. It seems that \$61 went to Bob Ponzie who was the latest winner of the pot, congratulations Bob!

March will be a busy month for Jim and me. We are leaving for Palm Springs, California on Saturday the 8th. Jim has his yearly conference for work, but you know what they say about all work and no play. So we have a side trip to Napa planned for half the week. Wine country here I come! I can't wait to get away from this cold and snow. Maybe it will be gone when we return - I can only hope.

The following weekend is the Zone 4 Presidents Meeting. There will be a dinner reception on Friday, March 21st. I believe we are still waiting on the location from Michael Soriano, so please watch the website for updates. *{The reception will be at Forrester's on the River..ed}*

The Second Annual Ladies Tea is on Sunday, March 30, 2014. I hope all the Ladies of Porsche can make it out. I missed last year's gathering and heard that it was a lot of fun. I am looking forward to seeing many of you there!

Hard to believe, but April will be coming around the corner pretty quickly. So far on the calendar is our annual Curling Event in Bowling Green at the Icehouse. If you haven't had the chance to attend in the past, definitely plan to come this year. If any of you watched the 2014 Winter Olympics you would have witnessed curling as one of the winter Olympics events. Take this as your chance to see what it feels like to be an Olympic athlete and "curl" that rock down the ice. It truly is a lot of fun!

For those of you who will be joining Jim and me in sunny Monterey, California this June for the 2014, Porsche Parade, registration will be open on April 1, 2014. I've already rented a beautiful house overlooking Monterey Bay. I can hardly wait to have a great day driving the Boxster along the Pacific Coast checking out the other Porsche's and then settling in for a glass of wine while watching the sunset over the bay!

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Diane

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I Get Around

By Dick Badler

O Roseanna

Jane: And now, with tonight's commentary, here's Roseanne Rosannadanna.

Roseanne: Thanks, Jane.

A Richard Feder, from Ft. Lee, N.J., writes to say, "Hey, Roseanne, what's with this cone incident on the George Washington Bridge? I live in Ft. Lee. In fact, I can see the bridge from my apartment. And I can say it's bumper to bumper every morning, noon and night. Sometimes all morning, noon and night. You don't need to close a lane in order to create a traffic jam. And you certainly don't need traffic cones to do it. You just wake up in the morning, and it happens, like the sun rising in the east.

"And now, my neighbors and I are enduring all these tourists, these rubberneckers, these souvenir hunters, these TV news crews, these subversive political animals, pouring into our nice, bucolic burg, all looking for evidence that Chris Christie was here.

"What can we do?"

Hey, Richard, who told you to live in Ft. Lee? It's a free country, isn't it? You can live anywhere you want. Why there?

Why do people who live near airports complain about the air traffic? Why do people who live near bridges complain about the car and bus and truck traffic?

And here's something to ponder. Do you know what came first? Do you have any idea what your nice, high-rise apartment with the view of the bridge was before your town was paved over to make way for progress? Here's what it was. It was

an amusement park!

Yeah! And not just any amusement park. It was Palisades Park. And there was even a hit song about it titled "Down at Palisades Park."

And you probably thought the song was sung by Lou Christie who you think is a long-lost relative of your current sitting governor, wouldn't you. Now, that would be real poetic justice, wouldn't it?

But it's not true. It was sung by Freddy "Boom Boom" Cannon. How's that for irony, Mr. Feder?

No, Mr. Feder, your real problem is the Coneheads. That's right, Mr. Feder, people who steal cones and set them up in parking lots, creating all sorts of zigs and zags, totally ignoring parking spots and arrows and entries and exits. These are the people you really should be worried about.

Because, do you know what these people do with their cones, after they've set them up in weird patterns in parking lots? They put them on their heads. And then they walk around, talking like robots, and saying they're from France.

I'm not kidding, Mr. Feder. It's scary. They can't help it. And neither can our Immigration and Naturalization Service because, you see, they're not from France at all. They don't speak French. And they're not from here either, because they don't speak American. They don't belong here. There's your issue, Mr. Feder. There's a real issue for you.

Now, here's the kicker for you, Mr. Feder.

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Do you have any idea what the Coneheads did, before your nice, bucolic high-rise apartment in the sky was created? That's right, they set up their cones in the Palisades Park parking lot on days when the amusement park was closed.

That's why they're back, storming around your town and your bridge. Mr. Feder, you need to have mercy on these souls. They're lost. Lost because they can't find their way home. First, they put up a parking lot. Then the city was gone.

Can you blame them?

But there's more. Coneheads drive fast cars. And they drive cars fast. And their cars all have sunroofs. And the sunroofs are always open. So their cones can have headroom.

Do you drive fast, Mr. Feder? I bet you drive something like a beater Corolla

which is good for one thing, sitting in traffic on the George Washington Bridge. I want to walk up to you and knock on the window and say, hey, mister, I, Roseanne Rosannadanna, am walking beside you. And I'm keeping up. Don't you think you can go a little faster? I want to get to where I'm going before I'm too old to know I got there.

I walk up to Corvette owners, and I say, "hey, stud, where are you going?"

I walk up to Porsche owners, and I say, hey, wo gehst du hin? I don't say, "hey, ou allez vous." They're not from France, Mr. Feder. That should be a clue for you.

Jane: That's enough! Enough! Roseanne, you, madam, are out of time. And you're out of mind.

Good night and have a pleasant tomorrow.

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New Member Social

By Barney Stewart

Maumee Valley Region's (MVR), New Member Social for 2014, will be held at Central Classic Cars (CCC), 8444 W. Central Ave on Saturday May 3rd, from 5:00 till 9:00. This once-a-year event focuses on welcoming new and transferring in members from the past year. This is a great opportunity for new members to get acquainted with the old timers, and learn

about, all that our club has to offer. Remember, we all had a first meeting at one time. Established MVR members are encouraged to come out and be a part of the welcoming committee. CCC is a great venue for this year's gathering, offering plenty of space for socializing and Porsche parking. Thanks to Chuck Putsch for making CCC available for this event.

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MARCH SOCIAL EVENT

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PLEASE RSVP AS SOON AS YOU CAN, as we have a tentative hold on the back room.

Porsche Parade 2014: Monterey, California!

By PCA

Monterey is the site of our 59th Porsche Parade, to be held this June 15 through 21, 2014. This is PCA's annual extravaganza of competitive and social events. Only minutes away from the beautiful Pacific Ocean, we'll be treated to drives on the famous Pacific Coastal Highway, to some of California's legendary vineyards, and through the hills and valleys of northern California. Of course, Parade has a long history of friendly competition and that will continue this year with the always challenging Concours d'Elegance, TSD rally, autocross, and the tech-quiz

Registration

Registration will open on April 1st (new date!), and there will be a link to register on pca.org and parade2014.pca.org. This Parade will be very popular, but we will accept ALL entries. We can accommodate all entrants for each of the banquets and all competitive events, as well as most activities. Tours on some days will sell out, however.

Upon checking out of Parade registration, you will receive an email with the link to our host hotels and discount codes. We have blocked rooms at five area hotels, and we do expect hotel rooms to fill up quickly.

Banquets

We have five banquets, our Welcome Party on Sunday the 15th, the Concours banquet on Tuesday, TSD banquet on Wednesday, AX on Friday, and our Victory banquet on Saturday. You can sign up for all of them, or individually, through registration.

Competitive Events

Parade has four competitive events. The Porsche Concours d'Elegance is the showcase of the week's activities and gets started early on Monday, June 16th on the beautiful fairways of the Monterey Hyatt. The Mobil TSD Rally on Tuesday June 17th takes us in and around the beautiful vineyards, hills, forests and beaches of the area in a rally that's sure to become the stuff of legend. The Michelin Autocross is on Wednesday and Thursday, June 18 and 19 at nearby Marina airport. Whether you study-up or just show up, the Technical/Historical Quiz on the morning of Friday, June 20 is always a great way to show what you know about our favorite cars... or to face what you don't.

Events and Activities

At Parade there are many non-competitive activities such as:

- Parade Kids
- Hospitality
- Gimmick Rally
- Tours
- Tech Academy
- Michelin Drive and Compare
- Golf Tournament
- Parade of Porsches
- Art Show
- Driver Education
- 5K Run/Walk
- R/C Cars
- Goodie Store
- Volunteering

MVR/PCA Membership News

March 2014 - Club
Member Anniversaries

Skip and Andy Holst	29 Years
Sandra and Alan Kinker	29 Years
Kevin Woeller	28 Years
Charles and Kristine Schaub	21 Years
Dan and Jonna Dessner	19 Years
Richard and Andrew Grieser	17 Years
Klaus and Denise Fink	15 Years
Greg and Victoria Herr	15 Years
John and Monica Rooney	9 Years
Jeffery and Mary Jo Denker	7 Years
Marc and Kathy Woodward	7 Years
Christopher Sim	4 Years
Jay and Karen Viery	4 Years
Michael and Debra Calabrese	3 Years
Marvin Robon	2 Years
Richard and Patricia Soule	2 Years



New Members

Charles and Sharon Dvorak of
Northwood
Driving a 2013 Boxster

Maumee Valley Region Membership:

Primary Members 146
Affiliate Members 114
Total Members 260

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APRIL SOCIAL EVENT**

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Maumee Valley Region Calendar of Events

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

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- 9 #Cars and Coffee
- 21 Zone 4 Presidents meeting Reception
- 30 Ladies Tea

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- 17 **Business Meeting**

MAY

- 3 **New Member Social**
- 10 #Cars and Coffee
- 16 Optical Art Porsche Design Show
- 31 Schoenmaker Tour and Dinner at Tony Packo's
- 31 **#Bedford Wheels Car show**

JUNE

- 6-7 Stoddard Swap Meet
- 8 #Cars and Coffee
- 12 Business Meeting
- 15-21 Parade
- 27 Dinner and Drive Inn

JULY

- 12 Party at the Mack's and Rally
- 13 #Cars and Coffee
- 25-27 P2O

AUGUST

- 9 Schoen House Party
- 10 #Cars and Coffee
- 14 Business Meeting
- 24 Annual Drive to Mon Ami for Brunch

SEPTEMBER

- 13 Golf Scramble and Dinner at BG Country Club
- 14 #Cars and Coffee
- 19-21 #Stan Hywet Hall Concours d Elegance

OCTOBER

- 4 Art Museum Tour and Dinner
- 9 Business Meeting
- 12 #Cars and Coffee
- 18 Planning Party at Valentine's

NOVEMBER

- 9 #Cars and Coffee
- 15 Monte Carlo Night at Mierzwiak's

DECEMBER

- 5 Holiday Party

Note: All business meetings are held at Vin Devers and start at 7PM.

New or revised events in **BOLD**
Non-PCA events.

If you are not currently receiving Social Event e-mail updates, please contact Beth Stewart at beths.mvrpca@bex.net.

Technical Talk

By John Jennens, owner of The Car Port LLC



The calendar says it's officially Spring. Time to fire up the faithful steed and let 're rip, right? Not so fast there, pardner. Before you ride off into the sunset, let's take a moment to go over a short checklist.

1.) Disconnect battery maintainer. Don't forget to unplug the orange extension cord hanging out of the garage wall, draped over the shelves, past the hanging bicycles, and under the right front wheel. It makes a great tether and an even better weapon of glass destruction.

2.) Inspect. As you carefully peel away the cover and open the doors and trunk, keep an eye out for any uninvited guests who might have taken up residence. A tip off might be a stack of forwarded mail on the front seat addressed to "Mr. & Mrs. Mouse." Also, look around for any brooms, rakes or shovels that may have

decided to rest against a rear fender or even slipped under the car. While you're stooped over, see if there are any suspicious puddles that need to be investigated. Which brings us to...

3.) Fluids. Your gas tank should be full, but what about the oil level? Power steering fluid? Brake fluid? Coolant reservoir tank? These levels can all be checked at a glance in most cases. A special note to owners of older 911s (pre-1999). You don't have a coolant reservoir tank! Hooray! Anyway, back to business...it is not necessarily cause for great panic if the usual quarter size oil drips have grown to frisbee size over the winter. As your classic rests for a few months, it is normal for oil to migrate and collect in areas that are lubricated by oil

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that is “just passing through” during normal operation. Oil return tubes, for example, are famous for allowing seepage during storage. Obviously an oil slick of much larger proportions shouldn’t be so easily dismissed, so get the engine up to operating temperature and check the oil level before concluding that it’s time to take out a second mortgage for the engine overhaul.

4.) Tires. Last fall it was suggested that you “Over inflate your tires by 10 to 15 psi” for storage. Well, if the post-it-note to remind you has fallen off the tach, here’s another reminder. Adjust the pressures to the factory specs and plan on rechecking them as the outside temperatures climb over the next few

weeks.

5.) License Plate. Check that your license plate(s) are firmly attached and that the stickers are current. Is your registration in your wallet or glovebox?

6.) Insurance. If you’ve suspended any part of your coverage during storage, make the phone call before you drive away.

7.) Drive away. Time for these kids to be seen *and* heard!

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Around the Zone

By Michael Soriano

Zone 4 Representative



Greetings PCA Zone 4 Members,

The PCA year in Zone 4 got off to an exciting start as we once again held the Zone visit to the North American International Auto Show, where Porsche made headlines with

their debut of the new Targa. This year's event proved to be so popular that it completely sold out in just a few hours. The weekend began with a well-attended Zone 4 dinner at Edison's Restaurant in the Dearborn Inn. The next morning 131 PCA members were treated to an exclusive, private event 2 hours before the doors opened to the general public. Product specialists were on hand to provide demonstrations and answer questions to PCA members who were able to enjoy a delicious catered breakfast while having a unique opportunity to see many of Porsche's newest offerings. These included the headline grabbing star of the show, the new Targa, the highly anticipated Macan, and even Porsche's newest supercar the 918 Spyder. This gorgeous white car was loaded with the Weissach package and was housed in its own glass room. Having the opportunity to view the new 918 Spyder was certainly a rare treat for any Porscheophile since this was the only one in North America at the time. After they allowed me to get behind the wheel of the 918 Spyder, I felt so comfortable in it that I could have spent the rest of the day there. Paul Gregor of PCNA and I have already begun planning next year's visit.

Exciting events like this are being planned in your region and throughout the zone. Even if your car is still in storage, PCA has a wide variety of activities to keep you entertained. Be sure to check your local region's website and newsletter for the latest details on the many events close to you that are being planned. Also, consider attending other regions' events, such as:

- The Rally Sport Region will gather on the first Tuesday of March (4th) at Karl's Cabin in Plymouth, MI, from 7-9 p.m.
- Central Indiana Region's "Bowl for Kid's Sake" fundraiser for Big Brothers Big Sisters of Northern Indiana will be held at 10 am on Saturday, March 8.
- The Ohio Valley Region Monthly Board Meeting and Social Gathering is Tuesday, March 11, 2014 at the Uno's in West Chester beginning at 6 p.m.
- The Michiana Region's Membership Meeting is on Wednesday, March 12, 2014, at 6:30 p.m. at Columbo's Restaurant in Elkhart, IN
- Mid Ohio Region is holding their New Member Social on Saturday, March 15, 2014 from 5-9 p.m. at Byers Porsche on North Hamilton Rd in Columbus, OH
- Western Michigan Region's March Dinner Drive will be held on Wednesday, March 19, 2014 at The Grattan Pub
- Join Allegheny Region members at the ARPCA Opera Night on Saturday March 29, and attend the Pittsburgh Opera opening night of La Boheme.

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- The Zone 4 Presidents Meeting will be held on Saturday, March 22, 2014 at the Maumee Bay State Lodge
- Registration opens Tuesday, April 1 for The 59th Annual Porsche Parade, which will be held in Monterey, CA on June 14-21, 2014. Put this event on your calendar and plan to attend, volunteer to help out and have fun with PCA members from

across the US and Canada. It will be a great time for all.

I look forward to having the opportunity of meeting each and every one of you at these upcoming events. If you have any questions or comments please feel free to contact me at:

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Thanks,
Michael



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5-9 p.m.

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We will have a taco bar and will need appetizers, sides
and desserts.

New Member: (within 1 year) please plan on attending and
meet fellow members and see all that the club has to
offer.

Existing Members: help us welcome our new members!

RSVP:

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Attention All MVR Members

We are having a "driving" event this September! Mid Ohio.....no! At Bowling Green Country Club! A golf scramble geared for all members - you don't need an 8 handicap to play with us - you will be on a team and the emphasis is on fun not on the score. Since this is a new event I want to make sure we will have the 24 participants we need to meet the minimum required by the course. So **Please** take a minute and email me at beths.mvrpca@bex.net. This is not a firm commitment. Not into golf? Dinner will be served after the scramble so even if you are not a golfer join your friends for all the after golf fun!



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....the Checkered Flag!

As I sit here writing the column for this month, it is hard to imagine the cars will be coming out of hibernation soon. The roads just do not seem to be ready. Is your car ready? John Jennens provides some tips for getting the car out in his Technical Talk this month.



Events that are planned for March are the Zone 4 Presidents Reception and the Ladies Tea. The Presidents Reception will be held at Forrester's on the River on the 21st. This reception will be chance to meet officers from other regions along with some of the national officers that will be in town. The Ladies Tea on the 30th is the second annual tea and was very popular last year.

Don't forget to mark your calendars for April with Curling on the 10th and the MVR Business Meeting on the 17th.

May is looking to be a very busy month. We have the new member social, Optical Arts Porsche Design show, Schoenmaker Tour, and the Drivers Education. There should be something for everyone.

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

....the editor



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