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The Open Road

Dave Zimmerman has been busy since taking over the job of the advertising chair. He has developed a contract to use when signing up anew advertiser and working to identify potential clients. He efforts are beginning to pay off with him getting two new advertisers for the newsletter. They are Lexus of Toledo and Porsche of Farmington Hills. If you are in either of their facilities, let them know that you saw their ad in the der Ruckspiegel. Actually this should be done anytime you visit one of the advertisers that support our club.

The Kentucky Derby party was recognized in the Toledo Blade social pages thanks to the efforts of Dave Zimmerman. The word is that we raised close to \$1000 for our charity. Expect to see a full report in next months issue.

I have found out that The Toledo Museum of Art is planning an exhibition next year called "Life is a Highway: Car Culture in America." In addition to the typical collection of automotive related art, there will be number of car related activities in and around the museum. There will

be more information as the planning progresses and I will try to keep you informed, so stay tuned.

The next club event is the brunch at Brandywine that follows the Cars and Coffee on June 10th. If you have not tried it, Brandywine puts on a great spread for brunch. July events are two of the big ones. Parade is July 8 to 15 and our DE is the weekend of 27 to 29 July.

One final note is a reminder that the club is "fueled by volunteers." We are always looking for help in planning or staging our events. If you can support in any way, let Barney or one of the other officers know. Your help will be greatly appreciated.

.....the editor



From The Left Lane

By Barney Stewart

It seems like spring is just a date on the calendar this year. We just can't quite escape the damp and chill.

A tip of the cap to Dave Zimmerman for contacting The Blade's "On the Town" editor, Barbara Hendel, with news of our Kentucky Derby Party. Dave forwarded photos and information to Barbara about the party held at Porsche of Ann Arbor's showroom. Nearly \$1,000 was raised in support of our charity, the Mobil Meals "Weekender" program for kids. Check your Sunday May 13th edition of The Blade for the MVR article and photos of five lovely party goers.

A check of the MVR calendar for upcoming events reveals the busiest time of the year is just ahead.

On Sunday June 10th we will be having brunch at Brandywine Golf Club right after the Cars & Coffee gathering. While I have yet to experience the Brandywine brunch personally, I've heard reports that it's pretty special.

July has two major events in store, The Porsche Parade and our Grattan Drivers Education (DE). The Porsche Parade runs from July 8th thru the 14th at Lake of the Ozarks Missouri. This is Porsche's premier event of the year and we are fortunate to have it within a day's driving distance. See the PCA website for complete details. Our Grattan DE takes place just outside of Grand Rapids Michigan, July 27th – 29th. Our DE is open to all levels of driving experience with particular

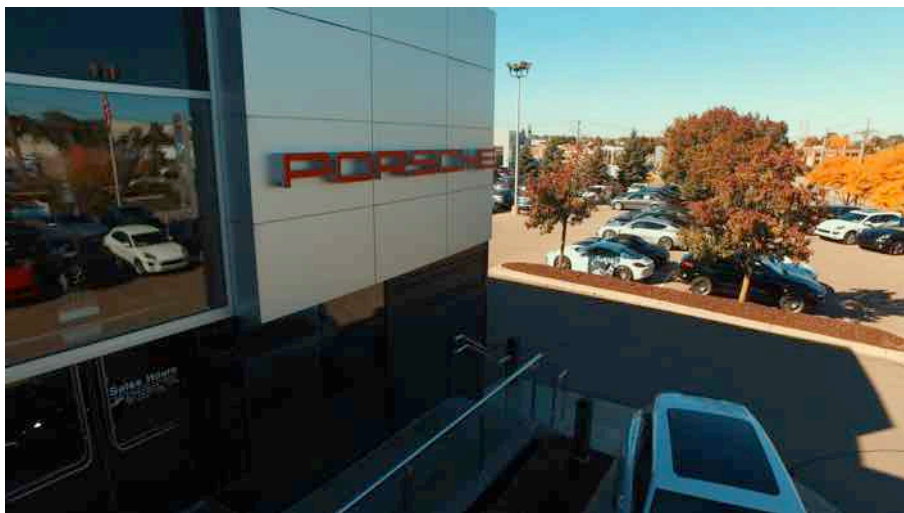
emphasis on providing safe, enjoyable learning environment for novice & beginner drivers. Ferry made a decision some 70 years ago, to migrate from utilitarian to performance. Here's your opportunity to take full advantage of his insight.

August also features two events, Our MVR picnic and the inaugural "Porsche's to the Mac" gathering. The MVR picnic will be held on Sunday August 5th. This will be a good old fashion family picnic so plan on bringing the whole family. Kids of all ages, brothers, sisters, grandchildren are all welcome. We have a shelter reserved at Secor Metro Park with restroom facilities nearby. Games and activities are planned so watch the der RUCKSPIEGEL for more details. Porsches to the Mac, August 17th – 19th, will be a gathering of Porsches at Ste. Ignace Michigan for two days of camaraderie and various activities, including Northern Michigan drive tours. I will be driving up to Ste. Ignace with a small group on Friday, with a possible activity stop along the way. Send me an email if you might be interested in joining us.

That's a quick look at the next three months, a little something for everyone. I hope to see you soon and often.

Special thanks to long time MVR members, Jeff and Teri Vollmar, for hosting a home party last month.

Take care,
Barney.



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LEND A HAND!

by Dave Zimmerman

Every month when our newsletter der RUCKSPIEGEL arrives in the mail, I sit down and read it cover to cover. Each month on the Editor's Page, Tom Isley closes with a plea for more volunteers to help with the club's activities. Same old requests, month after month. I also was noticing that the list of MVR Chairs continually listed "TBD" under the Advertising position. So, I stepped up, and you will soon be seeing several new advertisers on our pages.

But, this is not meant to be about me. Even though I'm not a member of the board, I was asked to attend a recent board meeting to discuss advertising. It certainly opened my eyes to the amount of time and effort required for this small group of Porsche lovers to keep a club running on all cylinders. This club of over 250 car lovers is being run by a small group of 15-20 dedicated, hard-working, and unselfish people. The planning, organizing, scheduling, printing, collecting of money, cleaning up after events, planning of routes, looking for sponsors, and a hundred other things we never see when we attend an event, are all done by this small group of MVR members.

That board meeting showed me the depth of work and time required to plan an entire year's worth of activities, and ensure that each event goes off without a hitch. My

hat's off to President Barney, who maintains his cool while keeping all departments on track, and always being politically correct. I couldn't do it! Kim Harris, Beth, and the rest of the Social Committee do an amazing job choosing a variety of different events to keep things interesting. Kim was the Chairman of our recent Kentucky Derby Party, worked tirelessly on many details, and it was a huge success! Several members brought in food, and Laura Valentine made fantastic home-baked desserts that were so good I had to take a few home with me. Sarah Mierzwiak keeps all the bills paid, plus other jobs, and husband Todd helps her with soliciting sponsor money and other DE projects. Craig Zenil, Tony Calabrese, and others ensure that we have a great Driving Experience at Grattan each July. Lots of others kick in their time and expertise too, but I don't have all their names. Charlotte Chapman handles the chore of keeping our membership information up to date, and Bob Harris does a great job keeping our website timely and looking good. And finally, Tom Isley (with help from Deb) does amazing work getting the newsletter ready for the printer each month. It's professional, attractive, accurate, and I hate to think what would happen if Tom wasn't doing this job. Our club would suffer without his dedicated work!

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By now it should be obvious that it takes a lot of work behind the scene to make sure that each event runs smoothly. Whether it's a road trip, a restaurant dinner, or a party at someone's home, a lot of work by many people went into bringing it off successfully. So, if you can spare a little time, why not offer to help out? Maybe we can get Tom to change the last paragraph of his

Editor's Page in the next issue. And if you are too busy with life's stuff to help the club, we understand. Just throw out an occasional "Thanks" to those hard-working folks who keep things running smoothly for the rest of us. We thank YOU for being part of MVR!
Dave Zimmerman

Tom Isley and Suzanne Jennens, two long time club members who are also Docents at the Toledo Museum of Art, are interested in starting a gallery group for MVR. What is a gallery group? A gallery group is a group of people who meet at the museum on a regular basis for a docent led tour. The tours are typically an hour long, can be held anytime the museum is open and are usually held the same day each month perhaps eight months out of the year. If you are interested or have any questions, please contact Suzanne at sjennens@yahoo.com or Tom at trisley@bex.net.

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Barney Stewart

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May 2018 - Club
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Patricia Mauer	25 Years
Anthony Armstrong	19 Years
Robert and	
Janis Lockman	16 Years
Geoffrey and	
Martha McIntyre	11 Years
Michael and	
Lisa Soriano	10 Years
Jason Perry	8 Years
Jeff Lapp and Amy Lapp	3 Years
William Potter	3 Years
Benjamin Creech	1 Year
Daniel King	1 Year



Mike Poulos of Toledo, Oh
driving a 2014 Cayman

Jack Brand of Van Wert, Oh
driving a 2018 718 Boxster

Daryl Lajiness of Lambertville, MI
(transfer from Rally Sport region)
driving a 2012 911 Carrera S

Martin Morrissey of Sylvania, OH
driving a 2018 718 Boxster GTS

Doug Ewing of Bowling Green, OH
driving a 2007 911 Carrera S

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Primary Members	166
Affiliate Members	113
Total Members	279

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Maumee Valley Region Calendar of Events

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

JUNE

10 Brandywine Brunch after
Cars & Coffee

JULY

8-14 Parade
27-29 MVR DE

AUGUST

5 MVR Family Picnic at Secor
Park
17-19 Porsches to the Mac

SEPTEMBER

8 or 9 Tour to Port Clinton and
meal at Docks Beach House
12-16 Treffen to Banff
29 – Snooks Car Museum

OCTOBER

21 Color tour to Findlay and
Planning party at The Pitts

NOVEMBER

3 Ford Rouge Plant tour and
lunch at Ford's Garage
30 Holiday Party

DECEMBER

TBD

Note: All business meetings are
held at Vin Devers and start at 7PM
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Blaupunkt Radio Repair – 1984 944

Question: I have a 1984 944 with the original Blaupunkt radio. Where can I get it repaired or where can I get the same radio or a radio that was original to the car?

Answer: Submitted by George Beuselin. I did a google search on Blaupunkt Radio Repair and found two shops, one in Eastern Pennsylvania and one in New York City. You should do the google search yourself and check them out.

As far as finding a replacement radio of the same kind, check with Porsche dismantlers, or begin your search of Ebay. In either case, prepare to find that even a perfectly operating 30-year-old radio is going to perform like a 30 year old radio. Radio technology has progressed quite a bit in the meantime.

Serpentine Belt Replacement – 2013 Boxster S

Question: Trying to replace my belt and it was going easy until I realized there is an engine brace bolt/spacer on the left side of the engine that needs to be removed for the belt to come out. I was able to get the bolt out, however, I'm afraid to unscrew the spacer because as it's being turned, it's pushing the brace away from the motor and I'm not sure how far it has to go. I'm afraid I'm going to end up snapping the aluminum brace. I unscrewed the spacer about 1.5mm before I chickened out and put everything back together.

Do I need to take all the brace bolts out and remove the brace or will this spacer come out if I just keep going a little bit more? I did loosen the brace bolt on the right side a bit but I'm still concerned about breaking this brace. Without this bolt/spacer, this could have been a 15-minute job!

Answer: Submitted by Pedro Bonilla. You only need to remove the upper left bolt assembly and not the entire engine bracket. First remove the M10x40 hex bolt which torques to 37 ft. lb. It goes through the engine bracket then through a spacer sleeve which is about 3/8" thick and threads into a spacer bolt. The spacer bolt is about 2" long and has a hex surface on the side of it to torque it into the engine block at 48 ft. lb. The spacer sleeve gives you room to unthread the spacer bolt from the engine block. The spacer bolt has male threads to go into the engine block and female threads to receive the hex bolt and a hex surface to tighten it into the block.

Happy Porsche'ing,

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Revs – 2012 Boxster S

Question: I used to drive my 1987 3.2L Targa very briskly, and never had any engine problems. Can I drive my new 2012 Boxster S in the same fashion? Has the 9A1 engine proven to be robust? Thank you.

Answer: Submitted by Pedro Bonilla. Fact: Porsches that get driven often and hard have less issues than those that spend their days in a garage waiting to be taken out on a sporadic Sunday for a leisurely drive.

Happy Porsche'ing,

Maintenance Recommendations – 1983 944

Question: I have a 1983 944 that I have owned since new. It is about to turn over 50,000 miles. I have done the normal maintenance on my car and the timing/balance shaft belts/water pump have been replaced at 37,342 miles on September 16, 2004. Is there any major maintenance you suggest now? It still has the original clutch. Would you consider the timing/balance shaft belts to still be OK? Thanks for your help!

Answer: Submitted by George Beuselin. So, your timing belt is 13 years old? Time for its Bar Mitzvah! Today it is a man!

I would recommend replacing the timing belt, the balance shaft belt, the pulleys and all the rubber parts under the hood. I also recommend replacing all the fluids in the 35-year-old car, especially flushing the brake and clutch hydraulics. I would not replace the clutch if it is still giving good service.

Window Clearance Hitting the Roof – 2003 Boxster S

Question: When inside the car I go to open my driver's side door the window drops a small amount but not enough to clear the convertible top. I manually lower the window to open the door. If I attempt to open the convertible top when the windows are fully closed, generally the window drops before the roof opens. This operation no longer works. Also, when I want to enter the car and lift the door handle the window drops 1/4 inch but not enough to clear the roof. Looking to know what the issue might be and an estimate of what this might cost me to repair. Thank you, SG

Answer: Submitted by Pedro Bonilla. Most likely the problem is with the window regulator. This is a very common occurrence on older Porsches. The regulator is about \$150 plus 1-hour labor.

Happy Porsche'ing

Around the Zone

By Lori Schutz, Zone 4 Representative

YEA – spring is finally here in Zone 4. After a very long winter, we can finally get our Porsches out and on the highways and race tracks! The month of April for me started off with attending the Central Indiana Region monthly meeting where I was able to be reacquainted with dear friend Bob Snider. Bob and I met at my very first Porsche Club event – the dinner at the 1983 Parade at Tan-Tara resort, and was great to see him again. We haven't changed a bit!



Then it was off to LAX to work my first club race of the year as a Scrutineer. The California Festival of Speed (CFOS) is a fun combination of several events with the highlight being the Club Race. Our hostess Suesan Carter did a fantastic job of coordination and execution (see photo above)

Central Indiana Region has a lot of great events planned this year. Last weekend was their first DE at Putnam Park with a successful instructor training day on Friday featuring Scott Mann from the national instructor trainer team.

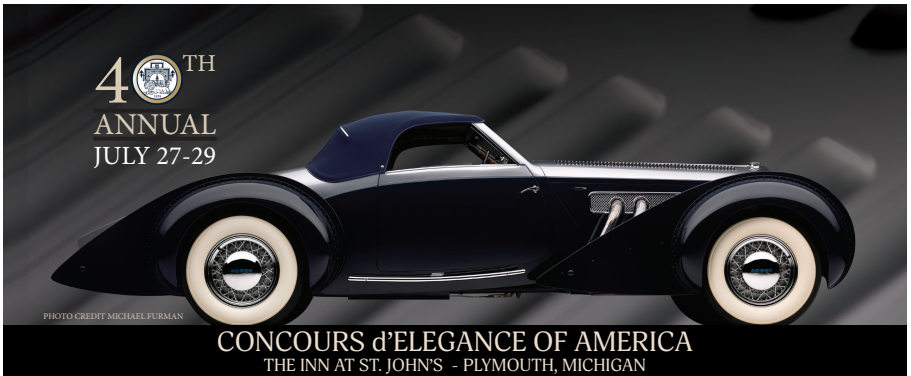


Also last weekend was the Club Race and DE at Mid-Ohio Sports Car Course, hosted by the Mid-Ohio Region. President Chip Henderson and his team did a fantastic job except for the weather – wow was it chilly! The Porsches ran great, and I had a great time in my Boxster S during my DE sessions. Chip's son Connor drove in his first Club Race, and finished both Sprint races, and won their class in the Enduro with his dad. Here I am with the winners!



As the spring continues we look forward to many gatherings across the zone. Get out there, drive your Porsches and have a blast with all of your friends. See you out there!

Sincerely, Lori



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Curated by Sarah Mierzwiak

Answers must be submitted by the first of the following month – please submit one answer per person, per month, and be sure to explain your conclusions. Don't forget to tell us your name when you submit! Each month's answer will be published along with the next month's teaser. Submit your answers to: MVRTeaser@gmail.com. Good luck!



Marshall and Judy Bellman, avid Porsche owners, are quite well-heeled travelers. After years of working, they decided to retire and have had the opportunity to crisscross the globe - visiting a few exotic, some historic, certainly romantic, and even “hypnotic” locations. This year, they began discussing a possible cruise on the Danube. But, who knew other opportunities were lurking! A couple of days later, Judy picks up the latest edition of Christophorus and reads that Porsche has just released the new 718 Cayman GTS, and she is in love - the Carmine Red, rear wheel

drive, 365hp convertible with ceramic brakes, black / carmine leather interior, and premium sound system is just stunning! So, Marshall and Judy sign on the dotted line and purchase a brand new 718 from Germain Porsche in Ann Arbor.

Being such savvy travelers, and never leaving behind a chance to experience new places, Marshall and Judy are still able to travel, with the help of their granddaughter. How did their granddaughter help them travel, “setting in a corner” of Northwest Ohio?

Answer for last months challenge: The fewest number of jars opened to put the lids back on correctly is one. Open and take a bolt/nut from the jar labeled “both”. (You know this jar does not contain both sized bolts/nuts because all the lids are incorrect.) This particular bolt/nut you draw is actually a “small”; so you know this jar must contain all the “small” bolts/nuts. Find the jar that says “small” on the lid and swap those two lids. You know the “small” jar is now labelled correctly. You haven't yet touched the “medium” jar, but you know its lid is labeled incorrectly. Here, switch the lids on the “medium” and “both” jars. Done!

There were no responses to last months challange. Don't forget taht anyone can contribute an answer. The more unique it is, the better.

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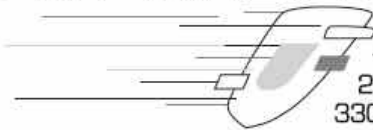
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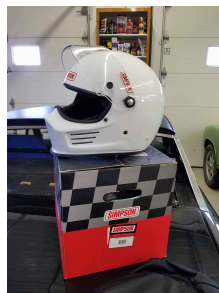
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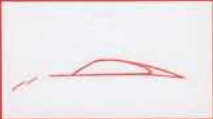
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