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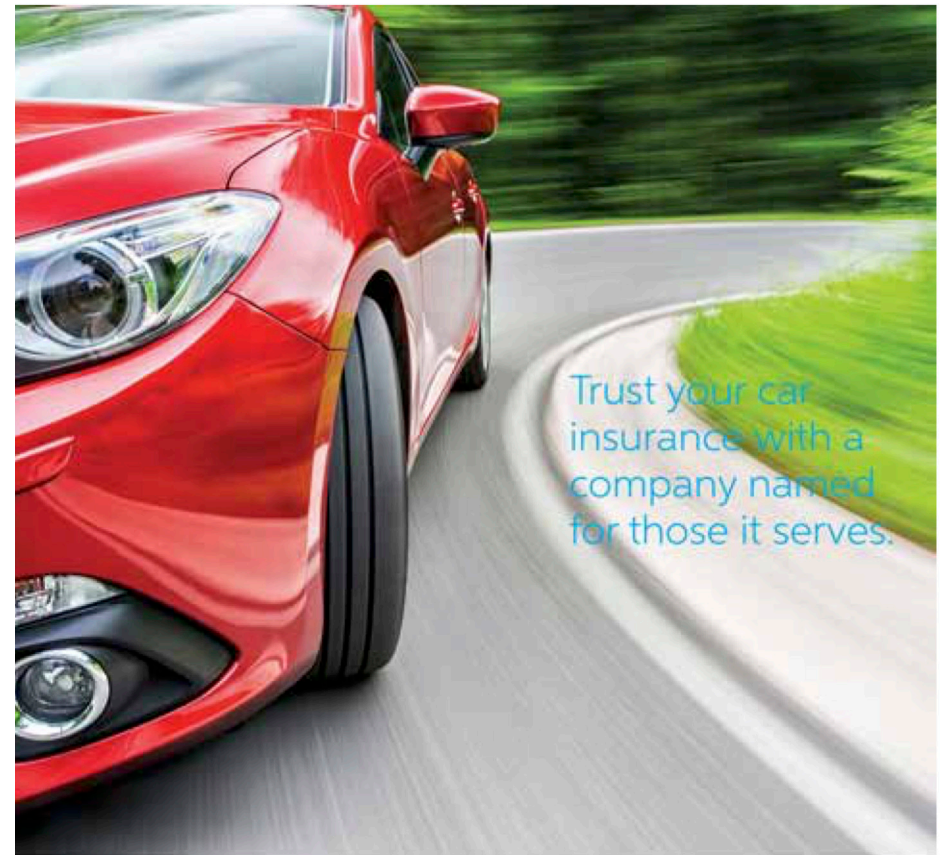
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**EDITORS' NOTE**

BY: GREG ARMSTRONG &amp; JOE SHEAMER

We received sad news that Bob Pavkovich passed away on May 17, 2021. Bob was a longtime MVR member who at some point probably worked on most of the membership's Porsches. He always had time to explain the mechanical aspects of a given repair and would always share an entertaining anecdote that may or may not have been related to a specific repair. Bob will be missed by all of us who knew him, and those of you who didn't miss out on knowing a local icon. Our thoughts go out to his sons Peter and Bobby.

Back in the January 2020 issue of der Rückspiegel, we advocated for the addition of an FIA sanctioned automotive Hill Climb event to the Summer and Winter Olympics. We don't expect any of you to remember that, partially because we never indicated that there would be a quiz and what information might be important for you to retain, and partially because that was a really long time ago. We are considerate enough to not make you read that note again, but if you happen to grab your January 2020 copy, please be aware that if you happen to find a typo that we missed before going to print, we can't fix it now. If we had a time machine, we would go back and correct it as long as that action didn't destroy our current timeline, which we couldn't know unless we did it, and then the future would be altered and we wouldn't know that either. Therefore, we are forced to leave things as they are to avoid timeline destruction.

We need to apologize for not bringing this information to all of you sooner, but we didn't find out about it until after the May issue had gone online. It seems that people who make decisions in the IOC and FIA realized that we had a solid concept and decided to begin testing it this year before the Olympics with an Olympic Virtual Motorsport event using Polyphony Digital's Gran Turismo™ Sport for the PlayStation® consoles. Sadly, the racing is being done on virtual tracks and not virtual Hill Climbs—as we had proposed, but this is a first step toward seeing our dream of cars becoming Olympic heroes move closer to reality. The event started May 13, 2021 and is scheduled to conclude June 23, 2021 before the Olympics commence in July. We're certain that some of you are thinking that we are visionaries, which we know because we are, in fact, visionaries, but we are far too modest to point that out so overtly. Now that you are aware of this

exciting potential addition to the Olympics, there is plenty of time for all of you to scramble to try to find PlayStation®5s—due to the international chip shortage, it is unlikely you will succeed—but if you do, you can start training to become at least a virtual Olympic athlete.

This is the time to make cars Olympic heroes before the internal combustion engine becomes extinct, and who among us doesn't think a Porsche should be considered an Olympic hero? We already envision the Wheaties boxes with Porsches on them adorned with Olympic gold medals flying off the store shelves as soon as they arrive. We don't eat Wheaties, but we will make sure to stockpile a few hundred of those boxes to resell for a healthy profit at a later date along with handwritten notes that simply say, "We told you so!"

<https://olympics.com/en/sport-events/olympic-virtual-motorsport-event/>

<https://olympics.com/news/compete-have-fun-and-enjoy-the-motor-sport-event-at-the-inaugural-olympic-virtua>

We have provided links to the official Olympic Virtual Motorsport event pages just in case any of you thought we were making this up (we have already had to prove this to doubters within the editorial HQ) and trying to stage an elaborate and very late April Fool's joke, which we are not. We never joke when it comes to Porsches. Ever.

Thank you for reading and dare to dream of reaching for Olympic gold with your Porsche!

Greg Armstrong & Joe Sheamer

Präzision in allen Dingen

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## WILLKOMMEN

BY LISA SORIANO

We have a full calendar of events! This is in addition to the 2 Driver Education events at Grattan and Nelson Ledges that have been previously announced. Our wonderful Social Committee, Kim Harris, Beth Stewart, and Laura Valentine have organized or planned a number of great events to take us through the rest of the year. They include driving tours, dinners, a picnic, a chili and pie cook-off and our annual holiday party.

If you are not currently receiving social committee event emails, please contact Kim to have your email address added to her list. Her email address is [2kimberlydharris@gmail.com](mailto:2kimberlydharris@gmail.com).



While not a PCA event, Toledo Cars and Coffee meets are popular among MVR members and held the second Sunday of each month through October or November. Details are usually posted on our Facebook page: Maumee Valley Region, PCA.

For those of you who have been enjoying the TechTactics LIVE episodes, 2 more have aired since my last article:

- Detailing Secrets from a Pro: From Cars and Coffee to the Pebble Beach Concours
- Buy a 2012 – 2016 Porsche 911 (991.1) now – What you need to know

These episodes can be found, along with a lot of other interesting videos, on the Porsche Club of America's YouTube channel: [YouTube.com/PorscheClubofAmerica](https://www.youtube.com/PorscheClubofAmerica).

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For anyone interested in learning about Rallying, May's RegionFocus webinar "Rallying in the Modern Era" is available to view on [pca.org](http://pca.org).  
PCA National recently launched the updated website. As members you have access to additional information and articles, which can be reached by signing into your account. To reach the library of RegionFocus webinars, click on your name. Along with your Profile information is a list of "Commonly Used Links", and that is where you will find the RegionFocus link.

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I would like to remind you that the editors have requested that members send in pictures of your current or previously owned Porsches to [derruckspiegel@gmail.com](mailto:derruckspiegel@gmail.com) for inclusion in an upcoming issue. Thanks again to those members who have already submitted their photos.

As a reminder, each primary membership also includes an affiliate or co-member. If you have not already added your co-member, please contact the National Office (410) 381-0911, to provide them with the information.

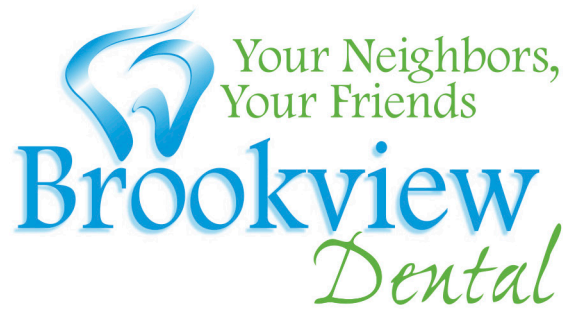
I would like to welcome our new members Stacy Barry, Matt Bierschbach, Sean Brown, and Donald Parke.

I am really looking forward to seeing everyone soon!

Thanks,

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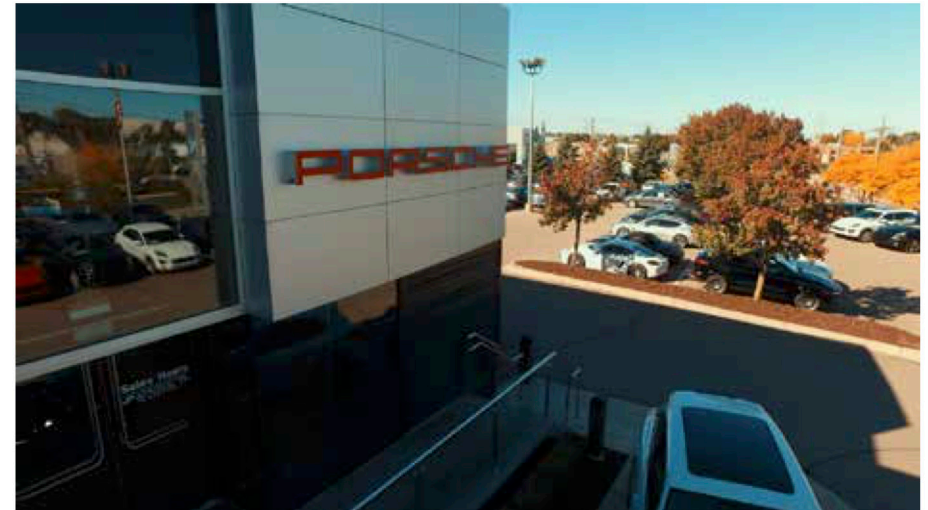
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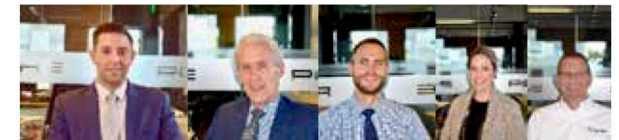
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# TECHNICAL Q&A

BY: PCA TECHNICAL COMMITTEE  
TAKEN FROM PCA TECH Q&A  
EDITED AND COMPILED BY: MIKE VALENTINE

## Idle on 944 – 1984 944

**Question:** The idle on my 1984 944 needs a slight adjustment. Is there any way to do it myself, or do I have to take it to the shop?

**Answer:** Submitted by George Beuselinck

There is an adjusting screw on top of the throttle body on your 84 944. The idle should be adjusted to between 850 and 950 rpm.

## Is Supplemental Cooling Needed For A Cayman With PDK Used For DE Events? – 2014 Cayman

**Question:** I would like to start tracking our 2014 Cayman. I have heard conflicting opinions on the need for auxiliary transmission cooling and auxiliary engine cooling on PDK equipped Caymans that see track use. What do you recommend, and do you have specific products that you like?

**Answer:** Submitted by Pedro Bonilla

It all depends on the driver's level, the track and the atmospheric conditions. Take your car to the track and observe your temps. If they are too high then consider adding a center radiator. The transmission already has a heat-transfer module which uses the car's coolant to lower its temp, so the extra front radiator should suffice.

## What Are The Pros/Cons Of Installing A Lightweight Single-Mass Flywheel In A 968?

**Question:** My 1993 968's dual-mass flywheel is making noises consistent with approaching failure. I am considering replacing the dual-mass flywheel with a single-mass lightweight flywheel and would appreciate knowing the pros and

cons of doing so.

**Answer:** Submitted by George Beuselinck

Here are the pros and cons:

Pros: 1) Cost of single mass flywheel is cheaper.

Cons: 1) Reports of vibrations caused by imbalanced flywheel. I can recommend having the flywheel balanced first. Then, have the flywheel and the pressure plate balanced as a unit. 2) No damping of vibrations in the crankshaft. Long term effects not fully known. 3) Reports of weak metallurgy, might result in broken flywheel, perhaps at high rpm, if in competition. 4) A lightened flywheel will require more skill when clutching and shifting. Also, more of a tendency to stall in stop and go traffic. 5) You will have to explain to a prospective purchaser and other Porsche purists why your car is no longer stock.

## My 2016 GT4 Has The Original Mich Cup2 Tires Manufactured Date 12/2015 With 3700miles And Good Tread Depth. Are They Too Old To Use For A Track Day?

**Question:** My GT4 has the original Mich Cup2 tires manufactured date 12/2015 with 3700miles and good thread depth. Are they too old to use for a track day? I've done one beginner level track day event on them already. My concern is if the soft rubber is hardening due to age.

**Answer:** Submitted by Pedro Bonilla

Porsche generally recommends using tires up to six (6) years old. Your tires are 5.5 years old so they're getting there. If you want to run them, first carefully inspect each one, paying particular attention for any cracking in the rubber which would indicate that it's drying up and probably much harder. If you don't see any cracks, run them for a few laps and come in and visually check them again. If nothing out of the ordinary, you can resume running. If the car has been garage-kept (no sunlight - UV exposure to the tires) I don't expect you'll have any issues.







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Affiliate Members **124**  
Total Members **301**

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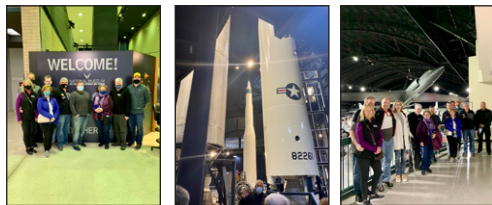
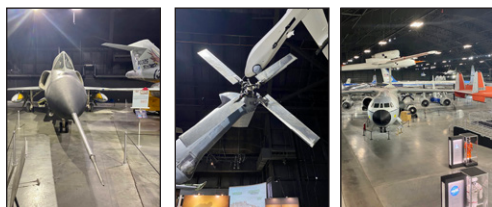
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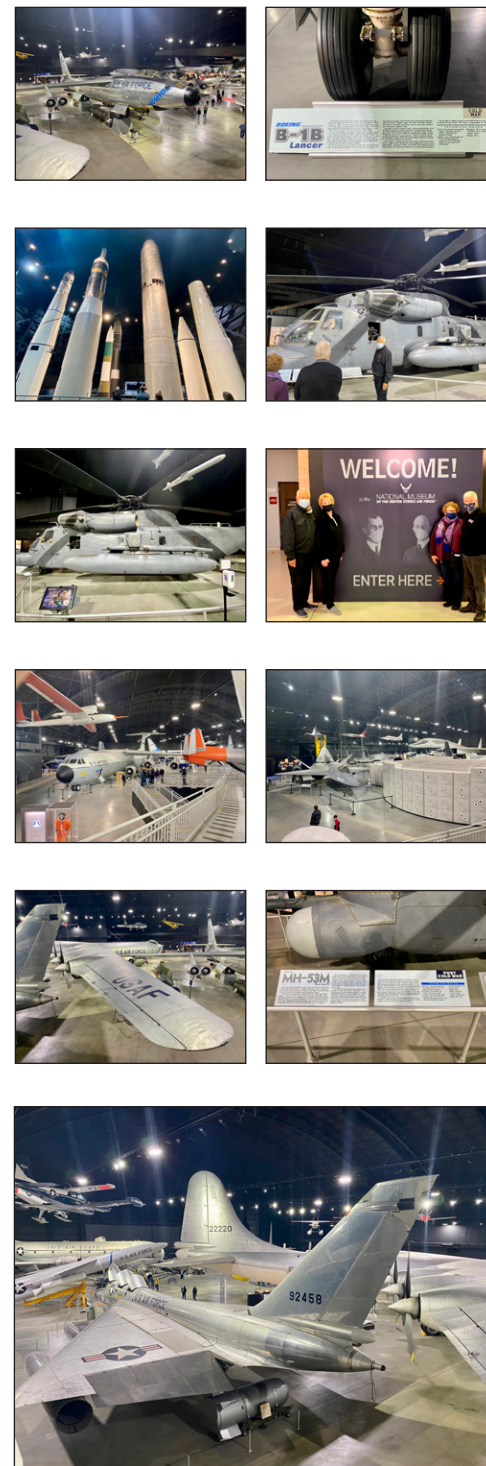
**MVR Tour  
Wright Patterson  
Air Force Museum**  
Recap & Photos by Todd Mierzwiak



Late last month our small Porsche Club Region finally got the last year or so of the Covid pandemic behind us and caravanned down to the Wright Patterson AF Museum near Dayton, Ohio to see some of our nation's most treasured Aircraft & Spacecraft all under one roof. The group included the Harrises, Stewarts, Mierzwiaks, Dellingers, Steve Uhlman, Lee Burlingame along with some new members in the Club. Wright Patterson Air Force Museum has the distinction of being both the oldest and largest military aircraft museum in the world. Its origins date back to 1923 and over the years has evolved & grown as the collection increased. In 2016, the museum opened its fourth hangar sized building with a 224,000 square foot building. This brought the total size of the facility to 1,120,000 square feet. The size seems even more daunting due to the large hangar height size. As such, it houses some of the rarest preserved aircraft in the world such as the XB-70 Valkyrie, F-117 Nighthawk stealth fighter and the World War II B-17 Bomber "Memphis Belle", Apollo 15 Module "Endeavour", Lockheed SR-71 Blackbird and the Boeing B-29 Super Fortress that dropped the "Fat Man" atomic bomb on Nagasaki, Japan. There are currently over 350 aircraft/spacecraft housed at the facility. The museum is adjacent to Wright Patter-

son Air Force base which is one of the largest, most diverse & organizationally complex air bases in the world. The actual base is spread over 8000 acres and 12.2 square miles. The base houses the 88th Air Base Wing (ABW) spanning more than 5000 officers, enlisted personnel, Air Force civilian & contractor employees. The base experienced a sizeable reduction in staff in the early 2000's from about 30,000 working individuals down to around 18,000. After 2010, the facility started adding many new programs, laboratories and specialized infrastructure areas and has seen a dramatic increase in staff approaching 27,000 individuals. The facility is also home to the Air Force Material Command, which is responsible for the purchase of aircraft, missiles, supplies and other equipment for the USAF. This unit alone has a \$184 billion budget!

We were privileged to be hosted for our tour down there by no other than OVR PCA Member Walter Chin Ret., USAF. Walter spent some 41 exciting years in the US Air Force and recently retired along with his lovely wife, Deneice, who also had a very rewarding Air Force career to enjoy their retirement in the Dayton area. Walter recently purchased a 1996 Porsche 993 & is enjoying the Porsche camaraderie. His outstanding service record consisted of various roles up to and including working as the first line of nuclear defense with the Minuteman ICBM missile program. He guided us on a several hour tour that included viewing early aircraft from World War II, the Korean War, Viet Nam War and the Gulf Wars. In addition, we got to see the Space Shuttle, several different rockets from various eras and even crawl through a Lockheed C-17 GlobeMaster plane. Our gracious host was a wealth of knowledge and left us wishing we had more time to enjoy this "jewel" that is right in our backyard 2 hours south of us. If you haven't had a chance to get down to visit this facility, I would highly recommend it. You won't be disappointed and the best part...it's free!!



Maumee Valley Region  
2021 Calendar of Events

**JUNE**

23rd Cars & Freeze Daddy Ice Cream in Monclova

**JULY**

11-17 PCA Parade in French Lick, IN

20 Dinner TBD

23-25 MVR DE at Grattan

**AUGUST**

6-8 Porsche on the Mac II in St. Ignace, MI  
(Motorstadt)

15 Historical Driving Tour & Dinner at Beer Barrel  
in Findlay

**SEPTEMBER**

19 Family Picnic at Secor Park in Berkey

**OCTOBER**

17 Driving Tour and Dinner at The Stables in  
Blissfield

**NOVEMBER**

6 Chili & pie cook off at Schoen residence in  
Perrysburg

**DECEMBER**

11 Holiday Party at Stone Oak Country Club- TBD

**2021 MVR-PCA GRATTAN  
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July 23rd-25th, 2021



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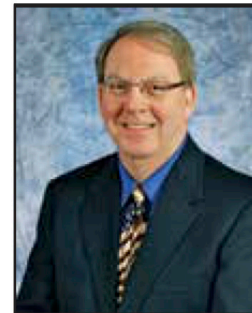
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# Lead Follow Instructor A Training M1 Concourse

**Around the Zone**  
by Lori Schutz

High Performance Driving Education (HPDE) events are the financial main-stay of most of the regions in Zone 4, and across other zones as well. The Pandemic impacted all of our events in spring 2020, however come June we were able to get back on track again. The agenda for our events changed at the track to respect social distancing and other restrictions. Mostly, this impacted our ability to bring novice students into our hobby to join the ranks of experienced DE'ers. Many regions continued to host solo-driver-only events until restrictions opened up.



PCA National responded to our situation, by creating Minimum Standards



for the instruction method known as Lead/Follow. This involves an instructor and student each in their own cars, with one-way communication, driving on track in 2-car pods. John Krecek, National DE Chair, along with

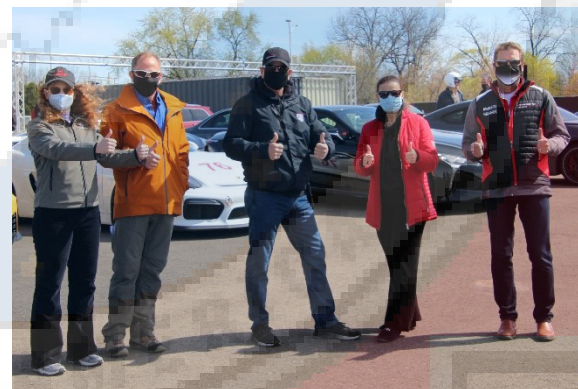
his committee and cast of other leaders from National, coordinated efforts to develop our new program with PCA's highest standards of safety. In October, his team hosted the initial Instructor A training event in Colorado.

Lori

## From Southeast Michigan Region:

Southwest Michigan Region hosted the first Lead/Follow Instructor Training clinic in the Midwest on April 18th, on a beautiful sunny spring day in Pontiac Michigan, at M1 Concourse. Led by Marc Molzon and Steve Carbarry – the day-long event trained qualified DE Instructors ( for right-seat instruction) in the

Lead/Follow protocols to earn the designation "A Instructor". Participants from 2 zones and 5 regions learned the nuances of instructing a student on track etiquette, safety, car handling, and negotiating the line. Each pair took turns being the student and the instructor, to get a feeling of the total experience. Class room sessions between on track sessions were led by Zone 8 Chief Driving Instructor, Scott Mann. John was joined by Executive Council members Cindy Jacisin, Executive Vice President & Todd Benz, National Secretary.



Rally Sport Region will be using the Lead Follow instruction protocol at their DE events this season at Waterford and Grattan Raceways.



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Nelson Ledges is just northwest of Warren, Ohio.

This is going to be a popular event, so be sure to register early!

**Early Bird discounts shown below end Tuesday August 17th; all registration fees will increase after August 17th by +\$25 for single days & +\$50 for multi-days**

PCA Member: Sat/Sun: \$345 on or before August 17th

Non PCA Member: Sat/Sun: \$395 on or before August 17th

Instructor Sat/Sun: \$100

Friday is for Instructors and APPROVED ADVANCED DRIVERS:

PCA member: Fri/Sat/Sun \$520 on or before Aug. 17th

Non-PCA member: Fri/Sat/Sun \$570 on or before Aug. 17th

Instructor: \$220

PCA member: \$375 Friday only

Non-PCA member: \$425 Friday only

PCA member: \$215 Saturday or Sunday single day

Non-PCA member: \$245 Saturday or Sunday single day

Camping in the track paddock: Free!!

Please contact the Track Chairperson, Christian Maloof at 734-646-2746 or [cmmaloof@gmail.com](mailto:cmmaloof@gmail.com) **before** signing up for Friday if you are not an Instructor. If you are approved as an advanced student by the Track Chairperson, you will be



added to the Friday list and an email notification will be sent to you.

All drivers will be placed in run groups based on experience. If you are a beginner you will be on the track with other beginners and an instructor will be with you in the car. More experienced drivers will be placed accordingly. So, come on out to the track August 27-29th whether it is your first driving event or one of many.

**BREAKING NEWS!!!** Due to the continuing COVID pandemic we **may not** be doing 100% in-car instructing. Depending on any federal, state or local restrictions in-place on June 11th and for the safety of our instructors & students we may be following PCA's Lead-Follow protocol where a "pod" consisting of an instructor in his/her car plus 1 student following in his/her cars to learn the proper line around the track, braking points, etc. But, if regulations loosen plus both the student and instructor feel safe together some instructors have indicated they'll be willing to do in-car instruction. Stay tuned for more info as we develop the program.

**Saturday Dinner:** If COVID challenges allow, we are exploring having a dinner at the track. It may be food truck(s), it may be catered in, it may be PB&J sammiches!! It may be under a tent or it may be al fresco -- open air, BYOC under the stars. Stay tuned as we'll let all y'all know as plans come together. Please bring some cash to help defray costs.

**LODGING:** We have a block of rooms reserved at the Fairfield Inn in Warren, OH. Please mention Toledo Porsche Club to receive the rate of \$92/night plus applicable taxes. The number of rooms is limited (Thurs-20; Fri/Sat-35) and will only be held available until Friday August 6th so book early. Registration direct phone: 330-544-5774; registration link: Book your group rate for Toledo Porsche Club

Camping is allowed in the track's paddock area Thursday-Saturday nights for FREE!

Tech Inspection forms are posted below and on the the club website: RSP PCA 2021 Tech Form

NOTE: this tech form says NO SA2010 helmets -- they are OK for this event! If you have questions concerning this event, please contact our event chair/ chief instructor, Christian Maloof, at 734-646-2746 or [cmmaloof@gmail.com](mailto:cmmaloof@gmail.com) or the registrar, Charlie Brown III, at 734-358-2393 or [registrar.rsr@gmail.com](mailto:registrar.rsr@gmail.com)

# MVR Wright Patterson Air Force Museum Tour

story and photos by Kim Harris



**ABOVE LEFT:** Bob & Kim Harris, Janet & Tom Dellinger, Steven Uhlman, Lee Burlingame, Todd & Sarah Mierzwiak, Kyle Mahan, Beth & Barney Stewart.  
**ABOVE MIDDLE:** Walter Chin, Tom & Janet Dellinger, Beth & Barney Stewart, Bob Harris. **ABOVE RIGHT:** Outdoor Memorial **FAR LEFT:** Planes everywhere **NEAR LEFT:** Sarah, Todd, Barney, Beth, Kyle, Lee, Steven, Janet, Tom, Kim and Bob. Photos by Kim Harris

MVR had a dozen members attend the USAF Museum tour on April 25. A special tour by Walter Chin, an OVR member, retired Air Force veteran and related contractor, told us some great stories and provided insight to many of the exhibits. This national museum is a wonderful facility with some beautiful memorial grounds. Our members enjoyed lunch together at the Valkyrie Cafe which allowed us to ask Walter a few more questions and hear a bit about his Porsche experiences. The day started out overcast and foggy, but the drive home was sunshine and blue skies! **Kim**





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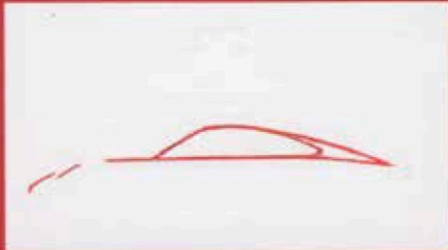
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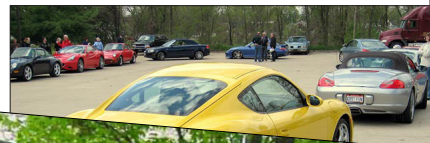
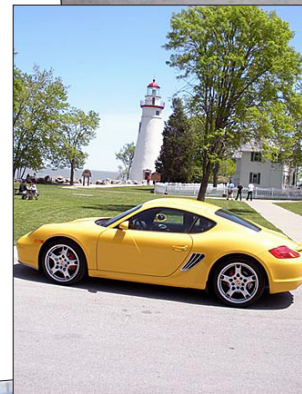
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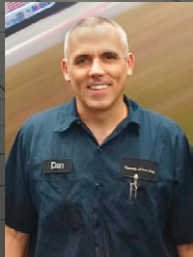


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