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> **ON THE COVER:** Porsche factory 911 RSR at the 2018 Rolex 24 Hours of Daytona.

# 2018 SEM/PCA CALENDAR

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27-29 #Concours d'Elegance at St. John's

#### **AUGUST**

**Board Meeting** 

#Gratiot Cruise

**#Troy Traffic Jam Car Show** 

**#Porsche Mackinaw Bridge Crossing #Woodward Dream Cruise** 

**SEM Picnic and Concours** 

DE #3 at Waterford

**#Cruising Hines Drive** 

Wyandotte BBQ

#### **SEPTEMBER**

**Board Meeting** 

60th Anniversary Party at St. John's

Drive your Porsche Day

DE #4 at Waterford or M1

#### **OCTOBER**

**Board Meeting** 

Fall Color Tour

#### **NOVEMBER**

Board Meeting & Calendar Planning

Membership Dinner

#### DECEMBER

**Board Meeting** 

Holiday Party

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#### **BOARD MEETINGS**

Board meetings are typically held on the first Thursday of the month at various locations.

Please note: for anyone interested in attending future Board meetings, please contact any board member.

# Editorially Speaking



#### BY MICHAEL COHEN

pring is finally here and by the time you read this, hopefully the temperature will be warming, all the snow will be gone, the salt will be off the roads and most of the pot holes will have been filled. Most importantly, all this is a prelude to getting your Porsches out of hibernation and on the road for a full season of car enjoyment.

In the spirit of the driving season, your Porsche club is launching a full calendar's worth of events. with a broad selection of choices—something for everybody. In the next few months, we have driving tours, HPDE classes and track time at Waterford Hills, several open houses with our local Porsche shops, an air force museum tour, Street Survival School for our young drivers and much, much more.

Our spring season started with two excellent events in March. On the 10th, we toured the Roush Racing Museum in Livonia. Championship team owner Jack Roush has maintained an extensive collection of his race cars which Roush Racing ran over the decades—NASCAR stock cars, Truck Se-

ries pickups, drag racers and his personal collection of rare Ford Motor Company vehicles. Fred Young did an excellent job organizing this event and you can read about it on page eight. Also in March, we attended an open house in Motor City Auto Spa's new facility at 4300 Delemere Court in Royal Oak. This outstanding new venue is in addition to the current operation on 11 mile Rd in Royal Oak. Owner Matt Lifter explained the services he offers, showed us the products and equipment he uses and gave a scratch removal demonstration. We will cover this event in our May issue.

There are three significant programs occurring in April. On Saturday, April 7th, Munk's Motors will be conducting a tech session (see announcement on page six). On the following Sunday, April 15, we have our Driver Education (DE) 101 class at Waterford Hills Raceway. This is an excellent opportunity to learn about the DE track events that we conduct throughout the driving season, with our first HPDE scheduled for May 11. (see announcement on page nine) We conclude April with an open house at Autocore Performance Group in Waterford. Steve Cramer will discuss various safety issues when competing on the track. Additionally, he will have several race cars on display (see announcement on page 12)

This issue has some very interesting articles for your consumption. Starting on the cover and then to page 14, our monthly contributor Tom Fielitz summarizes the world famous Rolex 24



Hours of Daytona race which he attends every year. President Marc Molzon and several other club members also made the trip. On page 22 long time member Gary Ambrus gives us a pictorial view of the Engines Exposed event at The Henry Ford. This was a rare opportunity to see the engines of the many classic and race

As you likely know, this year is the 60th anniversary of Southeast Michigan Region Porsche Club of America. We are planning a gala event to celebrate this milestone on September 8 at the lovely St John's Inn in Plymouth. In addition to a sumptuous banquet, we will have a major speaker and a historic car show. Mark your calendars and plan to attend this special event. You can register on Clubregistration.org. PCA national has recognized our 60th anniversary with a congratulatory letter and citation which we have reproduced on page 28.

Congratulations to long time SEM/PCA member and racer extraordinaire Vic Skirmants. He made his 800th start this past February at Sebring Raceway and won two SVRA vintage races over that weekend. We have a picture of Vic and his car on page 32.

The P4 is still looking for editorial contributions (My First Sports Car anyone?) as well as editorial assistance to produce our magazine. If anyone has questions, ideas, or is interested in joining our team, please contact me

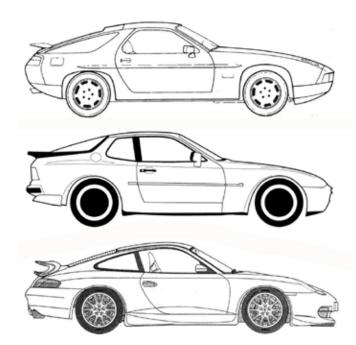
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## BY MARC MOLZON

In last month's P4 I wrote about a club member and good friend who started in our HPDE program and made it all the way to become a national champion in the German Touring Series racing in the NASA series. If you missed it go back and read it, this is the second part of the story.

#### A SECOND CHANCE!

After coming back from Road Atlanta, having nothing to show despite a very competitive package, Ralf decided to enter the Western National Championship event at Sonoma, CA in November of 2014. You can imagine the logistical challenge to get race car and equipment from Michigan to California. Fortunately we found a friend of a friend who drove Ralf's truck and trailer to CA. The rest of the crew hopped on a flight a week later to meet car and trailer in beautiful northern California. When we arrived at the track we were in awe of the layout and beauty of the Sonoma Raceway facility. What a track, 2.52 miles long with 12 turns and 160 feet of elevation changes. In preparation for this event I had watched a lot of videos as did Ralf. As open practice begun on Thursday Ralf improved and lowered his lap times in each session till we hit a point still a few seconds off the leading times. I started watching some of the locals and what they were doing different in some of the turns, Stephen Cramer worked on getting set up on the car better for this track and even made some calls to Kurt Ormiston back in Michigan for other suggestions. With these adjustments the lap times started coming down again. During Friday's first practice session a competitor lost some fluid in the high speed back part of the track. Ralf had no warning suddenly lost control of the car and went spinning into a tire barrier. Ralf came on the radio telling me "guys, I am in the wall and I see debris everywhere" As the flat bed truck arrived in the pits with the torn up race car we all thought the weekend is over for us. As the car is dragged of the flatbed Stephen starts to assess the damage and said "I think we can fix it" Luckily we brought some spare suspension parts and the work began with only two hours to spare before qualifying session. Pitted next to us was a local team who was leading the time charts in our group. Without much fuzz their experienced mechanics came over offering assistance and parts to us. What great sportsmanship. I remember Stephen organizing who would do what and the entire team started working frantically on different parts. Fellow club member Michael Eblenkamp who joined us on this trip banging out body panel, Stephen and I working on other broken components. Much to the surprise to all of us and teams around us, we finished the car just before the next session. The car with few bumps and bruises, Ralf went out and qualified the car in 5th position for the first race later that day. Success! The championship is decided in a three-race format, two points races which set the starting position for the final winner takes all championship event. With a decent starting position for the first points race Ralf progressed and finished second. Very pleased with the result we got called to post race compliance Dyno testing. To our surprise the motor made too much HP even so we had not made any changes. This meant "DQ" and "0" Points for the first race. After some research we figured the almost sea-level altitude caused the higher power output. We had to add 80 lbs of ballast to get the car back into compliance since the class rules are set by HP/ weight. This was a big set-back and even scoring some points in the second race our starting position for Sunday's Championship race was in the back in

a 40 car deep field. As the race unfolded I saw Ralf's BMW picking up a few positions each lap, in the 45 min race he worked his way up to third overall to finish on the podium, this time the car passed all post-race compliance and we all got to spray Champagne and celebrate with a few adult beverages. Great drive, great team effort.

#### HARD WORK PAYS OFF

The 2016 season was going well and next on the list for Ralf was to get qualified for the Eastern National Championship Race. This year the event was at the world famous Watkins Glen track. For personal reasons I could not attend but kept close tabs on the progress. As the week goes on Ralf has some issues in qualifying and ends up in the back of the pack once more. With a very strong GTS field it was going to be a big task to get up to the front. Starting second to last Ralf and team gambled and started the race on ultra-soft A-compound tires. These tires are fast but tend to overheat quickly. This time Ralf has a friend in the race and fellow SEM track participant and instructor, Andreas Fuchs. As the race goes on Ralf starts moving up through the field getting up to cars in his class. Just as the fast A-compound tires started to overheat and loose pace, a full course yellow came to the rescue. Now already in 5th position the tires had time to cool off following the pace car. As the green flag came out again Ralf used traffic to his advantage and put some terrific passing moves on the competition up to 3rd with just a few laps to-go, the first three cars where running just a few feet apart. Stephen Cramer from Autocore who was acting crew chief in my absence could not believe what was unfolding. The next time around Ralf was in second place and pushed the leading car into a mistake inheriting first place during the last lap. Ralf stayed in front of the following cars to the checkered flag crossing the finish-line just 0.15 seconds ahead. Andreas finish his first national event with an impressive 5th. Well deserved with hard work paying off, Ralf got to claim the top step of the podium.

Keep following us, this September we are going to the single NASA National Championship race for 2018 at Circuit of the Americas (COTA) in Austin Texas. So if this story inspires you, come out to one of our 2018 HPDE events where you can learn from our experienced instructor team. All of our instructors have extensive track time and love to share. You don't need to become a racer just come out and see how our cars are built so well and give yourself some great driving skills that will help you in many situations on the road. This is just a story of one of our many racers in our club that share their knowledge and skills on the track for all of the participants that come out to the track for one of our HPDE's.

Don't miss some of the upcoming events in April with an early tech event at Munks on April 7th. If this story inspired you at all you can see what the High Performance Driving School is all about with our DE 101 on April 15 which is not driving on the track, just a explanation of what it's all about. At the end of April on the 28th is an Open House at Autocore with lots to see and talk about and maybe even Ralf's Championship winning car. And get signed up early for our first High Performance Drivers Education with on track driving and instructors guiding you at Waterford Hills race track on May 11th. Hope to see you there. And a special thanks to Ralf Lindackers for helping me with this article.

# Roush Museum Tour

#### BY FRED YOUNG

PHOTOS BY GRETUS HOOGESTRAAT

Aturday, March 10th, proved to be a great day for Porsche club members. Over 50 guests toured the Roush Racing Museum in Livonia. If you were into NASCAR stock cars or Mustangs this was the place to be. Of course there was a Ford GT, a Cunningham, pickups and other specialty cars that rounded out the field, but the numbers seemed to be split among the main two groups. Corporate Archivist and Historian, Tyler Wolfe, greeted us at the entrance and explained a little about Jack Roush, the founder, and his history with his company and Ford cars, in particular, Mustangs. After the brief explanation, members were left to wander about and look at the collection of over 115 cars. Of course, Tyler was on hand to answer any and all questions that arose and regale us with his comprehensive knowledge of the collection.

Judging from conversations overheard many of those present had a font of knowledge that they shared with other enthusiasts. Lucas Phan held court explaining the aerodynamics of the Ford GT to everyone's amazement.

In 1976 Jack Roush founded Jack Roush Performance Engineering. He had a passion for hot rods, racing and Mustangs. His success on the track, combined with his reputation as a performance engineer helped his young business thrive. On the road today are more than 16,000 up-fitted Mustangs. Roush Racing is the winningest Ford racing team in history. Overall Jack has won 32 championships and earned over 500 event wins in drag racing, sports cars and stock car available for Mustangs and F-150 pickups along with Roush superchargers that are authorized by Ford Motor Co. He also owns a controlling interest in Roush Fenway





Racing, a NASCAR team fielding 4 teams across NASCAR'S top two divisions and Roush Yates Engines, a joint venture that produces engines for all of Ford's NASCAR teams, as well as teams competing in a variety of IMSA series and assorted other forms of motorsport. Both of these companies are based out of racing. Many of those were on display at the museum. A great deal of performance parts are North Carolina. Overall, his enterprises employ over 4,500 people.

In the museum hanging high on a wall were several aircraft parts comprising of a fuselage, wings and two propellers. This was the remains of an experimental aircraft that Mr. Roush crashed in Troy, Alabama in 2002. He was rescued from a watery death by a nearby

Marine veteran who saved his life. He suffered extensive injuries but made a full recovery. He went on to survive another plane crash in Oshkosh, Wisconsin in 2010. We are glad he was able to overcome his tragic accidents and share his museum and racing history with us. It certainly was an enjoyable adventure viewing the museum.

Visitors were also given the opportunity to visit the museum gift shop. Retail manager, Lynn McClenaghan, graciously opened the store for the purchase of NASCAR and Mustang related caps, shirts, car and the like. There was quite a vast selection of great items for purchase. In case you missed the tour, the museum is open during the week for perusal. You can go to www.roushcollection. com for further information.

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# **Driver's Education 101**

Sunday April 15, 2018 Waterford Hills Road Course

Classroom Session start time 10:00 am

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Trying any new experience can be intimidating. Especially one that involves a prized sports car combined with a race course. The amount of unknowns in that combination can seem overwhelming to just about anyone. Those of us on the DE Team completely understand this feeling as we have all been there ourselves. This is the reason for our annual DE-101 event. To open the first door and offer a look inside at all that a High Performance Driver Education event has to offer.

We will cover how to register, prepping your car, prepping yourself, and what to expect. You will get a chance to meet some of our instructors, tour the facility, see the classroom, and (weather permitting) walk the track!

So, if you have ever been curious about DE and are thinking about trying this event, this will put you on the right path.

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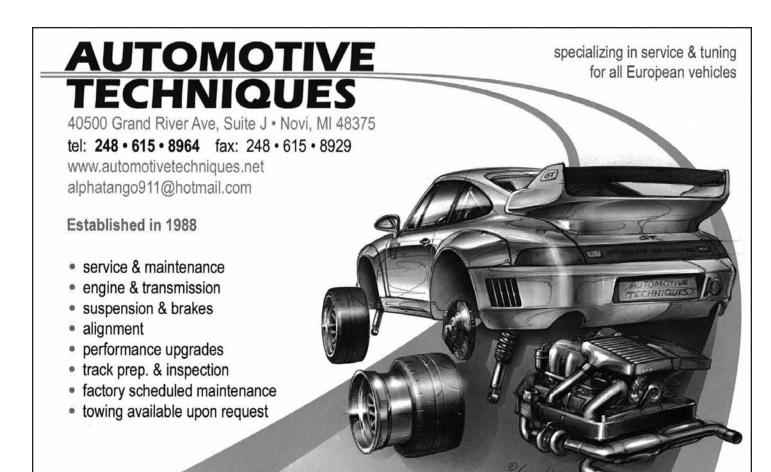
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# Too Fast to Win

## BY **TOM FIELITZ**

he Rolex 24 at Daytona is an iconic race that every manufacturer wants to win. This year marked the seventieth anniversary for Porsche in racing and twenty years since Vic Elford won overall at the 24 Hours of Daytona in a 907. The Porsche goal this year was not an overall victory, but instead a victory in the prestigious GT Le Mans class. This production based class is now the focus for the big manufacturers like Porsche, BMW, Chevrolet, Acura, Ferrari and Ford, Each manufacturer has a huge investment in two car teams with no expense spared for drivers or equipment. Now that Porsche has dropped out of the top tier prototype racing, all of their effort is going into a pair of 911 RSRs that might as well be prototype cars due to their race chassis and mid-engine placement. In other sanctioned race organizations, Porsche has found ways to work the rules to gain advantage. But, this is the IMSA Weather Tech Sports Car Championship and IMSA has found a balance of performance formula that effectively equalizes the competition. Go too fast and your car will be slapped with extra weight, restricted air inlet size or fuel limits. If you are found sand bagging your performance the penalties can be severe. The rules may seem draconian, but the competition equates to close racing and unpredictable finishes.

At the Rolex 24, being the first race of the season, it is always fascinating to see what each manufacturer has brought new to the competition. All the teams save their best effort for qualifying and put their top driver behind the wheel. Corvette took the pole position with an outstanding effort from Jan Magnussen, only one second behind the slowest of the 20 prototype entries.



Wright Motorsports 911 GT3 R entry competing in GTD.



Porsche factory 911 RSR GTLM entry at rest prior to the start.

Joey Hand was only .019 seconds behind in a Ford GT. Porsche qualified third and fourth with Laurens Vanthoor and Patrick Pilet both just .1 second behind. Porsche definitely had the speed so now it would come down to race strategy and endurance, both Porsche strong points.

Besides the balance of performance, IMSA has a race format that equalizes the competition. In the occurrence of a yellow flag, the field bunches up and cars that are a lap behind are able to pass the pace car and make up the lap. In past races, this has meant that many cars would remain on the same lap and the advantage of faster cars was negated. Teams count on this strategy and often have won the race with good pit work. Things like fuel mileage

and tire wear can determine the winner in the last hour of the race.

The 2018 Rolex 24 was not going to be one of those races. In theory having a field of 20 very fast prototype entries driven by the elite of racing drivers would have thrown the race into chaos. In past races the differential in speed between the three classes of cars caused many collisions and yellow flags. In this race, the GT Daytona and the GT Le Mans cars had almost equal top speeds and were only about ten miles per hour slower than the prototype cars. Also, the driving talent was so high and equal that there were only minor collision incidents. The bigger issue was the number of flat tires that occurred. The other factor was the weather. Daytona usually has a rainy period that tests every driver's skill. This race had only a brief shower during the night time that was so light that most teams stayed on slick tires. A driver mistake or mechanical glitch that caused a long pit

stop could take a car instantly out of contention. This was the case for RSR car number 911. The Pilet, Tandy and Makowiecki entry went into the tire wall twice in solo wrecks and fell many laps behind the leading cars. The 911 entry ran second several times and even led the race briefly when the rains came. As the race progressed, the Ford GT team covered the first two places with a Corvette close behind. The Porsche RSR number 912 finished sixth, but eight laps behind the winning Ford. Porsche will have to wait until next year and wonder how fast they need to go to win once again.

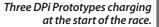
In the GT Daytona class for private teams, Porsche had three groups fielding a 911 GT3 R but they faced eighteen other strong GT3 class contenders with factory based cars from Lamborghini, Mercedes, Acura, Lexus and Ferrari. Ferrari took the front row and the Wright Motorsports GT3 R qualified ninth-a full second back. On the warm up lap leading to the start, the Wright Porsche

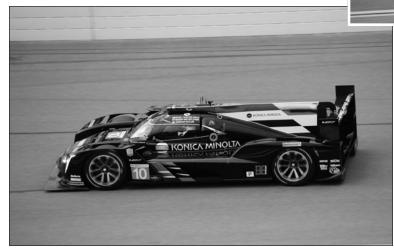
GT3 threw the race away right before my eyes. Aggressively weaving to warm up the tires, the car violently speared into the guard rail just beyond the Porsche Coral. It spent most of the first hour of the race being rebuilt in the garage. At the end of the race, the highest placing GTD Porsche was the Park Place Motorsports GT3 R finishing eighteenth in class and 77 laps behind the winning Lamborghini.

The 56th running of the Rolex 24 was more like the race used to be twenty or thirty years ago when a team could win with pace and flawless execution and have a multiple lap advantage over its rivals. As expected the pace was so fast that the winning GT Le Mans class Ford GT covered 783 laps or 2,787 miles, easily eclipsing the prototype record of 762 laps set back in 1992. The prototype class went an astonishing 808 laps which should stand for many more decades.



Newly updated grandstands on Daytona International's straightaway.





Konica Minolta Cadillac DPi Prototype, last year's overall winner. This year it dropped out after multiple tire failures.



Park Place Motorsports 911 GT3 R piloted by Joerg Bergmeister and Patrick Lindsey was the highest placing Porsche in GTD.



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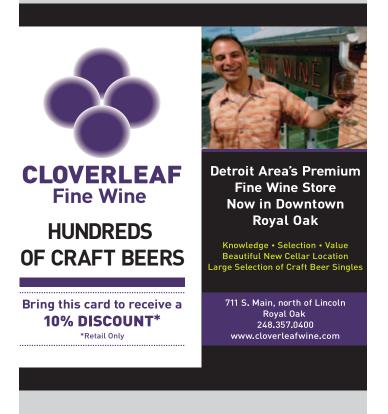
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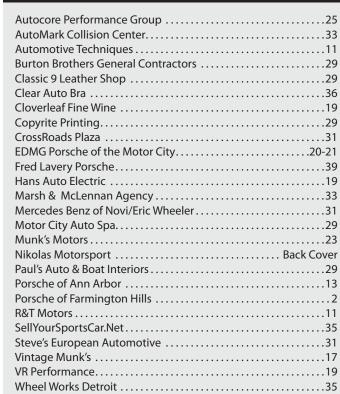
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# Engine's Exposed Exhibit at the Henry Ford

## PHOTOS BY **GARY AMBRUS**

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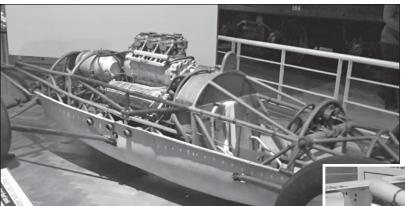


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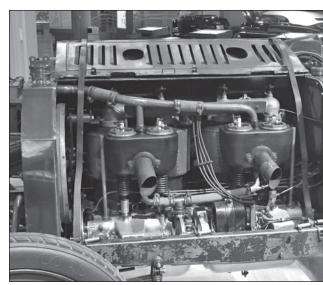
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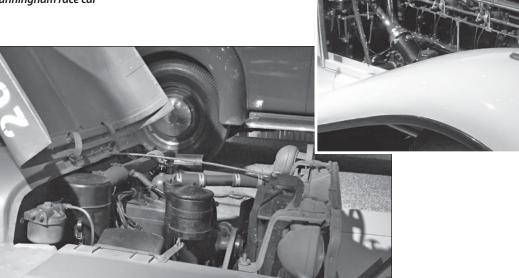
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Belly tanker land speed racer

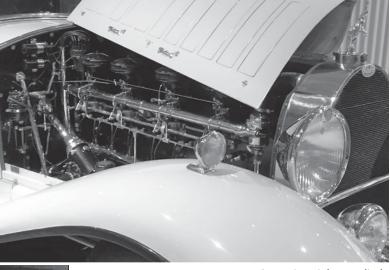


Cunningham race car



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# We are planning our 60th Anniversary Celebration on September 8, 2018.

We will be having a historic car show and an elegant evening at the St. Johns Inn.

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Still have questions or doubts, don't hesitate to contact:

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Tickets are only \$5.00 – Children under 16 are Free
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Dear Marc A. Molzon,

On behalf of the PCA Executive Council and fellow members, I'd like to congratulate the Southeast Michigan Region on its 60th Anniversary.

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- The establishment of such mutually cooperative relationships with other Sports Car Clubs as may be desirable.

We are certainly proud of the Southeast Michigan's success and know that you exemplify the PCA tradition. I am pleased to see that your Region will be celebrating its achievements throughout the upcoming year.

I wish you another 60 years of success.

Sincerely,

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# Caravan to Porsche Parade Lake of the Ozarks, MO





We meet on Saturday, July 6th 2018, at Faith Christian Assembly (25201 Outer Drive, Melvindale, MI)

This is the location where we hold our Street Survival School First car out at 6:30am, taking I-75 towards Toledo We stop in Toledo for breakfast at IHOP (6535 Airport Hwy, Holland, OH 43528). If you prefer Panera Bread, it is close by (7115 West Central Avenue, Toledo, Ohio)

For those living on the West Side might want to take I-275 straight down to Toledo and meet us there

We are leaving at 8:30am towards Fort Wayne via US 24 West Passing Indianapolis, we have Lunch in Mooresville (IN) at "Squealers Award Winning Barbeque", then continuing to Collinsville, IL 62234 for an overnight stay

Arrival Saturday in "Lake of the Ozarks" around 3:55pm gives us ample of time for the welcome tent (closes at 5:00pm)

I reserved a block of 10 rooms at a special PCA rate (\$102 + tax) for our overnight stay on 07/06/2018

DoubleTree by Hilton (618-345-2800) 1000 Eastport Plaza Drive Collinsville, Illinois, 62234 Looking forward seeing you on the 6th. Gretus Hoogestraat (248 670-1761)

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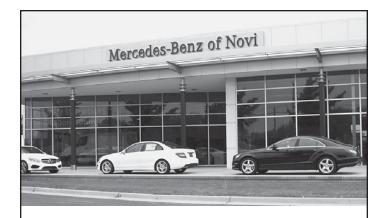
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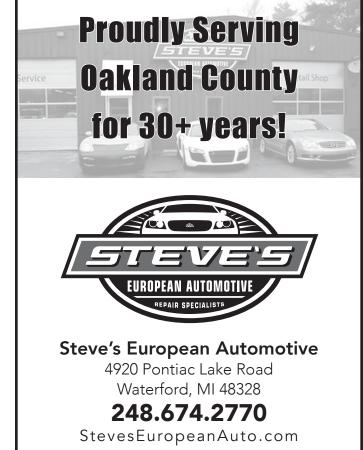


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# Around The Zone



BY LORI SCHUTZ, ZONE 4 REPRESENTATIVE

Zone 4 Rep News: You will be glad to know that I passed the PCA University 101 training at the Winter Board Meeting held in Baltimore MD in early February. This is a ½ day session for new zone reps and other PCA national officials. The rest of the day was spent with the other 13 zone reps planning our strategy for the year. This continued through the following day, and then after lunch was the actual Winter Board Meeting with the Executive Council (EC) and chair reports. Here's a few of the Zone Reps with me getting ready to head out for a trip to headquarters.

Wow, we have a lot going on. I didn't realize that PCA National now manages several events! In addition to Parade, there are 2 Werks Reunions, 2 Tech Tactics, 2 Treffens, and gee what else—oh yea—the Mid Ohio IMSA PorschePlatz and Detroit Grand Prix Porsche Car Corral in our Zone!

A new wing of the PCA Headquarters office was dedicated on Saturday night—our Executive Council—Caren, Tom, Cindy, Aaron and Executive Director Vu 'cut the ribbon' to open to the public.

National Awards are really an important way to define your re-



Ribbon cutting at the dedication of a new wing at PCA headquarters.

gion. Please be sure to submit your entries for the Web site contest and Newsletter Contest coming up. The awards will be presented during the Porsche Parade at Lake of the Ozarks this summer.

**WMR Winterfest**: I had the pleasure of attending the Western Michigan Region Winterfest banquet in February. Among other fun activities and presentations, they had a live auction for Porsche specialty items such as books and clothing and raised over \$3,000 for their charity. Way to go!

**2018 Porsche Parade**: http://2018parade.pca.org/ - Are you registered? Nearly 100 of our members have already registered - a great showing for Zone 4. Key dates to keep in mind:

**April 2:** Phase 2 when you get to register for the actual events at Parade such as banquets, tours and other activities. In preparation, please study the Phase 2 tutorial when it is published to prepare for the registration process.



Lori with Derek Bell (left) and Ray Shaffer from the Atlanta Porsche Experience Center at the dedication ceremony of PCA headquarters' new wing.

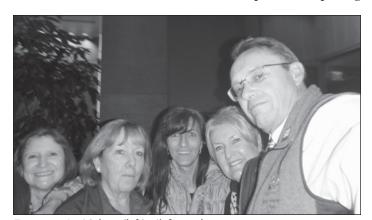
**July 9:** Zone 4 Party at Parade -5:00-6:30 pm - location to be announced. We already have sponsorship for T-shirts, Commemorative Glassware, and door prizes - so please plan to attend if you are going to Parade.

And, to add to my fun, I have accepted a chair position for the 2018 Porsche Parade. I am also the **Parade Historic Car Display Chair**. My request to you: if you know of someone with an historically significant Porsche, specifically from the Schutz Era - 1981 – 1987, please send them my contact information, nor have them contact me. We want to build the best display ever!

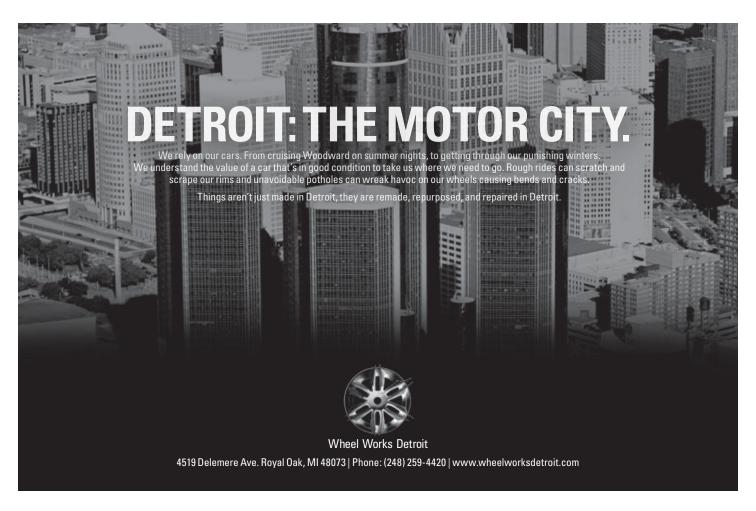
Topic for next month's article: the report from the Amelia Island Concour! Two of my favorite people—Derek Bell, Porsche Race Driver and Ray Shaffer from the Porsche Experience Center in Atlanta—among others will also be attending!

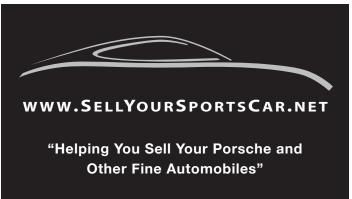
I look forward to seeing all of you soon at a Region event. I may surprise you!

Lori, Zone4Rep@national.pca.org



Zone 4 rep Lori Schutz (left) wih four other zone reps.





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# **SEM Board Minutes** (3/1/18) by Fred Young

In attendance: Board Members: Marc Molzon, Fred Young, Michael Cohen, Gretus Hoogestraat, Walter Crump, and Howard Gilson. Officer: Leo Wanstreet. Guests: Gary and Pat Ambrus. Absent with notice: Greg Gallagher and Patti Door.

Call to Order: 6:55 P.M. by President Marc Molzon.

Minutes: Moved by W.C. and H.G. to approve. Motion passed.

**Financial:** Leo Wanstreet – December and January financials look good. It was a decent year financially. Moved by M.C. and G.H. to approve. Motion passed

**Membership**: Walter Crump is composing a letter to send to new members.

**Insurance:** Marc Molzon – Needed for several upcoming events.

**P-4:** Michael Cohen – He is very pleased with March issue and overall contents of the P4's.

#### **OLD BUSINESS:**

**February 17: Henry Ford Museum:** Gary Ambrus – Sparce turnout. **March 10: Roush Racing Museum:** Fred Young – All set.

**March 18: Motor City Auto Spa:** Michael Cohen – This is a very nice new facility and should be a good event.

April 7: Munk's Tech Session: OK

**April 15: DE-101:** Marc Molzon – Invaluable for new DE entrants.

**April 28: Autocore:** Marc Molzon – They will have cars on display and answer questions.

**May 5: Selfridge Air Force Museum:** Fred Young – Ad will be in the April P4 with registration details.

May 11: DE #1: Marc Molzon – On track

May 19: Street Survival School: Registration is open. In need of instructors.

May 20: Spring Tour: Gretus Hoogestraat – Hopes pot holes are filled by then.

**June 10: Waterford Hills Family Day:** Fred Young – Date confirmed. Expects good turnout.

**July 7: Deutsche Marque:** Fred Young – The date conflicts with Parade but it is a great event and an ad in P4 is possible.

**July 8-14: Porsche Parade:** Gretus Hoogestraat – He has a route and is looking for hotels for caravan participants.

**July 21: Progressive Dinner:** Looking for a sponsor and host homes. **August 19: Family Picnic and Concours:** OK

**September 8: 60th Anniversary Party:** Marc Molzon – We have received posters, banners and decals from National PCA commemorating the event. A meeting is set for March 26.

**Web Site:** Marc Molzon – The new website is up and running. After training, adjustments will be made to the content.

Goodie Store: Inventory needed.

Event Reports: None needed.

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

Marc Molzon – Marc is in negotiations with M1 Concours. The costs seem prohibitive at this time.

**Meeting adjourned at 7:55 P.M. –** Moved to adjourn by G.H. and W.C. Motion passed.

**Refreshments and Locations:** Thursday, April 5 – Pat Ambrus – Gilson's



## SEM/PCA Member Anniversaries - April 2018

Thanks to the SEM/PCA webmaster Erik Ohrnberger, we are pleased to now be able to recognize membership anniversaries each month.

Congratulations to all who have a membership anniversary this month!

Anniversaries are noted by the date the primary member joined PCA. Please let us know if we've made an error or omission.

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Tiptronic. Lowered, suspension mods, Pioneer head unit with Bluetooth, navigation and back up camera. IMS Guardian+LN Enineering oil filter adapter non-bypass filter system. First place SEM/PCA concours. 99,833 miles. \$18,900. Contact Michael Cohen 248-227-8604. Email michael@sellyoursportscar.net (4/18)

**2002 PORSCHE 911 CARRERA 4 CABRIOLET:** Seal gray metallic/black leather and top. Awd, 6 speed manual. Bose, heated, power seats, headlamp washers, xenon lights, carbon fiber steering wheel, embossed head rests, 18" Braid wheels, short shift kit. Upgraded IMS bearing. 88,377 miles. \$17,500. Contact Michael Cohen 248-227-8604. Email michael@sellyoursportscar.net (4/18)

# Welcome New Members:

Stephen Parker
Noel Mack

# 2018 High Performance Driver Education (HPDE) Schedule Waterford Hills Raceway

 April 15
 DE 101 School

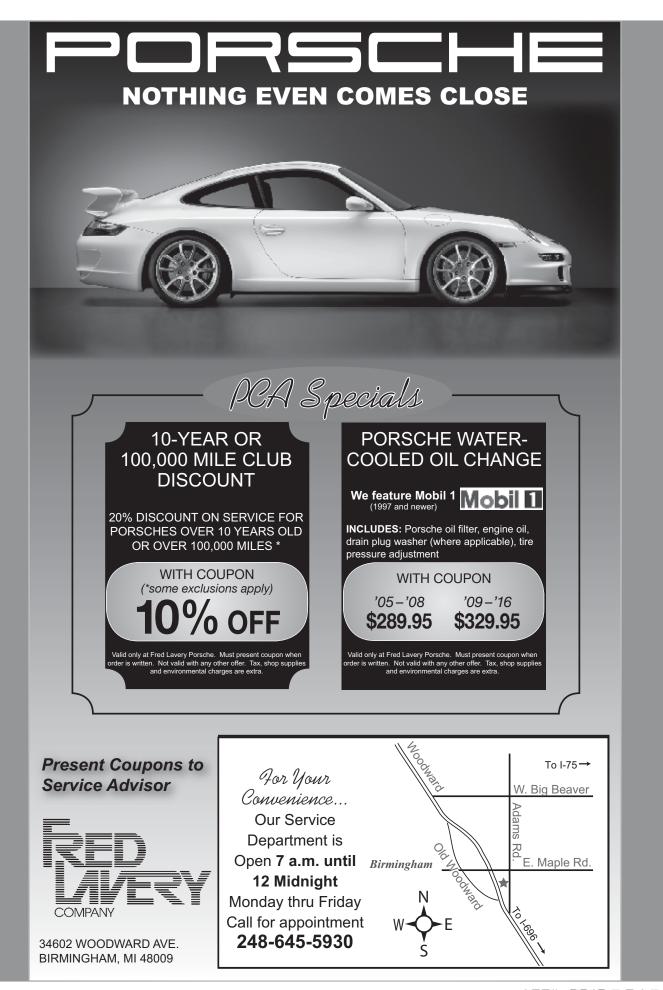
 May 11
 DE #1

 June 23
 DE #2

 August 24
 DE #3

 September 28
 DE #4

NOTE: Dates and track venue are subject to change



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