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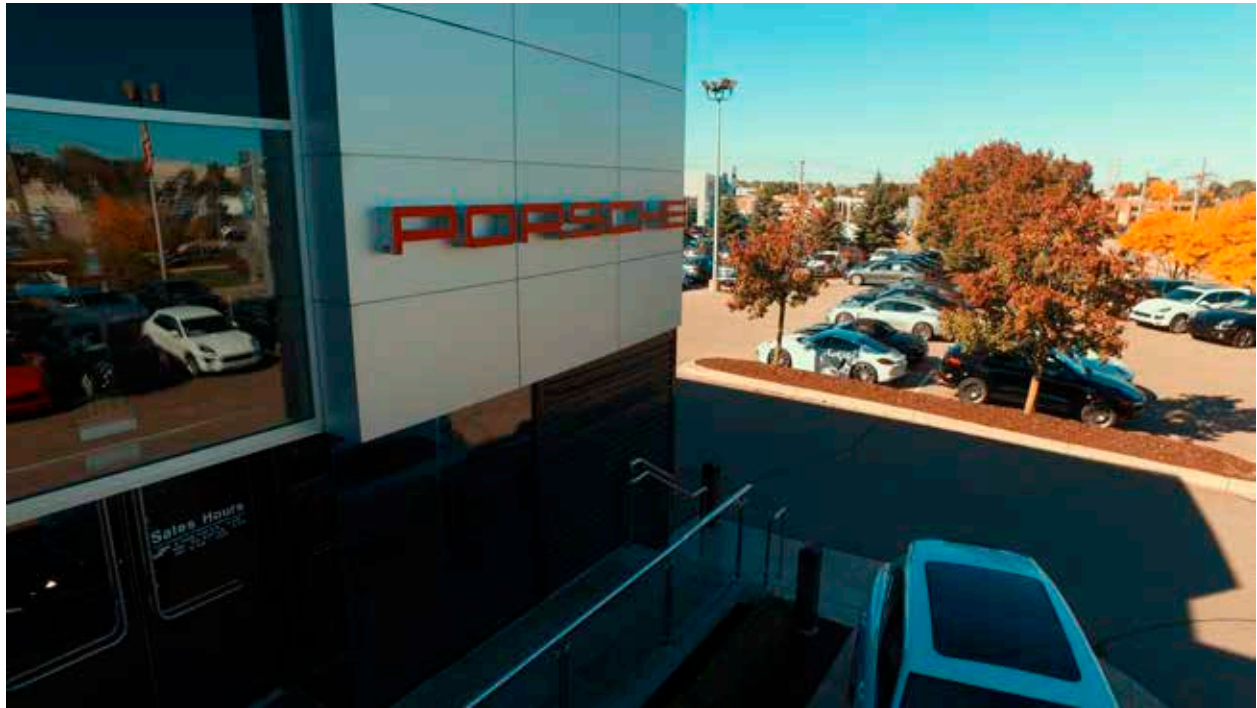
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ON THE COVER:

*Many delicious options were available in the buffet line.
Photo by Gretus Hoogestraat*

2019 SEM/PCA CALENDAR

SEPTEMBER

5	Business Meeting
13	Ladies Drive
22	Drive your Porsche Day
24	DE at M-1 Concourse

OCTOBER

3	Business Meeting
20	Fall Color Tour

NOVEMBER

7	Business Meeting & Calendar Planning
8	Membership Dinner

DECEMBER

5	Business Meeting
7	Holiday Party

= Not an SEMPCA Event
All dates and events are subject to confirmation

BUSINESS MEETINGS

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

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

President's Column

BY GRETUS HOOGESTRAAT



The Team had a Regional Picnic and Concours ... and won again!!!

Hello SEM Members

Last Sunday we had a Picnic and Concours at the Springdale Golf Course in Bloomfield Hills. What a wonderful day with nice cars, old and new good friends plus 136 car enthusiasts. What a great time we had despite a short heavy rain shower during lunch time. The food was delicious, thank you Patti Door, Don Kleist and Tom Grabowski for cooking and organizing the event. Thank you to all the volunteers for helping and bringing appetizers and desserts.

A lot of awards were given away. This is the way to get into the Concours on Regional and National level. Thank you Fred Young for organizing the Concours and preparing the Trophies.

You'll find a more detailed recap and pictures inside this P4 edition.

SEM Charity Support in Florida

SEM supported a special needs child in Boca Raton. His name is Matthew DeLaRosa, born with some disabilities, he is 19 years old and bound to a wheel-chair. Matthew lives in Boca Raton and loves cars so we had he and his dad come to the Auto-X at the Palm Beach International Raceway on Thursday. Matthew and his dad looked at the cars and he was happy.

SEM Public Service/Charity Chair Chrissy Crowe arranged for one of the professional drivers from Michelin Drive & Compare to take Matthew around the track three times ... that made him a Speed Junkie. Just look at the picture to see how happy he was. Matthew's dad told us ... **Mission Accomplished**, it was the ride of his life.



Matthew DeLaRosa going for the ride of his life.

Thank you Michelin, it was very nice of you to do this for Matthew. You made his day, week, month and year. It was the first time he had a helmet on and rode in a Porsche.

Mark your calendars as we enter a new era for the Porsche brand!!!

The 2020 Porsche Taycan is almost here. Porsche has announced that its first all-electric model will make its global debut on September 4, 2019. There will be a live stream at <http://newstv.porsche.com/en>

The Taycan will be revealed at simultaneous events happening in three key locations: Germany, Canada, and China. The live stream event will happen at this exact time: 3 pm (CET) Germany, 9 am (UCT-4) Canada and 9 pm (CST) China.



Porsche Taycan

The Taycan can sprint to 62 mph (100 kph) in less than 3.5 seconds, while a 0 to 124 mph (200 kph) run is possible in less than 12 seconds. Top speed? Over 155 mph (250 kph). The lithium-ion battery it carries has a gross capacity of around 90 kWh. The 800-volt voltage system needs 15 minutes of charging time to get 248 miles (400 km) of range.

Events are coming up in September

Please see page 4 for the complete SEM/PCA Calendar and online at sem.pca.org for the most up-to-date information.

September 13th is The Ladies Only Drive / Ladies Night Out

Contact Past President Patti Door (248) 207-7617 / Patti@sem.pca.org to make your reservation.

September 22nd is Drive Your Porsche Day

Contact Howard Gilson at hgilson@gilsonmotorsports.com or 248-770-1788 for details.

September 24th is the last Driver Education event for the year at M1 Concourse Race Track

Contact Steve Carbary (586) 242-6437 / de@sem.pca.org for further information.

You have a new idea for an event? May it be a social event, a driving tour etc., just contact any Board Member. They will be open and happy to hear your thoughts and ideas.

I'm looking forward seeing you at one of our next events.

Thank you,

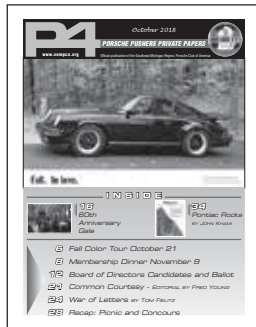
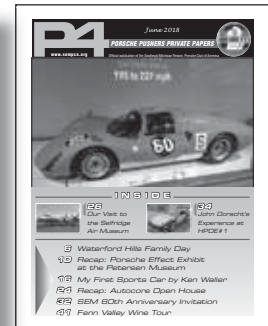
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SEM P4

An Award Winning PCA Newsletter

In March of this year we entered our SEM P4 into the 2019 PCA Newsletter Contest, which covers multi-page stand alone newsletters from all regions for 2018. There are actually three parts to the contest-best full newsletter (2 examples required), best cover and best feature article.

-For the best full newsletter portion of the contest we submitted our March and June 2018 editions for consideration.



-For the best cover competition we entered our October 2018 edition

-And, for the best feature article part of the contest we entered the HPDE Recap article from June 2018.



At the PCA Parade in July it was announced that the SEM P4 had won 3rd place in the best full newsletter category for Class IV regions.



2018 Associate Editor Mark Vander Eyk and Managing Editor Michael Cohen displaying SEM's award
(See page 7 for a close up of the P4 award)

Thanks to all of the SEM members that contributed to the P4 in 2018 and helped make it a success.

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2019 Pittsburgh Vintage Grand Prix

STORY BY **DON KLEIST**

PHOTOS BY **NANCY RICHARDSON**

A few months ago I got a message from Jim Williams. He asked if we would be interested in going to Pittsburgh to see a weekend of vintage car races. I talked it over with Nancy and we decided to go.

These races are held on the roads that run through Schenley Park in downtown Pittsburgh, PA. At least I think it is in downtown. The streets there are very confusing to a visitor. Few, if any streets run east-west or north-south. And the locals employ an arcane system of street signs that I was unable to crack during our two days there. It didn't help that I was mostly following Jim and had no idea route we were using.

The overall sponsor of the races, officially called The Pittsburgh Vintage Grand Prix, is the Greater Pittsburgh Automobile Dealers Foundation. The group we were with was hosted by the Allegheny Region of PCA. There were a lot of Porsches, including a large contingent from the Chicago Region.

Schenley Park contains a golf course and visitors-spectators parked on the fairways. Cars of the same marque were parked together, hosted by local clubs for each marque. Near where the cars were parked were tents for serving catered food and tables and chairs to sit and eat. Near us were groups of BMWs, M-Bs and Audis. Other marques were scattered about the golf course.

What do I remember most about this event? It was HOT!!! The temperature and humidity were both in the upper 90s, and the golf course offered little in the way of shade. At least our Porsche group had ample bottled water, canned pop, and snow cones. I think we got our money's worth just in bottled water.

Our weekend started early Friday morning as we departed for Pittsburgh, hoping to arrive in time for drive sponsored by the Allegheny Region. The traffic was moderate and we made good time. The only real tie-up was getting onto the Ohio Turnpike from I280. Although we encountered several lane closures all but one was where the turnpike has three lanes each way. Necking traffic down to two lanes hardly slowed us at all.

We met Jim and Laurie at the Double Wide Grill in Mars,

Pennsylvania, a northern suburb of Pittsburgh. They had driven to the Pittsburgh area the day before. We met up with others who had signed up for a drive and dinner on that Friday. After the usual drivers' meeting we set off for the back roads of western Pennsylvania. We had a fantastic drive on great, twisty roads. They were among the best I have ever driven, right up there with the roads in South Dakota that we drove while attending the last PCA Escape. This was one of the few times when I could put the PDK in Super Sport mode and really enjoy the performance of my 911.

(I haven't yet driven The Tail of the Dragon but plan to this fall when we go to the BMW Club's Oktoberfest in Greenville South Carolina. Oktoberfest is BMW's version of Porsche Parade.)

After the drive we had a barbeque dinner and a brew or two at the Double Wide Grill. Then it was on to our motel for some well-deserved rest.

The next morning we headed back to Pittsburgh for the first day of the Grand Prix. We managed to find Schenley Park and got in line

for directions to the Porsche area. Jim was in front of us and was given a sheet with instructions. All I got was a terse "Follow him." Somehow the directions were confusing and we ended up outside of the Park. Imagine trying to follow a car in an unfamiliar city without even a clue as to where our destination was! I ran several yellow traffic lights, and one or two red ones, until Jim somehow found the correct route.

After parking, registering and getting some bottled water, we headed for a place to watch race practice. We had lawn chairs and umbrellas for shade, but we were in the open on a fairway and we were uncomfortably hot. But we persevered.

The racers were almost entirely foreign cars. The only Domestic cars listed on the roster of entered cars was a '66 Chevy Yenko Stinger, which I assume is a modified Corvette, and a '29 Ford Speedster. This is such an outlier I wonder if it is a misprint. During the races I didn't see anything that looked like a 'Vette or a 1920s car. The oldest cars that I could identify were three MGTDs which were from the early 1950s. The newest car entered was an



2019 Pittsburgh Vintage Grand Prix Recap *Continued*

'85 BMW 325is. Scattered throughout the classes were a handful of '70s 911s and 914s, both 4- and 6-cylinder versions.

Our viewing location gave us a fair view of three turns of the course, but we were unable to see much of the course. We did, however, have a magnificent view of the tower at the University of Pittsburgh.

We watched several classes of race cars practice, then returned to the Porsche area for some shade and lunch. Again, we had barbecue, this time catered by Mission BBQ, a chain of barbecue joints.

After lunch and time to cool off a bit, we found a place near the BMW area where we had a closer view of the racers than in the morning. We watched the racers until we had had enough sunshine and humidity for the day. Jim suggested the place they ate at for dinner on Thursday night. So we were off to The Church Brew Works. Located in a former church, this is a brew pub/restaurant that specializes in, you guessed it, barbecue! The food was good and good beer is just what all of us needed after a long day in the sun.

The next morning driving to the park was a bit easier than before, but don't ask me for directions. I'm sure I couldn't get there on my own.

We found a good place to watch the actual races and watched from there both morning and afternoon. We experienced a short, but intense rain shower. The racing continued in the rain. The cars must have been equipped with wet weather tires as they did not stop to change tires.

When the last race finished I had had enough for one weekend. We headed our motel for a quick shower and a change into dry clothes. We chose a nearby restaurant, anything but barbecue, and enjoyed a leisurely dinner.

Jim and Laurie chose a back roads route back to Michigan while Nancy and I headed for the Pennsylvania and Ohio Turnpikes. Our return drive was mostly uneventful except for two very heavy thunderstorms we encountered in western Pennsylvania and eastern Ohio. I estimated that visibility was less than 250 feet and traffic slowed considerably. After the rain stopped the rest of the trip was a smooth drive, but a long one. We arrived at Nancy's house in the early afternoon, just in time for her to rescue her cats from their stay at the boarding facility.

This was definitely a different experience for both Nancy and me. The drive to Pittsburgh is a bit more than 200 miles each way, but is mostly freeway and traffic moved smartly. The Friday afternoon drive north of the Pittsburgh metro area was super, the races very entertaining, and we made several new friends in the Porsche Community. All in all, it was a wonderful weekend getaway.



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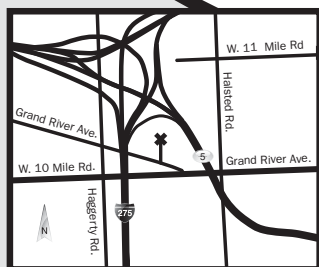
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Left or Right

BY **TOM FIELITZ**

The debate will rage on between the traditional manual transmission drives and the supporters of the new wave of automotive technology, the dual clutch paddle shift transmission. By now it should be obvious that the new technology will not go away but rather will be refined and ultimately prevail. Rather than fight progress we should open ourselves to the possibilities it creates. If you are a manual shift driver you have perfected the use of your left foot to manipulate the clutch pedal and the right foot to manage both the accelerator and brake pedal. The truly dedicated driver took that one step further and learned how to heel and toe manipulate the brake and gas pedal at the same time while rowing the stick shift through the gears. On the race track the super gifted drivers practically dance on the pedals with the left foot doing double duty on the clutch pedal and the brake pedal as needed. Then along comes the automatic transmission and not only has the clutch pedal disappeared but so has the gear lever. The purist driver could dismiss the automatic as being inefficient and not sporting. But can the same be said of the new dual clutch transmission? It is quickly taking over the shifting duties of all of the super sports car builders to the point that they don't even offer a manual transmission option. Can Porsche be that far behind?

Here is the big advantage in the dual clutch transmission that seems to have gone un-noticed; left foot braking. Tests at Michigan State University showed that braking with the left foot reduces reaction time to apply the brakes by three-tenths of a second. At just 30 m.p.h. a car will stop 13 foot sooner. On race tracks around the world all manner of professional racers learned how apply the brake with their left foot because it allowed them to brake later than their opponent and to use the brake to finely balance the weight shift of the car in mid corner. Now the sequential shift transmission has replaced the shift lever and become widely adapted in many forms of race cars, both formula and sport classes. Now that the dual clutch transmission has spread as an option in road cars, the sports car driver has the same driving options as the professional driver. With both hands never leaving the steering wheel there is complete control over the gear change and that change can happen faster and more efficiently than humanly possible using a conventional

gear lever. Indeed, the old adage of never shifting in mid corner has become a moot point.

The current Porsche DSG dual clutch gearbox is a true wonder on the track as well as the road. Computer algorithms guiding the gear selection have advanced to the point that even experienced race car drivers say that they let the computer select the gears in most situations. I have experienced a new Porsche Cayman in both Tiptronic and DSG option and the DSG was a quantum leap better in operation. Where the Tiptronic was a compromise on the track, the same could not be said of the DSG. Indeed, the DSG equipped Porsches I have observed consistently outperformed their manual shift brethren.

So are we all converts now to left foot braking? Maybe yes, and maybe no depending on who you talk to. Over the past few weeks I have talked to many race car drivers, driving instructors and to owners of dual clutch transmission cars with some fascinating feedback. The only instance where left foot braking was essential was in formula cars with small displacement engines. Braking against the engine torque at low engine rpm kept the engine in the correct power range in mid corner. A driver who could master this technique had better acceleration out of slow corners. But drivers of higher horsepower cars, especially sports cars or sports prototype cars did not use the left foot braking technique. The broad power range of horsepower and torque did not require dragging the brake pedal with the left foot. It was actually counterproductive and added unnecessary brake wear. The newest technology of electric motor boosted engines makes the response to the throttle very nearly instant. Add to this the new technology of computer controlled blip of the throttle on down shifts and the skills of dancing both feet on three pedals appears to be a fading skill that is no longer needed.



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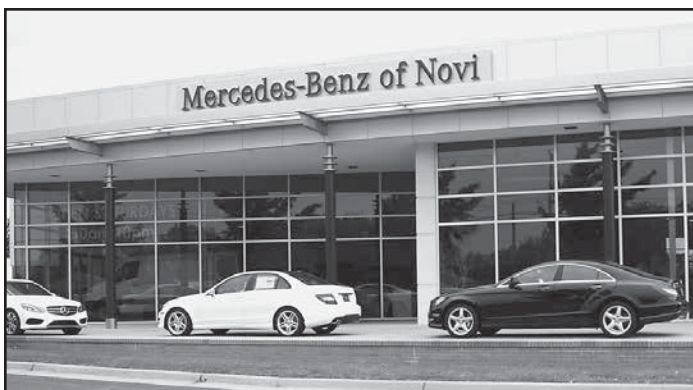
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STORY AND PHOTOS BY **CARLOS AND VERONICA CARMONA**

Porsches, Palm Trees, and Sunny Boca Raton

What can possibly go wrong when you have sunny skies, palm trees and lots of Porsches on the gorgeous golf course of the Waldorf Astoria Resort in Boca Raton?

Well, if you brought a car to show then you would have lots of stress and probably not enjoy all there is to do at the weeklong annual Porsche Parade. When you bring a car to show at Parade there is a lot of worrying that goes on and believe me we know after participating in three parades. If you drive to Parade you could encounter rain on your car after spending weeks cleaning it, God forbid you get into a fender bender or while you stay at Motel 6 in the middle of nowhere, like you sometimes do, how can you sleep knowing your precious baby is outside and not in a safe covered garage? If you ship your car or trailer it, more worries. If you ship it in a covered trailer not only will it cost you an arm and a leg, but what if the guys unloading your pretty Porsche scratch or ding it? Sometimes you only find out there is a problem after a judge points it out. Well then, you finally made it to Parade safe and sound. Now, you barely spend any time at the welcoming party because you have to get up early and clean brake dust, windows, etc. for the next two days.

So this year, Veronica and I woke up on the Sunday morning before Parade and had a conversation about our past experiences. We considered, LET'S GO TO PARADE WITHOUT A CAR. How weird, what would we do? She said, have a weekend vacation and enjoy Parade with no cars to show. Perfect!

It was very different than previous years. When we arrived on Saturday at the beautiful resort there were Porsches everywhere in all different colors. Then we ran into people we had met at previous Parades from three different states and shared wonderful memories from years past. We checked into our room, put on shorts and t-shirts and off we went to the area where cars were being prepped for Monday's Concours. There we ran into Michael and Howard Gilson. These guys were really into it and barely



The Concours judging field

had time to chat. There were some amazing cars spread over the three floors of fun, as Veronica called it. There were license plates from all over the country. Lou and Vivian Yonce also were there cleaning their two 911 Turbos. As the morning rolled on we got really hot, so off the pool we went to cool off. I could not help thinking about all our friends cleaning their cars, I felt so guilty-but only for a minute. After two hours of sunbathing and doing nothing we headed to the Iron Chef, Morimoto's restaurant inside the resort, for absolutely amazing sushi

After lunch we took a ten minute ferry ride to the beach and hung out until sunset. That evening we went to the welcoming event, which was different than most years. It used to be divided by zones, but this year all zones were together in one gigantic room with an open bar and a big time buffet. There again, we saw lots of familiar faces from past Parades. It was a great feeling catching up and sharing stories as some of the people have sold cars and bought new ones.

The next morning Vero and I went to the prep garage again and by now all cars were looking just as spotless as when they were delivered. That afternoon we ran into Sabrina and Walt Crump. We lunched together and had a blast with them talking about all that we have in common. Great Couple! Then, the goody store opened and we shopped a lot. Great stuff this year. That evening we were picked up by friends, that live in the area, and they took us to Palm Beach for dinner.

2019 PCA Porsche Parade Recap *Continued*

The next morning it was FINALLY time for the Concours, Yes the moment of truth, but not for us as we did not bring a car. I don't remember seeing so many colors of Porsches, there was even a pink 944 Turbo and a pink Porsche Tractor. What a sight! Then it was time for judging, even our own Fred Young was on the golf course. Lots of anxious and nervous folks were awaiting their results. Lou Yonce, my friend of 45 years, looked exhausted from the Florida heat. The Gilson's also look tired, but happy to be finally done. We were glad to see all of our friend's cars at their best, as they should be!

I'm proud to say that our SEMPCA Team did very well this year. Lou Yonce got second place with his beautiful guards red 911 Turbo in street class. Also, Vivian Yonce got a third place with her sexy white 911 Turbo S in street class. Howard Gilson placed second with his mean looking Spyder in street class. Michael Gilson kicked it out of the park with his outrageous Speedster earning 1st place in preparation class and also received the prestigious Concours Preparation Group award. If that was not enough, SEM won 3rd place in the PCA group 4 full newsletter competition under Michael Cohen's stewardship.

After all is said and done, there is no better feeling than getting an award at the national level. It is worth all the stress and problems one can incur during the whole ordeal. We really missed not having a car there this year, but we also learned a lot about what the other folks do when they are there just to enjoy the time with each other. After all IT'S NOT JUST THE CARS, IT'S THE PEOPLE!!!



Michael Gilson cleaning his Speedster



Michael and Howard Gilson in Concours preparation area



Lou Yonce's 911 Turbo



Sabrina, Veronica, Walter, Lori Schutz and Carlos enjoying Parade



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DE #3 at Waterford

STORY BY **STEVE CARBARY**

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A Summer Day for Everyone

Let's all admit it. We all love Michigan and our outside activities, but getting the combination for just the right day on the day we want is a rare occasion. It is something to revel in when the exact day you have an outside event planned with a large gathering of people meets the perfect day that ends up around 80 degrees with very low humidity. August 9th and our third DE of the season was one of these golden Michigan summer days. I am pleased to report that a good number of SEM PCA members and guests all enjoyed our day at Waterford Hills Road Course. Just the right mix in the air of sun block, hot brakes, and cool breezes.

This was our third DE of our 2019 season, and even with this, we had several first time students attend. While our first track day of the year is traditionally tailored towards people trying these events for the first time, truthfully, we welcome first timers at any of our events. The SEM PCA DE team will always be there to answer all questions and guide anyone wishing to join in the fun of taking your car out on our local tracks and having some fun. Also attending that day were a combination of people gaining in experience, some of our track day regulars, and of course, our seasoned instructors. Our instructors are some of the best drivers I have ever had the pleasure of teaming up with. If you have not had the chance to have them coach you around a track, you are really missing out.

With the weather being on our side, the first time students really got a good start to seeing what our Drivers Education program has to offer. They got a chance to learn some further driving dynamics and to begin pushing their cars more towards the higher end of their performance capabilities. Our track day regulars got a great chance to test their skills and push their limits too. The temperature was in the sweet spot for this. Not too taxing on cars or drivers. Even the instructors were having a good time with their cars. Lots of 'hot laps' and playing going on.

I met several guests at the track, some came along with a DE participant while others just came to watch the action. In either case I saw smiling faces and people having a great day in the sun. Waterford Hills has a couple of great viewing stands and viewpoints to watch the action from. And now with the large pavilion, there is plenty of shade to take a break and relax. Everyone is welcome to come out and watch at all of our DE's. Don't hesitate to come out sometime and check it out. Although the best viewing is from the driver's seat!!!

As the day moved along I was approached by the track manager who told me that this would be the last time we would be driving on this track. After collecting myself I questioned what he meant. As many may be aware, Waterford Hills track had just been rebuilt from the foundation up this past fall. Now, unfortunately through this season it had started to have issues with the top coat. Waterford Hills hosts its own race series and actually had to cancel one of its qualifying days due to the condition of the track earlier this summer. And while the construction company that laid the track responded quickly to patch and repair the failing spots, the track is still having issues. They got the race day off and have been hosting events through the remaining summer. So now they are having it completely resurfaced again this October. So the track manager's comments were directed at that. It would be the last time driving on 'that' track. Next year it will seem all new again and have to be broken in all over again.

So between the gorgeous weather, great driving, lots of friends both new and old, and beautiful cars everywhere you looked, I would say it was a great summer day for everyone. If you missed out though, you still have time to make our last DE. This will be at M1 Concourse and the Champion Motor Speedway on September 24th. It is a great experience any time you get a chance to drive on this course, so don't miss out. You should sign up today!!

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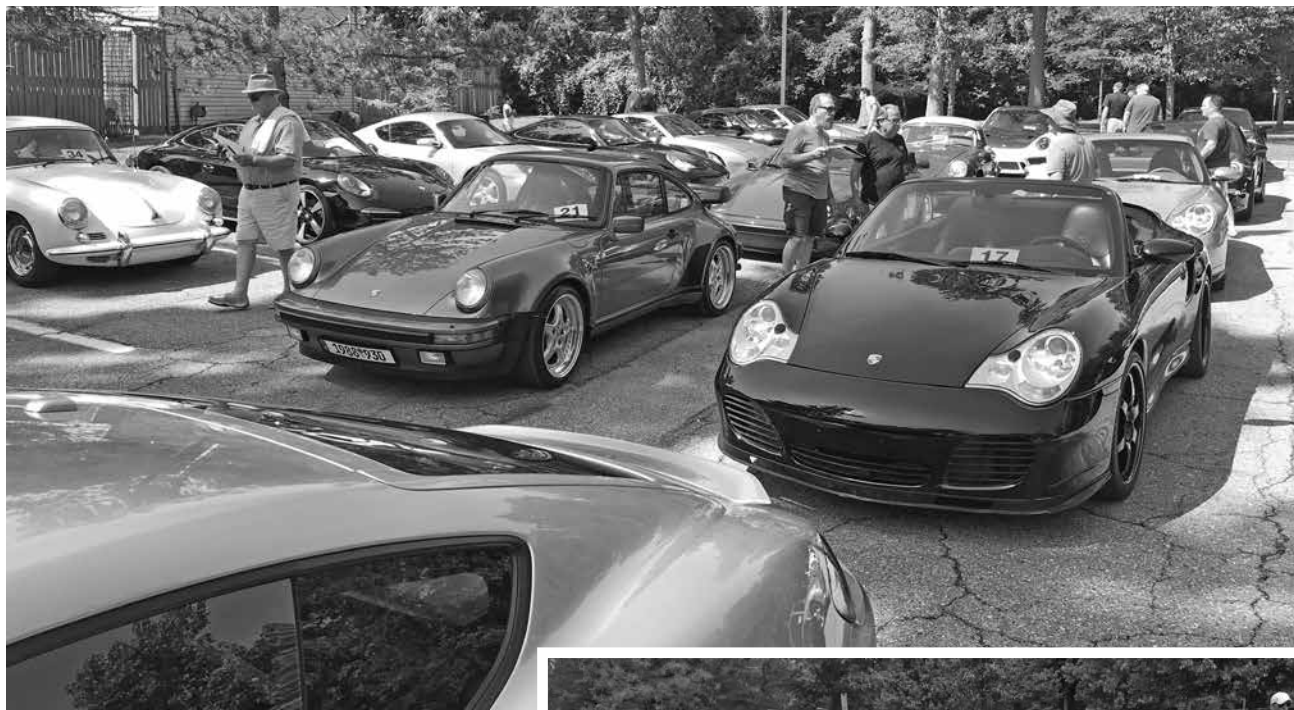
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RECAP **Annual SEM Concours Recap**

STORY BY **FRED YOUNG**

PHOTOS BY **MARK VANDEREYK**



34 Porsches were entered into the Concours, some of them were winners at Parade, and quite a few more cars were on display.



Leon Lewis's 911 GT3 RS drew a lot of interest



Michel Gilson's 911 Speedster son 1st place in the Preparation Class at Parade and was on display at the Concours

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2011	Silver	Boxster	Spyder	Howard Gilson**

356 Class

1955	Silver	Spyder	Roadster	Joseph Jakubus
1964	Yellow	356C	Coupe	Richard McClelland
1965	Slate Gray	356C	Cabriolet	Bill Block & Freda Giblin

924 - 928 - 944 - 968 Class

1986	Guards Red	944 Turbo	Coupe	John Nikolas
1985	Kalahari Beige	944	Coupe	Gene Kiesel
1987	Red	951	Coupe	Dave Miller

Boxster - Cayman Class

2008	Silver	Cayman S	Coupe	Veronica Carmona
2010	Black	Boxster	Cabriolet	Shirl Carlisle
2018	GT Silver	Boxster	Cabriolet	Arthur G. Dahl IV

911 - 912 - 914 before 1986 Class

1980	Anthracite Black	911 SC	Coupe	Lori Schutz
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1987 - 1998 - 911 Class

1988	Granite Green	930	Coupe	Eric Chau
1987	Red	911	Cabriolet	Chris Braden

1999 - 2010 - 911 Class

2002	Silver	996	Coupe	Chris Young
2003	Silver	911	Cabriolet	Nick Bogaerts
2003	Silver	996 Turbo	Coupe	Jeff Hendry
2004	Black	911 C4S	Coupe	Mark VanderEyck
2008	Black	911 Turbo	Cabriolet	Michael Cohen
2003	Black	911 C4S	Coupe	Carlos Carmano
2007	Silver	997	Cabriolet	Grace Phan

2011 and Up - 911 Class

2019	White & Black	911 GT3RS	Coupe	Leon Lewis
2015	Carrera White	911 Turbo	Coupe	Vivian Yonce
2017	GT Silver	911 4S	Targa	Gianluigi Gennari
2014	Black	911 Turbo S	Coupe	Jim & Lisa Tanner

Cayenne - Macan - Panamera Class

2013	Black	Cayenne	SUV	Andrew & Sachi Olson
2005	Silver	Cayenne	SUV	Bruce Gearn

*Entrants are ranked in the order of finish. There are several ties for 1st, 2nd and 3rd places.

** Also placed first in class.

Many thanks to our dedicated judges, Bill Block, Dennis Denyer, Bruce Gearn, Dale Goby, Gene Kiesel, Gretus Hoogestraat and Jim Williams. Most of the judges have judged at the national level and are keenly aware of what makes a winner. The People's Choice awards also coincided with the judges awarding the top score to them also. There were over thirty-four entrants in the field this year. Probably another fifteen cars were in the parking lot for perusal. One of those cars belonged to Michael Gilson who just won an overall award in preparation at the Parade in Boca Raton.

We appreciate all those that put forth the effort to show their cars. It involves a lot of work to bring them up to the caliber needed to win. For those that didn't place this year we hope it was a learning experience and not a discouragement to try again. The SEM members can be proud to display their cars at the national level. This is demonstrated year after year at various Parades by SEM contestants walking away with a multitude of honors. While the 2020 Palm Springs Parade is a good distance away, please give consideration to the French Lick, Indiana Parade in 2021 for showing your car.

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RECAP **Annual SEM Picnic**

STORY BY **PAULA TRENDOV**



Paula Jo

WITH ASSISTANCE **FROM PATTI DOOR**

PHOTOS BY **NANCY RICHARDSON**

Mother Nature Did Not Dampen Our Porsche Spirit

Sunday, August 18, 2019 was hot and muggy, with the threat of rain for our annual SEMPCA Porsche Picnic at Springdale Park, in Birmingham. Patti Door once again put it all together without a hitch. She said when the annual picnic time comes around she watches the weather really close. Mother Nature did play a little trick on us and sent thunder, lightning and rain 1 PM when we were just getting ready to eat. Well, we were not going to have that stop us from coming together for another wonderful day of showing off our Porsches in the Concours, indulging in some mighty fine eating and talking to fellow club members about what they have been doing this summer. We cannot complain too much because it has been about 20 years since it rained on one of our picnics. Patti Door said at least this time Susie Denyer's automobile did not get smashed by a tree like it did when the picnic was held at Cranbrook.

We would like to thank all the ladies that helped set up and tear down the buffet. All of our leftover food was boxed up and delivered to the Royal Oak Police Department, so nothing was wasted. I am sure they were very appreciative because there were some great looking selections on the buffet. You wanted to taste a little of everything. We also want to thank Angie Hendry for so graciously taking on the job of collecting the money and handing out the wristbands. It never ceases to amaze me how generous our members are when it comes to putting an event together and making sure all the bases are covered. Thank you again everyone.

Attention Members

Patti Door is missing a couple of towels with her name on them from the picnic. These towels are very special and sentimental for Patti, if you know their whereabouts please contact her at 248-207-7617

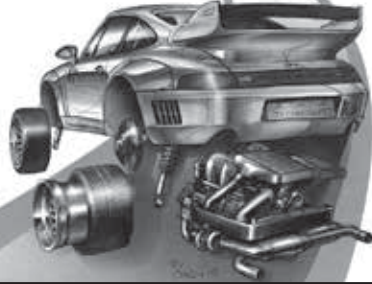


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The ceremonial passing of the grill brush between Don Kleist and Lucas Phan

Also thanks goes to Tom Grabowski, our now famous BBQ rib chef. Can that man cook or what! He did not disappoint. Did I mention the dessert table with something for every sweet tooth? I heard people asking for recipes for every sweet tooth? So, if you went away hungry, only you are to blame. Thankfully we had the pavilion to keep us and the food protected from the rain which only lasted a short while. I am not sure if there was a rainbow, but that would have been the topper if there was.... don't you think?

Once everyone had satisfied their appetite, Concours awards were handed out. I enjoyed seeing all the winners come up front to claim their trophies and who knows, maybe next year I will give it a try.

Until then, have a great time for the remainder of our summer and we look forward to seeing you at our next SEM outing.

Auf Wiedersehen.



Tom Grabowski with a tray of his famous BBQ Ribs



The SEM Picnic A-Team of Don Kleist, Patti Door and Tom Grabowski

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Business Meeting Minutes* (8/8/19) by Fred Young

AUGUST 8, 2019

In attendance: Board Members: Fred Young, Gretus Hoogestraat, Howard Gilson, Walter Crump, Lucas Phan, Lisa Molzon, Steve Carbary, Marc Molzon and Michael Cohen. Officers: Mark VanderEyck, Chrissy Crowe and Jim Williams. Guest: Patti Door

Call to Order: 6:55 p.m. by President Gretus Hoogestraat

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

Financial: Jim Williams - Invoices were sent out. It was moved by H.G. and F.Y. to set up an account for the purchased credit card reader. Motion passed. It was moved by H.G. and M.M. to authorize three officers on the card. Motion passed. It was moved By M.M. and L.M. to approve the financials. Motion passed

Membership: Lisa Molzon - Membership is at 716 primary and 397 associate members.

Insurance: Steve Carbary - OK for the DE. Needed for M-1, Drive your Porsche Day and Ladies Drive

P-4: Mark VanderEyck - Went over the September content. Previous editor, Michael Cohen, was awarded a third place trophy for last years P4 newsletters by PCA National at Parade.

OLD BUSINESS:

July 13: Progressive Dinner: Patti Door - It was a resounding success with great food and a good route. Thank you notes were sent to the hosts who opened their homes and made everyone feel very welcome.

July 21-27: Porsche Parade: Howard Gilson - With 90 cars in the concours SEM members made a good showing with Michael Gilson receiving overall top honors in the concours. Patti Door received two first places in the art show. Several other members placed in the concours also. Next year's Parade is in Palm Springs, California on June 21-27. In 2021, the Parade returns to French Lick at West Baden, Indiana.

July 26-26: St. John's Concours: Jim Williams - There was a lesser number of cars at Friday's Autobahn Night. Saturday's Cars and Coffee was jammed with cars. At the seminar the GM Design Team went over the design of the new Corvette. David Hobbs was also a guest speaker. On Sunday there was a sell out crowd but the car corral was lighter than usual.

August 9: DE #3 - Steve Carbary - Over 30 students signed up.

August 18: Picnic and Concours: Patti Door - The food is all set. In the future, there will probably have to be a limit on the number of guests due to space limitations. Late arrivals are a problem.

September 13: Ladies Drive: Patti Door - A wine and paint evening was suggested by a member.

September 22: Drive your Porsche Day: Howard Gilson - Will have an hour drive with the start and dinner on the east side.

September 24: DE #4 at M-1: Steve Carbary -Will have garages open after the DE.

October 20: Fall Color Tour: Walter Crump -The restaurant and cider stop are planned and he is working on the route.

November 8: Membership Dinner: Dave Miller & Gretus Hoogestraat - Will have a guest speaker from Car and Driver magazine.

December 7: Holiday Party: Patti Door - Nothing new.

Board Elections: Gretus Hoogestraat - Five incumbents are up for re-election. There are no other candidates at this time. Bio's are due for the September P4.

Charities: Chrissy Crowe - Other charity options were discussed.

Webmaster: No report.

Event Reports: Fred Young - Needed for the Progressive Dinner.

NEW BUSINESS:

Jim Williams related that over 250 Porsches were at the Pittsburgh Grand Prix and that the related tour was great event. He brought up the possibility of a coordinated event with the St. John's Concours weekend.

Meeting Adjourned at 8:37 p.m. - Moved to adjourn by M.M. and W.C. Motion passed.

Refreshments and Location:

Thursday, September 5 - Mark VanderEyck

Thursday, October 3 - Lucas Phan

Thursday, November 7 - Patti Door at her residence

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Respectfully Submitted: Fred Young - 8-10 -19

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FOR SALE: 1985.5 944 KALAHARI: Beige/Brown Leather and trim. 36000 miles. One owner, low miles. 2.5 liter 5 speed. Multi-year concours winner. Stored winters. In excellent like new condition inside and out. No stone chips or scratches. All original with updated radio. Sunroof and rear wiper. Well maintained. \$24500.
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FOR SALE: 2000 PORSCHE 911 CARRERA CABRIOLET: Arctic Silver, Metropolis Blue full leather interior, new Metropolis Blue convertible top. 6 speed manual, optional aluminum removable hardtop. Turbo twists, Lots of options. Excellent condition. Only 39,800 miles. Service records from new. LN Engineering IMS bearing installed as preventative maintenance. No track, no winters. Clean Carfax. No accidents. I've owned it for past 13 years. \$25,500. Multiple SEM/PCA concours award winner. Contact: Michael@sellyoursportscar.net or call 248-227-8604. (8/19)

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FOR SALE: 1981 PORSCHE 911 SC TARGA: Original Guards Red paint with beige leather interior. Excellent condition. Perfect dash. Engine rebuild by Franz Blam, upgraded a/c, reconditioned targa top, recent Toyo tires. Clean Carfax. 106,000 miles. \$36,900.
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SEM/PCA Member Anniversaries - September 2019

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.

YR	Name(s)	YR	Name(s)	YR	Name(s)	YR	Name(s)	YR	Name(s)
SEPTEMBER									
43	Thaddeus & Marsha Stanek	17	Norman Gage & Jan Summerlot	7	John Sandrock	3	James & Rita Taylor	2	Joseph Fortin
36	Stephen & Carol Park	16	Edward & Roberta Gaspar	7	John & Mary Beth Panganiban	3	Kenneth Horen	1	Kevin Dillon
32	Ruth Frazier	16	Hans Havdal & Torhild Havnen	7	David & Concettina Lutz	3	M.Imran Qureshi	1	Paul Rognaldsen
30	Bernie & Lisa Palo	16	Douglas Brown	6	Jeffrey & Angela Hendry	3	Jed Yaish & Christine Van Damme	1	Casey Swanseger
29	John Ball	11	Ralf & Riya Lindackers	6	David & Jennifer Daiek	3	Shane Rider	1	Arthur IV & Jennifer Dahl
27	Thomas Ernst	11	Mike & Jenn Studnicki	6	Emil & Suzanne Tijan	3	Deborah Dolmage & Thomas Siegner	1	Kris Van den Brande
24	David Hertzberg	11	Garry Frost	6	Michael McGrath	3	Shane Rider	1	Ed Moriarty
23	Linda & Tom Walton	9	Don & Taffy Jones	5	Mark & Daena Grayell	2	Saylo Lam	1	Nate Beavers
22	Ulrich & Christine Trispel	9	Harald Schuster	5	Scott & Cheryl Denman	2	Ross Dressel		
22	Kenneth & Judith McCormick	8	Hal & Deb Johnson	5	Eitel & Regina Dahm	2	Karl Woods		
21	Nick & Nelda Moskatow	7	Andrew Olson	4	Michael Brillati	2	Gerald Shohan		
21	Robert & Ro Aikins	7	Robert Sage	4	Frances & Jeff Amos	2	Doris Gilles		
19	Eric & Steffie Chau	7	Michael O'Connor	4	James Bist	2	Gerold & Tracey Bepler		
				4	Roderick Claybrooks	2	Seth Sherry		

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Around The Zone

BY **LORI SCHUTZ**, ZONE 4 REPRESENTATIVE



*The Pig Pen at the Porsche Parade Concours - 911, Porsche Diesel Tractor and 951 with piglets.
Photo by Gregg Phillips*

Hi Zone 4,

Summer is in full swing, and so are our Porsches. Wonderful articles in all of the region newsletters and websites about tours, dinners, autocrosses and driver education events. Not to mention a few cars and coffee's along the way.

My month started out at the Deutschefest at the Gilmore Museum, the largest gathering of German Marque cars, so they say. We had several regions from Zone 4 represented. With an impressive herringbone arrangement of the member Porsches on display, we also enjoyed seeing the old and new Smyrna Green Twins from WMR's Rick Riley in front of the historic gas station.



Then I had the pleasure of joining Eastern Buckeye Region at their first DE in many years, with the re-opening of Nelson Ledges Road Course. What a wonderful way to spend a summer Monday! Always fun learning a new track, and meeting new friends. Great support from Allegheny, Southeast Michigan, Northern Ohio to name a few of their region neighbors.



The following weekend was the 2nd leg of the IROC (Inter-regional race of champions) at the Tire Rack put on by Michiana region. IROC III is end of September by WMR – see you there? What a great facility – should we have a Zone -wide Autocross next year to find out who is the best auto-crossing region? Hmmm.

Then the summer got serious with the Porsche Parade in Boca Raton. Zone 4 had a strong showing with over 100 members attending and participating in many events, not to mention

volunteering. I spent the few days leading up to the Sunday welcome party getting the Historics Display all set. Including, visiting Kevin Jeannette from Gunnar Racing, who brought the piglets and friends for the Pig Pen. Check out Panorama for more photos and competition results -Zone 4 did quite well.

The month ended with many DE events. I wish I could have been at them all. I participated in the Friday Ladies Run Group with Maumee Valley at Grattan Raceway. While Allegheny region was enjoying Pitt Race. Ferdinand Valentine's expression says it all – Porsche Sunshine and Good Friends – YEA. Till next month, happy Porsche driving! Lori





We invite you to the 2019 SEMPCA Annual Membership Dinner

Guest speaker: Eddie Alterman

Car & Driver Magazine and Long-Time Car Enthusiast

Eddie Alterman is Hearst Autos chief brand officer, having served as Car and Driver's Editor-in-Chief from 2009 to 2019. He enjoys decrepit old German cars, high-output American V-8s, and long walks on the beach.

Date: Friday November 8, 2019

Time: 6:00-7:00 pm cocktail hour – mingle-check in
7:00 pm Dinner
7:30 pm Guest Speaker

Cost: \$35.00 per person for dinner including tax and tip. Cash bar.

Place: Towne Square Food and Spirits (the Old Morton's Steakhouse)

Centrally located at NEC Lahser / Northwestern in the Oakland Towne Square office complex. Address for GPS: One Towne Square, Southfield, MI (west side of building)

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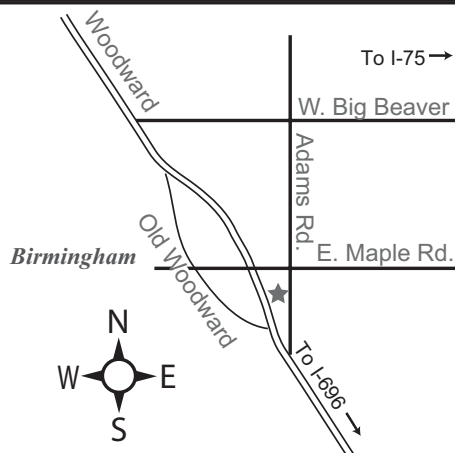
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