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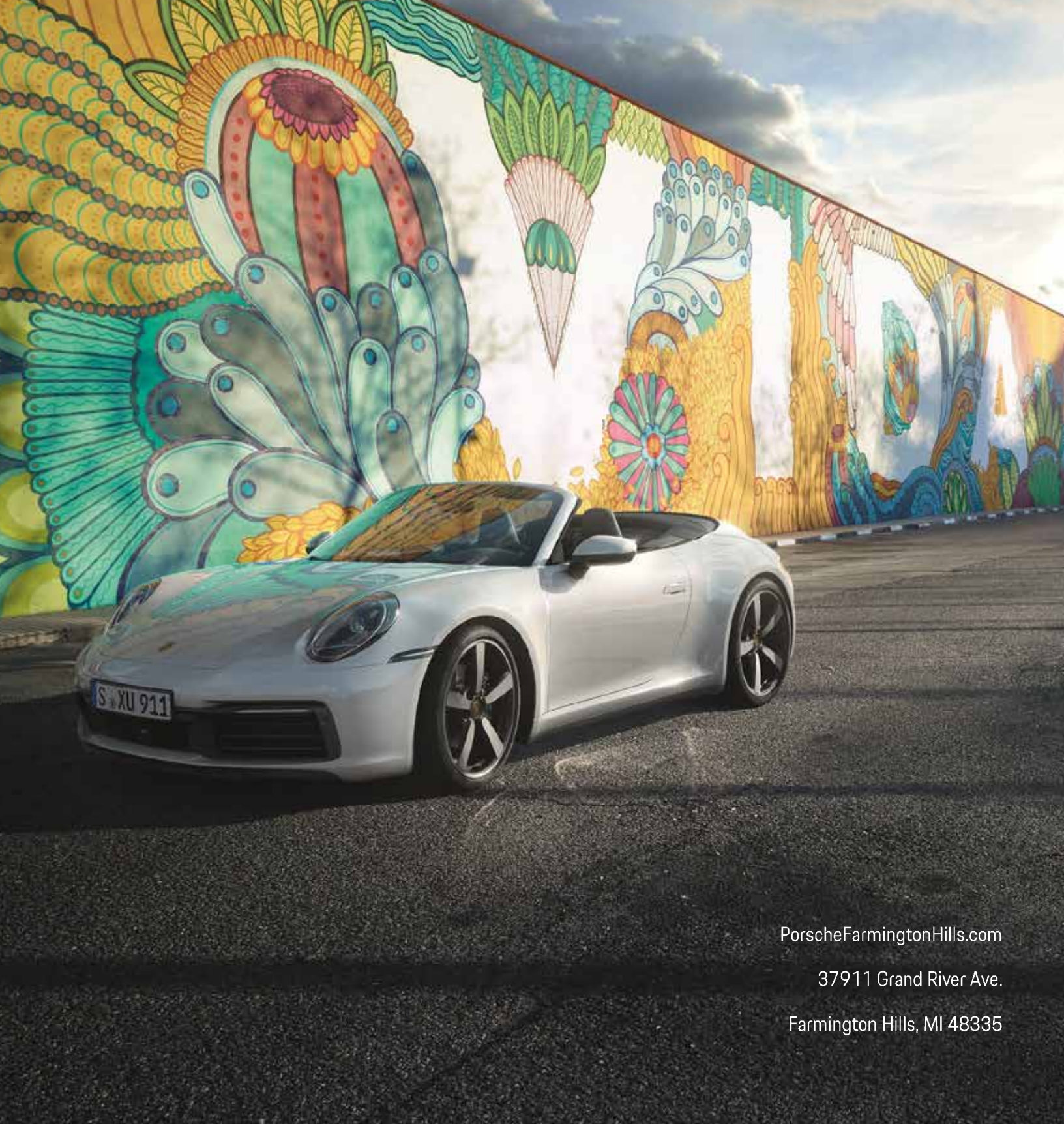
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**ON THE COVER:**  
*A handpicked selection of various Porsches on display at the Packard Proving Grounds for the SEM 65th Anniversary Celebration.  
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# 2023 SEM/PCA CALENDAR

## OCTOBER

5 Business Meeting  
21 Fall Color Tour

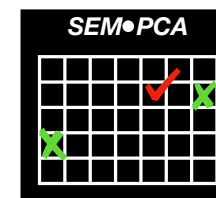
## DECEMBER

7 Business Meeting  
16 Holiday Party

## NOVEMBER

2 Business Meeting & Planning Session  
4 Street Survival School  
10 Membership Dinner

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



The club has reset & updated the club calendar. PLEASE download the **NEW SEM/PCA CALENDAR** Link to instructions on how to add SEM/PCA Calendar to your PC, Laptop, iOS, Android and Windows devices. <https://sem.pca.org/2017/11/27/new-calendar/>  
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### 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.*

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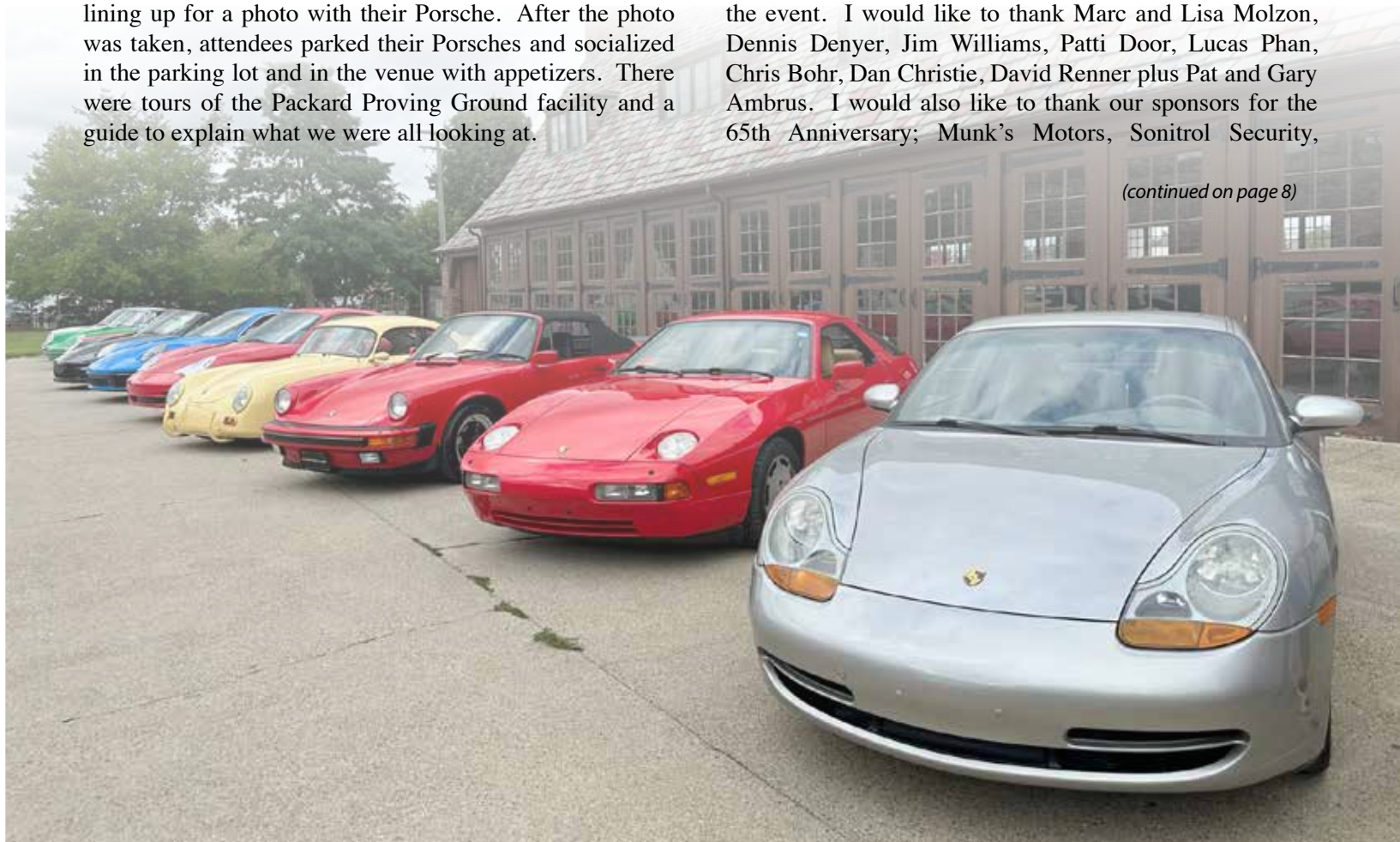
We had an exciting month in September beginning with the last HPDE of the season at Waterford Hills on September 9th. The weather was great and everyone in attendance had a great time. Thank you to Marc and Lisa Molzon plus Steve Carbary for a great HPDE session. We look forward to the 2024 HPDE season. Once again thank you to our HPDE sponsors; Autocore, Munk's Motors, Nikolas Motorsport and Guardian Recovery Services.

On September 10th the Southeast Michigan PCA held its 65th Anniversary Celebration at the Packard Proving Grounds. The event started with participants lining up for a photo with their Porsche. After the photo was taken, attendees parked their Porsches and socialized in the parking lot and in the venue with appetizers. There were tours of the Packard Proving Ground facility and a guide to explain what we were all looking at.

Before dinner we had long time member Reverend Ron Roland give a blessing. Dinner was buffet style with pasta, salmon, and braised beef. After dinner we had guest speakers August Hofbauer and Tom McDonald talk about their time working for Porsche. After the guest speakers, everyone gathered to pick up the photos taken earlier, but unfortunately they all were not ready in time. The club will mail out the photos to the participants that didn't receive theirs at the event.

I can't thank the 65th Anniversary Committee enough for their help with the planning and execution of the event. I would like to thank Marc and Lisa Molzon, Dennis Denyer, Jim Williams, Patti Door, Lucas Phan, Chris Bohr, Dan Christie, David Renner plus Pat and Gary Ambrus. I would also like to thank our sponsors for the 65th Anniversary; Munk's Motors, Sonitrol Security,

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CrossRoads Plaza, RWS Financial Services, Gilson MotorSports, Copyrite Printing, Detail Garage Detroit, SellYourSportsCars.net, Scott Susalla and MotorCity Auto Spa.

On September 16th the Southeast Michigan PCA had its annual Ladies Only Drive. I'm sure that Patti Door and Lisa Molzon had a great time driving, eating and shopping with all the other ladies that attended.



Then on September 17th the Southeast Michigan PCA hosted the Drive Your Porsche Day event. I wasn't able to attend this year as I went up north camping for a long weekend. I want to thank Chrissy Crowe for organizing the SEM/PCA DYPD.

On September 22nd and 23rd the Concours D'Elegance was held in Detroit at the DIA. There was a selection of Porsches on display for the marques 75th Anniversary celebration. This was my first time attending the event at the DIA, I will have to mention in my next article how it went.

On October 21st the Southeast Michigan PCA has its largest driving tour of the season. The Fall Color Tour is organized by Lucas Phan and Chris Bohr. This is always a well attended event and the club has arranged for dinner at the Sugar Bush Golf and Banquet Center in Davison. Sign up early for this event as it fills up fast.

Until next month.  
Thank you, Drive with Spirit!!!  
Howard Gilson

President Southeast Michigan Region  
Porsche Club of America



## SPONSORED EVENT

### Fall Color Tour

Saturday, October 21st, 2023



*The Fall Color Tour is the last drive of the season, but it is usually the best attended. Plan now to take a drive through the beautiful Michigan countryside, cider + donut stop and dinner together*

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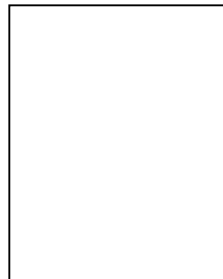


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SEM/PCA Board of Directors  
October 2023 Election Two Year Term (2024-2025)  
**Candidate Biographies**



**CEDRIC ALEXANIAN:**  
No information was provided by the P4 deadline.



**CHRIS BOHR:**  
Chris's fascination with Porsche started at a young age with the purchase of a red 1/18 Norev 1987 911 Turbo Cabriolet in the early 90's. This started a lifelong love for Porsche and a passion for cars that turned into a strong automotive career and an even bigger hobby. He bought his first Porsche, a 2018 718 Cayman, in May of 2019 and joined SEM/PCA at the beginning of 2020. Unfortunately the 2018 718 Cayman was totaled by a deer last November during a RSR event and has now been replaced with a 2023 718 Cayman T. Chris has been very active in the club while attending and also running activities with SEM and RSR club members. He has planned many SEM events as a board member including the Spring Tour, Picnic, Fall Color Tour and the overnight tours (Triple Nickel/Back of the Dragon/Indiana Nurburgring). Club participation on drive events has greatly increased with his involvement. He also organizes non-PCA weekly drives on Saturday mornings that also have SEM and RSR participants. Chris truly understands that PCAs motto of "Fueled by Volunteers" starts with personal involvement. He is looking to continue his work on the Board of Directors to initiate creative ideas in driving events and new membership involvement with a fresh perspective, as a next generation SEM member.



**STEVE CARBARY:**  
Steve has been a member of SEM since early 2005. Although a longtime fan, his admiration for the Porsche brand peaked while attending HPDE events with a vehicle of another manufacturer. Upon seeing both the capabilities and refinement of the Porsches, he knew he had to own one. He purchased his 1991 944s2 shortly thereafter and joined the club, enjoying the mostly stock car for many years in both track and touring events. Since that time, he has been constantly involved with our HPDE events. Steve has been a DE instructor since 2009, DE Chair since 2012 and has been involved with the Street Survival School events the club organizes. If you have ever attended a SEM DE event, you have met Steve. He has served for the past six years on the Board of Directors and is currently the Insurance Chair as well. He was awarded Zone Instructor of the year in 2014 and SEM Enthusiast of the Year in 2016. Steve looks forward to many more years with the club that he feels truly lives the slogan 'It's not just the cars, It's the People'.



**JIM WILLIAMS:**  
Jim's love of Porsches started years ago as a teenager, when he purchased a Porsche 904 slot car. Jim and his wife, Laurie, purchased their first Porsche in 2002, a 1985 Kalahari Beige Metallic 944 and promptly joined the Porsche Club. They attended numerous events including their first Parade in the Pocono's. In 2006 after traveling to Germany with SEM they purchased a CPO 2002 Boxster S. Participating in many more club events and several more Parades, their Boxster took a total of three first place trophies at Parade in the Touring class. They presently own a 996 Cabriolet which they thoroughly enjoy driving. Jim is a National concours judge and currently serves as SEM Treasurer, with the much-needed assistance of Laurie. Jim is an active member promoting club activities and involving new members is a priority with Jim and he is looking forward to continuing in that capacity.

SEM/PCA Board of Directors  
October 2023 Election Two Year Term (2024-2025)  
**Candidate Biographies** continued



**MARC MOLZON:**  
Marc's passion for and ownership of Porsche cars dates back to when he was 18. Currently, the Molzon garage includes a 1977 930 and a Macan S. In 2003, he joined SEM/PCA and attended his first High Performance Driver Education event, two years later he became an HPDE Instructor. He has served the SEM/PCA Region as a Board member since 2007, Street Survival School Co-Chair since 2013, HPDE Chief Instructor since 2014 and as Vice President and President. In addition to chairing numerous driving tours, he has organized Membership Dinners, the Holiday Party and has shared in the running of all HPDE events with the HPDE Chair for the past 10 years. In 2018 he was asked by our Zone 4 Representative to lead an HPDE Instructor classroom training session and in 2021 he organized a PCA Lead-Follow Training session at M1 Concourse, bringing in multiple PCA Regions and Zone members. He can be counted on at each event to assist where needed and was recognized for his efforts and contributions by being selected as Enthusiast of the Year in 2014. Marc is an integral part of SEM, providing strong leadership and sound counsel in moving our Region forward.



**FRED YOUNG:**  
An active SEM member since 1991, Fred has chaired the concours for the last twenty-one years and served on the Board of Directors for the last sixteen years. Presently he serves as Board Secretary and Concours Chair. He also served on the national level as a concours judge. With their 2002 Guards Red 996, Fred and his wife, Kathy, have won eight national Parade concours awards. Fred has conducted detailing sessions and offered advice to club members enabling them to successfully compete at the local and national level and win awards. Recently, he put on a concours judging school that enabled some SEM members to judge at the national level at Parade. Over the years he has planned the 2008 and 2014 trips to Germany, was named enthusiast of the year plus arranged numerous tours and events. Fred feels he represents the membership by bringing balance and continuity to the board and advocating for a variety of events at a reasonable cost to the members.

**Election Ballot on page 13**



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it's the people"***

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### 2023 Election Ballot - Board of Directors

Five of the nine positions on the board are up for election.  
The candidates for the two year term (2024 -2025) are listed below.

Each SEM member and their affiliate member can vote  
for up to five candidates to fill the open positions.

**Please fill out the form completely or it will not be counted.**

Please submit your ballot either in person at the  
Fall Color Tour on October 21, 2023  
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#### **VOTE FOR FIVE CANDIDATES**

Candidate	Member	Affiliate
Cedric Alexanian	_____	_____
Chris Bohr	_____	_____
Steve Carbary	_____	_____
Marc Molzon	_____	_____
Jim Williams	_____	_____
Fred Young	_____	_____

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# SEM Picnic and Concours



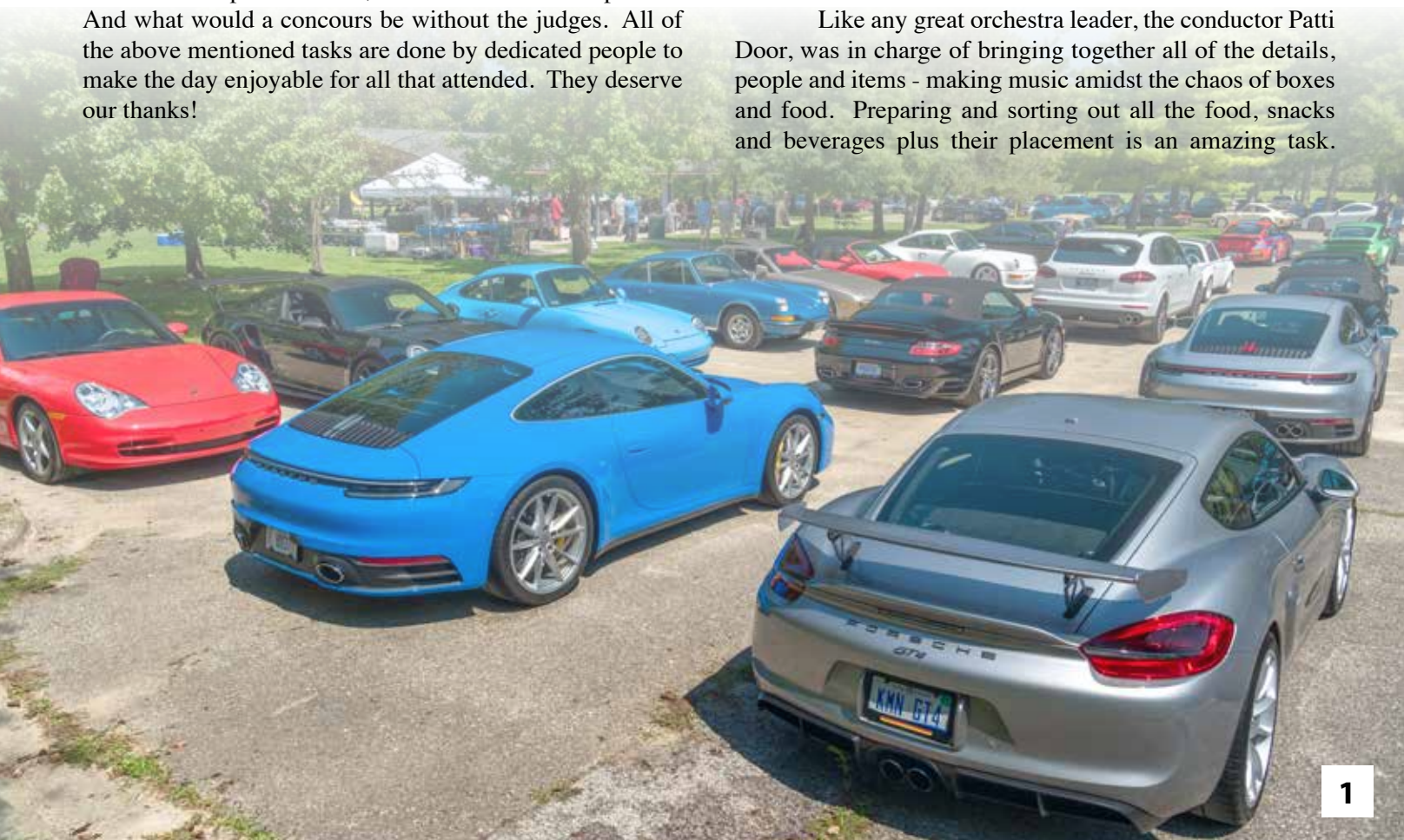
ARTICLE BY FRED YOUNG - SECRETARY / CONCOURS CHAIR

PHOTOS BY MARK PETERS

Dedication is a word not heard much today. A dedicated person is someone wholly committed to an idea or personal goal. That was on display at the SEM Picnic and Concours. Granted this article is supposed to be about the wonderful cars on display along with all the tables covered with food and delicacies. But, first and foremost it is about the “people”. In fact, the Porsche Club has a slogan to that effect. Months of planning go into this event, from the simple task of renting a trailer to bring the food and supplies to the picnic to assembling the myriad of cooking tools, utensils, coolers and everything else to go along with the food preparation. Trophies are a winter time production for Fred Young and this year, Lisa Molzon. During the day setting up for breakfast, appetizers and the buffet requires all sorts of help. Of course, the cooks are most important. And what would a concours be without the judges. All of the above mentioned tasks are done by dedicated people to make the day enjoyable for all that attended. They deserve our thanks!

Springdale Park has been our great venue for the last twenty years. Without exception it has worked out great. We have a covered pavilion, electricity, grills and lastly a parking lot to hold 40 cars for the concours. For the early birds, it means a little time spent unloading supplies and setting up the tables. After that it is time to put the finishing touches on the beautiful Porsche cars for judging. There is however a lot of time spent talking about the cars and in some cases slim progress in cleaning is being made. The cars ranged from Bill Block’s 1965 Slate Grey 356 Cabriolet to Bob Bogart’s brand new 2023 Shark Blue 911 Coupe. Also of note was a 2019 911 Black GT3RS driven by James Holland. Needless to say, all the cars were looking splendid in the sunshine.

Like any great orchestra leader, the conductor Patti Door, was in charge of bringing together all of the details, people and items - making music amidst the chaos of boxes and food. Preparing and sorting out all the food, snacks and beverages plus their placement is an amazing task.



## SEM Picnic and Concours (continued)

Our own award winning ribmaster, Tom Grabowski, was getting ready to do some ribs. For a while we thought there were Canadian wildfires nearby, but it was only Lucas Phan lighting up the grill. Chris Bohr and his son, Kyle, along with Andrew Vincent also took part in the prep and cooking. Deb Miller, Carol Hearrell, Joann and Jamie Coobitas, Lisa Molzon, Peggy Bogart, and Dawn Martindale were ready to help out in any way they could. Trusted with collecting the money was Laurie Williams while her husband, Jim, stood by as a bodyguard. In the meantime coffee was ready and there was a little something for everybody to nibble on.

Tops and windows up. The judging was ready to start. An assembled team of SEM judges, many of whom attended concours judging school, were ready to scrutinize

the cars. They walked around looking like a bunch of Sherlock Holmes. A little wax here, a fingerprint on the window, a little dirt on the wheels, they were determined to find it. Writing on the score sheet usually meant a little defect was noticed, but these notes were there to help the entrants improve for the next time - not to criticize.

When judging was over, a queue lined up for dinner. There couldn’t possibly be enough food for all these people? Wrong. Salads of all kinds, duck liver pate, potatoes, vegetables, chicken, salmon, ribs and sausage were in abundant quantities. The crowd sure got quiet with everyone eating. Desserts were next on the menu. Two tables held a variety of delicious desserts. No one went away hungry.

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1. All cars
2. Lucas Phan BBQing
3. Tom Grabowski getting prepared
4. Patti Door
5. Gathering





After dinner our club president, Howard Gilson, informed the members of a number of upcoming events. They included the last HPDE of the season, Ladies Only Drive, Drive your Porsche Day and the 65th Anniversary Dinner. It was then time to award the concours trophies. Fred Young, Concours Chair, read the entrant’s names and brief description of the winning cars and then handed the trophies to Howard Gilson to present. Two People’s Choice awards, a total of 24 1st, 2nd and 3rd place trophies plus a Judge’s Choice Zuffenhausen Medal for Leo Wanstreet were awarded. Leo had a perfect score of 70 along with Walt and Sabrina Crump. A round of applause thanked everyone for their painstaking efforts preparing their cars for the eagle-eyed judges. All of the attendees seemed quite pleased with the results also. With the next Parade in Birmingham, Alabama this surely was a practice session for some of the entrants. After looking over the scores, they most likely will be worthy contestants.

At the end of every event there is the clean-up and without fail helping hands ensured no evidence of our revelry has been left behind. Everyone pitched in to help, some staying a bit longer to guarantee a spotless site. At the end it looked like there were more items than the truck and trailer could hold, but after some rearranging everything was loaded and Lucas was on his way. Till next year! ■



- 6. Wes Krumel cleaning his Brumos Ducktail 911.
- 7. Cleaning
- 8. Walt cleaning car
- 9. Jennifer Livernois cleaning her Panamera.
- 10. Gani Bardha's Martini liveried 911 being judged.

2023 CONCOURS AWARDS\*

<b>People's Choice</b>				
1964	Red	356	Coupe	Howard Gilson
1990	White	911	Coupe	Leo Wanstreet
<b>356 Class</b>				
1965	Slate Grey	356	Cabriolet	Freda Giblin & Bill Block
<b>924 - 928 - 944 - 968 Class</b>				
1983	Kalahari Beige	944	Coupe	Jamie & Joann Coobatis
<b>Boxster - Cayman Class</b>				
1999	Blue	Boxster	Cabriolet	Sabrina & Walter Crump
2008	Silver	Cayman S	Coupe	Carlos Carmona
2005	Guards Red	Boxster	Cabriolet	Ralph Roscoe
2016	GT Silver	Cayman GT4		Ben Salvador
<b>911 - 912 - 914 before 1995 Class</b>				
1973	Blue Metallic	911 T	Carrera	John & Jason Khami
1995	Rivera Blue	993	Coupe	Alan Klein
1973	Red, White & Blue	911	Brumos Daytona Targa	Wes Krumel
1977	Sienna Metallic	911S	Coupe	Andy Rosenberg
1977	Sahara Beige	911S	Coupe	Max Leder
<b>1996 - 2003 - 911 Class</b>				
2002	Arctic Silver	996	Coupe	Chris Young
2000	Violet Chromaflair	996	Coupe	Bruce Gearns
1999	Arctic Silver	996	Coupe	Robert Tarchinski
2003	Silver	996 Turbo	Coupe	Jeff Hendry
1996	Black	993 C4S	Coupe	Dave Miller
<b>2004 - 2012 - 911 Class</b>				
2012	Epanema	Turbo S	Coupe	John Denyer
2008	Black	911 Turbo	Cabriolet	Michael Cohen
2004	Black	911 4S	Coupe	Mark Vander Eyk
<b>2013 and Up - 911 Class</b>				
2019	Black	911 GT3RS	Coupe	James Holland
2020	Dolomite Silver	991 S	Coupe	Jeff Boes
2023	Shark Blue	911	Coupe	Bob & Peggy Bogart
<b>Panamera &amp; SUV's</b>				
2016	Agate	Panamera		Jennifer Livernois
2017	White	Cayenne		Tom Houtteman
2023	Miami Blue	Macan		Paula Zimmer

\*Entrants are ranked in the order of finish..

FCY 8-22-23

Many thanks to our dedicated judges: Chris Young, Bruce Gearns, John Khami, Howard Gilson, Bob Bogart, Michael Cohen and Jim Williams along with guest judges, Charles Hagen, Trace Leffler, and Paula Zimmer from the Motorstadt Region.



- 11. Blue
- 12. Fred Young
- 13. Jennifer Livernois getting her trophy

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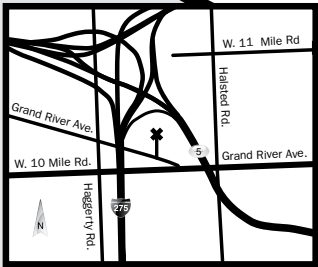
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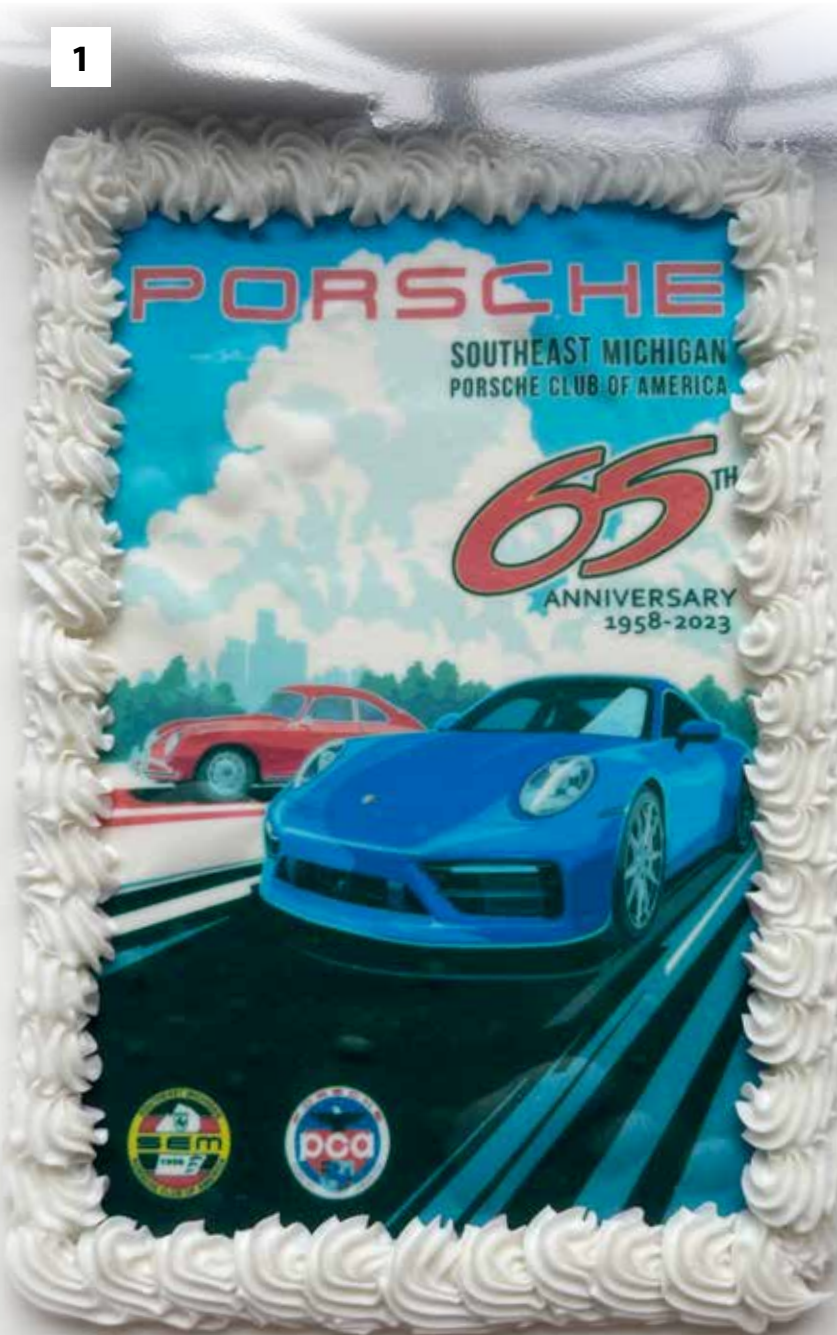
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# SEM 65th Anniversary Celebration

SEM 65th Anniversary Celebration (continued)

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## Happy 65th Anniversary to Us!

The finest things in life only get better with age. Whether it is wine, longstanding friendships, art, whiskey, or the Southeast Michigan Region Porsche Club of America (SEM/PCA).

In honor of our fine car club, a celebration befitting its 65th anniversary was held September 10th at the Packard Proving Grounds (PPG). The historic automotive location, the brainchild of Dennis Denyer, was ideal for the gathering to honor one of the oldest Porsche Club of America's regions.

Upon entering the grounds, each SEM/PCA member was directed to queue under the canopy of trees beside the long roadway bordering the PPG buildings. Making their way through the line, each member then had their photo taken with their Porsche vehicle for a long-lasting memento of the evening, thanks to the logistical efforts of Jim Williams.

Once parked alongside the other Porsches, members were treated to a spectacular display of Porsches of all years and models. A selection of fourteen member's Porsches were prominently displayed with write-ups featured in the evening's program. Attendees were certainly privy to one of the best Porsche "autoshow" in Michigan, thanks to the coordination of Howard Gilson.

Upon entering the original Packard Repair Garage, members were greeted with a commemorative program with a 65th SEM/PCA window decal, personalized nametag (their name and Porsche model) and a Porsche commemorative plaque. Present throughout the materials and the evening was the bespoke SEM 65th Anniversary logo crafted by Dan Christie.

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1. A celebratory cake, as tasty as it was beautiful.
2. The grounds were an elegant setting for our Porsches.
3. Featured cars on display.
4. Porsches outside and Packards inside.

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Once beyond the entryway, with mementos in-hand, members were presented with a festive display of lights and well-dressed tables for dinner. To the delight of everyone exploring the spacious room, they came across tables of framed photos, photo boards and photo albums that captured the past 65 years of our club. Photos were from past HPDE's, Holiday parties, Progressive Dinners and Mink and Manure events, to name a few notable gatherings. Our enduring gratitude to Patti and Jerry Door for collecting and curating this memorabilia for our members.

As an added feature to our time at the PPG, each member was welcome to tour the Packard Tank Test Center next to the Repair Garage. The evening was filled with history from the museum tour, to the generations of Porsche vehicles and our guest speakers who shared their personal history with Porsche with us.

We were fortunate to have two guest speakers with experience and historical knowledge of Porsche AG: SEM member Tom McDonald and August Hofbauer. Tom kicked-off the story-telling of the 1970's and 1980's about his experience in PR at Porsche-Audi and then at Volkswagen Manufacturing, which included Porsche. Then he entertained us all as he reminisced about the Porsche Parade trips with Ferry Porsche and his family. August then shared with us stories of his early roots with Porsche in the Research and Development Center in Weissach, Germany, through his move to the Metro-

Detroit area to work for Porsche Engineering Services in Troy. Hearing the individual experiences and stories from both gentlemen brought a more personal tone to the evening, which captured the interest of all attendees. Marc Molzon, together with Dave Renner and Dennis Denyer, were instrumental in identifying speakers with a close tie to Porsche and arranging for them to join us for the evening's celebration and regale us with stories of their past.

And with all this activity, there were also delectable appetizers served by the strolling wait staff and the dinner was an epicurean delight followed by beautiful and tasty cakes decorated to celebrate our anniversary. The catering, menu and set-up were all orchestrated by Patti Door, supported by many of our members, to make our evening such a wonderful success.

The end of the evening came all too soon. And in true SEM fashion, the volunteers helping to pack up everything were immensely appreciated, especially Committee Members Lucas Phan, Chris Bohr plus Gary and Pat Ambrus. Of course, just about every member lent a hand in some way to help close-out the evening. To everyone that made it a priority to attend the full event, we are especially indebted to you. Without you, we would not be celebrating 65 years together. ■

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- 5. August Hofbauer recalled some of his early years with Porsche.
- 6. Tom McDonald sharing stories of his Porsche-Audi PR days.
- 7. Following dinner, everyone enjoyed hearing from our guest speakers.
- 8. Nancy Kapitan and 119 other members enjoyed an evening of celebrating and socializing.







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# DE #4 / Season Review



ARTICLE BY STEVE CARBARY - DE CHAIR

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September 9th brought our final Driver Education event to the SEM club for the 2023 season. The warm, late summer morning was met with a great group that was ready to make the most of this event. We had over 30 participants registered and plenty of instructors on hand to guide them. This is a good amount to provide a fair spread of students in all experience level run groups. Awesome ending to another outstanding year of tremendous DE events. And what a year it has been.

This was our last one of our typical four that we do every year. We started the year in May at M1 Concourse. That event, being our season opener, was tailored to Beginners. Those who would be coming out for their initial day. A quote from the national website states about Driver Education events: 'One giant word of caution: this adventure can become very addictive'. This is why I mentioned this being some of the beginners 'Initial Day'. The turn-out was great !! I received and placed many calls ahead of the day

to ensure everyone had all the information they needed to prepare for the day. Some people had already attended our annual DE-101 we held in April, so they were well ahead of the game. Great way to start. Others were very receptive and we managed to get the season off to a roaring start. A large number of our more accomplished regulars also did not let the opportunity to drive M1 pass them by and came out as well. We had a wide range of experience levels and it was awesome to see the span of cars lapping the course in different groups. The smiles at the end of every session makes it all worth the effort.

June brought the Southeast Michigan PCA High Performance Driver Education program back to our home track of Waterford Hills. I say 'home track' because, as you may know, we also hosted an event at M1 Concourse earlier in the year, but the SEM PCA has been hosting events at Waterford Hills Road Racing Course for decades. We have a long and deep relationship there with great friends

## DE #4 / Season Review (continued)

and many stories (that seem to get taller and taller as the years pass !!). The day provided us with beautiful summer weather and a wide range of cars and people ready for some curves to drive. Once we completed our one lap track walk, drivers meeting, and some car preps, everyone was ready to go. Let's get those cars on track !! What a great sound when those engines start revving and tires start singing.

We were again at Waterford Hills in August. Our day this time was a full house with maxed out student run groups and almost perfect weather. We did have to abort the last run session due to lightning a short distance off, but were lucky enough to avoid any real rain during our event. The 'sold out' sessions on track were a ton of fun and this was another great event.

And this brings us to September. This is the time we bring our season to a close for another year. As we all know, the other fun of winter driving is right around the corner and will be on us soon. Reflecting on this past season, I would like to extend our gratitude to our sponsors. Not only for their financial support, but for coming through in so many ways to make our events the best experience

possible for our participants. Getting ready for these events and pitching in at a last moment's notice is all taken in stride with all of them. Please consider them and their expertise for all of your car's needs. Their engagement in our club and DE events allows us to make them that much better. Also, a big thanks to all those that have attended events this year or previously and have spread the word. Our SEM PCA DE Team goal is to put on the best track events possible. We strive to not only offer a great experience driving your car at speed as well as mingling with like-minded friends, but also offering the best value in education and exposure to the world of track driving. Meeting new people who signed up for these events based on the excitement of previous students lets us know we are doing good things and reaching our goal. And to be honest, the smiles tell a lot too :). I would also like to personally thank all those who help out with these events. These are truly a team effort and I say we have some of the absolute best people on our team. From the board members to the DE team, these events would not be the same if any piece of this group were missing. I am already excited for the possibilities for our next season and anticipate another awesome bunch of DE events in the coming year. ■

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1. A Paddock full of Porsches.
2. A fun gathering of drivers for the final track event of the season.

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3. HPDE'ers at speed at Waterford Hills.

4. "Omg someone stole the engine!"

5. Lisa Molzon efficiently handling the HPDE registration duties.

6. Lisa Molzon and Joe Vitale laying down some hot laps







ARTICLE BY TOM FIELITZ

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The invention of the brake rotor goes back much farther than you would think. The first mechanical brake disk system was fitted in 1898. It was mounted on the front wheels of the American Electric vehicle built by Elmer Ambrose Sperry of Cleveland. The earliest brake system was wood blocks applied against the wheel rim or the tire. But by 1890, rubber tires made wood blocks obsolete due to excessive wear. In 1902, Louis Renault created the drum brake. The disk brake appeared shortly after in 1902 by William Lanchester and the modern brake shoes in 1905 by Englishman Herbert Froot. The first American disk brakes appeared on the 1949 Crosley Hotshot, but were dropped the following year for being too expensive of an option. Disk brakes continued to be fitted to trains and airplanes. The most notable automotive adaptations of disk brakes appeared in 1960 by Lancia followed by Mercedes in 1961, Renault in 1962, Nissan in 1963 and Volvo in 1966. But, what everyone remembers is when disk brakes were fitted to the racing Jaguar D Type for their victories at LeMans in 1951 and 1952. Disk brakes were credited for beating Ferrari when that team's cars were still fitted with drum brakes. The first four wheel disk brakes on a production sports car was the 1953 Austin Healey 100S. The first American sports car with four wheel disk brakes was the 1963 Corvette.

Brake disks are usually made from cast grey iron. But the composition of the grey iron will vary based on the mixtures of alloy used in the casting process. Rotor disks may be solid or cast as two surfaces separated by internal vanes which direct the air from the center hub to the outer edges. Other rotor compositions may be steel or the latest variant of carbon ceramic. Rotor surfaces may be drilled in order to dissipate gas build up, to allow for water dissipation or even to shave away any buildup of brake pad material that may transfer to the rotor surface. Another variant is the floating disk rotor which mounts the disk to the hub with a series of floating pins. This allows for the expansion and shrinkage of the rotor from heat and prevents warping.

Rotor size has a high impact on brake effectiveness by increasing the swept area of the rotor. For many years rotor size depended on the wheel circumference since the disk was fitted inside the wheel rim. Racing variants included mounting the disk external to the wheel such as next

to the transmission with the caliper mounted to the chassis rather than the axle hub. One disadvantage was in ducting cooling air to these inboard disks as well as transferring heat to inboard components. One early Porsche variant gripped the brake rotor from the inside rather than the outside. This was dropped because it had poor heat transfer to the caliper which also serves as a heat sink to dissipate brake heat.

Carbon ceramic rotors were first developed for the British TGV high speed trains in 1988. Dunlop developed ceramic brakes for the supersonic Concorde passenger jets for their very high speed landings. Dunlop adopted these brake disks for the Brabham F1 team in 1976 and now they are standard use combinations of carbon disks and carbon brake pads. These take hundreds of hours to manufacture and are used up in one race weekend. They have a very narrow operating temperature range and require careful warming up before they are effective. Production car carbon/carbon disk and pad options for the street have a very specific and high cost material composition that are highly effective in high speed braking and racing applications. The added advantage of being relatively light weight is offset by their brittle nature as any small imperfection in the disk surface can cause rotor failure and thousands of dollars in replacement cost. In fact, Porsche recommends that owners of these ceramic systems swap to cast iron brakes for cars used in high performance drivers' education events.

It is important to note that these are called brake systems for a good reason. Engineers match brake system components from master cylinders, to brake lines, brake calipers, brake pads, and even electronic monitors such as speed sensors used for measuring brake rotor speeds of anti-lock systems. While it is very tempting to swap out parts, it can lead to unintended effects such as a loss in brake performance.

Like most Porsche components, it is easy to see how much development and innovation has occurred over the generations. What is available in the current generation of Porsches is nothing short of amazing. ■





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## Our SEM/PCA Family

ARTICLE BY PAULA TRENDON - SEM MEMBER

*It is nice to hear from the membership that the efforts of the SEM Board of Directors, Officers and volunteers are greatly appreciated.*

As we wind down with summer, I have to give recognition to our members who successfully made our annual Progressive Dinner and Picnic memorable and amazing. The weather cooperated for both events considering what we were getting prior to them, overall turnout was great and participation very good.

Our Progressive Dinner had appetizers alone that could fill you up if you were not careful along with the beautiful view of the lake at the home of new members Kent and Kristin Kildea. We are so grateful to have been treated to such hospitality. Then, as we did a scenic drive to our next destination, we could drink up all the lovely views of the lakes along the way and get some ogling from residents admiring all our Porsches. We do attract attention don't we?

Our second host home of Bill and Marcia Edwards was just as beautiful with all the tall trees around to keep us shaded, our outdoor dining experience allowed us to have an over the top selection of foods from Chef Greg Ervin. What to choose as we went through the line for our main course? Again, your eyes might have been too big for your stomach but how can you pass up such a variety of foods. I wanted to ask Chef Greg some questions and found out he is his own boss and does the catering out of his home. I would love to see his kitchen. He was so kind to tell me some of his preparation techniques but I think I will leave it to the professional. I don't think anyone went away without having their taste buds satisfied and I know for a fact that seconds were had by several.

Once we were able to socialize with others, we collected ourselves for another drive to the third and final destination for dessert at the home of Jennifer Livernois. Hidden off the main road, we were tucked away and surrounded by woods and yes, some amazing desserts. The multilevel decks were welcoming and provided many different places for us to chat and enjoy our last stop of the evening. If you were able to be a part of this event you were lucky to say the least. If you put on a pound or two, well it just goes without saying you enjoyed yourself to the fullest.

The annual picnic again, was a huge success with the amount of members that were able to attend and to enjoy the beautiful day, so many food choices and some really great Porsches on display. I cannot say enough about how all the volunteers helped to make this day so enjoyable, from our on the spot grill master chefs, the people who contributed to the food and dessert choices, to the clean up crew.

It goes without saying that organizing events like this takes a lot of planning and time to make sure they go off without a hitch. Many thanks to Christina Gennari for organizing our Progressive Dinner, Patti Door for her continued involvement with the picnic, along with Fred Young for the Concours awards. They all devote so much time and all we do is show up and reap the benefits.

Kudos to the members who won in their Concours categories and for the new Best in Show award going to Leo Wanstreet for his Porsche 1990 911 Carrera 2. In my book, everyone is a winner because we are part of a family like no other.

While I personally am sad to see summer slowly coming to a close, it does not mean our Porsche Club stops having events and bringing our members together. We look forward to seeing everyone in the upcoming months and while our busy schedules sometimes exhaust us, just remember the next event is just a few weeks away until we see our Porsche Family once again. ■

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**P4er's Traveling to Treffen 2021**

STORY BY PAULA TRENDOW  
MUSEUM PHOTOS BY KIRO TRENDOW

Full was in full bloom as we started on our small caravan with Tom and Christine Gushow to Kohler, WI for Treffen 2021. October 17th thru 19th. Dale and Marilyn Gushow were traveling the entire route from their home and meeting us at the American Club Resort, which I have to say was again an over the top venue. Driving up we were impressed with the beautiful grounds and the wonderful accommodations. Thankfully there was underground parking set aside for all the amazing Porsches that traveled to the event.

Early Wednesday morning, with coffee and tea in our travel mugs, we were on our way to meet up with Tom and Christine. Our biggest concern for the first day of the trip was navigating through Chicago and I did not disappoint. I honestly think every semi-truck in the country was on the freeway AND road construction, as my goodness, was everywhere. At least we were moving, but definitely white as home. Being the Porsche enthusiasts that we are, some of us started in any of the until we were out of the "hurry" and enjoying lunch. We did have to make a stop to fill our tanks with \$4.00 gas prices. Through and about that.

We all arrived about the same time at the resort, got checked in, registered for the event and were presented with a very nice wallet and welcome pin from the Wisconsin PCA Chapter sponsoring Treffen. We found our rooms, had a quick nap and a refresh. There was a small shopping mall not far from the resort with a Kohler Chocolate shop, an Ikea, Target, and a Wal-Mart. We had to check that out. Yes, we HAD to buy some chocolate and Tom was excited to see a sign of our event. It was getting late so we headed back to the American Club because the weather was not all that cooperative. There we met Charlie, who was from Wisconsin, in front of the resort and his friends David and Diana who had driven from California. Charlie was a collector and even gave us hot peppers from his home garden. We shared a big hit and then all headed to our rooms. More later.

The welcome reception offered every sausage imaginable, along with gourmet bread (my fave), sandwiches, and mouthwatering appetizers of smoked salmon and a lobster with red pepper (not my fave). Adult refreshments were provided as well. A poppy Polka Band provided the music while we all enjoyed socializing and meeting friends.

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**Munk's Motors Tech Session Recap**

ARTICLE BY MERRITT SCOTT COLLINS  
PHOTOS BY JOHN PLANCK

It started early on the morning of Munk's Motors' first in-person Porsche event since late 2019. Just a drizzle, but enough to indicate it would be a cold grey day. We were concerned that might affect attendance, which it did, though not in the way we expected.

As it happened, the cold weather worked in our favor. Several drivers who had been looking forward to the first CITY of the season in Waterford Hills took one look at the thermometer plus a look at their time and came to one conclusion instead, which resulted in one of the biggest tech sessions we have ever had!

"We were excited to welcome everyone back," said Chris "Munk" Munk. "It has been two years. We have missed having our Porsche community and all of the attendees, members are anything to go by. They missed us as much as we missed them."

It was a great opportunity for old friends and Porsche enthusiasts to catch up. Looking around, I saw the track-day DE crowd gathered together. I saw two 924 Turboconvertibles competing with each other. I saw quite a few of our usual event attendees, whom we had not seen in ages, chatting up with each other in small groups.

At Munk's tech session, we generally try to offer a wide variety of subjects, something for older cars and new, track cars and street cars, and this time was no exception. We highlighted six topics throughout the day:

First up, one of our techs demonstrated a handy installation on a 911. The car's owner wanted to replace metal parts. "This was a matter of safety," stated lead tech Rick Christian. "One of the pipes in the heater box had broken, causing exhaust fumes to leak into the car."

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SEPTEMBER 7, 2023

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Guests: Michael Cohen, Cedric Alexanian, Chrissy Crowe and Michael Acho. Absent with notice: Steve Carbary and Jim Williams.

**Call to Order:** 7:02 p.m. by President Howard Gilson  
**Agenda Approval:** Moved by L.M. and W.C. to approve the agenda. Motion passed.  
**Minutes:** Moved by L.M. and M.M. to approve the July minutes. Motion passed.  
**Financial:** Tabled until October meeting.  
**Membership:** Lisa Molzon - Membership is at 1292 and holding steady.  
**Insurance:** Steve Carbary - Taken care of.  
**P-4:** Mark VanderEyk - Articles are needed for the October P4 along with candidates’ bio’s.  
**Webmaster:** Howard Gilson - The September P4 is online.

OLD BUSINESS:

**Nominating Committee Report:** Howard Gilson -  
The committee approved Chris Bohr, Steve Carbary, Marc Molzon, Jim Williams, Fred Young and Cedric Alexanian to be on the ballot for the board of directors.  
**August 11: DE #3 at Waterford:** Marc Molzon -  
Went well.  
**August 19: \*Woodward Dream Show at M1**  
**Concourse:** Michael Cohen -  
There was a light SEM turnout on Saturday,  
**August 20: Picnic and Concours:** Fred Young -  
It was a rousing success with great food, good company and 26 cars awarded trophies  
**September 9: DE #4 at Waterford:** Steve Carbary -  
18 registered with 19 instructors so far.  
**September 10: 65th SEM Anniversary Party:**  
Howard Gilson - Everything coming along  
**September 16: Ladies Drive:** Patti Door - Lisa Molzon -  
Lisa did the drive ending in Chelsea. It was moved by L.M. and M.M. to approve the Ladies Drive plan. Motion passed.  
**September 17: Drive your Porsche Day:** Chrissy Crowe  
It will start in Wixom and end up in Mt. Clemens. It was moved by W.C. and L.P. to approve the tour and money for expenses. Motion passed.

**Sept. 22-23: \*Detroit Concours d’Elegance:** Fred Young  
- An ad is in the P4 for car club parking with discounted tickets related to the event.  
**Sept. 29 - 1: American Speed Festival:** Michael Cohen -  
Will clarify with M-1 car club parking.  
**October 21: Fall Tour:** Lucas Phan -  
He has the starting location and restaurant and will check on a cider stop.  
**November 4: Street Survival School:** Marc Molzon -  
Looking good. 11 have already signed up.  
**November 10: Membership Dinner:** Lisa Molzon -  
Will have selection of menu items with a cash bar. She will showcase events with a possible speaker.  
**December 16 : Holiday Party:** Mark Vander Eyk -  
At Red Run Country Club similar to previous years. It was moved by M.M. and W.C. to comp 4 guests and charge \$60 for members and \$90 for non members.  
**January and February Future Events:** Fred Young -  
Events have to be advertised in plenty of time in the P4. They have to be decided before the November planning session.  
By email on August 8th, it was motioned by F.Y. and H.G. to approve the rental of a tent and the purchase of cider and donuts for the Fall Color Tour. Motion passed.  
By email on August 27th, It was moved by L.M. and W.C to approve a room deposit for the Membership Dinner. Motion passed.

NEW BUSINESS:

It was moved by L.P. and L.M. to purchase a gift card for Karen at Copyrite for the excellent job she has done. Motion passed.  
**Event Reports:** Fred Young -  
Needed for the Progressive Dinner and Picnic  
**Meeting Adjourned at 8:14 p.m. -**  
Moved to adjourn by W.C. and M.M. Motion passed.  
**Next Meeting Location:** Howard Gilson’s -  
Thursday, October 5, 2023

Respectfully Submitted: Fred Young - 9-11-23  
\*Subject to ratification at the next Board Meeting

Welcome New Members:

John Kapitan  
Brian Morrison  
Douglas Roehl

Kristin Smith  
John Voegeli

SEM/PCA Member Anniversaries

OCTOBER 2023

YR	Name(s)	YR	Name(s)	YR	Name(s)
45	Richard & Beth Rubinstein	10	Michael & Tracy Meguiar	2	Matthew Nahass
42	John & Sandy Chambers	10	Bob Stanglewicz	2	Dennis Salustro & Cathy Walter-Salustro
40	Stephen & Carol Park	10	R Torley	2	Henry Shuter
36	Vicente & Lucy Rivera	9	Thomas & Carol McDonald	2	Mark Silver
34	Michael & Suzanne Gilson	7	Don & Melissa Snyder	2	David Vitale
31	Richard Berg	7	Richard Wilson & Linda Bonner	1	Paula Beshouri
29	Bryan & Charles Salah	6	Dave Bachleda	1	Jet & Rohan Dhaliwal
28	David & Jennifer Hoffa	6	Richard Nadjarian	1	Timothy & Julie Dinan
28	Doug & Natalia Milligan	6	John Nikolas	1	Billy Edwards & Marcia Malys
26	Judith McCormick	6	Raymond & Denise Vasser	1	Kevin Fraser
26	James & Angie Tasiopoulos	6	Sean Zecman	1	Robert Gelardi
25	Wayne & Arlene Everett	5	Mary Brady	1	John & Tracy Giacomini
25	Gregory Steen & Susan Parent	5	Peter & Nicole McElroy	1	Christopher Harrison
23	David & Leslie Doran	5	Bastiaan & Catherine Timmers	1	Anthony Jennings
23	David & Barbara Peterson	4	William Kozyra	1	Scott Lange
22	James & Laurie Williams	4	Bernardo & Bernard Sia	1	Jeff Majeske
19	Deon & Donna Middlebrook	3	Jeff & Alexei Boes	1	Bill Reynolds
18	Robert Schneider	3	Joe & Rachel Gluck	1	Martin Rouillard
17	John & Patricia Waugh	3	Meagan Lobzun	1	David & Julie Sherman
16	Eric Hespenheide & Judith Hicks	3	Tom Van Itallie	1	George Snow
14	Douglas & Mena McLean	3	Lyndon Williams & Lindley Berry	1	Dennis Som
12	Gretus Hoogestraat & Chrissy Crowe	2	Bob Amori	1	Theodore Sommers
11	William & Imelda Christian	2	James Corrigan	1	Mark & Barb Whalen
11	Barry & Karen Eckel	2	James & Karen Dimond		
10	David & Darcy Anne Fischer	2	James Miklas		



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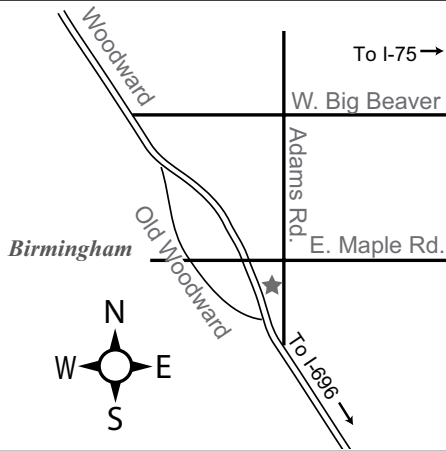
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