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The Spring Tour arriving at
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2025 SEM/PCA CALENDAR

JUNE

- 5 Business Meeting
15 * Eyes on Design at Ford Estate
21 Solstice Tour
26 Business Meeting - *Note in June*
28 DE #2 at M1
29 Waterford Hills Family Day

JULY

- 6-12 Porsche Parade in Oklahoma
11 *Rolling Sculpture in Ann Arbor
12 *Gilmore Car Museum Deutsche Marque
11-13 *Northville Concours d'Elegance
19 Progressive Dinner
25-27 *Waterford Hills Vintage Race

AUGUST

- 1-2 Indiana Nurburgring Overnight Tour
3 *Troy Traffic Jam
7 Business Meeting
13-15 *Woodward Dream Festival at M1
16 *Woodward Dream Cruise
17 Picnic and Concours d'Elegance
23 DE #3 at Waterford

SEPTEMBER

- 4 Business Meeting
5 DE #4 at Waterford
13 Drive Your Porsche Day
14 * Cars R' Stars at Packard Proving Grounds
20 *Rally Sport Region - "Porsches in the Park"
27 Ladies Drive

Future Event Possibilities:

*This is a starting point of events for the 2025 Calendar Year.
Events may be added, deleted or dates changed as desired.*

***Not an SEMPCA event**

All Dates and Events are subject to confirmation
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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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President's Column



ARTICLE BY LISA MOLZON - SEM PRESIDENT

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May started with the **New Member Gathering** on Saturday, May 3rd. Well-attended by many new members and a few established members, it was an informational event with your Board Members giving overviews of the various events we offer through the year. Many thanks to Atheel Goiree for hosting the event at Auto Medics of Shelby. As a new DE sponsor and advertiser, we appreciate Atheel's support. Learn more about how the morning went in the event recap in this issue.

A week later, we kicked-off our first in-car driving event of the season: the **Spring Driving Tour**. Saturday, May 10th, was a truly glorious day made for a driving tour. Perhaps we have Chris Bohr, VP/Driving Tour Chair, arrange the weather for ALL of our events this year! We had a great turn-out of Members eager to drive and then dine. If you weren't able to join us for this tour – we have the Solstice Tour this month, then the Drive Your Porsche Day, the Ladies Drive, and the Fall Color Tour to look forward to. Hope to see you at one or more of these.

Then the next week on Saturday, May 17th, we had our annual **DE-101**. A small group gathered in the Waterford Hills Road Racing classroom, getting the low-down on

what to expect when attending an SEM HPDE (High Performance Driver Education) on the track. Thanks to Steve Carbary, DE Chair, in leading this informative event.

HPDE #1 was Friday, May 30th at Waterford Hills. As the first DE of the season, this was our annual Beginner Day where we focused on first-timers. Look for a recap of this event in our July P4. Reference the ads in this issue for upcoming HPDEs that we organize.

With summer officially starting on June 20th, we immediately embrace it with three events at the end of June. All of our events run rain or shine – although we certainly prefer blue skies to complement our sparkling Porsches.

Registration is open for the **Solstice Tour** on Saturday, June 21st. Currently the one tour we run early in the day and wrap with lunch, this has been growing in popularity since the first tour in 2020. Registration for this event closes June 17th – so I encourage you to register today. For more details, see the ad in this issue and feel free to contact me with any questions you may have about this drive in north Macomb and Oakland counties.

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1. **New Member Gathering** on March 3, 2025 at AutoMedics of Shelby.
2. **SEM Board Members** shared event overviews at the New Member Gathering.

HPDE #2 is Saturday, June 28th at M1 Concourse in Pontiac. We are fortunate to have the ability to host our DEs at the two road courses we have in southeast Michigan. This will be our one DE at M1 Concourse this season. Take advantage of the discounted early registration fee **before** Sunday, 6/22. Reference the ad in this issue of the P4 and contact Steve Carbary (DE Chair) or Marc Molzon (Chief Instructor) if you have any questions about getting on track. After this, you will have 2 more chances to get on track with us at Waterford Hills in August and September.

From one track to another – we will be at Waterford Hills the next day, Sunday, June 29th, for the Annual **SEM Family Day**. With great views of the track and snacks/refreshments supplied by Munk’s Motors, it is sure to be a fun day at the races. And at lunchtime – you have the chance to do some Parade Laps on track behind the wheel of your own car. No advance registration necessary for this fun day. For more details, check-out the ad in this issue and contact Fred Young, SEM Secretary, if you have additional questions.

There are also some other non-SEM events you may be interested in checking-out this month: Cars R Stars at the Packard Proving Grounds on June 8th and Eyes on Design at the Ford Estate June 15th.

We’ve also opened-up registration for the **Progressive Dinner** on July 19th – with limited seating, you will want to sign-up early to join us for this fun drive-and-dine event. Please see the ad in this issue for more details.

With over 1,300 Members and Co-Members, SEM provides events and activities to enjoy – and more importantly, along the way, we get to know each other. Personally speaking, Marc and I have met and made long-time friends through the club. I know we aren’t alone, as I hear stories of other friendships that just naturally blossom when passionate Porsche enthusiasts come together. And above all, we are related through this passion which unites us as family. Some family we see frequently and some seldom. Our events, like family reunions, provide us with a chance to get together, catch-up and bond through conversation, food, and our vehicles.

Sadly, during the first few months of this year we have lost a few long-time SEM family members: Don Kleist, Dan Conrad and John Keilly. Each of these gentlemen contributed to SEM with enthusiasm – whether through the passionate education of teens in their driving skills as our initial Street Survival School classroom instructor (Don Kleist), as a frequent attendee at events for nearly 40 years (Dan Conrad), and as a Board Member & Past-President (John Keilly.) It was my personal honor to have known these memorable men and to be able to fondly reflect upon our past efforts and conversations.

I am looking forward to this year with the “SEM family,” enjoying time together and making many more memories. ■

- 3. *A picture-perfect Spring Driving Tour.*
- 4. *A great turn-out on a great day for the Spring Driving Tour.*



SPONSORED EVENT



Solstice Tour Saturday, June 21, 2025

Join your fellow Club Members for a drive through North Macomb and Oakland Counties to celebrate summer – rain or shine!
Registrants will receive starting location and tour map via an email from Club Registration the week prior to the event.

We'll start this drive early and wrap with lunch:
Registration opens at 9am
First car out at 10:30am
Lunch at approximately Noon

Registration through Club Registration (Event 15739)
<https://clubregistration.net/events/signUp.cfm/event/15739>

Special dietary needs? Please contact Lisa (see below) in advance of registering.
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New Member Gathering

For those new SEMPCA members that had been wondering “Well, I’ve joined the Southeast Michigan Region Porsche Club of America, what do I do now?” We did our best to answer that question on May 3rd at the New Member Gathering.

With 21 new members, joined by 11 current members who stopped by for socializing, to hear about upcoming events plus maybe some donuts and hot coffee, we managed to fill the Auto Medics of Shelby facility. Atheel Goriee, owner of Auto Medics and DE sponsor/advertiser, graciously opened his doors for us, put some amazing cars on display and helped answer many technical vehicle questions. Many thanks, Atheel!

Our Board Members were on-hand to provide an overview of the club and our events. Our Past Presidents, Howard Gilson and Marc Molzon, were joined by our newest Board Members, Bobby Tarchinski and Cedric Alexanian, as well as Jim Williams (Treasurer), Chris Bohr (VP) and myself.

When we first joined SEMPCA, we also asked ourselves “What do I do now?” And through the years, we found that the answer is “As much as you want to do.”

Eight lucky Members walked away with SEMPCA embroidered totes, we hope these become well used over time and perhaps spark some unexpected enjoyable conversations with potential new members that then turn into new friends. For those new and existing members interested in this tote or other SEMPCA personalized wearables, see the ad in this issue of the P4 for the PCA Web Store.

So even during a rather unpleasant day of chilly weather, cold breezes, heavy clouds and the threat of rain, we proved that a SEMPCA event with close, newly-formed, and yet-to-be friends is a fun time. Imagine what an event on a gorgeous Michigan day is like, better yet, join us for some of our upcoming events and find out for yourself. ■

New Member Gathering (continued)



- 2. The New Member Gathering at Auto Medics of Shelby had a lot full of Porsches.
- 3. Porsches dominated the parking lot at Auto Medics.
- 4. Thanks to Atheel Goiree / Auto Medics of Shelby for his support of SEM/PCA
- 5. Various models and years were magnets for post-event discussions and admiration.



1. A good turn-out of new and existing members.





PCA Treffen Stuttgart/Leipzig:

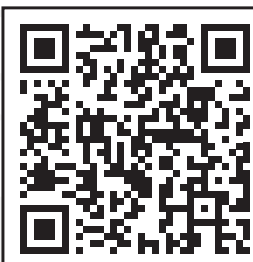
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This event includes private guided Porsche factory tours in Stuttgart and Leipzig, a Porsche Track Experience on the Porsche Leipzig circuit, and four guided tours on exciting German country roads and highways in a mix of provided Porsche models, including 911 Carrera 4 GTS, 911 Carrera 4 GTS Cabriolet, and 911 Targa 4 GTS.

Unforgettable moments await you. In addition to spectacular driving fun in fascinating destinations and the latest Porsche vehicles, Treffen Stuttgart/Leipzig 2025 offers you a comprehensive program with enchanting stays, exquisite regional cuisine, and captivating accompanying activities that promise excitement.

For more info: www.pca.org/news/treffen-stuttgart-leipzig-2025



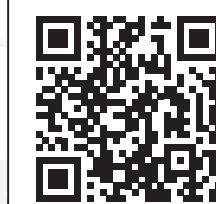
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Schedule a Region event on September 13 to join the celebration!

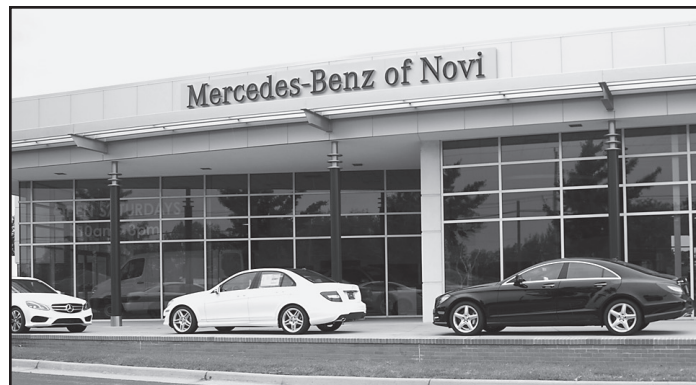
PCA has big plans in 2025 to celebrate the 70th Anniversary of the world's largest Porsche club. Why not join the fun? On September 13th, PCA's founding day, every PCA Region is encouraged to hold an anniversary event in your hometown. Schedule a concours, driving tour, cars & coffee, or any other PCA event and share the excitement on social media using #pca70.



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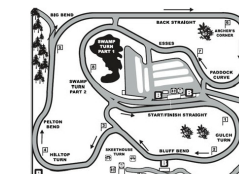
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Bring the wife, kids, grand kids, friends and neighbors – All are welcome.

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Tool Bags



Every Porsche comes equipped with a very nicely appointed set of tools in a rather elegant tool bag of black vinyl either in smooth finish or waffle weave. If you do not have this bag you can thank the scum bag of a previous owner who absconded with it as a memento. You have to admire the faith Porsche has in its owners to think that very basic hand tools can rescue you from a side of the road break down.

The tools in the bag can vary depending on the model. The 911 bag usually contains the following tools: Two Allen wrenches, one tow hook, one set of five double ended open wrenches, one pair of pliers, one slotted and one Phillips screwdriver, one spark plug socket and matching wrench, one lug nut wrench, one pin drive pulley wrench and one spare fan belt. Slightly more specific tool sets were fitted to various models such as the 928, 944 and so on. Also included was a package of fuses of various sizes and the infamous tube type jack, plus an air pump if the car had an inflatable spare. All of these tools and even complete tool bags are available OEM or used but they do not come cheap. A single open-end wrench can be \$17 while a complete tool bag is \$599 and the very basic looking jack is \$324. You can easily buy 100-piece tool sets in a molded tool carry box for \$100 at any parts store. An OEM Ford scissors jack sells for \$50. Other German cars like Mercedes and BMW have their own versions of tool sets, but not like the Porsche.

I don't claim any special mechanical talent, but I cannot imagine what kind of repair I could accomplish with a Porsche tool set. I think it might take the creativity of a MacGyver to accomplish any roadside repair. Although I can brag that I was able to change the 944 collapsible spare tire on the side of the road using the factory tools. I also have changed spark plugs with the factory spark plug socket and matching Allen wrench. Contrast that with any American car and you are lucky if it came with a spare tire and jack and nothing else. I learned from my father to make up my own emergency tool bag which I still carry in each of my cars. I find that a pair of screwdrivers, an adjustable wrench, a small flashlight and a Leatherman, plus a Swiss Army knife should prepare me for most emergencies.

Fortunately, most modern cars are very reliable. Don't expect to get much assistance from the owner's manual either. Although it often has useful advice on having your car towed to a repair shop in an emergency, repair advice is usually limited to routine service and advice on when to visit the dealer. With the electronics of

the modern car it is unreasonable to offer any emergency tools or repair advice. I can't even offer any advice on spare parts you might need in an emergency.

The best advice might be to not touch anything if the repair is not obvious. Of course, I do have a couple of stories about very odd breakdowns I managed to solve on the side of the road. The first one involved my 1964 356C coupe. It would be driving just fine and then the engine would simply quit. There was lots of head scratching trying to decipher the last thing that could have happened. For some reason I deduced it had to be the ignition. Taking off the distributor cap I notice the distributor points were not opening. After twisting the rotor the points aligned themselves and off I went. My mechanic did the real diagnostic sorting and found that the distributor shaft had worn oblong, causing the points to not open on the distributor cam. The problem was solved by replacing the distributor with a new one. The other side of the road break down happened with my 911. I took a work trip to Cleveland with my friend Heath Hurlbert. On the way home we stopped by Stoddard Porsche in Willoughby. Heath bought some odd 356 part and I bought an "S" distributor rotor because it had a 7,200 RPM cutout as opposed to the stock 6,700 RPM one in my "E" model. On the way home we were charging up a hill, over some slight bumps, when the motor suddenly went silent. Pulling onto the shoulder we noted there was a local audience watching us on a nearby house porch. Both of us peered into the engine compartment hoping for a miracle. Then I noticed that the distributor cap had popped loose. With it fastened back in place, we climbed into the car but the engine would not fire. Looking back under the hood nothing was obvious, but it had to be electrical. Testing every connector yielded no clues, but the distributor cap had come loose again. After refastening the cap again we piled back into the car sure that it was cured. With still no fire from the engine, our local audience began to laugh and point. This time I looked closer at the cap and discovered that the rotor had jumped off the shaft and sheared the drive key inside the rotor. Normally we would have been DOA, but I remembered the rotor I had just bought. Fitting the new part with total confidence, we one more time closed the lid, climbed back in the car, fired it up and drove home justified but humble. Who keeps a spare rotor in their luggage?

The point is that sometimes the best tools in the world can't save the situation. But, also cherish your tool bag and don't be that guy that takes it as a keepsake. ■



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Northville Concours d'Elegance Events (www.northvilleconcours.com)

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GM Design Dome - Warren, MI

 Friday, July 11
Kickoff Party
Genetti's Restaurant - Northville, MI

 Saturday, July 12
Northville Concours d'Elegance Cars & Community Day
Mill Race Historical Village - Northville, MI

 Sunday, July 13
2025 Northville Concours d'Elegance
Mill Race Historical Village - Northville, MI

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2003-2006 Carrera GT	- Supercars Of The Modern Day class
1965 Early 911	- Cars Of The 1965 Dealership class
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Spring Tour

The 2025 driving season is finally upon us. Our starting location for the Spring Tour this year was back to being in a parking lot (but it was a great backdrop for pictures!). Registration was held at Lowe's on Maple Rd. in Commerce. Attendance was up from last year with 47 cars turning out for an excellent season opening spring drive. The weather was as good as it could be for a Michigan spring, a high of 80F with barely a cloud in the sky. Attendees were able to walk around in the abundant sunshine and appreciate all of the beautiful Porsches in attendance. Registration opened at 2PM and the first car out was at 3:15PM.

Group leads this year were Chris Bohr, Howard Gilson, Bobby Tarchinski, Andrew Vincent, Mark Vander Eyk, Dennis Som and Jim Williams as sweeper. Six groups were used to keep the group sizes smaller with the hope of keeping more cars together. The route this year took us around several lakes and under plenty of newly blooming trees. We traversed several towns including Commerce, Walled Lake, Milford and West Bloomfield.

Along the route were several great views across lakes and down tree covered roads. Notable areas traveled were Downtown Milford, GM Proving Grounds, Bogie Lake and Orchard Lake. There were several twisty roads, roundabouts and cruising around the lakes. We did encounter a small bit of traffic on M-59 as we approached Bogie Lake Rd, however overall we had constantly flowing traffic.

Dinner was held at 5th Tavern Bloomfield off of Telegraph in Bloomfield Twp. We had a separate room for our group that was shared with another smaller group. The food was great and the company was even better. The most popular dish this year was Cedar Plank Salmon, with Steak Gorgonzola taking a close second. A huge thank you to everyone who participated and made this another very successful event!

A special thanks to Howard, Bobby, Andrew, Mark, Dennis and Jim who all helped make this event possible. ■

Spring Tour (continued)



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- 6. Spring flowers added some nice color to the tour.
- 7. One of the tour groups traveling along side the GM Proving Ground property.
- 8. Dinner at 5th Tavern Bloomfield.
- 9 & 10. Tour vehicles parked at the 5th Tavern Bloomfield dinner location.



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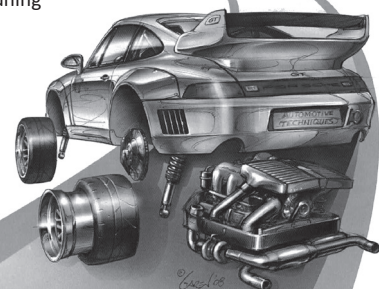
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<https://www.autoblog.com/2021/06/29/what-is-the-indiana-nurburgring/>

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DE 101

The Porsche Club of America, through its various zones and regions, hosts events labeled as High Performance Driver Education. Your Southeast Michigan region typically hosts four of these events every year. But what exactly are these and how do they involve members? To help answer that and a variety of other questions or perhaps concerns, we held our annual DE-101 on May 17th at the Waterford Hills Road Racing Course. It's a great way to kick off the season and introduce members to what could become their favorite way to spend a day driving their Porsche.

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

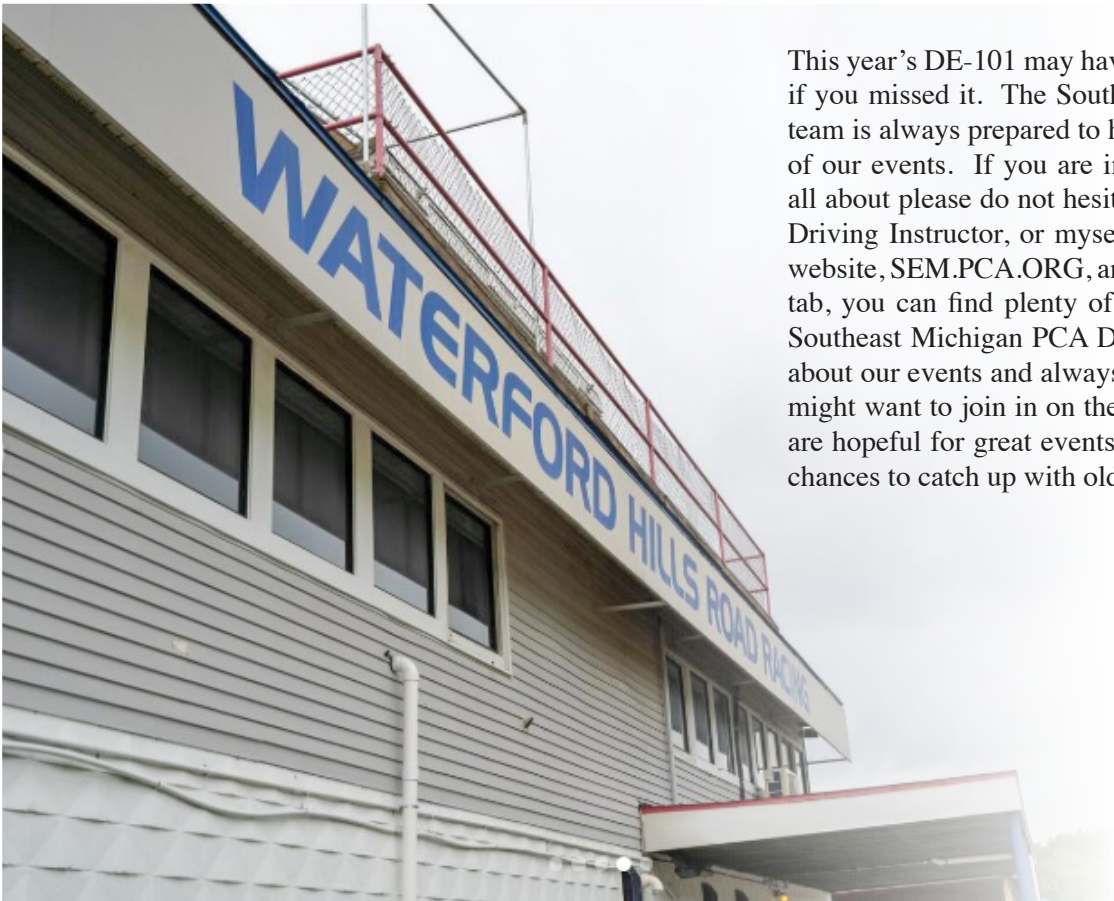
A small group joined me on a brisk spring morning in the track tower 'press room'. Here we gathered for a short presentation and open discussion about our Driver Education program, often referred to as DE. I had a chance to cover what some one can expect when attending one of the events and what it takes to get ready. How to prepare your car as well as yourself, how the day runs, and procedures we follow for safety and fun at speed. Our Drivers Education days are broken up between times when students take their cars on the track with their instructors and periods when we have classroom sessions. These classroom sessions allow us the chance to discuss the concepts of car dynamics and driving techniques. We break down terms like understeer and rotation, weight transfer and threshold braking in further detail. The class sessions reinforce what students are putting to practical use during the driving sessions. We feel this dual approach is extremely beneficial and separates us from just 'open track' days.

Who are High Performance Driver Education events for, those wanting to race?

High Performance Driver Education events are for anyone who would like to enjoy driving at a higher level of performance than what can safely be done on the streets. Our cars are capable of so much more than what the average driver can usually perceive. While higher levels of car control and performance techniques are a part of racing, these principals do have real day-to-day applications. I would say more than you would think. Let's face it, driving is a learned skill. We've all had our basic drivers training when we got our state license. But think about how much your driving has improved since then. Years of practice in a range of situations and conditions has been your teacher since those early years. The same applies to driving cars as you approach the higher limits of their capabilities. Further education, practice, and coaching is how anyone improves at any skill. HPDE events are a great opportunity to do just this. I also frequently point out that I feel the skills I have gained over the years at these events have saved myself as well as those around me on at least three occasions in everyday driving. I have heard this time and time again from others involved as well. So I would say HPDE events are for anyone looking to enjoy their car and their friends, both the new ones you may make as well as old ones. Plus, those looking to have a better understanding of driving and enjoy the skill of driving, not just operating an automobile. And come on we bought sports cars for a reason, bring it out to the track ☺.

As always, we would like to thank our sponsors for all of our HPDE events. Especially Munk's Motors for bringing the snacks that morning. The home-made snacks (*thanks Merritt!*), hot coffee, and water were certainly welcomed that morning. I would highly recommend all of our sponsors for any of your automotive needs. They are not only spirited DE supporters, but deeply experienced experts. Their support for your club and events are greatly appreciated and help make them what they are!

DE 101 (continued)



This year's DE-101 may have come and gone, but do not worry if you missed it. The Southeast Michigan Driver's Education team is always prepared to help you and guide anyone into one of our events. If you are interested in seeing what the fun is all about please do not hesitate to contact Marc Molzon, Chief Driving Instructor, or myself. I would also direct you to our website, SEM.PCA.ORG, and specifically the Driver Education tab, you can find plenty of valuable information there. Your Southeast Michigan PCA Driver Education team is passionate about our events and always eager to lend a hand to those who might want to join in on the fun. So as this season begins, we are hopeful for great events with some of our new friends and chances to catch up with old ones as well. ■



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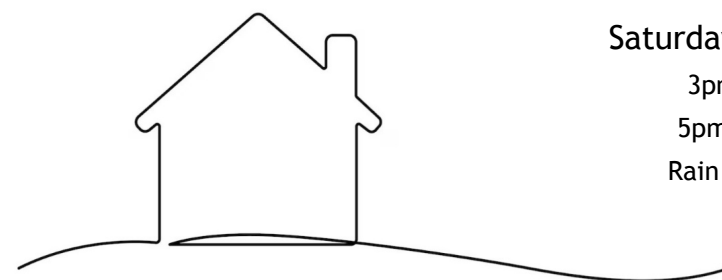


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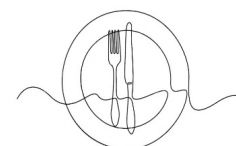
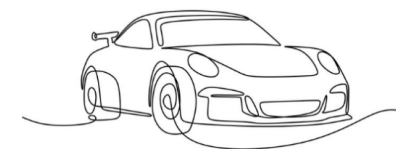
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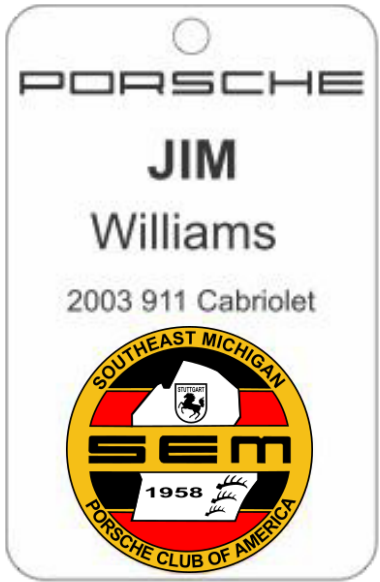
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JUNE 2025

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SEM Business Meeting Minutes* for May 1, 2025 *by Fred Young



MAY 1, 2025

In attendance: Board Members: Chris Bohr, Lisa Molzon, Howard Gilson, Jim Williams, Bobby Tarchinski, Marc Molzon and Steve Carbary. Guest: Michael Cohen.
Absent with notice: Fred Young, Cedric Alexanian and Mark VanderEyck.

Call to Order: 7:05 p.m. by President Lisa Molzon
Minutes: Moved by H.G. and M.M. to approve the April minutes. Motion passed.
Financial: Jim Williams – Not planning to run for re-election; will start the search for the next Treasurer. It was moved by J.W. and H.G. to approve financials. Motion passed.
Membership: Bobby Tarchinski - Membership is at 854 primary and 453 associates for a total of 1307 members. Membership holding steady year-over-year.
Insurance: Steve Carbary - In place for New Member event, Spring Tour and DE #1.
P-4: Mark VanderEyck - Provided June P4 content and P4 distribution list. Reminder: content deadline is the 15th of the month. New ads: Cars & Cornbread, Auto Medics of Shelby.
Webmaster: Howard Gilson – No responses to-date for the webmaster position. The social media has been updated for the month.
President Items: It was moved by M.M. and H.G. to provide a 2025 SEM event credit to an Upper Canada member who arrived at the Swap Meet 2 weeks late due to an old date on the website.

OLD BUSINESS:

April 5: Munk’s Tech Session: Bobby Tarchinski – Not great weather, 40 attendees who were very engaged and 2 SEM members got cars tech inspected. People were very social and enjoyed getting cars out of hibernation after winter.
April 26: Swap Meet at Nikolas Motorsport: Marc Molzon – Good attendance, not many parts for sale, only one vendor table selling parts. Need to have a welcome/check-in dedicated person to ensure that the waiver gets signed.
May 3: New Member Gathering at Automedic: Lisa Molzon – 13 Members currently signed up. Club registration is open until Friday. Coffee and donuts will be provided to Members. Some SEM-embroidered totes are ordered for distribution and PCA national providing some items.
May 10: Spring Tour: Chris Bohr – Need to finalize insurance. Currently 27 cars signed up. Registration closes on Monday AM. Chris will pre-run the route starting in Novi at the Lowe’s parking lot. Mother’s day weekend made it challenging to secure a restaurant.
May 17: DE-101 at Waterford: Steve Carbary – 3 people signed up to-date for this no-cost event. Eblast to go out on 05.06 (Tuesday). Try to promote this as it would work better with more people.
May 25: 3D Detailing Session: Howard Gilson – Postponed. Targeting a fall discussion about how to prep your car for winter storage.

May 30: DE #1 at Waterford: Steve Carbary - It was moved by S.C. and H.G. to sign the contract with Waterford Hills. Currently have 13 signed up. Eblast to go out on 05/20.
June 21: Solstice Tour: Lisa Molzon - It will start in Shelby Twp. and end with lunch in Metamora. Currently we have 10 registered.
June 28: DE#2 at M1: Steve Carbary - No one currently registered.
June 29: Waterford Hills Family Day: No report. Ad to go in the P4 in June.
July 6-12: *Porsche Parade: Howard Gilson – currently at 700 registrants.
July 13: *Northville Concours d’Elegance: Mike Terrell/Lisa Molzon – Targeting to support through attendance and distribute SEM marketing items.
July 19: Progressive Dinner: Cedric Alexanian – Currently has 3 houses locked in. Will set-up on Club Registration and include an ad in the next P4. Plans are to cater the main meal only and attendees provide a dish to pass, appetizers and dessert items.
August 1: Indiana Nürburgring: Chris Bohr – 7 members signed up before the ad went live in the P4.
September 20: *Rally Sport Region “Porsches in the Park”: Updated date.

NEW BUSINESS:

Event Reports: Need Munk’s tech session report (Bobby) and Swap Meet report. Reminder that if insurance is involved, an observer report and event report must be submitted to PCA. Typically needs to be different people submitting reports.
Membership Business Cards: 2 sided cards –With QR code for the website. It was moved by J.W. and B.T. to purchase 1000 business cards for marketing purposes.
Event Ads: Ensure to include: “All events are rain or shine”, registration deadline, general location of starting point, and information regarding dietary restrictions.
Tech Inspection Night: Howard suggested a tech inspection evening for DE event participants at his place. Details to be determined. Would require insurance.
Porsche Detroit North: SEM Members are invited to attend Cars & Coffee at the dealership the second Saturday of each month, starting May 10th (Saturday).
Meeting Adjourned at 8:50 p.m. - Moved to adjourn by S.C. and M.M. Motion passed.
Next Meeting Location: Gilson Motorsports - Thursday, June 5, 2025

*Not an SEMPCA event.

Respectfully Submitted: Bobby Tarchinski - Rev 5-15-25
*Subject to ratification at the next Board Meeting.

Around the Zone



BY DAVE STETSON - ZONE 4 REPRESENTATIVE

Jump in! The water’s fine!

With the active driving season upon us, I am taking this opportunity to talk about a topic of significance now and forever more: volunteerism. Porsche Club of America and its regions are tax-exempt organizations, most of which are categorized as 501c7 organizations (Social Clubs). Quoting from the IRS’ definition of a 501c7 social club, “The organization’s net earnings may not inure to the benefit of any person having a personal and private interest in its activities.” Some regions are 501c4 organizations (Social Welfare) that also may not apply income to the benefit of members. That is, all members contributing to the activities of the club must be volunteers. All members of regional and national boards, regional and national committee chairs, newsletter editors, webmasters, zone representatives, etc. are volunteers. These folks may receive reimbursements for expenses, but let me assure you from personal experience, those reimbursements do not compensate for the entire costs of supporting PCA.

At the risk of belaboring a point, why do we all do it? “...It’s the people!” I am certain that all of you have

marveled at the variety, skills and talent of the membership of PCA. There are so many people with extraordinary talent or specialized skill sets within the regions that they can be recruited (or they volunteer!) to create and support the outstanding activities of the regions and nationally. Solid friendships are built by being a member of PCA, but even stronger relationships are built when we work together on a goal. This value added is close to immeasurable. We can learn new skills from our colleagues, we can ask them about issues we are having with our car(s), and we can ask them for financial advice, on and on and on. Personally, I have not been in such a rich, supportive environment in my life not even the university.

I encourage you to value the contributions the other members of your region and the national officers bring to your experience. Please be a bit patient with them; they are volunteers after all. I cannot encourage you strongly enough to join them in building the great experience that is PCA. ■



“It’s not just the cars,
it’s the people”

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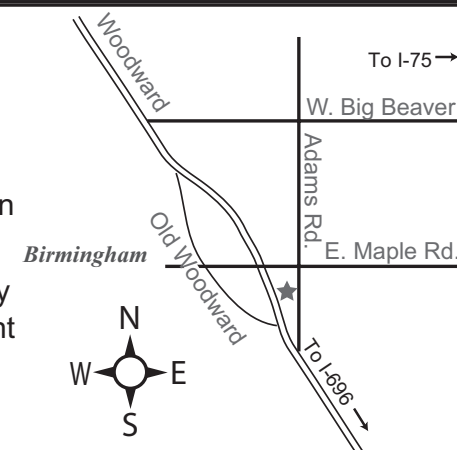
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