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ON THE COVER:

The Solstice Tour included many curvy roads, some hills, and scenic views of the countryside. Luckily we missed the hail storm in the Lakeville-Leonard area.

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2025 SEM/PCA CALENDAR

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

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All Dates and Events are subject to confirmation
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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.

SEPTEMBER

4 Business Meeting
5 DE #4 at Waterford
13 Drive Your Porsche Day
14 3D Detailing Session
14 *Cars R' Stars at Packard Proving Grounds
20 *Rally Sport Region - "Porsches in the Park"
27 Ladies Drive

OCTOBER

2 Business Meeting
3-5 *American Speed Festival
3-5 Up North Tour
19 Fall Color Tour

NOVEMBER

6 Business Meeting and Planning Session
8 Street Survival School



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.
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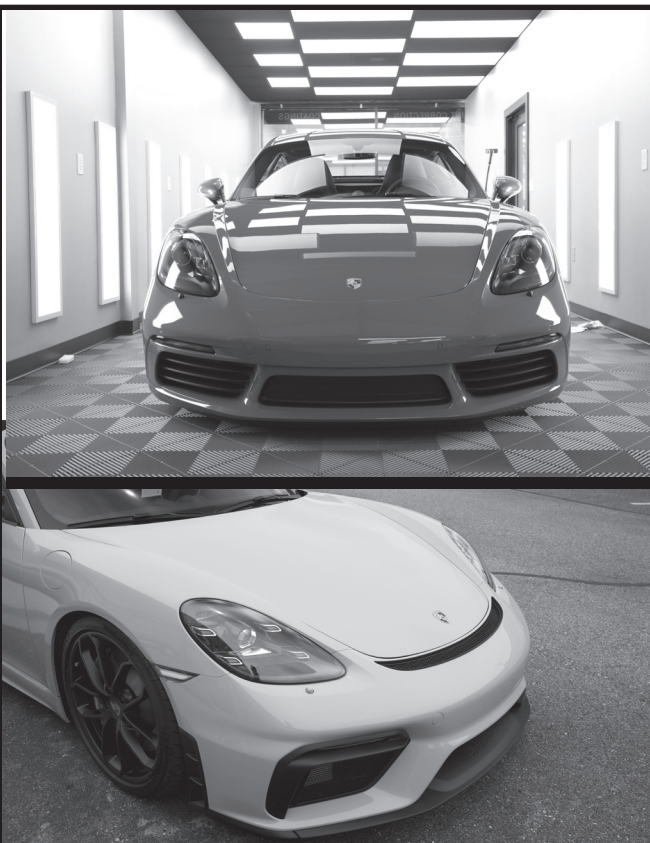
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President's Column



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June SEM events were all about getting behind the wheel of our Porsches, whether on the road, on the track or on the road to the track.

The annual **Solstice Tour** was Saturday, June 21st. The day started stormy, not something any of us wanted for a morning drive. You just never know what the weather will bring. We welcomed PCA members Oscar Martinez and Steve from the Rio Grande Region and showed them some great winding roads and a lovely restaurant. Our tour leads were invaluable: Marc Molzon, Cedric Alexanian with Nasha and Dylan, Guilherme Costa and Flavia, Chris Bohr and Kyle, Robert Tarchinski and Nita, plus Howard Gilson and Yeti. Each year there are some members that participate without fail, some brand-new members and members that I have a chance to meet for the first time and get to know a bit better. Thank you to everyone that braved the elements and joined us for this tour and lunch.

Our **HPDE #2** was Saturday, June 28th at M1 Concourse in Pontiac. We are pleased to be able to offer this venue as one of our HPDE locations each year. The amenities are top-shelf, the track is exciting and the location in central Oakland County right on Woodward Avenue is convenient for our members. Many thanks to DE Chair Steve Carbury, Chief Instructor Marc Molzon, our team of instructors and our sponsors Auto Medics of Shelby, Munk's Motors, plus Nikolas Motorsport.

If you haven't been to one of our High Performance Driver Education (HPDE) days, I encourage you to consider joining us. Yes, we drive on a track but the skills you learn and the experience of feeling how your Porsche handles provides you with invaluable driving knowledge that applies to both the track AND the road. We divide all drivers into groups based upon skill level and provide 1:1 coaching with certified driving instructors. Who knows, maybe like many of us, you will get hooked and drive on

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1. Porsche Detroit North was our starting location.
2. All tour participants are cleared and ready to go.

track with us whenever you get the opportunity. You will have two more chances this season to get on track with us at Waterford Hills, August and September. Contact Steve Carbary or Marc Molzon if you have any questions and register today to get on track at Waterford Hills Raceway.

The day after the HPDE #2, we were at a different track for a fully different reason. Sunday, June 29th was our annual **Waterford Hills Family Day**. This is an opportunity to bring your family and your Porsche to the Waterford Hills Raceway to park along the hill with other SEM members and watch the day’s races. There was no driving on the track this day like at an HPDE, but members were close to the action with some of the best views of the track. Thanks to Secretary Fred Young who organizes this event each year with Waterford Hills.

Over the next month, there is a mix of long-range and short-range driving events available to our members, starting with **Porsche Parade** in Oklahoma City, OK from July 6-12th. Filled with numerous activities, PCA members from across the country and stunning Porsches, this annual event is an amazing experience. For those of you attending this year--have a wonderful time!

Our annual SEM **Progressive Dinner** is on Saturday, July 19th. This event combines short-segment driving tours, socializing and food. We all meet and start with appetizers, then enjoy a drive to our dinner host home before we hop into our Porsches to drive to the hosted dessert home. This is your chance to also share your favorite appetizer, side dish or dessert. Please see the ad in this issue, the SEM online calendar and Club Registration for more details. Space is limited, so sign-up today! Please contact the Progressive Dinner Chair, Cedric Alexanian, with any questions or if you are interested in hosting a stop next year.

August 1st is our **Schweinefiletring/Indiana Nurburgring Driving Tour**. Comprised of about 175 miles of thrilling roadways, this overnight driving tour is chaired by Chris Bohr and Howard Gilson. Contact them with any questions you may have about this exciting and unique tour. Please also see the ad in this issue which provides a great overview of the area and the tour plan itself.

There are also some other non-SEM events you may be interested in checking-out this month: Rolling Sculpture in Ann Arbor on July 11, Gilmore Car Museum Deutsche Marque on July 12, Northville Concours d’Elegance July 11-13 and Waterford Hills Vintage Racing July 25-27.

Enjoy driving your Porsche this summer and I hope to see you at some of our events this season! ■

3. Arriving in Metamora, MI.
4. Some of the storm aftermath.



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- Friday, July 11
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Genetti’s Restaurant - Northville, MI
- Saturday, July 12
Northville Concours d’Elegance Cars & Community Day
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- Sunday, July 13
2025 Northville Concours d’Elegance
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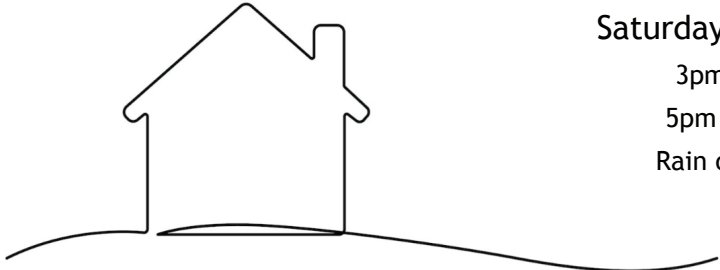
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Progressive Dinner Tour



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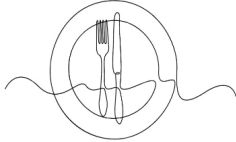
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Limited to the first 50 people - Register today!

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Register on Club Reg following this link:

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For questions - or to volunteer to host a stop next year - please contact:

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DE #1

So it's early spring and you live in Michigan. Odds are, if you have a summer 'toy', it's been tucked away for months and as the frozen, white rain that has been piled up starts melting away, your excitement to get it back out and start enjoying it again begins building. Whether it's a boat, or perhaps a bike, or for many of us in this club...a special car. Pulling the covers off and checking all the vitals before taking any of these out is all part of the process and lends to the anticipation. The build up makes the first outing sweeter somehow and the season kick off is always something to revel in. For those of us who enjoy the 'track' season, the opening Southeast Michigan PCA hosted HPDE event came in May this year at Waterford Hills Road Racing course. Day one of high RPM, hot tires and hot brakes fun for the 2025 season!

Planning events in January for the entire year always presents a challenge for guessing what the weather will be, especially May in Michigan. We always count ourselves lucky if it isn't snowing for our first event! But, my Magic 8-Ball got this one right as the week leading up to the event had hit and miss showers and the morning started out a little suspicious, but soon turned into a wonderful spring day. I'll hope it's a good omen for the remaining three events this season. Our first DE of every year is especially tailored

towards beginners and those who are joining us for a first time experience. This year was a great event for that. Out of the three groups we separate drivers into, the beginner group had several first timers, so they were all in good company. Perhaps there was a slight comfort in knowing that they were surrounded by others doing exactly what they were doing. A couple of first timers had attended our DE-101 event we held in April and were prepared, plus had been looking forward to this day for a few weeks. Those who didn't get a chance to attend that day were still guided through preparations by the DE team ahead of the event. But now the time had come, so everyone was anxious and ready to go.

The day began, as always, with a flurry of activity and there was much to do to get the day started. Cars being prepped, registration paperwork to be completed, and several newbies renting helmets. Before long it was time for the drivers meeting. This is required at every Drivers Education event and it gives our Chief Instructor, Marc Molzon, the opportunity to share very important details for the day. Details that include things like safety procedures and track directions, but also instructor introductions and taking a moment to thank our sponsors. This is very important, as these events are so much better because of them. Auto

DE #1 (continued)

Medics of Shelby, Nikolas Motorsports, and Munk's Motors help out in so many ways. I would highly recommend that you consider any of them for your automotive needs. With the morning's official proceedings in place, it was time to get this day rolling. Instructors took to the track first while the beginner group had their first classroom session. From there each group takes its turn on the track or in the classroom. The Waterford Hills facility is an exciting road course and right in our own backyard for many of us (so to speak). This course is rather short for a race track at a mere 1.6 miles, but has many challenging turns and a fair amount of elevation changes! This track is always ready to provide an ultimate driving experience. It is often said that if you can drive well at Waterford, you can handle anything other tracks may throw at you. But for May 30th, it was soon filled with various Porsches running through the gears and flexing their suspensions, delighting the drivers and those waiting for their chance at the curves.

After a few morning sessions, we had a brief pause for lunch. During this time, I had a moment to talk to a 'first timer' and ask if this was as much fun as promised. He expressed how

he now understood that these types of events are really the only place to experience what a car like his Cayman is truly capable of. "The 'road', the coaching, the atmosphere and the people, you just can't enjoy this type of driving anywhere else." I think we may have found another long term friend - haha. Welcome to your new favorite hobby! "We've all been exactly where you are at", I told him. I loved seeing his excitement. Moments like this make organizing these days all worth it for the DE Team.

The schedule continued throughout the afternoon with students getting more comfortable with the speeds and advice from their instructors. I believe almost all participants got their fair share of laps and learning. With the afternoon coming to a close it was time to shut down for the day. As with any opening day, it unfortunately had to come to an end at some point. But like any good season, there are plenty more HPDE days to come. Be sure to check out the schedule for upcoming events. If the roar of an engine and the sound of tires gripping at their max excites you, we might just have something in store for you too. ■



1. James Garner leads the way down Pit Lane on to the track.
2. Jason Mason stuns in his immaculate GT2.
3. The Paddock held a wide variety of Porsche models and various high performance makes.
4. Each Porsche looked fast off the line!

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- 5. Instructor John Agrusa making sure everyone that attended was enjoying themselves, including member Nobu Asai.
- 6. Dan Izydorek packs-up his GT3 at the end of the day with assistance from Marc Molzon. Alread looking forward to DE #2.
- 7. The great weather on a track day brings out the smiles
- Ron Leix, Spencer Christian, Thom Christian, and DE Chair Steve Carbury.



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Schweinefiletring/Indiana Nurburgring Driving Tour

August 1st, 2025

SEMPCA is bringing you another overnight driving tour where we can drive our Porsches the way they were meant to be driven. This would be a perfect event to see what your Porsche was designed for.



Indiana Nürburgring:
Named the Schweinefiletring by locals, it's a series of roads strung together in southern Indiana that resemble Germany's Nürburgring in shape. The Schweinefiletring is made up of roughly 175 miles of twisting, turning, undulating roads. Route contains roads that best resembles Germany's Nürburgring with its near-constant corners, forested edges, and elevation changes aplenty.

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

We will start the drive in the morning on Saturday August 1st. Group hotel rates available on Friday and Saturday night for participants (optional). There will be a caravan to Indiana on Friday (optional).

Register at: <https://clubregistration.net/events/signUp.cfm/event/15288>



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Lunch consists of dishes brought by members and an excellent meal with hors d'oeuvres provided by the co-chairs of this event. As a bonus, early arrivals are treated to a wonderful breakfast.

\$10.00 per person (\$15.00 after August 9th) Children under 16 are free.
Message Patti Door at (248) 207-7617 or pdoor@sbcglobal.net to make your reservation and coordinate a dish to pass. Please RSVP early and specify you are registering for the picnic and concours. Attendance is limited.

Concours questions? Call Fred Young at (586) 566-3193 or frederickyoung73@gmail.com



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Solstice Tour

Sometimes you get lucky with the weather for an outdoor event. And sometimes you don't.

7:20am, Saturday, June 21 – SEM Solstice Tour

I hear what sounds like the rumble of thunder. A couple minutes later, I hear it again. A few minutes later, the rain comes cascading down.

8:00am

As I navigate the deep standing water puddles on the pavement on my way to the freeway, I am also watching the lightning show ahead of me. Wow, that bright purple-pink streak of lightning definitely came straight down and hit land somewhere way up ahead in the distance. Ten minutes into my drive on the freeway, rain is coming down so furiously it is nearly impossible to see the road, it is difficult to see the cars around me and water is having a difficult time draining off the road surface. Definitely NOT feeling lucky with the weather for the tour today.

8:40am

Made it to the tour starting point: Porsche Detroit North in Shelby Township. It is still briskly raining, but the stylish Gen-5 Porsche dealership is dry, inviting and contains a few new Porsche models in case you may be considering purchasing one.

9:00am - Registration Opens

Right on cue: Two Porsches turn into the dealership in the dim light of the morning with heavy rainclouds still overhead and rain coming down. Kudos to these hardy SEM Members driving their Boxsters! Tom Grabowski pulled in followed by new member Guilherme Costa and his wife Flavia and were guided into place by Chief Driving Instructor Marc Molzon, car stager for the morning. Although it takes about 15-20 minutes for the next arrivals, more club members make their way into the dealership and soon it's a steady line-up of members checking-in. Meanwhile, still NOT feeling lucky with the weather, as the rain fluctuates between light and heavy as it comes down. Although all members that are arriving don't seem to have their spirits dampened by the morning's weather.

10:35am - Drivers Start Your Engines!

Registration is complete and the tour meeting has just concluded. As the 58 attendees turn to head out of the dealership to the 33 vehicles lined-up all ready to go, the rain has stopped! Yes, there is a lot of water underfoot, but no rain is falling and all dark ominous storm clouds have blown to the east away from our path. So sometimes you DO get lucky with the weather.

During the course of the tour, the roads slowly started to dry-out. Perhaps not all the curves early in the drive were thoroughly enjoyed due to the wet pavement, but over the hour-and-a-half drive there were plenty of curves to navigate. At one point during the drive, the storm that had passed through earlier left more remnants than just puddles on the road. Hail had fallen and ripped many leaves and small branches from the over-arching trees that lined the streets. Thankfully, the hailstorm was over and passed before we arrived on the scene. And, near the end of the tour the sun began shining in earnest, brightening our morning. Again, sometimes you DO get lucky with the weather!

12:05pm - The White Horse Inn

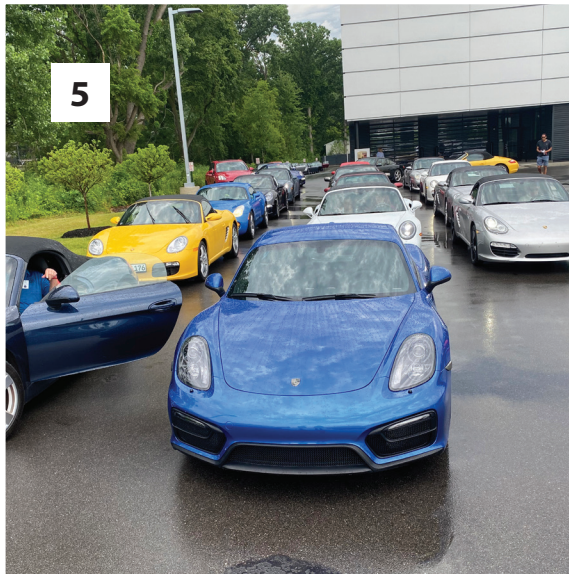
The first cars started coming down Oak Street to The White Horse Inn just after noon. As everyone arrived for lunch, it was fun to catch-up and hear the short stories and the experiences of the tour. Once we all were seated, lunch was swiftly and efficiently delivered to the group. Conversations between long-time friends and amongst new acquaintances filled the air as the delicious meals were enjoyed. As entrees were finished, warm chocolate chip cookies were delivered to each person, a tasty note to end the tour on. As we left to enjoy the rest of the sunny day, the rainy morning seemed long ago. I think we all agreed that we got lucky with the weather overall. ■

Solstice Tour (continued)



1. *Porsche Detroit North graciously opened early to accommodate our morning event.*
2. *Lined up and ready to head out.*
3. *Porsches were staged 3 wide in front and continued single file to the back parking lot.*
4. *Within Porsche Detroit North, we stayed dry while watching the sky and waiting for the rain to subside.*
5. *Staged and ready to go!*

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- 6. All the rain resulted in a lush green countryside.
- 7. The leftover signs of the morning storms on the route.
- 8. The rain clouds moved on and the sun came out while on the tour.
- 9. Arriving for lunch at The White Horse Inn.
- 10. Downtown Metamora was filled with Porsches as we ended the morning drive.
- 11. Nearing the end of the drive.



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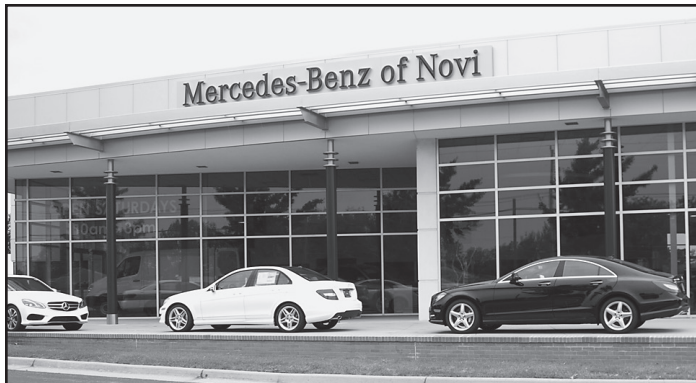
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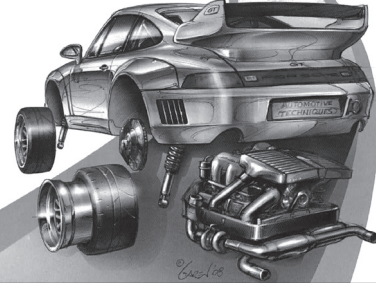
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Diagnostics



Diagnostics have always played a role in automotive repair and maintenance, but the meaning has changed greatly as cars have evolved from being mechanically to electronically based. With this evolution have also come revised training methods and tools. Since the dawn of the automotive age, a mechanics best skill was his ability to diagnose and solve mechanical problems. A sound understanding of mechanical principals was essential, as well as deductive logic, to understand a problem or failure and resolve it with the necessary tools. As automotive engineering progressed and evolved from mechanical to the electronic, those skills, tools and methods have changed significantly requiring new training techniques to go along with them. This has become very evident in the workshop manuals produced by the manufacturers.

My father introduced me to the usefulness of owning a factory produced workshop manual. He would order whatever was the current manual for the car he owned and always referenced them for resolving problems as well as performing routine tasks. When I purchased my first 914/6, I purchased my first set of Porsche manuals for that model. They came as a set of several binders covering mechanical, body and electrical topics. When I bought my 911, I found many of the subjects were covered in the manuals I already owned and any gaps could be filled by internet sources. The biggest problem was not owning the specialized tools that were necessary, plus not possessing the factory training to carry out those repairs effectively or properly diagnose the source of the problem. If I could not find the factory manuals for my Sirocco, Integra, or Mazda, I was able to resolve that gap with Haynes manuals. Very useful were the step by step pictures and action plans. Also useful were the diagnostic steps to recognize and resolve problems. But, as I progressed to newer model cars the detail of diagnostics shifted from mechanical steps to very elaborate electronic tests and tools to resolve body, engine management and operating computer issues. A selection of tools was replaced or supplemented by computer diagnostic tools, including very sophisticated factory service computers often directly connected to the manufacturers operating network through the internet. These computers were purchased from the manufacturer at great cost and only available to dealers and with factory training. Not only did this cut out the home mechanic, but even the private mechanic as well.

Now we have entered the age of the electric car and powertrain they might as well come with signs that say no serviceable parts or modules are contained here. Today's cars are driven by multiple

computers which interact with each other such that a failure in one can drive a failure in a totally unrelated component in an almost random sequence. The programs themselves are comprised of thousands of lines of computer code. When a computer program fails, it may be impossible to replicate. Often the only diagnostic solution is to swap out a computer module and see if the problem reoccurs or generates a diagnostic code that narrows down the error. To save wiring and modules, many functions share sections of components in a process called a bus or multi-function circuit. With the modern circuitry and computers, many diagnostics issues can be resolved by so called re-flashing the computer. A technician can connect a car to the service diagnostics tool at the dealer, and through an internet connection to the factory service center, send a new computer program to override the faulty program in the vehicle's computer. There are even some predictions that future cars will self-diagnose and self-connect with factory computer networks. With the rapid advances in artificial intelligence we could see the day when the car computer can not only self-diagnose, but self-correct computer problems.

The solution to an electrical problem can often frustrate even the most talented and trained technician. When my 1972 911 was still new, it had an awful periodic engine failure that totally baffled the dealer. At an almost random occurrence, the motor would quit while running with no warning. It would restart after a few minutes only to quit again with no warning. The dealer assigned a mechanic who had just received the latest training in engine electronics. He surmised it was ignition related and isolated it to the capacitive discharge (CD) box, a supposedly fail proof component used in every six cylinder engine. These boxes were usually manufactured by Bosch, but in 1973 Porsche changed to CD unit from Permetex who also supplied aircraft. In my mind the solution was to exchange my Bosch unit to one from Permetex. The dealer said the part was so new it wasn't stocked. My logic was that if there was no difference, they could just pull a Permetex from one of the newer 911s and swap it with mine. With the swap done, my problem was solved. After that I never used Bosch units and went with Permetex exclusively, even to the point of using two boxes on my dual ignition engines.

Diagnostics may have changed to keep up with new engineering, but the solution still requires the right tools and trained service person to keep our new cars running. ■



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JULY 2025

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51	E. Keith & Michael Blake	8	Jordan Fowler	2	David Cooley
51	David & Kathryn Gillentine	8	Bruce & Deborah Kopitz	2	Dana Gash
44	Robert & Debra Nikolas	8	Rebecca & William Kraus	2	William & Monica Grotz
38	Sherwyn & Joseph Labovitz	8	John & Sean Thurwachter	2	Colin Mccoy
36	Ray & Greg Massa	8	Philip & Charlie Uchno	2	William Statetzny
33	Dennis Spors & Debbie Bleger	7	Nancy Anne Biondo & Owen Quell	2	John Stratton
33	Kenneth & Pamela Werth	7	James Hayosh	2	Paul Venn
32	Richardo & Carole Kilpatrick	6	Steven & Vicky Getz	2	Jeffrey Vettraino & Natalie Neff
31	Ross & Joshua Suchy	6	Jordan Kotubey	1	Scott Cauvel
30	Julian Pate & Julia Richardson-Pate	6	Matthew Kunz	1	Gregory Clark & Elaine Mclain
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Guests: Jason Nixon and Guilherme Costa. Absent with notice: Cedric Alexanian.

Call to Order: 7:02 p.m. by President Lisa Molzon

Minutes: Moved by C.B. and M.M. to approve the June minutes. Motion passed.

Financial: Jim Williams –

Jim recapped the June financials. It was moved by J.W. and B.T. to approve the financials. Motion passed.

Membership: Bobby Tarchinski -

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Insurance: Steve Carbary -

Needed for DE #2 and Solstice Tour.

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Mark went over the July P4 content needed.

Webmaster: Howard Gilson –

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OLD BUSINESS:

May 3: New Member Gathering at Automedic:

Lisa Molzon –
33 members attended. The event went very well.

May 10: Spring Tour: Chris Bohr –

There were 37 cars and 72 participants. The tour route was great along with a splendid dinner.

May 17: DE-101 at Waterford: Steve Carbary –

There was a low turnout but it was very informative for those that were there.

May 30: DE #1 at Waterford: Steve Carbary -

There were no issues. It was a great start to the season.

June 21: Solstice Tour: Lisa Molzon -

The route is set.

June 28: DE#2 at M1: Steve Carbary-

Registration is light at this time.

June 29: Waterford Hills Family Day:

On track. On May 23 by email it was moved by M.M. and H.G. to amend the sponsorship policy to allow refreshments at the event. Motion passed.

July 6-12: *Porsche Parade: Howard Gilson –

currently at 700 registrants. Several SEM members are going.

July 13: *Northville Concours d’Elegance:

No report.

July 19: Progressive Dinner: Lisa Molzon -

Lisa presented a budget for the dinner along with the host homes. Attendees will bring an appetizer, side dish or desert as in previous years.

August 1: Indiana Nürburgring: Chris Bohr –

14 are signed up and more are expected.
Everything is in place.

August 13-16: Dream Cruise Events: Lisa Molzon -

Events will be forthcoming.

August 17: Picnic and Concours: Fred Young - All set.

September 13: Drive your Porsche Day: Howard Gilson -
The location and restaurant are confirmed.

September 27: Ladies Drive: Lisa Molzon - No report.

October 19: Fall Color Tour: On May 2 by email it was moved by C.B. and M.M. to approve a deposit for the Zukey Lake Tavern room rental. Motion passed.

NEW BUSINESS:

Event Reports: None needed.

Meeting Adjourned at 8:30 p.m. - Moved to adjourn by S.C. and M.M. Motion passed.

Next Meeting Location: Gilson Motorsports -
Thursday, June 26, 2025

***Not an SEMPCA event.**

Respectfully Submitted: Fred Young - Rev. 6-12-25

*Subject to ratification at the next Board Meeting.



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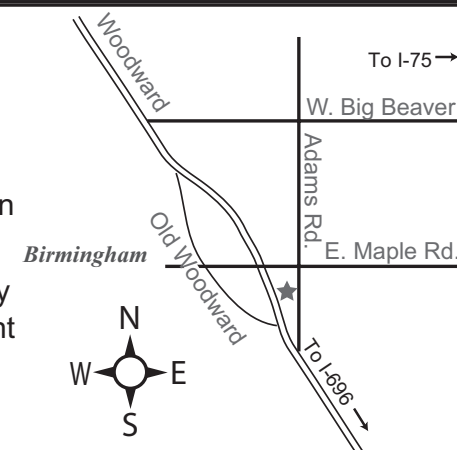
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