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2026 SEM/PCA CALENDAR

APRIL

- 2 Business Meeting
- 11 SIM Racing / Training Series
- 15 *Parade Registration - Phase II
- 18 Munk's Tech Session
- 19 DE-101 at M1 Concourse
- 25 New Member Gathering
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- 7 Business Meeting
- 9 DE #1 at M1 Concourse
- 16am Automedic Tech Session
- 16pm Spring Tour
- 30-1 *Detroit Grand Prix

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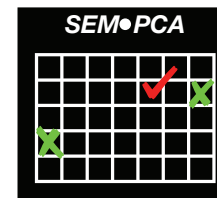
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- 2 Business Meeting
- 10-12 *Northville Concours d'Elegance
- 11 *Gilmore Car Museum Deutsche Marque
- 25 Progressive Dinner
- 30-2 Overnight Tour -
Tail of the Dragon / Back of the Dragon

Future Event Possibilities:
This is a starting point of events for the 2026 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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Around the country, thousands of Porsche owners make time in their schedule to volunteer and support their Region. And here, locally, in the Southeast Michigan Region, we are truly fortunate to have so many members offering to lend a hand with events, providing articles in the P4, or serving as Board Members, Officers, and/or Event Chairs. Those dedicating the most amount of time and effort are amongst the most passionate and dedicated Porsche owners – and are the most humble in regards to what they contribute to make our Club run.

We present the Jack Kaminska "Enthusiast of the Year" award to one individual (or couple) each year – a nearly impossible selection task when we have so many deserving members. But to identify each and every member that gives back to the Club would truly be an insurmountable effort. Our long-time members are the backbone of SEM – while many of our newer members bring fresh ideas and new energy.

With the years of effort and the immense number of hours of dedication in running and shaping the Club, several of our members deserve a shout-out: **Patti & Jerry Door** (both are Past Presidents, past long-time Board Members, and Event Chairs), **Leo Wanstreet** (past Treasurer and Board Member), **Michael Cohen** (past Editor and Board Member, current Officer leading P4 Ads and Dealer Liason efforts), and Past Presidents/Board Members **Dennis Denyer, Dave Miller, and Dave Renner**. And many thanks to some of our members that contribute to events and that we consistently see lending a hand to make things run smoothly: **Jamie & Joann Coobatis, Andrew Vincent, Roger & Denise Tayloe, Michael Acho, Michael & Diana Eblenkamp, and Tom & Christine Grabowski**. Many thanks to everyone that dedicates time and effort to SEM!

Speaking of volunteering, how would you like to support SEM by volunteering from the comfort of your home? Member P4 article contributors are always welcome!

Often, our articles are submitted by our Board Members/Chairs sharing the experience of recent events. And surely everyone is familiar with our long-standing member monthly contributor, **Tom Fielitz**. Tom shares valuable vehicle, technical, and driving information – as well as insightful life experiences without fail each month. His one-page article is one of the first that I look for in each issue. You may also recall reading articles provided by members **Paula Trendov, Patrick Coleman, and Mark Vander Eyk** – each has shared various write-ups about past events and trips that they have experienced, giving us a view into travels that each of us may consider at some point. Any time through the year, you are invited to share your stories/your articles with us to round-out and enhance our P4 publications!

In the Rearview

Since January, **Chris Bohr** (Vice President/Tour Chair) has chaired the monthly **SIM Racing/Training** series at SUPERLAP in Berkley. March 21st was the third event of the series – and April 11th will be the fourth and final event of this series. This has been a spectacular recurring event to kick-off 2026, providing our members and friends that have a "need for speed," during the winter months. Events such as this and the HPDE series appeal to both SEM members as well as our friends throughout the area. These are wonderful events in which the excitement and camaraderie of SEM is on full display for non-members and really does a great job in promoting SEM and securing some new members along the way.

Also in March, we held the annual **Swap Meet/Car Show/Tech Quiz** at Nikolas Motorsport on the 28th. Thanks to **Michael Acho** chairing this event the past few years! These events don't just "happen" – the ads, the tables for items being sold/swapped, the quiz, the event report, the event article recap, etc. require time and effort. And thanks again to our sponsor/advertiser **David Nikolas/Nikolas Motorsport** for opening his doors, hosting this event, and ensuring food and beverages are available to all attendees. Watch for the recap article in May's P4.

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Looking Down the Road

In April, we are preparing on getting together for numerous activities! Our last **SIM Racing/Training** event of our series will be April 11th. **Porsche Parade 2026** at Lake Placid opens event and banquet registration at Noon on April 15th. I am personally looking forward to Parade in June: meeting PCA members from around the country, participating in events, and enjoying the beauty of the Lake Placid area!

The **Tech Session at Munk's** is April 18th – **Chris Braden/Munk's** hosts this annual Porsche gathering of auto-enthusiasts, providing lunch, technical insights, and a great socializing venue as we come out of our long winter. RSVP's are recommended at events@munks.com – see the event ad for details in this issue.

The annual **DE-101** will be April 19th at The Motor Guild located within M1 Concourse. Are you considering attending a High Performance Driver's Education (HPDE) event this year for the first time? This gathering provides an introduction to HPDE's: presentation, Q & A's, what to bring/how to prepare for an HPDE, and an overview of what a HPDE track day entails. There is NO TRACK

DRIVING at the DE-101. See the event ad in this issue for details and be sure to register via Club Registration for this informative gathering.

On April 25th, the **New Member Welcome & Membership Dinner** will be at Alibi of Troy. Bobby Tarchinski (Membership Chair) has organized a 2-part evening: First, our new members are welcome to join us for an overview of SEM; Second: ALL members are invited to the cocktail hour and dinner. See the ad for details and please be sure to register to ensure a seat at this fun social event!

As a reminder to all of our members: ALL Porsche vehicles are welcome at our events. Every Porsche is fun to drive – we'd love to see more Macans, Cayennes, and Panameras in the mix when looking around event parking and on our tours. It's not just the cars – it's the PEOPLE that make our events enjoyable and memorable.

Spring will be starting in earnest – and that means our outdoor events will be kicking-off soon. Hope to see you enjoying your Porsche with us this year! ■



SPONSORED EVENT

Sim Racing/Training Series

Apr 11th 2026



Join us for a fun filled sim racing/training series at SUPERLAP. Prominently located on historic Woodward Ave., SUPERLAP features 8 high-end racing simulators complete with 4-point motion systems. First-timers, as well as aspiring professionals will enjoy a spin in iRacing on the advanced simulators. This is a good opportunity to keep your high performance driving skills fresh throughout the winter season.

Event is 9AM-12PM with light breakfast provided.

Limited to 24 Driving Participants.

Cancellation deadline for full refund is one week before event.

Please visit the link below for more information:

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European Delivery Experience

My European Delivery Experience

For many enthusiasts, owning a Porsche 911 is the goal. For me, it was only part of the story. I wanted the experience to begin where the car did—at its source.

That decision took shape in August 2021 during a dinner with a friend who is a dealer principal at Porsche Louisville. When I mentioned ordering a 911, his advice was immediate: get on the list now. The wait would be long.

He was right. More than two years later, in October 2023, the call finally came—an allocation for a 2024 Porsche 911 Targa 4 GTS. There was little time to consider it. The order needed to be finalized immediately, and delivery would take place in Stuttgart through Porsche’s European Delivery program. I accepted on the spot.

In December, my wife and I arrived in Stuttgart just days before delivery. The city was alive with Christmas markets, providing an ideal start to what would become a memorable trip.

Delivery day began early at the Porsche Delivery Center in Zuffenhausen. The setting was precise and orderly, with multiple cars staged for handover. After a brief welcome and breakfast, a Porsche ambassador guided us to our car. Beneath a black cover sat my 911.

When it was removed, the moment was simple and understated—but after more than two years of waiting, it carried real weight.

The delivery itself followed a familiar format, including a full orientation. However, I had already decided not to drive the car in Germany. Winter conditions, unfamiliar roads, and the logistics of snow tires made that the practical choice.

Instead, my wife and I toured the factory and followed

the 911 production line from engine assembly through final construction. Seeing the process firsthand added a level of appreciation that’s difficult to convey. Nearby, the Taycan line offered a clear contrast—modern, electric, and forward-looking.

We lunched in the executive dining room overlooking the rotary in front of the Porsche Museum. We then toured the Porsche Museum where we traced the brand’s history from early racing success to modern engineering. That evening, we dined at Christophorus Restaurant within the museum complex. Despite limited availability, we secured a reservation and enjoyed a multi-course meal that provided a fitting close to the day.

With delivery complete, the trip continued. We visited Nuremberg and then spent several days in Berlin, exploring landmarks such as the Brandenburg Gate along with museums and memorials that reflect Germany’s complex history. One particularly notable stop was the site of President Ronald Reagan’s 1987 “tear down this wall” speech—a moment that added perspective to the visit. We returned home just before Christmas.

The car’s journey, however, was less straightforward.

A supply chain issue involving a prohibited electronic component delayed shipment, and additional logistical complications extended the timeline further. The car ultimately arrived in the United States in May 2024—five months after delivery in Germany.

When it did, I chose not to treat the pickup as routine. Instead, my son and I turned it into a drive from Louisville to Michigan, avoiding highways in favor of back roads to allow for a proper break-in.

What makes that more unusual is that I had never driven one prior to ordering it. My experience included both track and daily driving time in a Jaguar F-Type R and an F-Pace

European Delivery Experience (continued)

SVR, so performance cars were familiar. Still, my dealer friend was surprised I hadn’t insisted on a test drive.

My only exposure had been as a passenger during a track weekend at Grattan Raceway. Watching an instructor drive a 911 at speed left a lasting impression. He took lines I wouldn’t have considered, and more than once I questioned how the car could make the turn—until it did.

Driving it myself confirmed that impression. The car is precise, composed, and intuitive in a way that stands apart. With a seven-speed manual transmission, the 2024 911 Targa 4 GTS strikes an ideal balance between performance and usability—one I would choose if limited to a single car. In the end, the car is only part of the story. The wait, the trip, the factory, and the drive home all shaped the experience.

European delivery didn’t just mark the beginning of ownership—it gave it context. And that’s something that comes back every time the engine starts. ■

Porsche Museum in Stuttgart



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Porsche Delivery Center in Zuffenhausen



Executive dining room overlooking the rotary in front of the Porsche Museum



Porsche Christmas Display

Brandenburg Gate and Pariser Platz in Berlin



Site of President Ronald Reagan's 1987 'Tear Down This Wall!' speech

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High Performance Driver's Education - 101

Sunday - April 19th - M1 Concourse

Classroom Session start time 10:00 am



This is a Introduction / 'How to begin' into HPDE events for first timers. So, if you have ever been curious about DE and are thinking about trying these events, this will help put you on the right path.

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

We will cover how to register, prepping your car, prepping yourself, and what to expect. You will get a chance to meet some of our instructors, tour the facility, and get a look around the track!

So, if you have ever been curious about D.E. events and are thinking about trying this event, this will put you on the right path and answer all your questions.

For details, visit: sem.pca.org
Look for the Driver's Education section for more information.
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The Southeast Michigan Region of PCA invites all members especially our newest, to an evening of great food, community, and Porsche enthusiasm. Whether this is your first SEM event or your fiftieth, join us to celebrate the spirit of the club, connect with fellow enthusiasts, and enjoy a lineup of beautiful Porsches in the parking lot before dinner!

Event Schedule

- **New Member Event: 4:00–5:00 p.m.**
 - For those who have joined SEM in the past year!
- **New Member Informational Presentations (4:15–5:00 p.m.)**
 - Learn about all SEM has to offer!
- **Cocktail Hour: 5:00–5:30 p.m.**
 - SEM veteran members join the fun!
 - Appetizers and Cash Bar
- **Dinner: 5:30–7:00 p.m.**
 - Family style Pizza and Salad

Bring your Porsche and park among friends, it's the perfect chance to show off your car!

Cost: \$35/per person (includes dinner and soft drinks)

Attire: Casual – Automotive apparel encouraged!

Registration: <https://clubregistration.net/events/signUp.cfm/event/16666>



Michigan Automotive Heritage Museum

Michigan Automotive Heritage Museum (continued)

ARTICLE AND PHOTOS BY GARY AMBUS - SEM MEMBER

Ypsilanti, Michigan, has a unique area on its northeast side—Depot Town. Within these historic and quaint few blocks are numerous shops, restaurants, and an automotive museum.

On the last Saturday of February, the Southeast Region of the Porsche Club of America enjoyed lunch at one of those quaint restaurants, along with a visit to the museum.

Lunch was held at the historic Sidetrack Bar & Grill, known for its burgers and extensive beer selection, and located near the railroad tracks that run through this area of Ypsilanti. Several trains passed during our visit. We had a private room that took you back to the early 1900s.

After lunch, the group walked across the street to the Ypsilanti Automotive Heritage Museum. This building has a rich history dating back to the 1890s.

“In 1892, the Ypsilanti Electric Company built a structure on the site that is now the Hudson garage in the museum. The Washtenaw Electric Company purchased all of the equipment and assets in 1900. Washtenaw Electric became Washtenaw Light and Power Company in 1903.

Comstock Sash Lock & Novelty Company purchased the property in 1903. They became Michigan Pressed Steel Company in 1905 and occupied the building until 1916. A kerosene heater on display in the museum was manufactured by Michigan Pressed Steel.

The automotive history of the building began in 1917 when Joseph Thompson occupied the property and opened the first Dodge dealership outside of Detroit. In 1921, Thompson added a large addition to the west side of the building, which is now the Hudson showroom. In 1926, Thompson moved his dealership to Michigan Avenue, where many auto dealers were locating.

Scott Sturtevant moved in with his Willys-Overland dealership in 1927 and remained until 1929. Likely due to the Great Depression, the building then sat empty for a period of time.

In 1933, Alex Longnecker and Carl Miller moved their Hudson dealership from Michigan Avenue into 100 East Cross. Longnecker purchased the property from Thompson in 1943 and sold it to Miller in 1945. Carl Miller became the sole proprietor of Miller Motors and sold new Hudson automobiles until 1958, when Hudson production ended after 49 years.

Miller Motors transitioned from Carl to his son Jack, who sold used cars at the dealership. Jack acquired Hudson parts from closed dealerships and became a primary source for Hudson enthusiasts around the world. He also became a leader in the national Hudson-Essex-Terraplane Club, which found a home in Ypsilanti with the publication of its magazine by local Standard Printing.

In 1995, Jack had lunch with Peter Fletcher and Skip Ungrodt at the Sidetrack Bar & Grill across the street from Miller Motors. That lunch led to the creation of the Ypsilanti Automotive Heritage Museum by joining Miller Motors with a building at 112 East Cross that had been built as a parcel post sorting center. In 1999, Skip and Peter funded construction of a building at 106 East Cross, connecting the Hudson dealership with the parcel post building into a unified museum.”

— *Ypsilanti Automotive Heritage Museum website*

Befitting the visit, Chris Braden—also known as “Chief Chipmunk” at Munks Motors—brought his beautifully restored early-1950s Hudson. The car was quite a sight at the event. Chris even parked it in front of the museum as it might have appeared when brand new. Chris, thank you for bringing it.

In addition to being known as the only Hudson dealer in America for decades, the museum also features automotive stories connected to Ypsilanti, including the Chevrolet Corvair, Tucker, Hudson, Kaiser-Frazer, and General Motors Hydra-Matic. Displays include Motor State, which held patents on power convertible tops; the Ford Motor Company Generator Plant; and local car dealerships. As a thriving commercial and manufacturing hub, Ypsilanti had a significant influence on these pioneering companies

and the people who built them. The Ypsilanti Automotive Heritage Museum preserves an important era in American history and also hosts the National Hudson Motor Car Company Museum.

If you missed this SEM/PCA event, this is one automotive museum you should place on your bucket list. ■



The tour group in front of Sidetrack Bar and Grill with Chris Braden and his restored Hudson.

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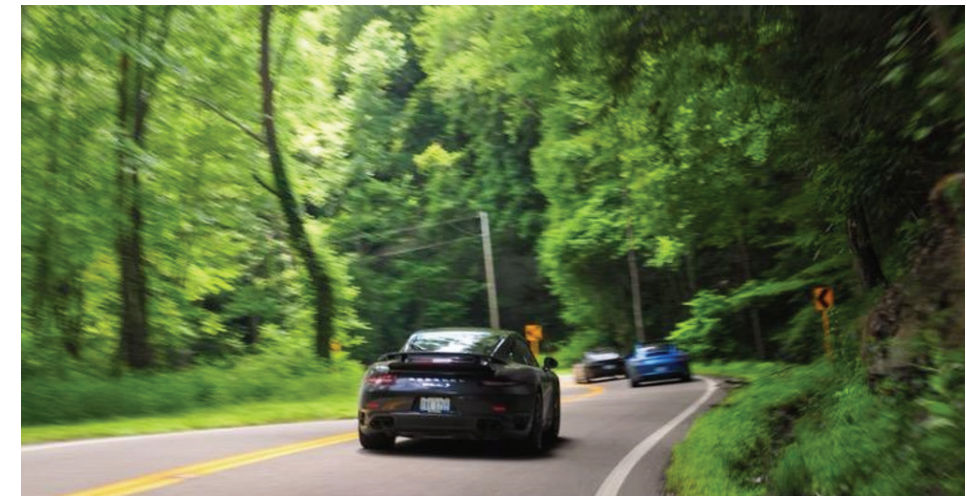
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Anyone who has attended a performance driving school has likely heard a common message: traction is hard to sense, easy to lose, and very difficult to regain. Once traction is lost—especially at higher speeds—the outcome can be sudden and severe. Recovering control often takes time, space, and sometimes luck.

It might seem that practice would make it easier to operate right at the limits of traction. While experience certainly helps, even expert drivers will admit that once those limits are exceeded, control quickly diminishes. Pushing beyond that point often leads to unpredictable results.

As cars have evolved—with more power, better suspension, improved aerodynamics, and advanced tires—the limits of traction have increased. At the same time, modern electronics have become essential in helping drivers manage those limits.

What we commonly call “traction control” is not actually controlling traction itself. A more accurate description would be “traction detection and response.” The system monitors what the car is doing and steps in when it detects a loss of grip.

Early versions of these systems were tied to anti-lock braking (ABS), which prevents the wheels from locking during hard braking. Modern systems go much further. They can react faster than any human driver, making constant, small adjustments to maintain stability.

At the core of these systems are wheel-speed sensors. Each wheel is monitored as it rotates, and the car's computer compares the speeds. If one wheel begins to spin too fast or slow compared to the others, the system recognizes a loss of traction.

When that happens, the car can respond in several ways. It may apply braking to a specific wheel, reduce engine power, or do both. These corrections happen almost instantly and often without the driver noticing.

More advanced systems also monitor how the car is moving as a whole. They track things like yaw (the car's rotation), steering input, and throttle position. If the car begins to slide or rotate more than expected, the system can step in to stabilize it—sometimes by braking individual wheels to help guide the car back on course.

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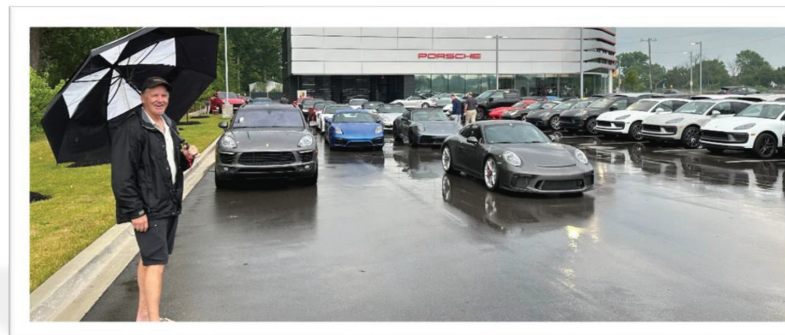
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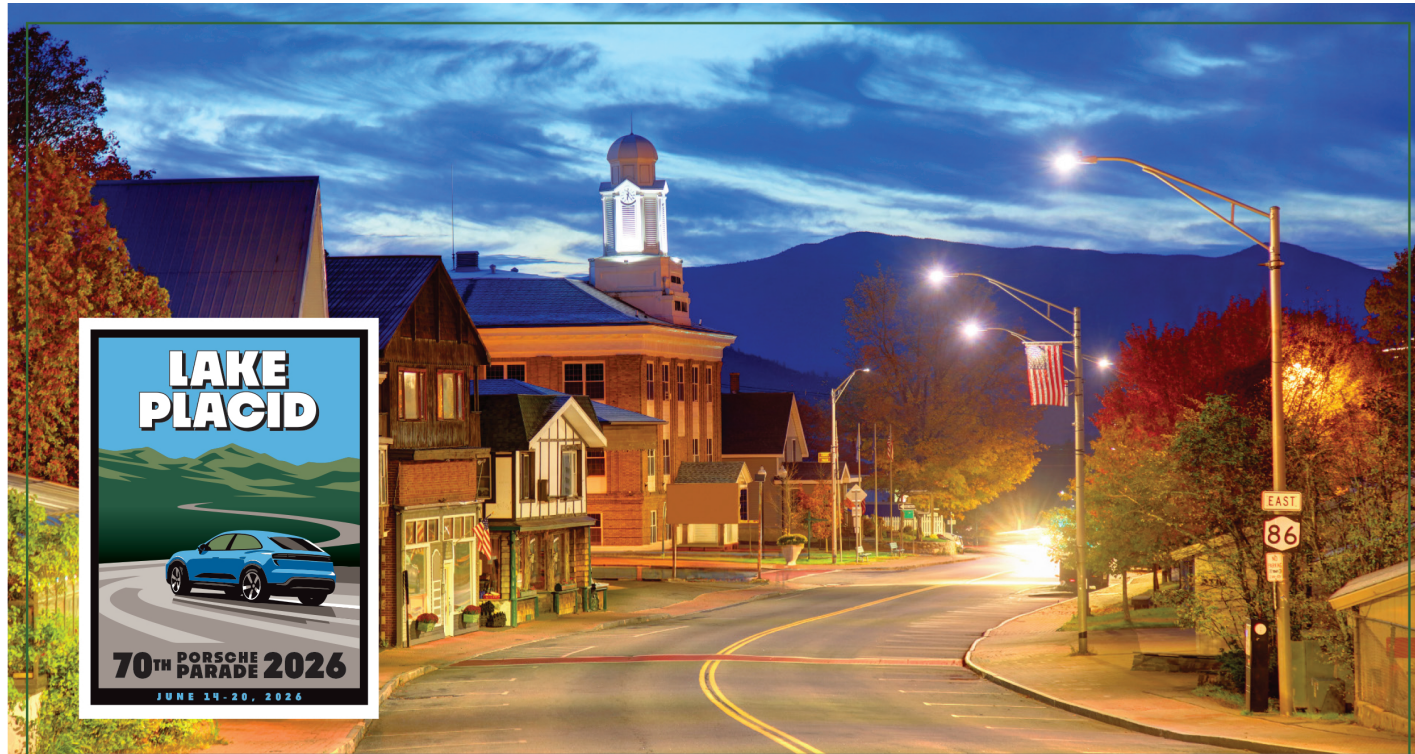


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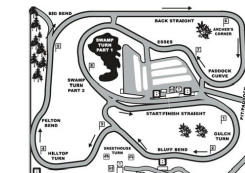
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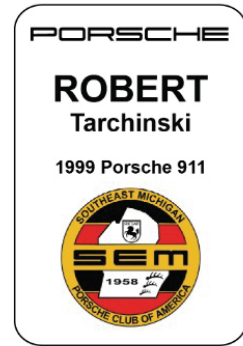
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SEM Business Meeting Minutes* for March 5, 2026 by Fred Young

MARCH 5, 2026

In attendance: Board Members: Fred Young, Marc Molzon, Lisa Molzon, Howard Gilson, Steve Carbarly, Jason Nixon, and Chris Bohr.

Officers: John Grabowski and David Sculati.

Absent with notice: Cedric Alexanian and Bobby Tarchinski.

Guests: Michael Acho and James Garner.

Call to Order: 7:00 p.m. by President Lisa Molzon.

Minutes: Moved by H.G. and M.M. to approve the February minutes. Motion passed.

Financial: David Sculati - He went over in detail the February financials. It was moved by C.B. and M.M. to approve the February financials. Motion passed. James Garner also went over tax ramifications

Membership: Bobby Tarchinski - Membership is at 1358 with 886 primary and 472 associate members.

Insurance: Steve Carbarly - Needed for the Swap Meet and Munk's Tech Session.

P-4: John Grabowski - He went over content for the April P4.

Webmaster: Jason Nixon - Up to date.

President Items: Lisa Molzon - The President's Zone 4 meeting is in Ohio. It was moved by H.G. and S.C. to approve expenses for the hotel and travel. Motion passed. She was contacted by a company about doing tours. At a later date we will gauge interest in a possible Germany tour.

OLD BUSINESS:

February 21: SIM Racing: Chris Bohr - It was a rousing success.

February 28: Ypsilanti Auto Museum: Gary Ambrus - No report.

March 28: Swap Meet: Michael Acho - An eblast will be sent out.

April 15: *Parade Advance Registration: Howard Gilson - It will be the largest Parade ever.

April 18: Munk's Tech Session: No report.

April 19: DE-101 at M-1: Marc Molzon - Several members already registered.

April 25: New Member Gathering and Membership Dinner: Bobby Tarchinski - No report.

May 9: DE #1 at M-1: Marc Molzon - Open for registration.

May 16 am: Automec Tech Session: Marc Molzon - It will focus on alignments.

May 16: Spring Tour: Chris Bohr -

It will be a northern route. Attendees will order off of the menu.

June 5: DE #2 at Waterford - Steve Carbarly -

It was moved by S.C. and M.M. to approve the annual contract for Waterford Hills. Motion passed. Prices are up once again.

June 27: Solstice Tour: Lisa Molzon -

She is working on a northeast tour.

June 28: Waterford Family Day: Fred Young -

The date is confirmed. The concession stand will not be open.

July ??: Detailing Session: Howard Gilson -

It will be the end of the month Cars and Coffee at 3D Detailing later in the summer.

July 18-25: Progressive Dinner: Cedric Alexanian -

No report. Lisa Molzon recommended an ad to be added to the April P4 soliciting additional host homes.

July 30-2: Overnight Tour - Back of the Dragon:

Chris Bohr - There is renewed interest in the event.

August 16: Picnic and Concour: Howard Gilson -

He will be working with responsible parties.

NEW BUSINESS:

Holiday Party: Lisa Molzon -

She reported on a number of possibilities for the Holiday Party. Prices are up dramatically however.

Event Reports: Needed for the Ypsilanti Auto Museum.

Meeting Adjourned at 8:50 p.m. -

Moved to adjourn by M.M. and H.G. Motion passed.

Next Meeting Location: Gilson Motorsports -

Thursday, April 2, 2026

***Not an SEMPCA event.**

Respectfully Submitted: Fred Young - Rev. 3-10-26

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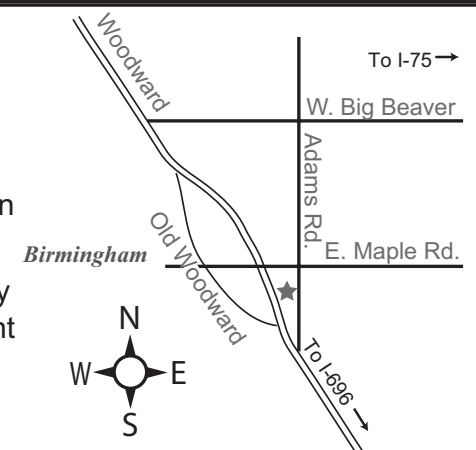
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P4 Advertising Rates per Calendar Quarter

(Requirements for digital ads)

- PDF -- preferred, highest resolution
- TIFF -- 600 dpi
- EPS -- all fonts converted to outline

Full Page Color (inside cover) <i>(currently not available)</i>	\$ 600
Full Page Color Centerfold	\$ 500
Full Page	\$ 400
½ Page Color (back cover) <i>(currently not available)</i> ...	\$ 325
½ Page Color Centerfold	\$ 275
½ Page	\$ 225
¼ Page	\$ 125
Business Card	\$ 75

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