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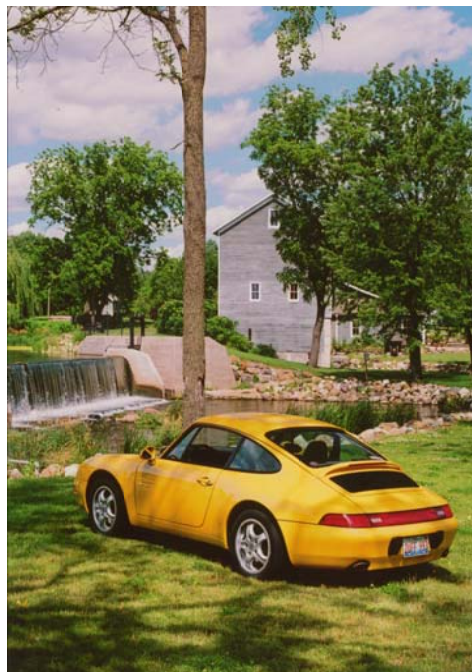
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The Gumow's 911 at das Bergrennen Mill - a stop on the Rallye to New Glarus

photo by Ginny and Bob Gumow

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DECEMBER						
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JANUARY 2005						
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13	14	15				

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Want to help with an event?

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Jim Jacisin, President

In this column, the last of 2004, I ask for a presidential holiday indulgence, if you please. ... to use this as a thank you card and a holiday card.

The Thank You card goes the outgoing Board of Directors - Officers and Coordinators - for the tireless work they have provided to the Chicago Region. And thanks also to everyone who volunteered any time and talent to make this the finest PCA Region in all of America. From golf balls to baseballs, from ice cream cones in Elkhart Lake to orange Autocross cones at a driving school, from Rallye instructions to Concours scoring logs, it has been quite a year. Thank you all for participating.

The daunting task of licking 1,653 stamps was not appealing, no matter what the flavor. Please consider this the Holiday Card you would be receiving from the Jacisin Family. Presidential privilege.

The outside cover is up to your imagination. It could be a turn-of-the-last-century Currier & Ives winter wonderland scene.

Or it might be palm trees with colorful holiday lights attached.

Or it could even be a brand new Ocean Blue Metallic 997 Carrera S with a Savannah Beige full leather interior with sport seats, a six-speed gear box, 19 inch rims over yellow ceramic brakes and a sweep second

hand turning on the dash mounted chronograph, as the car challenges the switchbacks outside of Lake Tahoe. (I guess you know what I want Santa to leave for me on Christmas Day!).

Make a wish, pick your favorite scene ... done.

The inside of our holiday card reads: "May your troubles be less, your blessings be more, and for the new year, nothing but happiness come through your door."

Stay safe, be well, happy holidays. The days are growing longer....

Jim, Patty & Cindy

2005 Officers and Board of Directors Election Results

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Director	A J Tiller	(two year term)

By-law changes were approved

Coming Attractions

In the January Issue ...

November Tech Session photos and follow-up

Dinner Dance photos and follow-up

Event Info:

Chili Tasting/Concours School

Driver Workshop

St Pat's Party Social

Rallye School

TENTATIVE 2005 CHICAGO REGION CALENDAR

as of 11-30-04

DATE/DAY	EVENT	CHAIR	NOTES	
<i>Dates in italics are not confirmed</i>				
Jan	30/Sun	General Membership Meeting	Jacisin	Ballye Doyle's
Feb	4/Fri	Board Meeting		VFW
	12/Sat	Valentine Social	Duckett	Shaw's
	27/Sun	Chili Tasting/Concours School	Larson/Bean	Loeber Motors
Mar	4/Fri	Board Meeting		VFW
	5/Sat	Driver Workshop	Turek/Ruther	New Racer?
	12/Sat	St Pat's Party	Barnicle	
	13/Sun	Rallye School	Bittman/Lichenstein	Medinah?
	20/Sun	Spring Tech Session	Duckett/Ruther	Northstar
Apr	8/Fri	Board Meeting		VFW
	9-10/Sat-Sun	Spring Driving Tour	Drury	
	17/Sun	Rallye I	Bittman/Lichtenstein	Harwoods?
	24/Sun	Autocross School	Hill/Girard	Maywood
May	1/Sun	Autocross I	Hill/Girard	
	4/Wed	Blackhawk I DE	Hackenson/Clark/Conforti	
	6/Fri	Board Meeting		VFW
	13/Fri	Blackhawk II DE	Hackenson/Clark/Conforti	
	15/Sun	Rallye II	Bittman/Lichtenstein	Pesavento?
	22/Sun	Concours I	Larson/Bean	Medinah
	26/Thu	RADE DE Registration/Tech/School	RADE team:	
	27-29/Fri-Sun	RADE DE		
Jun	3/Fri	Board Meeting		VFW
	5/Sun	Autocross II	Hill/Girard	
	10/Fri	Blackhawk III DE	Hackenson/Clark/Conforti	
	19/Sun	Concours II	Larson/Bean	Porsche Exchange

PORSCHE PARADE (Hershey, PA) June 25/Sat - July 1/Fri

Jul	8/Fri	Board Meeting		VFW
	22/Fri	Blackhawk IV DE	Hackenson/Clark/Conforti	
	24/Sun	Potter's Picnic/Concours III	Larson/Bean	Fischer's
	30/Sat	Kane County Cougars Social	LaMantia	
	31/Sun	Autocross III	Hill/Girard	
Aug	5/Fri	Gingerman DE Registration/Tech	Girard/Duckett	
	6-7/Sat-Sun	Gingerman DE		
	12/Fri	Board Meeting		VFW
	14/Sun	Autocross IV	Hill/Girard	
	19/Fri	Blackhawk V DE	Hackenson/Clark/Conforti	
	21/Sun	Rallye III	Bittman/Lichtenstein	
	27/Sat	Golf Outing	Barnicle	
Sep	1/Thu	TRAC DE-T&T Registration/Tech	TRAC team	
	2/Fri	TRAC DE-T&T/Club Race Reg-Tech		
	3/Sat	TRAC DE-Club Race practice/Golf/Tour/Concours IV/Party		
	4/Sun	TRAC DE-Club Race Sprint races		
	5/Mon	TRAC DE-Club Race Enduro races		
	9/Fri	Board Meeting		VFW
	10/Sat	Concours V	Larson/Bean	Geneva
	16/Fri	<i>Autobahn CC DE</i>	<i>Girard</i>	
	18/Sun	Autocross V	Hill/Girard	Maywood
	25/Sun	Rallye IV	Bittman/Lichtenstein	
Oct	1-2/Sat-Sun	Blackhawk Oktoberfest (VI) DE	Hackenson/Clark/Conforti	
	7/Fri	Board Meeting		VFW
	9/Sun	Café 36 Charity Social	Clark	Café 36
	16/Sun	Rallye V	Bittman/Lichtenstein	
	22-23/Sat-Sun	Fall Driving Tour	Drury	Oshkosh
Nov	4/Fri	Board Meeting		VFW
	6/Sun	Fall Tech Session	Duckett	
	12/Sat	Calendar Meeting		
	13/Sun	Concours Judge's School	Yanahan	Napleton
Dec	10/Sat	Dinner Dance	Patty Jacisin	The Lodge in Oakbrook

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The Chicago Region's General Membership Meeting

Sunday, January 30th, 2005

11am - 3 pm

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- Introduction of the 2005 Officers, Directors, and Coordinators
- Review proposed venues and plans for 2005
- Begin 2005 with old and new friends
- Lunch is 'on the Region'
- The Goodie Store will be 'on-site' with a 'close out' sale on old inventory items and a preview of new inventory items

Menu

Irish Chips
Corn Beef bites
Marc's mushroom caps
House salad
Herb roasted chicken
Guinness beef stew
Corned beef and cabbage
Glazed carrots
Bailey's Irish cheesecake
Lemon tart with blueberry sauce
Molten chocolate cake with raspberry sauce

Coffee, tea and pop

Cash bar (beginning at noon)

[Directions & Map in the January Scene](#)

NAPERVILLE GRAND PRIX CONCOURS

James Drury

The sun rose over Naperville on Sunday September 26, 2004 with abundant sunshine. Concours participants stuck their collective heads outside and said it would be a good day to drive and show their cars.

36 cars showed up. 2 or 3 first timers and one brand new club member brought out his 911SC. The 911SC was a huge hit. So huge that

Van Larson offered to buy the car on the spot.

Pat Yanahan brought out his 356. In fact there were three 356s entered. George Biskup brought out his '04 911GT-3. Bruce Janecek brought out his BMW and showed pictures of his 911.

We were not outclassed by the plethora of Vipers along side of us.

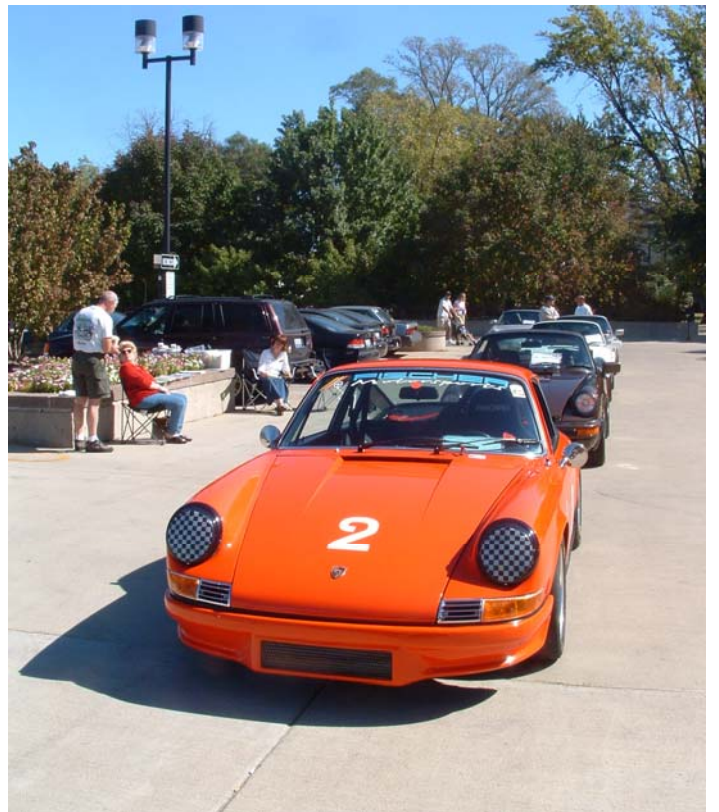
One Viper had a rather nasty license plate frame that read "Porsches for Lunch, Ferrari's for dinner".

I want to thank Mike Milhouse and all the other Porsche club members who drove a go kart in the Naperville Grand Prix. And thanks to everyone who brought out their car.



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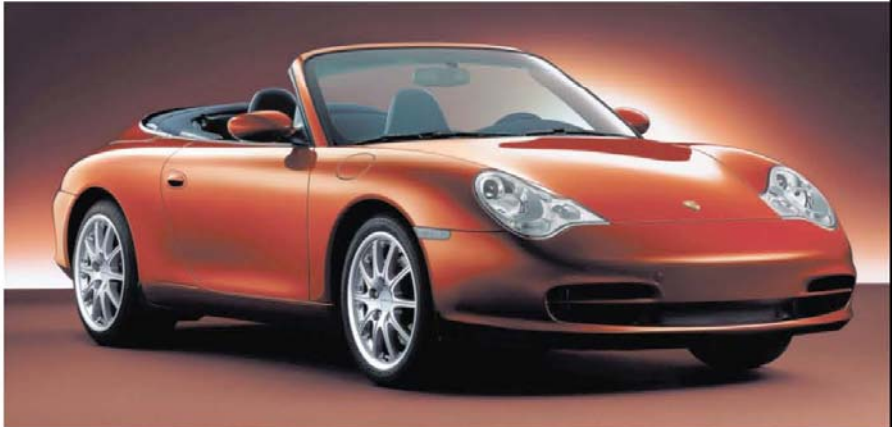


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FALL RUN TO NEW GLARUS

Dave Youngblut

The October Fall Rallye Run to New Glarus, Wisconsin – das Bergrennen – was without a doubt the best Rallye event I've attended since joining the Chicago Region PCA 3 years ago. This was only the 4th rallye my wife and I have participated in, and this time, everything clicked. The run was great, we finally felt like we knew what we were doing, and the camaraderie was special. And, the dinner commentary by a 3rd party was truly memorable (more on that later.)

The run began Saturday morning in South Beloit and consisted of 12 cars and the hard working organizers and checkpoint workers. Weather was somewhat dismal with overcast skies and blustery winds. Despite the conditions, it took little away from our high spirits and the spectacular fall colors that we were able to view enroute to our luncheon stop in Monroe, WI. Monroe just happens to be my wife's hometown, so it was especially fun for us.

Lunch itself was at the Swiss Haus, a Monroe institution. This charming bar/restaurant has been serving beer with great burgers, chili, and sandwiches for many generations of both local residents and weekend visitors. Several rallyers ordered a local specialty – liverwurst and onion sandwiches on rye. Word to the wise: during lunch one of our members' pointed out that eating liverwurst in excess could cause gout. I don't think I'll have to worry.

Then, we hit the road again for the next leg of the rallye. Rallye organizers and checkpoint workers deserve a huge thank you for their work this afternoon! Freshly tarred and pebbled roads made it challenging to keep moving at the targeted average speed. Cool winds had checkpoint workers holding onto signs and clipboards for dear life. And at one checkpoint, we stopped



(top) A very windy checkpoint

(bottom) Rallyemasters Tom and Phyllis Harwood at Chalet Landhaus

photos by Steve Rashbaum

FALL RUN ...

for a while to make sure everyone was there and not lost. We watched for our tractor signs, tried to decide if we should turn on Balls Mill Rd, and worked on keeping our average speed on track.

We arrived in New Glarus by 4:00 and had plenty of time to walk around the town, check out the bakery, find little Porsche cars at an antique store, have a beer at Puempels Tavern, hit the swimming pool, or get in a quick nap. The Wisconsin - Purdue game captured the attention of quite a few. We opted for a beer and a walk.

Dinner was at the Chalet Landhaus Inn. All the menu choices were great - and the waitresses kept bringing steaming plates of roesti potatoes and spatzle. During

dinner we had a chance to help Jack Stephensen celebrate his 50th birthday. He got the typical gifts (like Depends) that everyone needs as they make the transition from middle age to senior citizenry.

While we were singing Happy Birthday, next door was another celebration: a wedding. As the wedding party passed by the entrance of our dining room, several requests were called out. Someone asked the bride if we could take her picture with Jack. Someone else asked the bride, "Come in so we can see your dress." The bride agreed to the picture but misunderstood the second request, declining to let everyone see her ... (insert a female body part that sort of rhymes with dress!)

Sunday morning was clear and sunny and the 2nd day got off to

a smooth start. The route led us through some truly charming rural roads. A missing road sign had Tom Harwood standing in the middle of the road directing traffic so we wouldn't miss a tricky intersection, but we all made it to Hanson's Tavern for the rallye end.

So what made this rallye so much fun? First, there were enough tricks in the rallye to make it fun, but it wasn't so hard that we felt overwhelmed. The rural roads selected were just great - plenty of fall color and interesting things to see, with just enough opportunities to let the car take a few curves. The pace of the 2 day drive was just about right. We met some new Porsche club members. And of course, it's always great fun to take the Porsche for a ride on a beautiful day.



The rallye season for 2004 has come to an end. In addition to the rallye school rallye, we had five competitive rallyes this year. We want to thank everyone who was a Rallye Master, a checkpoint worker, sweep car, and last but not least, everyone who participated in the competitive part of the event. Without everyone's support and participation we would not have enjoyed such a productive year.

We look forward to continuing our rallye program in the Chicago Region in 2005. If you did not participate, come on out next year and see what you are missing.

Thanks again for making 2004 a great rallye year..

Phyllis and Tom Harwood
Ken Pesavento
2004 Rallye Coordinators

(top) Rallyists at Puempels Tavern after arriving in New Glarus on Saturday afternoon

photo by Jerry Maynard

(below) Birthday boy Jack and Karen Stephensen show off Jack's presents. Karen also surprised Jack with a very yummy birthday cake.

photos by Steve Rashbaum

2-Day Rallye, New Glarus Results

October 16 & 17

Place	Car #	Driver	Navigator	Class	Car	Color	Total
1	5	Nadine Haupt	Jim Haupt	SOP	911	Black	217
2	1	Lee Lichtenstein	Chuck Bittman	SOP	968	Blue	282
3	9	Jack Stephensen	Karen Stephensen	SOP	911	Red	291
4	12	Sharif Nijim	Jim Hodel	SOP	964C2	Black	312
5	3	Steve Rashbaum	Susan Shire	SOP	Boxster	Black	335
6	6	Steve Olson	Sharon Gregor-Olson	SOP	911	Red	489
7	11	Dave Youngblut	Mary Youngblut	SOP	930	Black	530
8	10	Jerry Maynard	Kathy Maynard	SOP	Boxster	Silver	642
9	8	Anita Haas	Heidi Haas	SOP	911	Red	721
10	2	Jim Harper	Nancy Qwaisini	SOP	964C2	Blue	1536
11	7	Mark Gadbois	Ed Leed	SOP	Boxster	Blue	1584
12	4	Maureen Hutton	H. Buxowski	SOP	924	White	1860

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	Bob Gummow	Ginny Gummow
	Ken Pesavento	Nikki Pesavento



(top left) Winning daughter -father rallye team, Nadine and Jim Haupt



(top right) Jerry and Cathy Maynard

photos by Steve Rashbaum

(right) A line of pretty Porsches at rallye's end - outside Hanson's Tavern



photo by Jerry Maynard



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WEBER GRILL FOOTBALL SOCIAL

Toby Duckett

I am not sure anybody really watched the game, but 42 Chicago Region Members and Guests had a great afternoon at Weber Grill, Lombard, Illinois. It was a beautiful day and several Porsches parked in the special parking.

I would like to thank everyone for coming and calling in your reservation. It is a big help to know the number of people attending prior to the event.

The 36 adults and 6 children had a wonderful buffet of chicken wings, BBQ pulled pork, BBQ ribs, hot dogs, beans, and chips. The food was great. We all left full.

The grand prize of a new Weber Grill went to Cindy Jacisin. Since she did not want the grill, she auctioned it off for cash to go to the Toys for Tots at our upcoming dinner dance. The final walk away on the grill was Keith Clark. Thanks Keith for adding funds for the Toys for Tots. Other winners of the day were Chuck LaMantia, Tom Harwood, and Susan Shire.

The afternoon went by quickly. We all had a good chance to visit with some new members attending their first event. It was great to have them come.

Thanks again to everyone for coming and making this another great PCA day.



Jim Jacisin (5th from left) with the new members who attended the Weber Grillo SAocial. Welcome and hope to see you at another event soon!

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The ladies of PCA ...

(right) Karen Clark

(left) Melissa LaMantia with 'Mom' Clark (right)



(above top) Cindy Jacisin wins the Grand Prize

(above bottom) Peter Martin

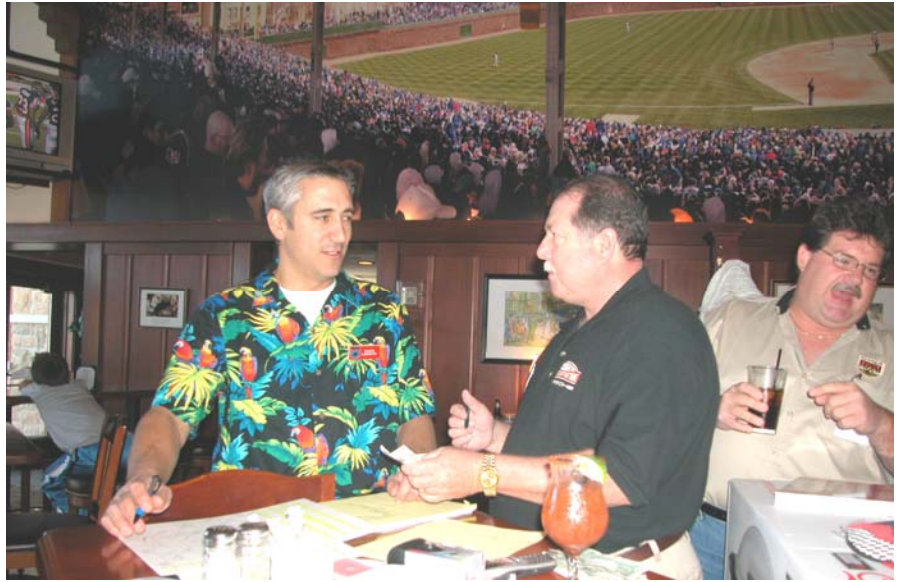
(lower right) Jack and Karen Stephensen

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Karen and Pete Hackenson

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Chuck LaMantia (left) and our host, Toby Duckett

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(from left) Jim Jacisin, Tom and Phyllis Harwood, and Patty Jacisin

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THE MIDSHIP REPORT: TROUBLE, VEGAS, MORE

John Miller [boxster_s@veryspeedy.net]

I'm still on the FLY and DRIVE program. I'm flying almost every weekend and driving the Boxster in every spare moment.

Return To PANIC-Ville

Wouldn't you know it? Some of those *spare moments* brought me some acid reflux. A couple of columns ago, I brought up a problem that had me standing beside the car in a HOT sweat. The infamous gas-filler-tube-blown-fuse-panic as I like to remember it.

This past month brought a new episode in hot (and cold) sweat. I seized the opportunity to drive the Boxster with the top down on a marginally warm day - and as the Fall season sets in, the formula determining marginally warm keeps getting revised. When I arrived at my destination, I pulled into a parking spot and began the shut-down procedure including putting the top up. Only the top wasn't going up.

Did I forget to pull the parking brake lever? - I do it automatically without even thinking about it, so I had to look. Yup. The lever seemed to be up. So I dropped it and raised it up again. Push the convertible top control button on the dash and ... an uncomfortable silence ... and that flushed feeling begins to wash over me ... or is that the gallon of sweat leaking from my forehead. Up and down again with the lever ... and then FLASH ... I look at the dash - no Parking Brake (idiot) Light. And once again, it slowly comes back to me.

A few months ago, I had read about a well-known problem in the parking brake lever - it contains a micro switch that is triggered by lifting the brake lever. When the switch is triggered, it activates the dash board light. Apparently, this light is part of the safety circuit incorporated into the convertible top

controls. If the light isn't on, then the top control circuit reads this condition as the brake isn't engaged. All which means the top won't operate.

Naturally this happened when the top was in the lowered position. So I began a panicked flailing of the e-brake lever. Up. Down. Tapping on the base, tapping on the console ... and amazingly enough, the light flickers on. I immediately closed the top and secured it and then tried the e-brake lever again. And the light went out and stayed out.

This may not have been of the same seriousness as the fuel filler debacle, but it grated on me - the remaining few days of warm weather and the top on my car was stuck closed until I could get a \$3 switch replaced. And then my luck improved. It so happens that I have an extra Boxster emergency brake lever (you did read that column I wrote about SPARES, didn't you? I also have a spare trunk lid, but that's another story).

After examining the spare (photo below), theoretically, I could do the switch replacement myself. If I had the time. Which I don't. So I called the northwest suburban Porsche dealer where I've had very good maintenance results to schedule an appointment. Expecting at least a one week lead time when I called, Scott, the Service Manager stepped up. Was tomorrow soon enough? He even joked about the problem: "Parking Brake microswitch failure?? ... NEVER heard of that happening (snicker)". So, off I went.

I barely had time to sit in the waiting area when they told me the car was ready - it took more time driving to and from the dealership than it took to do the repair (plus a gas cap replacement that had been nagging me for a few weeks) but that's a COMPLIMENT, not a complaint.

Lost in Las Vegas

Whoever wrote about Fear and Loathing in Las Vegas was all wet ... unless they were behind



MIDSHIP ...

the wheel of a car at rush hour or any weekend.

Vegas is a kooky place. The Strip looks just like any big city downtown. I say 'looks like', because it's an optical illusion. The buildings do indeed have a grand city look, but their scale is 5x. Or 10x. Walking the length of 1 block on the Vegas Strip can take 10 minutes or more.

So, there's a strong temptation to get a car. A temptation fed by the exotic car rental vendors that dot the Strip and nearby. For instance: Dream Car Rentals, smack dab in the middle of the Strip had a Porsche Boxster available for 5 hours for \$200 or 24 hrs for \$249 (including 100 free miles!). Just off the Strip, RAV Exotic Car Rental (formerly Rent-a-Vette) had a Porsche Boxster "S" for \$34 per hour, \$269 per day or \$1350 per week (each with 100 free miles per day).

Temptation, however, is quickly tempered by traffic. Big Traffic. Unless you plan on LEAVING Las Vegas (quickly) with your rented Boxster, you needn't worry about exceeding that 100 mile per day allowance. I expect that the rush hour or anytime Saturday or Sunday commute time from one end of the Strip to the other is approximately 8 hours. Even the cabs we took were cutting through back alleys, backstreets, and parking lots to avoid the parking lot formally known as Las Vegas Boulevard. For reference purposes, it took 35

minutes to travel 5 miles during rush hour (using the backstreets). A rental, Boxster or Buick, isn't worth the headache.

Glass and Mirrors

A quick couple of lines to look in the rear-view as this Boxster year comes to and end and look thru the windscreen to the year ahead. 2004, even counting the potholes (real and otherwise) was a great Boxster year. There were numerous PCA-Chicago events; There were the weekend sprints to the Cape Cod and to the Hershey Swapmeet. And of course, the trip to Parade. If you aren't at least trying to attend Parade, you have to ask yourself 'why not'? The drive to and from Parade is turning out to be as much of an adventure as Parade itself ... although, not for a minute should you confuse the excitement of a road trip TO Parade with the overwhelming rush of the event OF Parade: driving on the high banks and road course of the SuperSpeedway (Texas Motor Speedway).

Looking ahead, OPPORTUNITY KNOCKS. Lee and Chuck (they don't need last names if you rallye, but for those that don't, Lee Lichtenstein and Chuck Bittman) are going Upscale. Lee and Chuck (who won (again) Overall in Rallying for the Region are going to try their hand (hands?) at the Equipped Class for rallying ... which translates to: they won't be competing for trophies in our region next season (which further translates to: "gives us unequipped rallyists and bumlbers a chance at a/more trophies").

Where the RUBBER MEETS THE ROAD: Is it that time already? It seems like just last year that I was in the parking lot of The TIRE Rack trying out my new set of Kumhos. Ooops. Yeah, it WAS last year. And 27,000 miles ago. The Kumhos have held up quite well. The rears have another (whiteknuckled) 2000 miles left in them. The fronts are probably good for another 8 or 10 thousand, but they are getting a bit noisy, so I'll be replacing all 4 corners in the near future. And again, it looks to be Kumhos.

I priced out the highly coveted Bridgestone S03's and then I remembered that I'm not fabulously wealthy. Circumstances all work against my MOST DESIRED outcome. Ideally, I'd do a 'Dunkle' as I refer to it. This is the guy who (in addition to running the Rennlist Board - <http://www.rennlist.org>) went to the Hershey Swap meet and pulled the '3-way' trade for tires and wheels that I described last spring. I'd like to think that I could go to Hershey this spring and find a new set of wheels (10 spokes or maybe a nice set of Fikses) with a decent set of tires mounted on them and use mine as 'trades'. But then, can I wait until Spring for the Hershey Meet? And will the Hershey Meet be as big as ever or will the fact that Porsche Parade will be in Hershey in June and sponsor its own swap meet detract from the spring event? Too many questions that were ultimately resolved on the Tri-Stat tollway last Monday.

In what has to be the oddest weekend of travel that I've experienced in



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recent memory, I flew to Green Bay, WI on Saturday, only to arrive in time for terrible news (my Uncle Gus - see last month's MidShip Column - passed away), flew back home an hour later, packed a suit and gassed up the Boxster and DROVE back to Green Bay on Sunday, and then drove home on Monday.

I had plenty of time to think about the car and tires and road travel on the ride home; There's no real way to compare the two trips - one is far more time efficient, and the other far more interesting ... as evidenced by a interesting moment on the Tri-state tollway somewhere just south of the state line, in the wet, in the dark, in moderate rush hour traffic. About 200 feet in front of me, a no-good-punk-@#\$%^ decided to change lanes - across three lanes from the outside to the inside. His 5.0 liter Mustang (I know it was a 5.0, because the car crossed in

front of me completely sideways) ricocheted off the inside median barrier, turned around (now facing me/oncoming traffic and traveling over 40 mph backwards) and spun right back across all 4 lanes coming to a stop on the outside median against a light pole.

I briefly contemplated stopping to see if he was hurt (and if not, I would rectify that), but I was tired... in too many ways; and so my trips and my writing are going on hiatus for a month.

Next month: No, Thanks. I'm taking the month off, so to speak.

... And don't forget the Club General Membership meeting in January. It's an opportunity to meet a lot of other club members and get a decent meal in very relaxed surroundings. 'Out of the country' or 'In Jail' are the only excused absences.

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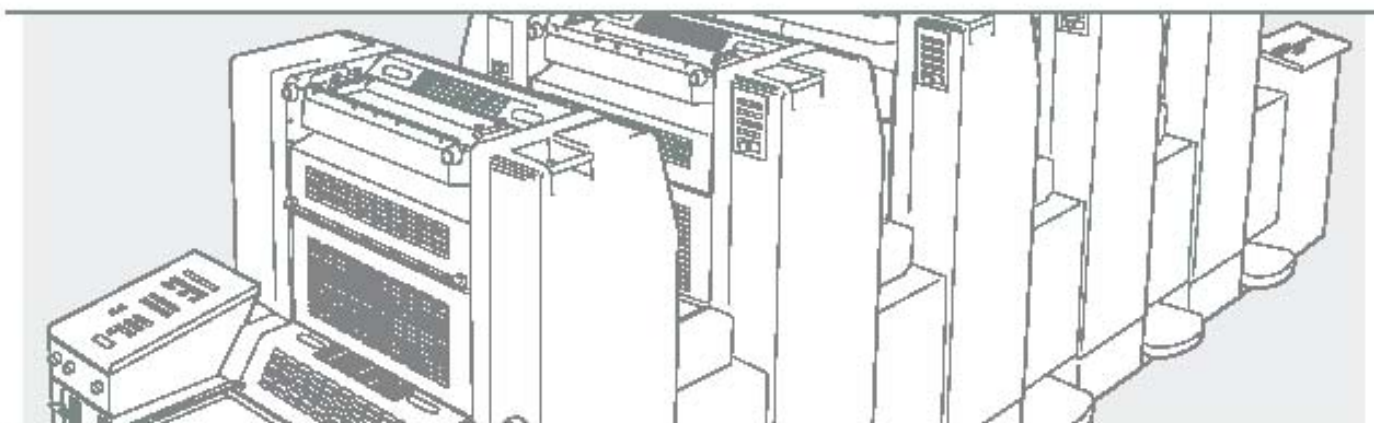
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MICHIGAN DRIVING TOUR

James Drury

On Saturday November 9, 2004 we held our only driving tour event of the year. 3 couples started out from LaGrange Park and off to Michigan City Indiana.

The first stop was the South Shore Railroad where we received a tour of the railroad, repair shop. But the big hit was a tour of a diesel engine. We blew the horn and rang the bell. We learned that there is a bathroom in the cab of an engine. Wow we did not know that!

We also learned that the engine is really an electric engine and the diesel only generates the electricity for the motors that drive the wells. At the end of the tour we all received South Shore Railroad posters. A big

thanks to James Thompson, VP/GM of the South Shore Railroad for a great tour.

The next stop was the Tabor Hill Vineyard and Winery. We were taken out into the fields and pulled some grapes off the vine, tasted them and acknowledged that they were grapes. Into the area where the wine is fermented, filtered, bottled was next. The winery set us up with a private bar for the wine tasting. We tasted many and purchased a few.

A great dinner overlooking the fields of vines ended the day. Some of us returned home and some us stayed at a B&B in LaPorte Saturday night. We are planning two more tours next year.

It should be noted that all posted speed limit signs were observed, there were no accidents, warning tickets, flat tires and no one was lost.



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Fruitcake Recipe

- 1 gallon whiskey
- 1 cup water
- 1 cup sugar
- 4 large eggs
- 2 cups dried fruit
- 1 teaspoon baking soda
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 1 cup brown sugar
- lemon juice
- nuts

Sample the whiskey - quality control.

Take a large bowl.

Check the whiskey again to be sure that it is of the highest quality.

Pour 1 level cup and drink.

Repeat.

Turn on the electric mixer; beat 1 cup butter in a large fluffy bowl.

Add 1 teaspoon sugar and beat again.

Make sure the whiskey is still okay.

Cry another tup.

Turn off the mixer.

Break two legs and add to the bowl and chuck in the cup of dried fruit.

Mix on the turner.

If the fried druit gets stuck in the beaterers, pry it loose with a drowscriber.

Sample the whiskey to check for tonsistency.

Next, sift 2 cups of salt. Or something. Who cares.

Check the whiskey.

Now sift the lemon juice and strain your nuts.

Add one table. Spoon. Of sugar or something. Whatever you can find.

Grease the oven.

Turn the cake tin to 350 degrees.

Don't forget to beat off the turner.

Throw the bowl out of the window.

Check the whiskey again.

Go to bed.

Who the heck likes fruitcake anyway?

Name That Christmas Carol!

1. Bleached Yule
2. Castaneous-colored Seed Vesicated in a Conflagration
3. Singular Yearning for the Twin Anterior Incisors
4. Righteous Darkness
5. Arrival Time:2400 hrs - Weather:Cloudless
6. Loyal Followers Advance
7. Far Off in a Feeder
8. Array the Corridor
9. Bantam Male Percussionist
10. Monarchial Triad
11. Nocturnal Noiselessness
12. Jehovah Deactivate Blithe Chevaliers
13. Red Man En Route to Borough
14. Frozen Precipitation Commence
15. Proceed and Enlighten on the Pinnacle
16. The Quadruped with the Vermillion Probiscis
17. Query Regarding Identity of Descendant

1. White Christmas
2. Chestnuts Roasting on an Open Fire
3. All I Want for Christmas is My Two Front Teeth
4. O Holy Night
5. It Came Upon a Midnight Clear
6. O Come, All Ye Faithful
7. Away in a Manger
8. Deck the Hall
9. Little Drummer Boy
10. We Three Kings
11. Silent Night
12. G-d Rest Ye, Merry Gentlemen
13. Santa Claus is Coming to Town
14. Let it Snow
15. Go, Tell It on the Mountain
16. Rudolph, the Red-nosed Reindeer
17. What Child is This?
18. Joy to the World
19. Hark! The Herald Angels Sing
20. The Twelve Days of Christmas

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Aungahh!

It's a slim and trim issue this month ... most of the regular columnists are already busy shopping and/or celebrating. I thank each of them for their monthly contributions ... it's not easy to be witty and interesting each month.

Please note the TENTATIVE 2005 Chicago Region Calendar on pages 6 and 7. I stress that it is tentative ... changes may be made as several events still need confirmed venues or dates. Most of the 'normal' stuff is back as well as a return to Café 36 as a charity/social event. A driving tour has been added to the TRAC 2005 schedule. New this year is a (yet to be confirmed) DE at Autobahn Country Club in Sept and a new concours venue in Geneva. Stay tuned for changes and additions.

I think that the explanation in the November Chicago Scene regarding

delivery to your mailbox of the Chicago Scene overlapped several e-mails and phone calls saying that an event was missed because the Scene 'was late'.

Please note that as soon as Event Info is available, it is posted on the web page (sometimes even before the Scene has gone to print) and, to the very best of my ability, Event Info is run for a minimum of three (3) months preceding the event. So, check the Three Months At A Glance (page 2 of each issue) and make note of the dates ... usually, if the event is noted on the 3 month calendar, the Event Info is in that issue. Should you have further concerns about missing event information, please do not hesitate to contact me and I will be happy to e-mail, fax, or mail the Event Info to you.

Looking ahead: It is the current plan to mail the January Chicago Scene and the Directory together in early January. This will mean that the January Chicago Scene and the 2005 Directory will arrive in an envelope ... please watch for it and note that January is the only issue that will arrive in an envelope.

Also make sure that you mark the General Membership Meeting on your calendar - Sunday, January 30th. It's a wonderful event where you can reconnect with friends after the holidays, meet new members, and hear all about the coming year.

On Thanksgiving Day I called a very dear friend to say that one of the blessings that I was counting on that day was her family's friendship and love. Had I been able to, I would have called each of you to thank you for the privilege afforded me to edit this publication each month. It is, of course, not a solo effort. Steve takes pictures and 'proofs it' for me and many of you contribute articles, pictures, and the items that run in Oversteer. Jim and all that write the monthly articles are terrific about getting stuff to me more or less on time. Thank you. You make what is both a labor of love and a lot of work, a lot more fun.

Steve and I had our moms here for Thanksgiving and look forward to having all of the kids (4) and their significant others here before Christmas. In between, we will see many of you at the Dinner Dance. It looks to be a hectic holiday season!

To all of you, old friends, new friends, and friends not yet met, Happy Holidays!

SUSAN

Aungahh (a-úun-gaaa), n. [Skip Barber Racing School]. 1 The sound of the motor of a car as the clutch is depressed, the brakes applied, and the throttle "blipped" to effect a heel and toe downshift. 2 Editors' column.



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