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(left to right) Jeff Phillips, Mike Faems, Eric Cyranski, Chris Inglot and Steve Rashbaum

photo by Susan Shire
(taken at the 2007 50th Anniversary Party Dinner Dance)



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January

- 11 Board Meeting
- 27 General Membership Meeting - Dave & Busters's

February

- 1 Board Meeting
- 24 Chili Tasting - Concours School - Napleton Porsche

March

- 7 Board Meeting
- 8 New Racer Workshop
- 15 **St. Patrick's Day Party - Molly Malone's**
- 16 Spring Tech Session - Northstar Motorsports

April

- 4 Board Meeting
- 13 Rallye School
- 27 Autocross School - Maywood

May

- 2 Board Meeting
- 4 Autocross I - tentative - MGA
- 7 **Blackhawk DE I - Novice Drivers**
- 14 **Blackhawk DE II - Experienced Drivers**
- 18 Rallye I
- 23/25 RADE (Road America/Elkhart Lake, WI)

June

- 6 Board Meeting
- 9 Autobahn DE
- 15 Concours I - Long Grove
- 22 Autocross II
- 25 Blackhawk DE III - tentative

Italics = Event Information in this issue
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Chicago Region Board Meetings
 8:00 PM
 Park Ridge VFW Hall
 10 West Higgins Road
 Park Ridge, IL
 (corner of Higgins and Canfield)

Porsche Parade June 29 - July 3

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July

- 11 Board Meeting
- 13 Autocross III - Tire Rack
- 16 Blackhawk DE IV
- 20 Rallye II
- 26 Golf Outing
- 27 Potter's Picnic/Concours II - Fischer's

August

- 2/3 GingerMan DE
- 8 Board Meeting
- 10 Autocross IV - Rockford
- 15 Blackhawk DE V
- 17 Rallye III
- 24 Concours III - Geneva
- 29 TRAC DE/Club Race
- 30 TRAC DE/Club Race/Concours/Dinner
- 31 TRAC DE/Club Race

September

- 1 TRAC DE/Club Race
- 5 Board Meeting
- 14 Autocross V - Maywood
- 19 Blackhawk DE VI
- 28 Rallye IV

October

- 4 Blackhawk Octoberfest DE/Concours V
- 5 Blackhawk Octoberfest DE
- 10 Board Meeting
- 19 Rallye V
- 25 Halloween Party

November

- 7 Board Meeting
- 9 Tech Session/Concours Judge's School
- TBA Bears Social

December

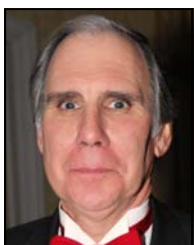
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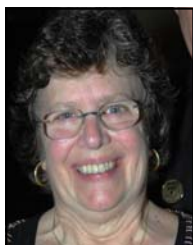
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President's Letter

Jack Stephensen, President

photo by Neil MacDonald

Well, the New Year is here and with it comes my first article as President of the Region. Many of those who have gone before me have said that this might be the toughest part of the duties as President. The reason the writing of the article is the toughest part of the duties is because I have to write it for myself. Fortunately, this is not the case with the other aspects of my duties. I have a superb group of Officers, Directors and Coordinators that the club and I can rely on. These range from the outgoing board that performed a great job under the leadership of our past President, Chuck LaMantia, to our incoming board. Chuck, in particular, has been extremely helpful in bring me up to speed and making sure I do not forget anything as the reins are passed between us.

There are many of the same faces on this year's Board as well as some new faces. Here in lies the strength of Chicago Region. We are blessed to have a very talented, dedicated and devoted group of members who give year after year in one capacity or another, many of which wear several different hats during the course of a Porsche season. This extends to our new members who are anxious to participate and become involved.

Please remember that this is your Board and that we operate to serve the membership. We need your feedback to know if we are doing the best job for the region. Please let your voice be heard. Talk to the board members at an event or come to a board meeting. All board meetings are open to general membership. Your attendance is encouraged. The location and times are listed in the Scene. In general, they are held on the first Friday of each month at the VFW Hall in Park Ridge.

Speaking of jobs, the Board has been busy planning the calendar for the upcoming year. Most all of the events have been scheduled, although some dates are still tentative based on final



arrangements being made. The first event on the calendar is the Annual Members Meeting. It is your opportunity to come out to meet the 2008 Board and Directors and hear what they have planned for the upcoming year. The general membership meeting is being held at Dave & Buster's in Addison. Please see the ad later in the Scene for more information. Please remember lunch will be served.

I look forward to meeting and greeting everyone as the year goes on. Please remember that your voice counts. So let us know what you like or where we can improve. With that, I will end by wishing everyone a Happy, Healthy and Prosperous New Year!

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in
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Hear what is planned for the 2008 season!

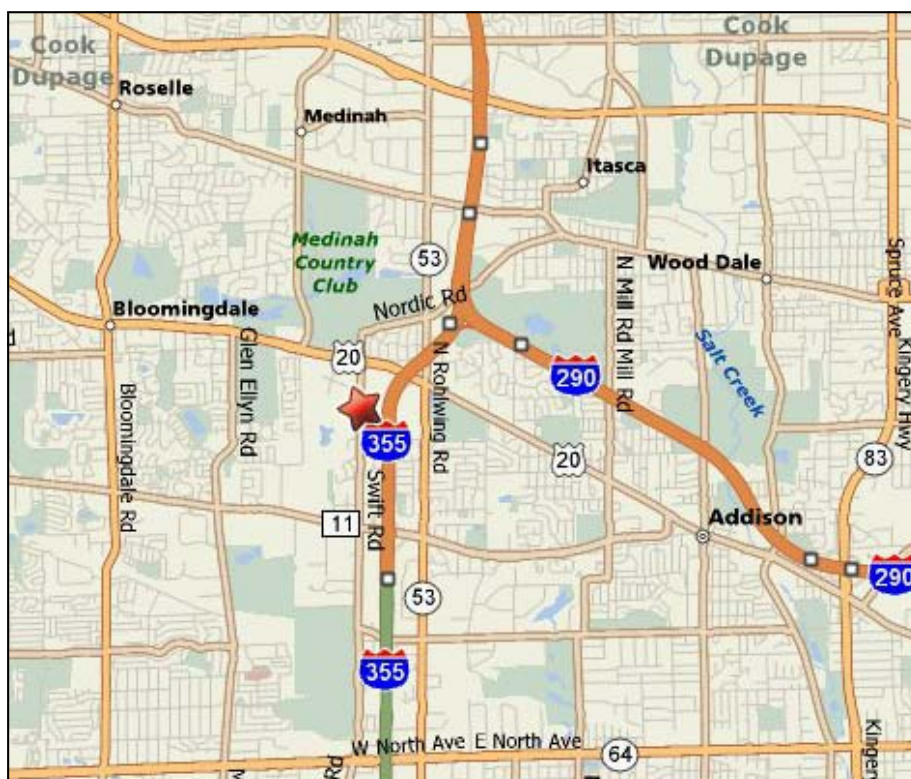
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Rennsport Reunion III: A Fly and Drive Program

by John Miller [John-M1@ML1Media.com]

Let me jump right to the summary ... and, if I may be permitted, put the words in your mouth that you might understandably utter: "THAT guy has to be one of the luckiest SOB's on the face of the planet." Of course, luck may be, in part, putting yourself in the right place at the right time, but there's no denying - I couldn't have planned fortune this good. Recapping that weekend, in the space of 48 hours, having flown to Daytona for the Rennsport Reunion 3:

- I drove a 2007 Boxster S and a Cayman S around the track at Daytona Speedway.
- I snagged a ride with Hurley Haywood at the track.
- I scored (with the help of a friend) a coveted ticket to the sold out PCA Rennsport dinner.
- I helped a (former) Porsche mechanic and (unknown to me at the time) noted Porsche collector/owner of 2 917's break into his rental car in which he had locked the keys.
- I was close enough to so many rare racing Porsches that I could smell the burning brake pads.
- I met and had a brief chat with Sam Posey while waiting to board our flight out of Daytona.

Rennsport Reunion (now being billed as 'held every three years'), is an unprecedented gathering of significant Porsche vintage and current racecars and famous (and infamous) Porsche race drivers. The third edition of the Rennsport Reunion was held at Daytona International Speedway November 2-3, & 4, 2007, with Co-Grand Marshals Peter Schwarzenbauer, President/CEO of Porsche Cars North America, and the Porsche Clubs Betty Jo Turner (editor of Porsche Panorama) kicking off the event. The three day schedule included a concours d'elegance, now called the Concours d'Sport (a concours exclusively for Porsche race cars), plus five on-track 'features' races for current and vintage Porsche race cars.

The concours classes included 917 Coupes, 917 Spyderys, 956s, 962s, 550 Spyderys, RS60/61s, 904s 906's 908'and 910s, production-based race cars and few miscellaneous 9xx cars including a bunch of 935's and a couple of 959s. Other events included street car lapping of the full track, a Porsche-only literature, toy, and memorabilia Swap Meet, and Porsche model car contest. But it's safe to say that the Big Draw were the 'Big Guns'. Rennsport Reunion is known for attracting large numbers of 917 entries and Reunion 3 was no exception. The draw included four cars from the Porsche Museum in Germany: a 917 Long-tail, the 917/20 "Pink Pig", the 1971 Le Mans winning 917/K, and the 16-cylinder 917 Can Am Spyder (making its first trip to North America). Other 917s appearing were the 1970 Le Mans winning 917/K, the 1972 Can Am winning 917/10, and the 1973 Can Am winning 917/30 (photos 1, 2, & 3).

Joining the cars were the drivers that drove them in the world's most high profile races around the world. The organizers



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graciously brought them all onstage at the event opening on Friday - so many that they filled the stage and had to squeeze together to keep from being pushed off (photo 4). A small sampling of the names included, Brian Redman, Vic Elford, Hurley Haywood, Willi Kauhsen, Jurgen Barth, Gerald Larrousse, David Piper, Brian Redman, Sam Posey, David Hobbs, David Donohue, Derek Bell, Bruce Leven, Chip Robinson and scores of others.

A special low-speed track lapping session for street Porsches



photo 4

kicked off the weekend on Friday and made me truly regret not



photo 5



photo 6

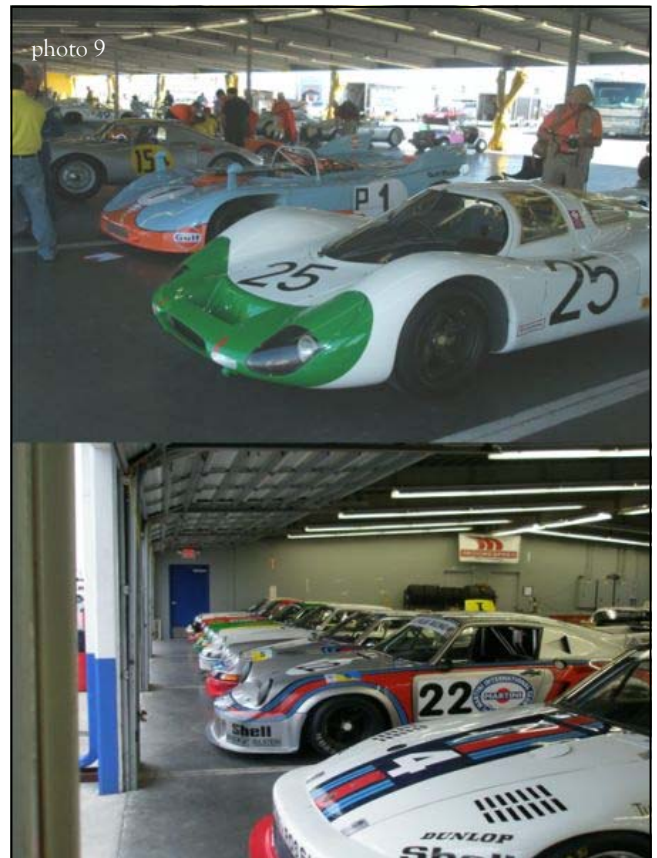
having my own Porsche on hand. For a paltry sum of money, one was permitted to drive their Porsche around one of the most historic racetracks in the world. Organized by PCA, the session event provided the opportunity to tour the entire Daytona International Speedway layout including the high banking and the full infield road course. I didn't get an exact count, but no less than 200 private Porsche street cars passed in front of me at the infield hairpin turn, as I gritted my teeth for not having a Porsche at my disposal. (In spite of numerous ramblings about going to a Porsche event without a Porsche (i.e. flying), my own Boxster was back in Chicago). My luck improved from that moment on.

Not billed as an official event, but quickly discovered to be a 'must-do': The Sport Driving School. PCNA had brought the entire 987 line - base and S Boxsters and Caymans to the Speedway infield short course (the 'go-cart' track) and for a \$10 donation to charity, participants were allowed three laps around the course. Naturally, a Porsche instructor went along for the ride, but that didn't discourage any of the hundreds that waited in the endless line all three days of the event. I gladly donated \$20 to the cause - and found myself sliding this Boxster S and Cayman S (photo 5) through the Daytona chicane as the Porsche 'instructor' was yanking up on the emergency brake from the passenger seat and yelling at me for going too fast. Nahhhh. I had it ON the edge, not over. And never has driving Porsches been any more fun than that.

And then the 'right-place, right-time' gods smiled down on me. PCNA had arranged for Hurley Haywood to come to the lapping sessions at the go-cart course. I wasn't aware until it was over that Mr. Haywood was on the track at the same time I was (in a different Cayman; photo 6), but we both exited the course at the same time. As I walked back towards the main track, Mr. Haywood was climbing into his ride to drive back to the main track. I looked over and caught his attention and in a most generous gesture, Mr. Haywood asked if I wanted a ride. ARE YOU NUTS? I ran over, jumped in and in between laughing at my good fortune, had a brief conversation with him about the event for the best 40 seconds of the weekend. No, he wasn't



photo 7



driving a Cayman, or a 911 ... or even a Porsche ... but, to coin a phrase, I'd take a ride with him even if he were driving a golf cart (photo 7). I could have gone home happy at that point ... but ... my luck improved from that moment on.

Joining me on this jaunt to Daytona ... actually, I was joining them, as they arrived first and knew their way around, were (photo 8, L-R) PCA-Chicago's Terry and Jack White and Nikki and Larry White from Palm Coast, Florida. When we could tear Larry away from the Boxster-Cayman lapping sessions (he must have run 4 or 5 sessions and was still lapping on Sunday when I left), Larry and Jack provided narrative and insights about the

Daytona track and the Porsches on display as we wandered through the endless garage-pit areas (photo 9). And Jack was instrumental in my snagging of a coveted ticket to the Saturday PCA dinner. This event was over-subscribed, sold out within hours of being announced, and the selection defaulted to a lottery system for picking attendees ... and my luck had run short in getting a ticket. But I advised Jack to keep an eye open and post a message at the track that I was looking for a ticket ... me and about 50 other people! And yet fortune smiled again. One of the 50 or so other people looking for an extra ticket couldn't acquire one and thus elected to sell her ticket. And the first person to inquire about it was the person she called to sell it to ... one Jack White. BINGO, I was on my way to dinner that would feature numerous Porsche race car drivers telling fabulous stories of the Porsche racing program of the 1960's and 70's. But first ...

As Jack, Larry and I were walking back to the infield bleacher at the track, a distraught German gentleman rushed up to us asking for help. It seems he locked his keys (along with all his possessions) in his rental car ... and the motor was still running. Not to worry. Thanks to an unfortunate incident at a recent PCA-Chicago rally, I witnessed the procedure to unlocking a car door



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when the keys are 'unavailable'. We chatted as he poked a coat hanger through the space in the door frame that I had opened and he mentioned how embarrassing it was for him - being a Porsche mechanic at one time. He would go on to tell us that he was a collector of Porsches and with not even the slightest hint of arrogance or ego, mentioned he owned two 917's. Little did I know. It wasn't until I returned home and looked him up did I realize whom I had just assisted in 'breaking and entering': Heir Heemeyer owns two very original, very significant Porsche 917's -the Team AAW 917/10 CanAm car and one of the original Vasek Polak 917/10 CanAm cars. Before parting ways, I managed to convince him that he should attend the PCA dinner that evening and (apparently) someone of his stature had no trouble persuading PCA to 'find' a ticket for him.

The Sunday schedule consisted of five classes of qualifying sessions for afternoon feature races with another parade-exhibition of significant racing Porsche separating the two. Words can't capture this appropriately. And pictures (photos 10, 11 & 12) ... still photos at least, can't give you a sense for the immense power and driving difficulty associated with these cars - some of them almost half a century old. The racing was intense. While the 917 certainly drew the interest of all, the 956/962 class provided some of the



photo 11

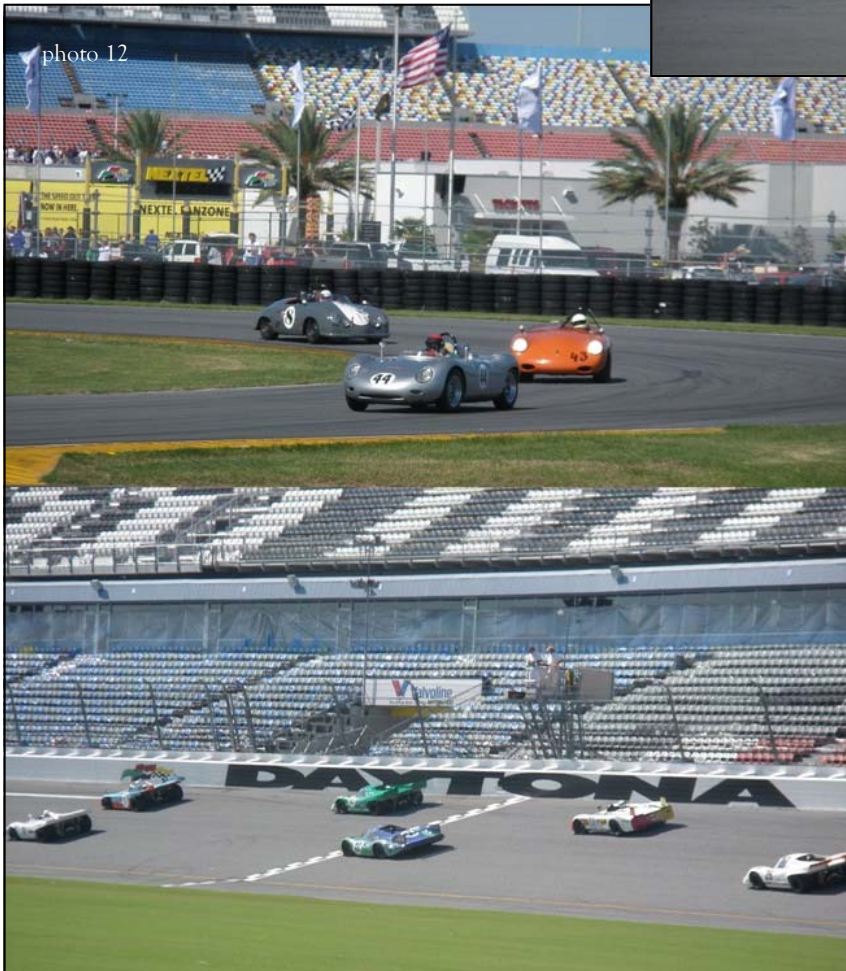


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most intense wheel to wheel racing of the day. The drivers were pushing their cars (and you don't even want to think about the value of these machines) to the absolute limit. To my dismay, I had a late afternoon flight out of Daytona and thus I could only stay for the first two feature races before leaving for the airport ... but ... my luck improved from that moment on.

Once through airport security, I made my way to the gate. For those of you not familiar with Daytona airport, it sits right next to the Speedway. And so, it was only necessary to find an open space at the window across from my departure gate. Along with 20 or so other fans, we were able to watch the feature race - at least the part on the banked oval portion of the speedway from the airport. This would have been a good ending to my weekend ... until I sat down at the gate after the race. By pure chance I sat down next to (retired) race driver and race commentator Sam Posey. Mr. Posey was gracious enough to allow me to interrupt his afternoon and we chatted for a bit about Rennsport Reunion and the gathering of drivers and cars and the likely hood of such a significant gathering ever occurring again.

I can't recommend this event highly enough. If there is a Rennsport 4, I can suggest the following: Go early. Plan to attend EVERYTHING. Take a Camera ... take two cameras. Find a hotel as close to the event as possible and only go there when absolutely necessary. Drink lots of coffee and don't sleep more than 5 minutes. You might miss the opportunity of a lifetime ... two or three times over.

Endnote:

Those of you looking for over-the-top coverage of the Rennsport Reunion 3 will want to take an entire afternoon or evening to browse the text and then go online and look at the hundreds of fabulous photos of this All-Porsche event ... and by 'All', I mean ALL. In the ongoing effort to unburden Scene and the PCA web site, the excess photos (and current month edition of The MidShip Report©) are now available online at WWW.MIDSHIP.ML1Media.com



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Doors open at 10:30 and the school will start promptly at 11:00 AM. We will hold four simultaneous sessions and then repeat them a total of four times. Everyone will have a chance to spend time with each instructor before rotating to the next station. At the conclusion of the class, attendees will have a greater knowledge of the following:

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Send Concours School registration, payment and questions to:

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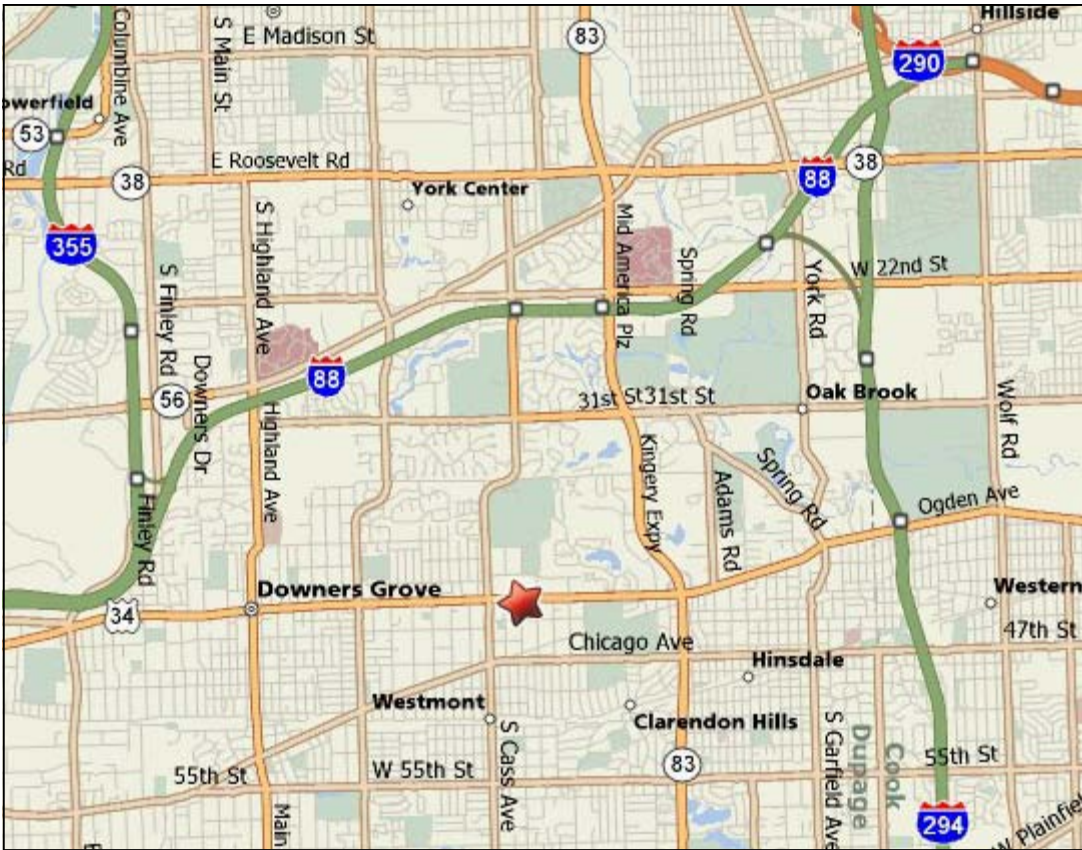
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From Within the 13th Zone - January 2008

Chris Inglot, Zone 13 Representative 847.559.1126 cinglot@aol.com

And the Beat Goes On

The holiday season has come and gone. Hopefully you were blessed with all the Porsche toys you had hoped for. Not sure if the Midwestern weather is being effected by global warming or not. A few days ago, we were shoveling snow; today I went for two walks outside with a mere sweatshirt. Perhaps our favorite kind of Porsche weather will be here soon after all.

I would like to take a moment and thank all the volunteers who lead their respective regions board of directors as well as serving in any coordinator or volunteer capacity. It appeared to be another successful year. Congratulations to the new boards of 2008, may you serve your membership well. Don't be afraid to ask for help and to bring in another pool of volunteers for upcoming years to come. Our members are like customers, both need good customer service.

National News

Not much news on the National front. With the holidays and all, the zone reps did not have a monthly conference call with President Prescott Kelly. We will have one within the next

couple of days as well as the upcoming Winter Board Meeting to be held in Dallas, TX, which will bring more information to share as a result.

Hard Charger

Starting in 2008, my company, Inglot Electronics will become a National Club Racing sponsor for Porsche Club. Our company does not really provide anything directly for the auto or racing industry. We actually manufacture electrical devices called transformers and coils. As a result, I thought it would be fun to reinstate the "Hard Charger Award". The intent is to recognize a racer who has made the greatest improvement from their qualifying position to the end of the race safely. Nothing more than it might give someone the right to brag even though they might end up with a podium finish.

It's not the cars, it's the people.

Go out and start enjoying the Porsche Passion!

Until next time ...

Zone 13 Calendar

| <i>Date</i> | <i>Event</i> | <i>New</i> | <i>Region</i> |
|------------------|--|------------|-----------------------|
| Jan. 2008 | | | |
| 1/12 | FRV - Holiday Party in Green Bay, WI | * | Fox Valley |
| 1/14 | KY - Board Meeting @ El Tasasco Mexican Restaurant | * | Kentucky |
| 1/16 | CWI - Board Meeting @ Lee's Automotive | * | Central Wisc. |
| 1/21 | BGR - Annual Membership Meeting | * | Bluegrass |
| 1/26 | CWI - PCA Holiday Party, Maple Bluff Country Club | * | Central Wisc. |
| 1/26 & 1/27 | Rolex 24 Hours of Daytona | * | ALMS |
| 1/27 | Chicago General Membership Meeting @ Dave & Buster's | | Chicago |
| Feb. 2008 | | | |
| 2/1 | Chicago Board Meeting @ VFW Hall, Park Ridge, IL | | Chicago |
| 2/2 & 2/3 | Winter Board Meeting - Dallas, TX | | PCA National |
| 2/5 | FRV - Board Meeting @ Village Hearthstone, Hilbert, WI | * | Fox Valley |
| 2/5 | Milw - Board Meeting @ Concours Motors | * | Milwaukee |
| 2/8-2/10 | 48 Hours of Sebring DE & Club Race | | Suncoast & Gold Coast |
| 2/9 | FRV - Bus Trip to Chicago Auto Show | * | Fox Valley |
| 2/11 | KY - Board Meeting @ El Tasasco Mexican Restaurant | * | Kentucky |
| 2/20 | CWI - Board Meeting @ Lee's Automotive | * | Central Wisc. |
| 2/23 | Tentative Zone 13 President's Meeting - Glenview, IL | * | Zone 13 |
| 2/24 | Chicago Concours School & Chili Tasting @ Napleton Porsche, Westmont | | Chicago |
| Mar. 2008 | | | |
| 3/1 | Milw - Turbo Spaghetti Social Dinner | * | Milwaukee |
| 3/4 | FRV - Board Meeting & Tech Session? @ Bergstrom Porsche, Appleton | * | Fox Valley |
| 3/6 | Milw - Board Meeting @ Concours Motors | * | Milwaukee |
| 3/7 | Chicago Board Meeting @ VFW Hall, Park Ridge, IL | | Chicago |
| 3/8 | Chicago New Racer Workshop - Naperville | | Chicago |

Zone 13 ...

| <i>Date</i> | <i>Event</i> | <i>New</i> | <i>Region</i> |
|-------------------|---|------------|---------------------|
| 3/10 | KY - Board Meeting @ Bluegrass Motorsports Porsche | * | Kentucky |
| 3/15 | Chicago St. Patrick's Day Party @ Moses Malones | * | Chicago |
| 3/16 | Chicago Spring Tech Session - Northstar Motorsports, Barrington | | Chicago |
| Apr. 2008 | | | |
| 4/1 | FRV - All Members Social | * | Fox Valley |
| 4/3 | Milw - Board Meeting @ Concours Motors | * | Milwaukee |
| 4/4 | Chicago Board Meeting @ VFW Hall, Park Ridge, IL | | Chicago |
| 4/13 | Chicago Rallye School | | Chicago |
| 4/19-4/20 | BGR - Spring EC Board Meeting in Lexington, KY | | Bluegrass |
| 4/27 | Chicago Autocross School - Maywood Park Racetrack | | Chicago |
| May. 2008 | | | |
| 5/1 | Milw - Board Meeting @ Concours Motors | * | Milwaukee |
| 5/2 | Chicago Board Meeting @ VFW Hall, Park Ridge, IL | | Chicago |
| 5/2 & 5/3 | FRV - Fox Valley Tech College Super Mileage Event | * | Fox Valley |
| 5/3 & 5/4 | Milw - Road America DE, Elkhart Lake, WI | * | Milwaukee |
| 5/4 | Chicago Autocross # 1 - MGA Proving Grounds, Burlington, WI | | Chicago |
| 5/6 | FRV - Spring Dinner @ Jim & Linda's, Pipe, WI | * | Fox Valley |
| 5/7 | Chicago Blackhawk DE - Novice & Instructors Day, Rockton, IL | | Chicago |
| 5/10 | FRV - Rustic Road Tour from Appleton, WI | * | Fox Valley |
| 5/14 | Chicago Blackhawk DE - Experienced Day, Rockton, IL | | Chicago |
| 5/16 | FRV - Spring Vintage Event @ Road America, Elkhart Lake, WI | * | Fox Valley |
| 5/17 | FRV - Road & Track Class, Appleton, WI | * | Fox Valley |
| 5/18 | Chicago Rallye # 1 | | Chicago |
| 5/18 | Milw - Autocross (tentative) | * | Milwaukee |
| 5/23 | Chicago RADE - Novice & Instructors Day, Road America, Elkhart Lake, WI | | Chicago |
| 5/24-5/25 | Chicago RADE - Driver's Education, Road America, Elkhart Lake, WI | | Chicago |
| June. 2008 | | | |
| 6/3 | FRV - Board Meeting | * | Fox Valley |
| 6/5 | Milw - Board Meeting @ Concours Motors | * | Milwaukee |
| 6/6 | Chicago Board Meeting @ VFW Hall, Park Ridge, IL | | Chicago |
| 6/7 | FRV - "Thunder on the Lakeshore", Manitowac, WI | * | Fox Valley |
| 6/8 | FRV - Door County Parks Tour | * | Fox Valley |
| 6/8 | Milw - Autocross (tentative) | * | Milwaukee |
| 6/9 | Chicago Autobahn DE, Full Track, Joliet, IL | | Chicago |
| 6/15 | Chicago Concours # 1, Long Grove, IL | | Chicago |
| 6/19 - 6/22 | June Sprints @ Road America | * | Road America |
| 6/22 | Chicago Autocross # 2 | | Chicago |
| 6/25 | Chicago Blackhawk DE - Rockton (possible instructor program) | | Chicago |
| 6/29-7/3 | Porsche Parade - Charlotte, NC | | PCA National |
| July. 2008 | | | |
| 7/1 | FRV - Board Meeting & Tech Session? | * | Fox Valley |
| 7/3 | Milw - Board Meeting @ Concours Motors | * | Milwaukee |
| 7/4-7/6 | SEM - Club Race & DE, Gingerman Raceway, South Haven, MI | | South East Michigan |
| 7/11 | Chicago Board Meeting @ VFW Hall, Park Ridge, IL | | Chicago |
| 7/13 | Chicago Autocross # 3 - Tire Rack, Mishawaka, IN | | Chicago |
| 7/16 | Chicago Blackhawk DE - Rockton, IL | | Chicago |
| 7/19 | FRV - Trout Springs Winery Event | * | Fox Valley |
| 7/20 | Chicago Rallye # 2 | | Chicago |
| 7/26 | Chicago Golf Outing - White Pines, Bensenville, IL | | Chicago |
| 7/27 | Chicago Concours # 2 / Potter's Picnic | | Chicago |
| 7/27 | FRV - Zero to 60 Garage Open House, Sherwood, WI | * | Fox Valley |
| | <i>Indicates a new or changed event since previous Calendar</i> | * | |

So you want to go racing...

III

Once again, in response to requests from our members, the Chicago Region will host its third "New Racer Workshop" for those members looking to make the jump from Autocross and Drivers Education, to PCA Club Racing. Feedback from those who attended previous events, and requests for members currently considering Club Racing, make it clear that it's time for:



Chicago Region's New Racer Workshop

When: Saturday, March 8, 2008
9am - 4pm

Where: River Run Club
4204 Clearwater Lane
Naperville, IL 60564

Cost: \$50 (includes lunch)

Who: Experienced drivers considering their first club race in 2008 or 2009, or new club racers interested in accelerating their learning curve. This workshop is not structured for new or novice drivers with only a couple of days of on-track experience. We will assume that you have basic driving skills, understand basic vocabulary such as "turn-in", "apex" and "track-out", in addition to concepts such as the friction circle, heel-and-toe, threshold breaking, the correct "line", and weight transfer.

We will discuss PCA Club Racing license guidelines, personal preparation, and recommendations for minimal car preparation. We will also review the requirements outlined in the PCA Club Racing rule book for personal safety equipment and car modifications required for participation

The agenda will also include a walk-through of what to expect at your first club race: racecar technical inspection, safety equipment inspection, novice racer orientation meeting, driver's meeting, the 13/13 rule, practice, practice starts and "fun" race, qualifying, and the race.

We will also look at strategies and tactics for: car setup, learning a new track, using your practice sessions to your best advantage, what to do during qualifying, and how to handle the various parts of the race.

If you are interested, please send in the registration information detailed below. If you have topics that you would like to see covered, put them in the note with your information. Questions? Call or email us:

John Ruther: 847-304-5515
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Greg Turek: 630-904-0800
gjt@tureks.net

Directions:

From I-88: Exit at Rt. 59, go South 7 miles to 103rd St, turn left, go 1 mile to Book Rd, turn right, go 0.1 mile to 104th St, turn left on 104th St, go 1/2 mile to Clearwater, turn right and go 1 block to the River Run Club.

From I-355: Exit at Boughton Rd., go West 8 miles to Plainfield-Naperville Rd. (Boughton ends), turn right, go 1/2 mile to 104th St., turn left, go 1/2 mile to Clearwater Dr., turn left and go 1 block to the River Run Club.

From I-55: Exit at Weber Rd, go North 2 miles to Hassert Blvd. (111th St), turn left, go 2 miles to Plainfield-Naperville Rd, turn right, go 1 mile to 104th St, turn left, go 1/2 mile to Clearwater Dr, turn left and go 1 block to the River Run Club.

Chicago Region's New Racer Workshop Registration is due by 2/25/06 and is limited to the first 50 who reply.

Along with your check please include:

- Name, address, phone #, and email address
- Car year/model and modifications
- DE run group (Chicago Region events)
- Experience: years and # of track days
- Tracks you have driven w/typical lap times
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News From Loeber Motors

Dave Mathews

This has been quite a year! **Loeber Motors Porsche** accelerated from the starting line in a big way with the grand opening of our state-of-the-art dealership. We maintained that momentum with record-breaking sales and growth in parts and service. Events included the spring and fall service clinics and the Porsche Club of America Rallye School.

Throughout 2007 **Loeber Motors** supported many charitable events and endeavors including the Loeber family's on-going commitment to melanoma research at [The Loeber Lab](#) in [Advocate Lutheran General Hospital](#).

Among other awards, Loeber Motors was named "Corporate Citizen of the Year" by the Lincolnwood Chamber of Commerce and Industry.

More important than awards and events are the friendly relationships we've forged along the way. **Loeber Motors Porsche** would simply be a pile of bricks without you ... our customers. We do things differently here. We treat you with the cordial respect you deserve. You validate our efforts by coming through our doors in record numbers. Thank you.

If you need a bit more persuasion to visit us, we have two recent additions to our inventory that will, ah, well, let's just say they will bring beads of perspiration to your forehead. How about a rare **2008 Black and Orange GT3RS**? With 415hp and a fixed carbon fiber rear wing, this beast is HOT! I chased a similar RS along the back roads of Arkansas a month ago; whenever we stopped (which was not often) it drew a crowd. For the "rag top" fan, we have a classy **2008 Carrera White and Cocoa Turbo Cabriolet**. Six rapidly-forward close ratio gears;


carbon fiber trim; adaptive sport seats ... a beautiful creature. Check out our entire inventory either in person or on-line: www.loeber.porschedealer.com

If a brand new vehicle is not yet in your plan, then how about a pre-owned beauty? Our cozy in-door showroom offers a great selection from which to choose. How about an '05 Guards Red Turbo S cab with only 9,000 miles or a 2000 Silver Aston-Martin DB7 Vantage, or a '96 Carrera Cab? Forget about the slush on your shoes and snow-covered windshields. Our pre-owned inventory is warm, dry and ready to buy. Bring your checkbook.

2007 has been a super year for **Loeber Motors Porsche** ... 2008 will be better yet. We have many social and performance-related events planned that will rock your chair. Watch our website. Give us a call. Pay us a visit. Join us at **Loeber Motors Porsche**.



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Bears Game Social

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photos by Toby Duckett and Steve Rashbaum

"Bear down, Chicago Bears, make every play pave the way to victory". Ah, the Chicago Bears fight song. The Bears faithful fans always sing the entire song each time that the Bears put some points on the scoreboard. However, with Bears trailing 6-3 at the end of the third quarter against the Oakland Raiders on Sunday, those Region members and guests who gathered at the Weber Grill in Lombard to watch the game and socialize didn't have much to cheer about, let alone sing about.

As has been the case at these parties for the past few years, we were having fun anyway because Toby Duckett had done his usual outstanding job in pulling it altogether; and the Weber Grill was doing a great job keeping the buffet table stacked with food as well as keeping our glasses filled with our beverage of choice. We couldn't have had more fun tailgating in the parking lot at Soldier Field.

Part of the fun was the raffle drawing that Toby conducted at the end of each quarter. Those who were lucky enough to have their number, my lovely wife Gayle was one, drawn got to choose a prize that was either Bears or Porsche merchandise. In addition, two lucky winners received a \$25.00 gift card to the Weber Grill. Adding to the fun was my 'office pool' which also produced a winner at the end of each quarter. I'm sure the most of you can remember "Ladies Day" at either Comiskey Park or Wrigley Field from the days of your youth. Well, it was definitely "Ladies Day" as far as the pool was concerned with Susan, Cindy, Carol, and Kim completely shutting the guys out of the action.

It was also a family day event with members Chuck LaMantia, Keith Clark, and Todd Conforti each bring some of their children along to cheer the Bears on to victory. Keith not only brought his kids, but his lovely wife Karen, and a guest as well. All in all seven people arrived in the Clarkmobile. Susan Shire

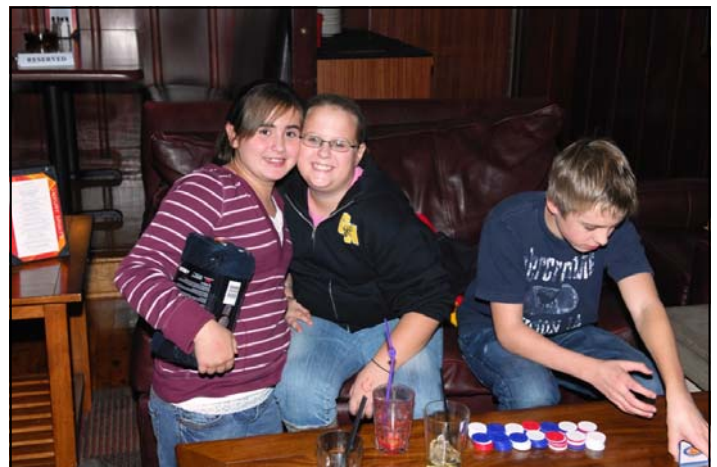


and Steve Rashbaum also brought some of their offspring along; but they are all adults, so they get put in another class ... kind of like autocross.

But, back to the game. The Bears "snatched victory from the jaws of defeat" with two fourth quarter touchdowns, and we all got to sing again. For all the smiling faces in the pictures that accompany this article, it was truly an afternoon of fun; and, if you are sorry that you missed it, you'll get another chance when we do it again next November.

As a Board member and the Region's Social Coordinator, I want to be sure that Toby gets the proper kudos for all of his efforts.

Thanks, Toby. It was a wonderful way to spend a Sunday afternoon in November.





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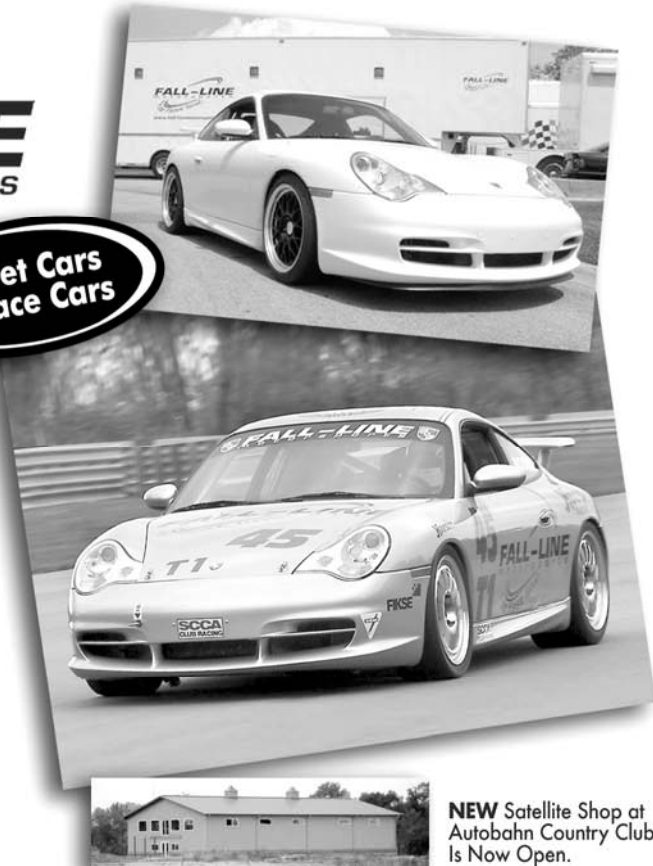
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Mike Haas, Membership Coordinator and Debby and Ed Leed, Membership Database

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Mary Etherington
Deer Park, IL
2007 997 turbo

Tim Hoopes
Denise Hoopes
Hampshire, IL
1969 912

Carl Armand
Carol Armand
Countryside, IL
2000 Boxster

Bill Hayes
Linda Hayes
Batavia, IL
1988 944

Scott Kulberg
Stefanie Kulberg
Chicago, IL
2001 996

January Anniversaries

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|------|------------------------|---------------------------|------|----------------------|----------------------|
| 1955 | Eugene F. Bussian | Marian E. Bussian | 1993 | Heather L. Diedrich | Christopher Diedrich |
| 1960 | Glenn K. Appleton | Olga Appleton | 1993 | George A. Pecoulas | |
| 1961 | Craig K. Skaar | | 1994 | Leonard W. Larson | Carol Larson |
| 1963 | Lawrence W. Petry | Edith Schumacher | 1995 | Scott H. Glazer | Meredith Glazer |
| 1964 | Robert J. Kohl | Goldie Kohl | 1995 | Samuel J. Patterson | Chris Patterson |
| 1966 | Gerald F. Wetter | Deborah S. Wetter | 1995 | Michael S. Seedman | |
| 1967 | O. Jerome Meyer | Helga Meyer | 1995 | Michael Ryan | Penny Ryan |
| 1969 | Ronald R. Deutsch | | 1995 | Joseph A. Asfour | Joyce Anne Asfour |
| 1970 | George N. Malos | Kristine Malos | 1995 | Edwin Holzer | Josephine Holzer |
| 1972 | Jon Randal Jester | Mickey Jester | 1996 | Robert M. Johnston | Lisa Johnston |
| 1974 | Terry B. French | Carol N. French | 1997 | John W. Diwik | Beth Luddy |
| 1982 | James Kutill | Laura S. Kutill | 1997 | Guy M. Karm | Christine Karm |
| 1983 | Bernard E. Lakemaker | Penelope Larsen-Lakemeyer | 1998 | Francis H. Hufnagel | Mark B. Hufnagel |
| 1984 | Lee A. Lichtenstein | | 1998 | David Brearley | Carol Brearley |
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| 1990 | George C. Balbach | George F. Balbach | 1998 | Harold Streit | Brenda Streit |
| 1990 | Chris Inglot | Vanessa Inglot | 1999 | Roscoe C. Kinard Jr. | Daniel Kinard |
| 1990 | John M. Kramer | | 1999 | Stephen W. Sum | Jean Sum |
| 1992 | Don N. Sinnott | Jennifer Sinnott | 1999 | John A. Dienner | Martha Dienner |
| 1992 | Jason N. Shih | Sharath Sury | 1999 | Peter Martin | |
| 1993 | Douglas E. Coup | Steve Dayiantis | 2000 | Gary L. Bannon | Elizabeth Bannon |

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| 2000 | Charles B. Mattas | Eileen Mattas | 2005 | Christopher J. Elder | Amy Elder |
| 2000 | Ronald N. Heftman | Ronna Heftman | 2005 | Timothy L. Cremer | Donna Cremer |
| 2001 | Robert D. Gibbons | | 2005 | Z. Mark Ghaoui | D. Ghaoui |
| 2001 | Amy J. Kristoff | | 2005 | Larry E. Ballard | Annette Ballard |
| 2001 | Richard B. Suerth | Patricia M. Suerth | 2005 | Thomas C. Chavoen | |
| 2001 | Becky McGovern | Frank McGovern | 2005 | Joseph J. McGinnis Jr | |
| 2001 | Mark Suppes | Spencer Suppes | 2005 | Eric Ostermeier | |
| 2001 | Michael Teeling | Marge Teeling | 2005 | Charles A. Webster | Mariette Webster |
| 2002 | Martha L. Kushner MD | Matthew D. Kushner | 2005 | Rob Montgomery | Barry Montgomery |
| 2002 | Jeff Stone | Jeffrey Stone | 2005 | Mike S. Stanard | |
| 2002 | Hank Weil | Jolly Weil | 2005 | Michael P. Lewis | Rob Lewis |
| 2002 | Jerry Maynard | Kathy Maynard | 2005 | Mel G. Ligon | |
| 2002 | Marc Horn | Chris Horn | 2006 | Fred Middlebrooks | Diane Middlebrooks |
| 2002 | Dean Harris | Laura Harris | 2006 | Britt G. Muller | |
| 2003 | Michael R. Walsdorf | Brian Walsdorf | 2006 | David C. Handke | Christopher Handke |
| 2003 | Paul Peterson | Karen Peterson | 2006 | Peter G. McHugh | Ann Adams |
| 2003 | Jeffrey D. Burkett | | 2006 | Ian Moore | Sau Wai Woo |
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| 2004 | Curt Schilz | Robin Possell | 2006 | Eric B. Nyszcot | |
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| 2004 | Michael Strain | Deborah Strain | 2007 | James G. Hall | |
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| 2005 | John Roeslmeier | Terri Roeslmeier | 2007 | Lars Lindell | Chris Martin |
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| | | | 2007 | Efstathios A. Zervos | Joanne Zervos |



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Come join us for a celebration of the "**Wearin' Of The Green**". Rarely are we able to get a date so close to St. Patrick's Day itself, but **Saturday March 15th** is the date, and **Molly Malone's Irish Pub, 7652 W. Madison Street in Forest Park**, is the site. We are returning to the heart of the West Side Irish community, as you will see if you start to count the Irish bars along Madison Street. For those who would enjoy a virtual tour of the Pub, you can find them at www.themollymalones.com. As usual, there will be an authentic Irish-American dinner in a private dining room served with an extensive helping of my collection of Irish music. The **\$44.00 per person** price of admission will include hot appetizers, dinner, dessert, non-alcoholic beverages, tax, gratuity, and the cost of the after-dinner entertainment. Those who attended our 2007 party will agree that Jim Boyle's singing was outstanding, and we have booked him for a return engagement this year. Jim will begin around 8:30PM, and last for an hour or so. **Cocktails (cash bar)** for those who desire a "Touch Of The Creature" will begin at **6:30PM**, with **Dinner** being served no later than **8:00PM**. The entrees will include the traditional Irish-American corned beef and cabbage, a delicious Guinness Stew, and a Lemon Chicken Breast for those who prefer something without an Irish theme to it. Chuck LaMantia and Keith Clark are the only ones that come to mind to me, and I am challenging them to buy some pointed shoes and join us this year! This promises to be a fun-filled event, so mark your calendars now; and plan to be there.

*Due to the necessity of giving the Pub an accurate head-count of the number of people who will be attending, please plan to get your **reservation** to Ed Barnicle **by March 8, 2008**. Make your check payable to PCA Chicago Region, and mail it to Ed Barnicle at 3 Hanover Court, Burr Ridge, IL 60527.*

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The MidShip Report[©]: Burning Desires ...

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(and the Need to go Topless)

Rick called. He's a good friend of mine. We go way back, and he's a car guy. A few years back, I drove him to a dingy suburban warehouse and watched him collect his not-yet-available-in-the-USA Lotus Elise as it was driven out of a shipping container. He even let me drive it on a couple occasions. Before that, he once came by in a Louts Elan and we pounded that around for a day. Another time, Rick wanted to drive my Z3, so I tossed him the keys. In fairness, he gave me the keys to his Audi TT and he took off running. Rick 'forgot' to tell me his lovely wife Monica was in the TT. I eventually caught up to him. Monica didn't talk to me for a few months after that, as I recall.

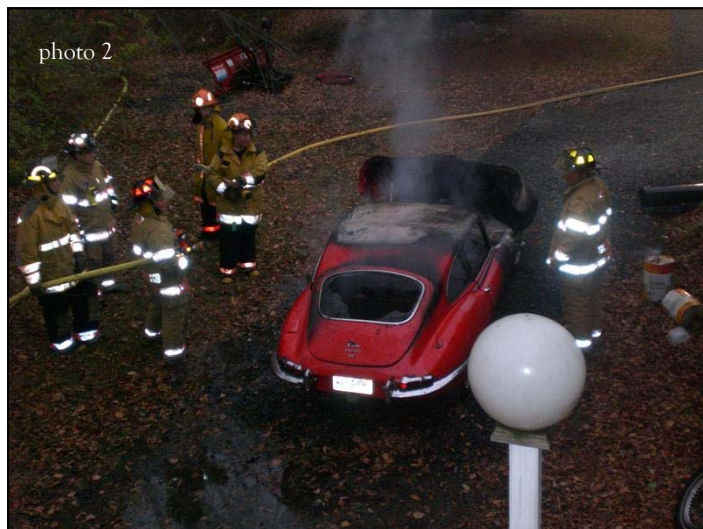
It didn't surprise me when Rick called to tell me he bought an old Jag -an XK-E coupe--I always liked that car. I was bit concerned that it was a 'fleaBay' purchase (yes, note the disdain in my voice), but Rick was OK with the odds. He figured the worst he could get 'hurt' was his 13 thousand purchase price - and indeed, that does seem reasonably low for a fair condition Jaguar XK-E. Of course, the Seller lied. The car was not quite pristine, nor expected to be. But the seller's assessment: "a good 10 footer" (it looks good from 10 feet away) was accurate ... if you were legally blind. It was more like a '30 footer' in terms of body and paint work. It also had various mechanical issues that the seller neglected to mention, including a cracked engine block, all which Rick weathered through as any good father would for his child. And for many, many, months, Rick would repeatedly tell me his greatest desire was to DRIVE his Jaguar. He said this with irony because it spent more time in repair shops than his own garage.

But now Rick was on the phone and sending me pictures of his Jaguar. Ordinarily the term 'Burning Desires' would be a single phrase--the words compliment each other. And surely, Rick did

have 'Burning Desires' about his Jag...but the two words were independent thoughts at that moment. As you can see by photo 1, Rick's XK-E successfully turned itself into the world's largest s'more. Rick surmised that a fuel system leak came in contact with the starter motor. It caught fire and burned to a crisp. And yes, before you ask, Rick keeps fire extinguishers around the house. He even emptied two bottles onto the XK-E before realizing the flames were already over his head and the thing could just as well blow up in his face. The local fire department was able to put it out (photo 2), but the Jag was ... uhhmm ... toast.

Take note here. I know quite a few PCA members with older or just plain OLD cars. I have a 39 year old Karmann Ghia in my garage. I have always kept a fire extinguisher in it and two others on the nearby garage walls. But a fire extinguisher is no substitute for regular, diligent inspections of the mechanicals - especially the fuel system ... and the more I think about it ... this probably applies to newer cars as well. Unfortunately for Rick, he enlisted others (mechanics) to do much of the work on the XK-E for him and trusted their work to the degree that he felt he didn't have to double check every bit of the car.

I felt bad about this for Rick. I extended condolences, but I also felt there was a bright side. This was nature's way (or divine intervention, if you like) of getting Rick OUT of the Jaguar. He had always wanted one. He bought one, he drove it ... and now it was going away. The insurance money will put him almost at break-even (including the money he poured into it) so he can LITTERALLY walk away unscathed. But now Rick seems to have Burning Desires, of the single phrase variety. He refers to the insurance money as the 'new Jaguar Fund'. And by NEW, he isn't referring to an XK coupe ... he's looking for a better condition XK-E - one that has the brakes, the starter, and the fuel systems ALREADY sorted out. I



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mentioned that the 'Jaguar Fund' could buy him a very nice, not TOO old Boxster. The words fell on deaf ears.

The Need to go Topless

Opportunity knocked so I answered. I had the occasion to ride along in and drive two different Porsche Caymans recently. Debate all you like about whether the Cayman is really just a fixed-roof (coupe) edition of the Boxster or a separate car ... I think it is the fixed-roof version ... but why listen to me? (surely, there's only two or three people that do.) The Cayman is under Porsche's 987 model designation. Case closed. But that isn't the discussion here. The Cayman is a terrific car. Its handling is phenomenal. Its acceleration is what I desire out of my Boxster. And it's a fabulous looking car. And the only way you'd get me to buy one is if it came as a matched set with a Boxster or standard equipment included a Sawzall® with a carbon tipped blade.

Side by side, from any angle (photos 3 & 4), they are both striking cars ... although, in fairness, the Boxster is at a slight disadvantage here as with its top in the up position. The Cayman offers an uncluttered, thoroughly modern looking dash/instrument panel (photo 5) and decent sight lines out the rear (photo 6). We even had a chance to flex its handling and braking muscle with an 'emergency' lane change when this appeared in front of us immediately after a blind left hand turn (photo 7).

If the Cayman has any real weakness, it's the price. It would seem Porsche made a mistake in pricing the Cayman significantly higher than the Boxster, when many potential buyers did interpret it as a fixed-roof Boxster. Now that the initial 'buzz' of the new model has worn off, it would seem that this 'error' has become pronounced. Cayman inventories have ballooned at dealerships across the country. Cayman (and to a degree, Boxster) sales are down significantly. And dealers are getting 'creative' with pricing - PCNA doesn't allow

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photo 7



outright discounting (I'm told) but dealers are finding ways to offer 'incentives' that bring the Cayman well into the same (and sometime BELOW) price neighborhood as the Boxster. So, yes, I readily admit that if I were looking for a hard-top Porsche, I'd give serious consideration to a Cayman. But I'm a convertible person. The Boxster will *always* get first consideration over the Cayman. Now, if they start cranking out one of those clear-roof Targa versions of the Cayman ...

Ongoing-Offloading:

In the ongoing effort to unburden Scene, the extra/excess photos for the current month's edition of The MidShip Report© (as well as expanded past editions) are now available online at WWW.MIDSHIP.ML1Media.com



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2007 Chicago Region Charity Update

Chick Sanford

photo by Jim Drury

At the Women's Board of Misericordia, Heart of Mercy Ball held on November 10, 2007 at Chicago Hilton and Towers in Chicago, Jacqueline Simon accepted a \$5,000.00 Chicago Region Porsche Club Charity Donation. The money, raised at the many Region events (track touring, rallye poken runs, etc) went to the new Misericordia Heart of Mercy Center, where more than 560 children and adults with developmental and physical disabilities reside. Our club's generosity, along with others, enables Sr. Rosemary, resident families and all of the amazing, loving and dedicated staff and volunteers to continue with the mission of providing dignity, respect, and love at an amazing home and working environment to those who have special challenges and needs. All of the staff of Misericordia was extremely thankful and appreciative of this generous donation.

By the way, Jim Drury from our Porsche Club, happened to be the professional auctioneer for this Misericordia event. He does many of their events, including the one earlier in the year at House of Blues, when the club donated the \$10,000.00 check.



(left) Dorota Slowik, Jacqueline Simon (auction co-chair), and Chick Sanford

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Owner, Northstar Motorsports: Our Host, Chicago Region Chief Driving Instructor, is a Grand-Am, IMSA, Daytona, Sebring and PCA Racer. John will be on hand to discuss equipment, requirements, options, what works and what doesn't.

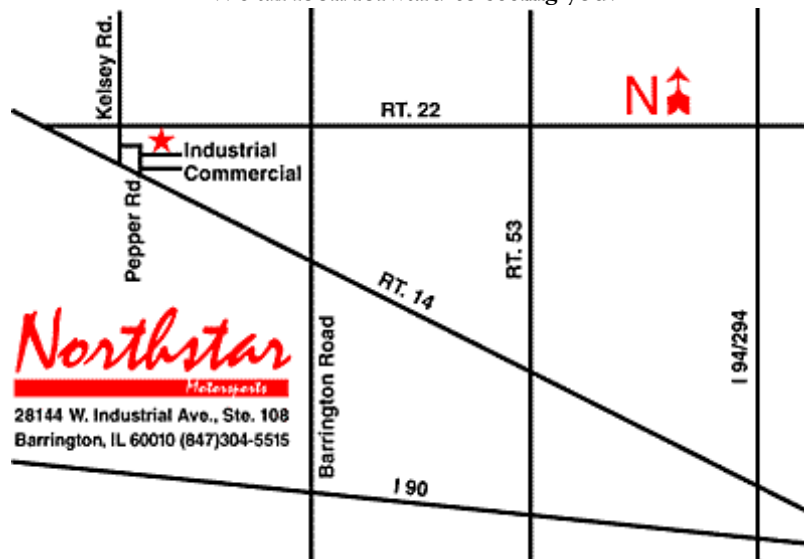
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PCA Chicago Region: Experts covering Track, Autocross, Drivers Education, Racing and Porsche set-up will be on hand to shed light on questions you have that they have come up against previously. Knowledge is KEY and it is well shared within our PCA Chicago Region community.

Pre Registration is not required but a call or e-mail before March 10th to our Tech Coordinator, Peter Faehnrich would be appreciated so that we may give preplanning numbers to our Hosts: Northstar; John and Jeannie Ruther.

Peter Faehnrich 630-476-2267 (before 9:30 PM please) or bbrmotorsports@comcast.net

We all look forward to seeing you!



2007 50th Anniversary Party Dinner Dance

Cindy Jacisin

photos by Steve Rashbaum and Neil MacDonald



A 50th Year Thank You

With gratitude ...

As the Club heads into the 51st Year, I must give proper credit to those responsible for the 50th Fast Year.

Jim Jacisin - the person with the foresight to put the year into motion when the Club was a mere 48 years young. Thank you for appointing me to head the committee and for listening to two years of "what if we ..."

Bruce Janecek for 12 months of articles that taught us about our early years and for organizing the storage locker so our past is more than just a stack of boxes but a history that can be passed along.

Tom and Phyllis Harwood and **John Ruther** for writing articles for the Scene.

Susan Shire for always adding the "50th" touch to each event and article in the Scene.

Patty Jacisin and **Chuck LaMantia** for the 50th nametags.

Event coordinators for handing out the Porsche flags and banners at the events to recognize deserved members; **Jim Jacisin** for obtaining the flags; and **Pat Yanahan** for obtaining the signatures of the Porsche track drivers.

Keith Clark for offering Butterfield Country Club as our venue

Jack and Karen Stephensen, **Jim Drury**, **Lisa Barthels**, **Bob Rath** and **Jim and Patty Jacisin** for setting-up the reception and ballroom

Pat Yanahan and **Jack Stephensen** for displaying their cars at Butterfield for a warm Porsche welcome

Bruce and Jean Janecek, **Shannon Gallagher**, **Dan Gallagher**, **Susan Shire** and various members who contributed photos and memorabilia

Steve Rashbaum and **Neil MacDonald** for photographing the year and the evening.

Neil MacDonald and **Brian Beierwaltes** for organizing and producing 800+ photos into a slide show highlighting our 50 Years



Patty Jacisin for typing 2030 raffle tickets, 203 placecards and 203 envelopes. **Jim Jacisin** for the framed Porsche posters to honored members and the 50th Year timeline



Todd Conforti for engraving the keepsakes and for his patience as the numbers (happily) kept growing



Anthony LaMantia, **Brandon Clark**, and **Ross Conforti** for hosting the cash bar

Chuck LaMantia for hosting the evening, the awards (and your choice of recipients)



Keith Clark and Chuck LaMantia for their work on the committee throughout the two years and their commitment to make the year worthy of the Porsche Club of America - Chicago Region 50th Anniversary

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Looking back at 2007 - it was a festive and event-filled year for the Region and ended with a wonderful 50th Anniversary party organized by Cindy Jacisin and her committee. Thank you to all who contributed to the evening. It was wonderful to see so many long-time Region members and friends.

As Cindy points out in her article, it is the efforts of many that come together to make the Region or an event work. I also need to thank all of you for your continuing help and support.

My appreciation and thanks go to several members who regularly contribute to this magazine: John Miller, Chris Ingot, Mike Haas, Ed and Debby Leed, Dave Mathews, Bruce Janecek, Chuck LaMantia, Ed Barnicle, and Jack Stephensen. And many thanks go to Neil MacDonald, Weston Walters, Andrew Jacobson, and Steve Rashbaum without whom there would be no great covers or pictures. And to all of the others who have sent an article or a picture, thank you. You all make this easier,

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Thanks to the Region and the Scene sponsors. We appreciate your support.

And my love and thanks to Steve for your patience when I'm immersed in the process of 'finishing' the Scene ... your understanding helps more than you will ever know.

Looking ahead to 2008 - it looks like it will be another great year! The Planning Committee has put together a calendar packed with all kinds of events - social, rallye, track, concours, autocross, and several schools to teach us how to do all of these activities. Now it's up to you - there has to be at least one event that can get you out of the house and into your car! New members, long time members, and those in-between, come on out. It's your club! There are many events that can include your friends and family!

We will not be at the General Membership Meeting due to a family commitment (a big birthday for Steve and a 1st birthday for our granddaughter) so you will all have to 'party' for us. For new members the Meeting is a great way to get 'an overview of the Club and the 2008 events.' For the all of us, it's the best

way to begin a new Chicago Region year ... and lunch is 'on the Region'.

So, if I were going to be there, when it was my turn 'to pitch' the Scene, I would ask again for your articles and pictures of the events that you attend. Pictures need to be digital and no more than 2 MB please. Articles should be submitted in Word and sent by e-mail. Please do not send files in pdf format without contacting me first. Should you wish to place a commercial ad, I have advertising specs available. Submissions to The Mart should be e-mailed and may include a digital picture.

The easiest way to reach me is via e-mail at ChiScene@aol.com.

I would tell you that over the next several issues I will be reformatting and switching software/publishing programs. While the process sounds simple enough, it is really more like spatting children on a playground ... each claims the 'turf' and neither is willing to play nicely with the other. I have seen the "this program needs to close immediately and your work will not be saved" message too often lately while trying to switch information from one program to the other. However, once done, the Scene files will be smaller on-line and easier to get to print.

To all, a healthy, happy, and peaceful New Year!



Aungahh (a-iun-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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