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From the President — Welcome to Spring

I've just returned from the PCA Zone 13 presidents meeting in Springfield, Illinois this past weekend and it's the perfect time to update everyone on some of the topics we discussed. The drive down had me staying just ahead of the snow and cold but the drive back home the next afternoon was a warm spring drive on a bright sunny afternoon. It was a very good meeting on Saturday with all but one of the region presidents this year being in the roll for the first time. We spent a good part of the day long meeting discussing our concerns and challenges our respective clubs are encountering. We found we had much more in common than just being new to our positions.

Tom Gorsuch, National Past President, was on hand to represent the national board. He walked us through the club's history, membership growth, finances and upcoming changes in the works. This led to a lively Q&A session, which took us a bit off track, but was informative and generated good discussions among the group. From there, we took a break and got a tour of the host dealership, Isringhausen Porsche, who were gracious and provided their meeting room for our use. We got to see an amazing array of vehicles they had both in the showroom and in their shop. There are pictures from that tour included in the newsletter.

After the tour there was a fair bit of work to be done. We had changes to review in rules and bylaws, news and communications practices to compare and procedures to discuss. A review of the best practices on the mitigation of risk for club activities, driving and social, and a review of the financial requirements to maintain our nonprofit status took much of the afternoon.

The other regions in our zone range in size from about 130 primary members in the Southern Indiana Region to the Chicago Region with over 4000 members. I spent some time talking to the Milwaukee and Central Wisconsin region presidents and we will be working together to arrange some multi-region events in the next few weeks. There will be more to come on that soon.

I am following up on a couple of suggestions from members for coffee and cars events that people have emailed to me. Thank you to everyone who sent in a suggestion. We are working with two auto related businesses to see if we can arrange shop tours of their facilities and see the great work that they do. You will also find in this newsletter the upcoming date for the spring opener to Jim and Linda's in Pipe. This is traditionally our first real get together of the summer driving season.

We will also be adding events and links to some of the other region's calendars. There are lots of events in the various regions within Zone 13. As the weather keeps teasing us to get our cars out, only to shift back to freezing temperatures, I am looking ahead to March and April to see when we can get out for a windows down drive.

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From Left to right; Dirk Stallmann-Milwaukee, Al Geitl-Lincoln Trail, Jamie Diehl-Bluegrass; Curt Maas-Fox Valley; Beau Smith- Central Wis, Mark Roethemeier- Zone Rep, Dana Comoli-Chicago, Mark Faris- Southern Indiana and Tom Gorsuch-National Past President.

March

No planned events for this month. for Fox Valley Region

Chicago Region is holding their annual swap meet March 10th
https://pca-chicago.org/event-schedule/

April

Central PA will be holding their Annual Porsche Swap Meet at Carlisle PA April 27th
https://www.pca.org/events/porsche-only-swap-meet-hosted-by-central-pa-region-572114

May

Fox Valley Region Spring Run to Jim and Linda's in Pipe on May 14th . Cocktails are from 5-6 with dinner seating at 6 PM. RSVP to Dee Stamnes by May 7th. dstamnes@netnet.net

Central Wisconsin region will start their Autocross series of events May 19th . The Event is open to PCA members and is alternately held at two locations. https://cwi.pca.org/cwi-autocross/

From the editor's desk

Welcome to the third edition of the next chapter in the Whaletales story. As you are all aware, Bev stepped up and for the past few years has done an exemplary job building Whaletales into a monthly newsletter everyone in the region could be proud of. Although we know we cannot meet the bar Bev set, we hope to at least keep the membership informed of region news and upcoming events. The position of full-time Whaletales editor is open so if anyone has a desire to become more involved in the club and would like to take on the role, or even just contribute an article or photos, feel free to reach out to Curt or Shaun.

Welcome to our new members

There were no new members joining the region this month.

One Member transferred to the Suncoast Florida Region.

11 members renewed their membership.

Several members of the Fox Valley Region will be attending the 47th Central PA Region swap meet April 27th in Carlisle PA. Billed as the largest Porsche Only swap meet, it is a great place to find parts for a restoration project or a car for sale. The event is held rain or shine. Tech sessions are offered as well as an indoor display this year of GT cars.

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Phase 2 Registration Opens April 3, 2024

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June 9-15, 2024
Birmingham Convention Center
Birmingham, Alabama
www.porscheparade.org

Membership anniversaries

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5 Years (2019)

Michael Haddad
2017 911 Turbo S

Member / Co-Member	Year joined	Porsches
Charles and Randall Johnson	1972	1957 356
John and Elizabeth Beck	2007	2002 911 Carrera
Bob and Roxane Zach	2013	1968 911L
Mick Barron	2018	2001 911 Carrera
John and Patty Fell	2001	2001 Boxster
George Pavlovics	2021	1986 944
Michael Bahrke	2022	2019 718 Cayman
Fred and Chris Dominski	2022	2014 911 Carrera 4S Cabriolet
Justin Rollin	2022	2022 911 Carrera Cabriolet
Robert and Cynthia Ross	2022	2007 Boxster S
Gary Friederich	2023	2011 Cayman
Martin Jones	2023	2015 Cayman GTS

Photo of the Showroom at Ishringhausen Porsche from the Region Presidents meeting tour of the dealership.

2023 region/zone leadership

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Shop tour at the Zone 13 region presidents meeting.

Classifieds

Please send any Porsche or club related for sale items along with a photo to the editor for publication in the monthly newsletter. Ads will run for three months.

Stuttgart. Porsche is expanding the Panamera model range. After the reveal of the Panamera/Panamera 4 and Panamera Turbo E-Hybrid versions late last year, the Panamera 4 E-Hybrid and the Panamera 4S E-Hybrid will soon complement the portfolio. With this offering, Porsche is responding to the significant demand for efficient and dynamic E-Hybrid powertrains coming from many different markets. Ultimately, the Panamera model line will offer four different variants featuring this progressive powertrain technology.

Photo - Courtesy of Porsche Cars North America

Atlanta, Georgia. Porsche Cars North America, Inc. (PCNA) today announced that 2023 retail deliveries in the United States totaled 75,415 cars – a new record – and a 7.6 percent increase versus the previous record set in 2022.

Model	Oct - Dec Sales		Full Year	
	2022	2023	2022	2023
ALL 911	2,793	**3,032**	10,204	**11,692**
ALL 718	1,058	**997**	3,484	**4,526**
ALL TAYCAN	1,497	**2,358**	7,271	**7,570**
ALL PANAMERA	1,261	**1,040**	4,224	**4,205**
ALL CAYENNE	6,611	**5,559**	21,194	**20,475**
ALL MACAN	7,735	**6,106**	23,688	**26,947**
TOTAL	20,955	**19,092**	70,065	**75,415**

Subaru