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COVER PHOTO: The GT2 Flachbau RS under studio lighting — Courtesy of Porsche AG

BACK COVER: The Sonderwunsch Flachbau RS custom built 1 of 1 GT2 per customer specification — Courtesy of Porsche AG

From the editor's desk

Welcome to the latest edition of the next chapter in the Whaletales story. As you are all aware, Bev stepped up and for the past few years did an exemplary job building Whaletales into a monthly newsletter everyone in the region could be proud of. We hope to 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.

From the President — Welcome to the summer heat wave



It is mid August and I hope, if you are on a family vacation you are enjoying the warm weather. Unfortunately some of our members are victims of the recent

tornados that tore through the Fox Valley and devastated so many lives. While the clean up still continues, many of the people impacted have lost their homes or access to their homes for the foreseeable future. Our thoughts and prayers go out to those whose lives have been disrupted. Please take a moment to think about how you can help. Even small contributions of time, food or support may help lift someone's day more than you can know.

We have several events coming up in the next couple of weeks. First on the calendar is the potluck and car show at P&B Motorsports on August 29th. There are details in this newsletter. The event includes multiple car clubs and is hosted on Jim Perry's Farm. Last year there was a presentation on car detailing by Chris Eick. This year there will be a presentation by Colin Comer. If you are not familiar with the name, check out colin's website colinsclassicauto.com

The following weekend is the club's annual picnic. The event is held during the Chicago Region's Labor Day race weekend at Road America on Saturday the 5th. As we do every year, the club provides the main course and the you are invited to bring a side dish, snack or dessert. Last year we ordered barbeque. Based on the positive comments from that event, we are planning the same thing this year. We ask that you RSVP so we can have enough food for those attending.

Please send an RSVP email to either dstamnes@netnet.net or clpa439@gmail.com if you plan on attending and how many will be coming. The picnic is held in Porsche Park at Road America with lunch at noon.

The next event on the calendar is the Open House at Dell's Service Center in Green Bay. That event is on September 23rd from 5 to 7 PM. The facility at Dell's is impressive. We ask that you RSVP if you are planning on attending. Dell's has invited our club and the Ferrari club for this event. The Dell's team has an excellent evening planned.

The final event on the calendar with a firm date is the Michigan UP tour to Copper Harbor the weekend of September 25th. There are details on page 4 of this newsletter. The drive is twisty and winding and the scenery is fantastic. RSVP soon as the hotel is filling up quickly.

Upcoming Events that do not yet have firm dates are the annual waterfalls tour and a dinner likely in November that will be hosted by Steve and Andrea DeBaker. We will get those dates and further details out to you as soon as we have them locked in.

Finally, the annual Holiday Party is set for December 5th so mark your calendars and hold that date.

The days are getting shorter and soon the leaves will begin to turn. While it is still sunny and warm, get out and enjoy the drive.

Curt Maas

President

Fox Valley Region – Porsche Club of America
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Fall tour to the Keweenaw Peninsula and Copper Harbor

After much planning, the dates are set for the 2026 Fall Tour to the beautiful Keweenaw Peninsula of Michigan! The dates are Friday September 25 thru Sunday September 27, 2026.

Rooms are currently available at the King Copper in Copper Harbor MI. You can reserve a room by calling them directly at 906-284-4594. **NOTE:** The King Copper does not allow for us to hold a block of rooms so if you are interested, you should reserve your room as soon as possible. Once you have reserved your room, email Dee at dstamnes@netnet.net so we have a head count for dinner. The number of rooms available is getting very small so here are a couple of other local Motels you can try if the King Copper is full by the time you call: Bella Vista Motel: 906-289-4213 or the Brockway Inn: 906-289-4588

We will plan on departing from the Shell gas station located at 213 E Frontage Rd, Little Suamico, WI 54141. This is the same spot we depart from for the Waterfall Tour. Departure is planned for 09:00 am.

Some plans are still in the works, however we are having a group dinner at the Harbor Haus restaurant in Copper Harbor Friday night at 6:00 pm EDT. If you are planning on attending dinner, please let Dee know that as well.

11TH ANNUAL GARAGE PARTY AND CAR SHOW

P and B Motorsports

Saturday, 29 August 2026

Cruise at beginning at 10 a.m. at P and B Motorsports ending there at noon, sponsored by the Fox Cities British Car Club.

Party and Show 12 noon to 4 p.m., 5157 North Loop Road, Larsen, WI 54947



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Car Show on the picturesque grounds surrounding Perry Ponds. Walk the trails of Perry Prairies. Enjoy the company of like-minded friends.

Calendar of events

August

Aug 29 – P and B Motorsports Garage Party and Car Show – More details Pg 4



September

Sept 5th – Fox Valley Region Annual Club picnic at Porsche Park at [Road America](#)

Sept 18-20th – Art on Wheels Vintage Weekend at Road America **

Sept 23 – Open house at Dells Service in Green Bay 5-7:00 PM – Details on Page 5

Sept 25-27 – Fall Tour to the beautiful Keweenaw Peninsula of Michigan - Details Page 4

October

Oct 3 – Zuffen in the Loop – Downtown on E Chestnut Street, Burlington, WI – [Info here](#) **

Oct 4 – ZuffenGruppe Interclassic – Burlington WI – Burlington airport – [Info here](#) **

December

Dec 5 – Club Holiday Christmas Party at the Oneida Hotel and Casino

Dell's Open House Invitation

We are invited to Dell's Service Center for an open house
Dell's will be hosting the Fox Valley Porsche Club and the Ferarri
Club

The event will be held on September 23rd from 5:00 to 7:00 PM
Because Dell's is planning for Hor D'ouvres, facility tours and door
prizes they are requesting if you plan to attend that you RSVP by
September 16th so they have an accurate head count in preparation
for the event .

Please RSVP to clpa439@gmail.com or dstamnes@netnet.net with you
name and the number of people planning on attending.

Coffee and Cars Events

Other cars and coffee events around the region are added here for the benefit and enjoyment of our membership. To have an event added send it to the newsletter editors. It is early in the season but this page will fill up soon



August

Aug 30th – Euro Motor Mornings Luna Café Monroe Rd Bellevue 9:00-12:00 – [Info here](#)

September

Sept 12th – Throttle Stop 8:00 – 11:00 AM Elkhart Lake – [Info here](#)

Sept 12th – Woodfield Motor Condos 2096 Deerfield Ave, Suamico Wi 9:00-12:00 – [Info here](#)

Sept 27th – Euro Motor Mornings Luna Café Monroe Rd Bellevue 9:00-12:00 – [Info here](#)

October

Oct 10th – Woodfield Motor Condos 2096 Deerfield Ave, Suamico Wi 9:00-12:00 – [Info here](#)

Oct 25th – Euro Motor Mornings Luna Café Monroe Rd Bellevue 9:00-12:00 – [Info here](#)

Spotted in Georgia, could this be the new electric Boxster? Eagle eyed fans were quick to note that the car had no tailpipes and the typical attempts at camouflage via non-descript add on body panels. The MFG license plate may be the biggest clue.



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From Dee Stamnes, Social Chair

SAVE THE DATE!!!

The 2026 HOLIDAY PARTY!!

The 2026 Holiday Party will be held at Oneida Hotel and Casino on December 5, 2026. We will request RSVP for attendance in November.

You can reserve a room by calling 800/238-4263 or 920/494-7300 and ask for the Fox Valley Porsche

Club Holiday Party room block. The block will be held until November 23, 2026. The rate is \$129 plus taxes/fees.

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Michael McMahon	2025	2025 911 Carrera S Cab
Bill and Will Fitzgerald	2024	2012 Panamera Turbo S
Roy Ramsey	2023	2016 911 Carrera 4 GTS Cab
Victor Varga	2022	2017 911 Carrera S
Alec Bath	2022	2013 Boxster
Matthew Krause	2022	2013 Cayenne S
Karen Fish	2022	2019 Cayenne S
Rick Karle	2018	2009 Cayenne
James and Ellen Rossmeissl	2017	2014 Cayman S
Barb Wilkinson	2015	2002 Boxster
Erik and Lorelei Scharinger	2014	1987 944S
Mark Fermanich and Nore Flood	2013	2003 Boxster S
Peter and Erik Mickelson	2013	Not listed
Robert Huebner	2009	1964 356
Bill and Debra Scholfield	2005	2016 Cayenne
David Krause and Donna Thurlow	2004	2002 911 Turbo
Allan and Patricia Utecht	2003	2002 Boxster
David Clark	2003	2005 911 Carrera
Klaus and Andrew Michaletz	1999	1978 911 SC
Robert and Carol Burress	1995	2014 Cayman S
Rick and Lori Otto	1994	1974 911S
Thomas Zoromski & Margaret Takala	1992	1973 914 1.7



Welcome to our new members

Rick and Karen Kryzaniak joined from Oshkosh, WI with a 2022 718 Boxster T

Christopher Nobile joined from Denmark, WI with a 2016 Cayenne S

Franz Igler joined from Oneida, WI with a 2025 911 Turbo S Cabriolet

Roy Downham from Green Bay, WI with a 2006 Boxster

Paul and Jessica Hewitt joined from Appleton, WI with a 2021 Cayenne Coupe

2025 region/zone leadership

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The Lincoln Trail PCA is excited to host "Porsche Promenade" at the 100 Anniversary Mother Road Festival on September 25-27th. The cars, the music, the fun and nostalgia that Route 66 has brought to generations will return for a 25th year, rolling into historic downtown Springfield. We aim to display over 50 cars, with invitations sent to the PCA groups in Chicago, St. Louis, and Southern Indiana. Chip Foos and Dennis Gage have already confirmed to be at this event.

This event will cost you \$50 to register and display your car, you will also receive a commemorative T shirt.

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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.

For sale:

Excellence Magazines from most of the original issues through today. Also, Panorama issues from June of 2015 through today.

Contact John Lazar at 715.592.3541 (Stevens Point) if interested.

For sale:

This 3.2L engine is out of a 2001 Boxster S. It has a history of overheating which caused water to get into the oil. Make an offer. Contact Jenice Mischler 920-299-2349



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Are you a Porsche owner who cherishes the precision engineering, the exhilarating performance, and the pure driving joy your car delivers? Have you ever wondered what your magnificent machine truly feels like at its limits, or how your own driving skills stack up in a controlled, safe environment?

Then get ready to experience your Porsche in a whole new dimension, because the Milwaukee region is inviting you to its High-Performance Driver Education event (HPDE).



This isn't just another car show or a casual cruise. This is your opportunity to truly connect with your Porsche and elevate your driving prowess. Our HPDE is designed specifically for owners who want to explore the incredible capabilities of their vehicles, all while under the guidance of professional instructors.

Imagine mastering cornering techniques, perfecting your braking points, and understanding the nuances of weight transfer – all on a dedicated racetrack where safety is paramount and the only limit is your willingness to learn and push yourself.

This exciting day will bring you closer to your car and improve your skills.

The Milwaukee region's annual HPDE event at Road America is on Aug. 21. It's an all-day event that provides:

- Lots of track time (Five 30-minute sessions),
- Novice classroom sessions with Larry Boyer—he's the best,
- A chance to learn/expand the capabilities of both you and your car.

To participate, you need to register at [Motorsportreg.com](https://www.motorsportreg.com) (see below). You should also check the DE page on the Milwaukee region website for more details. On this site you will find more details about the event, learn

where to have your car tech'd and review the car prep needed to have a fun-action packed day. Note, you can have your car tech'd at any shop of your choosing.

As always, if you have any questions drop us an email at DE@porschepark.org

Registration is open here. [<https://www.motorsportreg.com/events/milwaukee-pca-driver-education-de-road-america-686549>]

More about the Milwaukee region's DE event: [<https://www.porschepark.org/page/20>]





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PORSCHE CLUB OF AMERICA

Autocross #2 is Aug. 30 at Road America – and it's a big one!

We're back at Road America on Aug. 30, right in the middle of the GT World Challenge America weekend. Come run your Porsche at the Motorplex (Go Cart track), then spend your downtime watching pro-level racing between sessions. Hard to beat that combo.

Big news: Porsche SUVs and EVs are officially welcome. Road America is letting us run Porsche EVs for the first time – yes, really. It's because this group behaves so well and everyone's had such a great time together. If enough EVs sign up, we'll set up a dedicated EV class. So don't sit on this one – register early and help make that happen.

Why you should register now, not later: The Central Region is joining us that day for their season opener, and we run a small, fun group on purpose – it keeps the day relaxed and maximizes everyone's seat time (we're aiming for 10-12+ runs per car). Spots really will go fast. Fox Valley region members should join us too.

Still on the fence? Here's why you shouldn't be:

- **You'll fit right in.** No experience needed – this group is famously welcoming.
- **Your Porsche is welcome here.** Whatever you drive, we want to see it on course.
- **No helmet? No problem.** Road America has rentals, and several of us have spares too – just ask ahead.
- **Tech inspection is easy.** Do it yourself in your driveway, no shop visit required.
- **Low risk, low cost.** Just \$60, and you can cancel up to a week out, no questions asked.

You've got this. I've watched you handle the PCA Tours – autocross will feel completely natural. And here's the thing: we run these events *for you*. The club doesn't make money on autocross – we do it purely to give you a great day out. So don't overthink it, just come join us.

Worried your car isn't "an autocross car"? It is. You're driving a machine that cruises at 150+ mph all day and handles the tightest switchbacks in the Alps without blinking. Road America's Motorplex track will be a walk in the park by comparison.

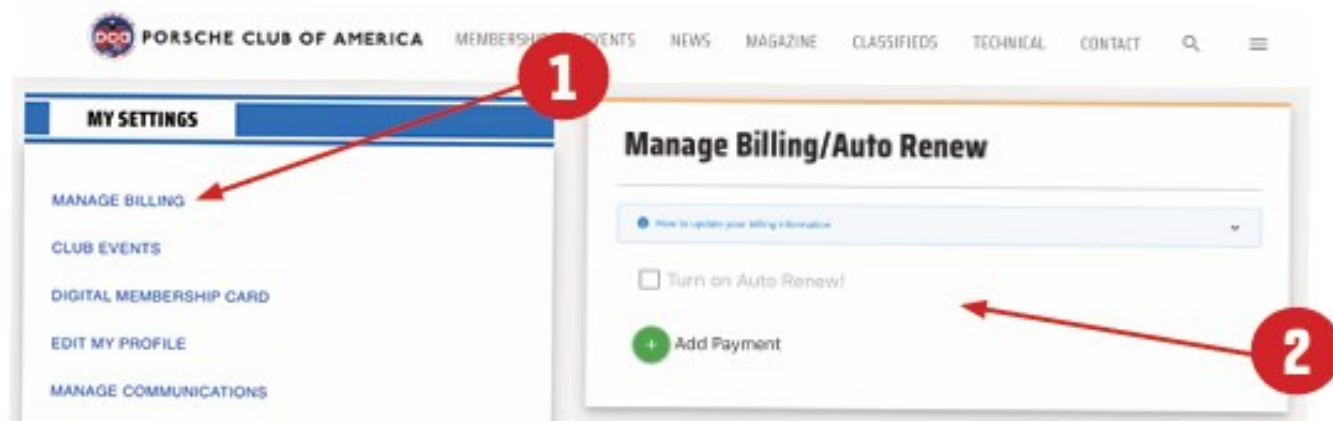
Want to help instead of (or in addition to) running? We're always looking for volunteers – email autocross@porschepark.org and join the crew that makes these days happen.

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PORSCHE CLUB OF AMERICA

Trout Springs Winery Potluck

We had a beautiful day and a great turnout for the annual potluck at Trout Springs Winery! Thank you to Steve and Andrea DeBaker for hosting! Steve gave a tour of their new garden Piazza with the history of the sculptures in the garden, the bell tower, gazebo and waterfall features. As always, Arthur and Genevieve and their 6 cygnets provided great entertainment out on the pond – those little ones grow so fast! Members had fun with the axe throwing game provided by Steve and Andrea and Shaun Stamnes won the completion with the most points and was awarded one of the winery's signature chocolate bars. Below are some pictures of the sculpture garden. Steve gave us a wonderful tour of the various statuary in the garden and all the history behind the various sculptures.



