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Through the generous donation by FVR members of items to include in the silent auction at the 2013 holiday party, the club raised \$1,775. In this photo, Shelia Benz tenders a bid on her ultimately successful offer for a beautiful leather jacket donated by Nick Proctor.



From The President

January President's Letter

I want to begin the New Year with expressing many thanks to the Board members of the Fox Valley Region and to the general membership. I deeply appreciate all that Gordon Skog, Andrew Opicka, Nick Proctor, Larry Rogers, Jim Haen, Mary Haen, Mark Wilkinson, Al Taylor, and Jim Janes, have done in the past years to govern and lead our club. Congratulations to Gordon Skog as Member of the Year and Nick Proctor and Mark Wilkinson as Enthusiasts of the Year. They truly deserve the honors and validation of their efforts for many consecutive years. I am also very pleased that many of the Board members are going to continue volunteering in leadership roles. All of them share their skills, talents, and time with the club willingly and happily, and for that the FVR is truly blessed. Additionally, I am extremely pleased to have the additions of Jamie Prellwitz and Eric Iverson to the Board. Having two newer, fresher perspectives and additional insights will surely lead to even greater outcomes for our club. I also want to thank the general membership for joining our region, and for continuing to renew your memberships annually. I know some of you have been members for more than twenty years and have seen the club ebb and rise, and have stayed loyal throughout. Many of you are also fairly new members. I hope you will get involved, as your schedule allows. Your energy helps the rest of us to keep our batteries charged. I thank all of you for your commitment and enthusiasm.

A gigantic thank you goes to Gordon Skog, Debbie Houle, Lindsay and Andy Daly (Gordon's daughter and son-in-law) for hosting one of the best ever holiday parties. Wow! I have never attended a more fun and enjoyable holiday party for our club (or anywhere else for that matter) EVER. Thanks, too, to all the members who so generously donated items for the silent auction. With 57 people in attendance, the tables around the perimeter of the room we absolutely filled with an eclectic variety of automotive, non-automotive, Porsche, holiday, and food items. The hot ticket for the night was a Porsche leather jacket generously donated by Nick Proctor. Bidding was a serious issue on this item, but Sheila Benz would not be deterred. At the close of the auction, Sheila was elated to learn she had been the highest bidder. Our treasurer, Larry Rogers, estimated at the close of the evening that the auction had raised about \$1775, which smashed any other previous records. Thank you all for your donations and bids. This is just one facet of our club that makes us very unique from any other PCA region.

I am excited about returning to the role of President of this truly amazing club (this time I was elected with my name actually on the ballot)! I stepped back a bit for a bit, but am



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pleased to be back on “the team” once again. I am always proud to tell people that I am a member of this region and all the varied events we have, and the variety of locations we utilize. I am also proud of our reputation as being more “socially focused”. I have often said, “It was the 1987 911 that brought me into the club. It’s the PEOPLE and the friendships that I have formed, that motivate me to remain a member.” I hope you feel the same. Our club is truly unique and I cannot imagine being a member of any other PCA region. As your region’s President, I want our club to offer programming that meets our members’ needs, and to reach out to Porsche owners who are not members and make them feel welcome. Some Porsche owners and members prefer more competitive activities, and we are working towards offering a few more things in that scope. Others prefer the tech sessions, the driving tours, the car shows, and/or the dinners and socials. Our region also covers a large geographical area, so we are cognizant of varying the locations of our events, too. Keeping things in balance is a priority. We also have members who have transferred their memberships from adjacent regions to ours, because our friendly atmosphere and overall programming that better fit their needs. What a wonderful compliment! That said, I am enthused about the 2014 calendar of events, and am thankful for those members who have already offered to host an activity for us. I hope a few more members will follow their lead. If you have an idea, please contact any Board member or me. We will always listen, and are willing to help coach or mentor a newbie. Don’t be shy or hold back “because I’ve never done anything like that before”, or “maybe people won’t like it”, or “it’s a distance away.” We all have wonderful cars and we LOVE to drive them!

I am also greatly encouraged by the memberships’ response to our 25th anniversary planning for 2015. Over 40% of our membership replied to a recent survey, which I hope is a good indicator of interest in the event. Moreover, I am highly energized that eight members, two of whom are new members, have stepped forward to form a planning committee for the event. That kind of enthusiasm is contagious! To my knowledge, that is kind of involvement has not ever occurred in our region before, so this only adds to the historical evolvement of our club. We are starting to plan NOW so we can really plan and execute an outstanding event for our club, and hopefully have a PCA National representative in attendance. Many thanks go to John Manki, Denny Ahlman, Bill Hewitt, Todd Benz, Jim Janes, Tom Robl, Dan Pankratz, and Allan Utecht for being part of the planning group. The committee has visited and met with some of the staff from Road America, and we’ve collected information, costs, etc. and are reviewing a variety of options and possibilities. This is a huge undertaking. We will do our best to meet the wishes of the majority as indicated by the survey, to work with RA and their policies, to be mindful of out of pocket expenses to members, and that many members live a considerable distance from Sheboygan County. The committee will be meeting again in late January, and we will keep you apprised of our plans as they become more tangible. We have already set June 27, 2015 as the date for the event, so if you have advance calendars available to you, please save the date!

This time of the year is always a bit of a slump for me. It seems like winter will last an eternity and the spring driving season is eons away. Like many of you, Jamie and I store our Porsches for the winter. However, this year, Jamie is going to courageously drop the engine out of the 911 and attempt to do

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some work on the valves. I know Gordon Skog is going to continue working on his 356. How about you? Do you have any winter repair/maintenance/upgrade projects you plan to do on your Porsche this winter? If so, please share your story and photos (if possible) with our newsletter editor, Mark Wilkinson at mark.wilkinson@charter.net. These stories are always popular among our members. Who knows, you might be able to learn from or teach another member about an issue or topic of interest.

Speaking of popular newsletter articles, member biographies always receive positive feedback. It's a great way for us to get to know one another. We have about 155 registered members, and with associate members, we have about 280 people total. Over the course of the next year, we will be sharing bios of our Board members and general members so we can get to know one another better. Please feel free to send your biography (with a photo of you or you and your car if possible) to Mark Wilkinson. Everyone has a story to tell, so please share yours. It's amazing to read the variety of backgrounds and interests our members have, and yet we all have one thing in common: our passion for our Porsche(s). Bios can be as long or as short as you like. Whatever you'd like to share is fine with us. Some starting suggestions are: name, experience with Porsches, educational background, occupational background: especially areas of expertise, why you joined PCA, and what you like about it.

My focus for our club as your President is to bring more fun into being a Porsche owner and FVR member. I know many of you work long and/or irregular hours, have high-stress careers, commute or travel considerable distances for your job, have health concerns of either your own or a family member(s), are busy being parents/step-parents/grandparents; are parenting a parent, etc. I think it's safe to say we could all use a little stress level reduction in our lives. I hope being a FVR-PCA member gives you a break from some of those stressors, if just for a few hours each month, and also increases the enjoyment of owning and driving a Porsche. Please check out our calendar of events and participate in the things that fit your schedule; 2014 is going to be a great year! What an amazing year we would have if every member attended at least one event. If you have the time and energy to host or co-host an event, please do. Know that it will be deeply appreciated.

I look forward to seeing you soon, and am wishing you all the best in the New Year.

Sincerely,

Laura Prellwitz

President

FVR Calendar of Events

Tuesday, January 7 - Board members only dinner meeting at Bavarian Inn (OB's Brau Haus) at 523 W. College Avenue, Appleton. Social 5:00 - 6:30. Dinner meeting at 6:30. RSVP lprellwitz@att.net by January 3.

Thursday, January 30 - Social and movie at the Barlow theatre, Appleton. Social 6:00 - 7:30. Movie (title is TBA) at 7:30. Hosted by Gordon Skog (The Auto Clinic) & Jim Perry (P & B Motorsports.)

Saturday, February 8 - Sunday, February 9 - Mid winter getaway at Sleep Inn in Sheboygan. Dinner at Al & Al's Stein Haus and Tavern. RSVP to lprellwitz@att.net by February 5th.

Saturday, March 22 - Hands on-tech session at Al Taylor's man-cave in Nekoosa. Paint restoration and minor dent removal. Hosted by Ann & Al Taylor.

Tuesday, April 1 - Social and dinner at Lorelei Inn, 1412 S. Webster Street, Green Bay. Social time 5:00 - 6:30. Dinner from the menu at 6:30. RSVP to lprellwitz@att.net by March 30.

Tuesday, May 6 - Spring Opener at Jim & Linda's Supper Club in Pipe. Social time from 5:00 - 6:30pm. Dinner from the menu at 6:30pm. RSVP by May 2 to Allan & Pat Utecht at allanu@walsdorffroofing.com

Friday - Sunday, May 16 - 18 - Spring Tour to Tomahawk, WI. RSVP to lprellwitz@att.net by April 15.

Sunday, May 18 - Fox Valley Road and Track Classic, invitation extended by Roy Fine.

Tuesday, June 3 - Dinner and social at Kodiak Jack's in Oshkosh hosted by the Strublic's. RSVP by May 31 to jjstrublic@centurytel.net

June (date is TBA) - Gymkhana hosted by Roy Geigel

Saturday, June 7 - 10:00am to noon - Coffee and doughnuts at Bergstom Porsche, hosted by Nick Proctor

Sunday, June 8 - 2:00pm - Board meeting at Prellwitz's. Dinner provided.

Sunday, June 15 - Saturday, June 21 - PCA 2014 Parade at Monterey, CA

Saturday, June 28 - 10:00am to noon - Coffee and doughnuts at Bergstom Porsche, hosted by Nick Proctor

Saturday, July 12 - Tubing and dinner at Mark & Barb Wilkinson's. RSVP by July 9 to mark.wilkinson@charter.net

Saturday, July 19 - Ladies' Only tour to Eagle River, WI. RSVP's to lprellwitz@att.net by July 15.

Saturday, August 2 - 10:00am to noon - Coffee and doughnuts at Bergstom Porsche, hosted by Nick Proctor

Tuesday, August 5 - Dinner and social at Union Hotel in De Pere. More details to come!

Sunday, August 31 - Monday, September 1 - Informal picnic at RA at Chicago TRAC event

Saturday, September 6 - 10:00am to noon - Coffee and doughnuts at Bergstom Porsche, hosted by Nick Proctor

Saturday, September 13 - Car caravan to Weston for dinner at WISH ([Wisconsin Steak House](#)). Co-hosted by club member and restaurant owner, Bob Kasten. Depart from the Auto Clinic, Neenah at 3:00pm. Social time 5:00 - 6:30. Dinner at 6:30pm. RSVP by September 9 to lprellwitz@att.net

Saturday October 4 - Chili Social in De Pere, hosted by Todd and Shelia Benz

Friday October 10 - Sunday, October 12 - Fall tour to St. Croix area hosted by Jim and Cindy Janes

Tuesday, October 7 - Tech Session at the Auto Clinic, hosted by Gordon Skog

Tuesday, November 4 - Social and dinner at Mackinaw's in Green Bay. Hosted by Jim & Mary Haen. RSVP by November 1st to mehaen@sbcglobal.net

Saturday, December 13 - holiday party at Holiday Inn Neenah Riverwalk. Hosted by Gordon Skog

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Mid – Winter Mini- Getaway with the Fox Valley PCA

We know it's coming; those long cold winter months, with cabin fever soon setting in. We're tired of the cold, being stuck indoors, and let's face it, we're sometimes crabby. For those of you fortunate enough to run away to warmer parts of the planet, you have our blessings. However, for those of us who have to remain in the harsh Wisconsin climate and/or who don't own a Cayenne so we can drive a Porsche year 'round, here's a bit of a winter break.

Please join us Saturday, February 8 – Sunday, February 9, for a mid-winter social and mini-vacation.

A block of rooms has been reserved at the Sleep Inn & Suites on the south side of Sheboygan, WI. Rooms with 1 King bed, n/s are \$74 plus tax, and rooms with 2 Queen beds, n/s are \$79. First come, first served. You do not need to contact the motel. Please RSVP by February 1 to lprellwitz@att.net. Reservations can be cancelled until 4:00 PM February 6.

The Sleep Inn & Suites is conveniently located just off I-43 at 3912 Motel Road, Sheboygan, WI. The hotel features a free hot breakfast, high speed internet, free USA Today, 24 hour fitness center, and a large, custom-designed indoor heated pool with water slide and a hot tub.

It may be cold and nasty outside, but we will be warm and pretending it's spring break inside!

Check in at 2:00 PM and we will have a pool party/social until 5:30 PM. Please bring your own beverages and a snack to share. No glass allowed. At 6:30 PM we will depart the hotel and will have dinner at Al & Al's Stein Haus & Tavern, in Sheboygan, featuring authentic German cuisine (and other American foods, too.) www.alnals.com

The social will continue back at the hotel after dinner.

Mark your calendars and plan to spend a winter break with your Porsche friends!



Tuesday, April 1 (No Fooling!)

Dinner at Lorelei Inn

Gemutlichkeit!

Please join us for social time and dinner on Tuesday, April 1, at the Lorelei Inn at 1412 S. Webster Street, Green Bay, 54301. This is our third annual dinner at this delightful German-American restaurant, with no ghostly encounters reported (yet).

If you'd like to check out the menu and price ahead of time, go to www.lorelei-inn.com Over 400 different beers available.

Attitude adjustment from 5:00 – 6:30 PM. Dinner from the menu at 6:30 PM.

Please RSVP to Jamie and Laura Prellwitz by March 30th to lprellwitz@att.net



May 16-18, 2014: Spring Tour

Spring Tour 2014

Set May 16-18 aside for another great weekend of sight-seeing and touring in your Porsche. A block of 15 rooms is reserved at the Best Western Lake-Aire resort motel on Lake Nokomis near Tomahawk, WI. Rooms range from \$88 - 108 depending on choice of beds and amenities. First come, first served. Call the motel directly at 715-453-5189 to reserve your room. If you have AAA, let them know when you make your reservation and you will receive an additional discount. To learn more about the resort, go to <http://bestwesternwisconsin.com/hotels/best-western-lake-aire-motel-and-resort>

May 2014

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24



We will depart the Shell gas station just west of Green Bay on Hwy. 29 in Howard, on Friday, May 16, at 1:00 PM. A second meeting place will be at the BP Station on the north side of Shawano on Hwy. 55 North at 1:45. We will take a 3.5 hour scenic driving route to Tomahawk. You are also welcome to drive to Lake Nokomis on your own. As always, a tailgate social will begin upon arrival at the motel. Please bring a small appetizer to share. Friday dinner will be at a 7:00 PM at [Billy Bob's Sports Bar & Grill](#), featuring a Friday night fish fry. The restaurant is within walking distance of the resort (if you choose) and has a large outdoor deck for optional dining.

Saturday will be a tour of Price County including stops at Big Falls County Park, Wisconsin Concrete Park, and Timm's Hill, the highest point in Wisconsin. The route is leisurely with plenty of time at spot to enjoy the scenery and relax. Lunch will be at the [Harbor View Pub & Eatery](#) in Phillips, WI. Saturday supper will be at 7:00 PM at Bootleggers Supper Club on Lake Nokomis. A preview copy of their menu is available through Laura.

A fire pit, covered patio, and large sundeck are available for evening social gatherings at the resort. Parking is behind the building, and each room has its own outside entrance. The rooms are large, clean, modern, and very comfortable. Most have refrigerators and microwave. It's never too soon to make your reservation! **All unreserved rooms will be released April 16.** Members may cancel their reservations up to 24 hours ahead of time. If you have questions, contact your tour hosts, Jamie and Laura Prellwitz at lprellwitz@att.net

6TH ANNUAL LADIES' ONLY TOUR

Saturday, July 19, 2014

THREE LAKES WINERY AND ART-A-RAMA IN EAGLE RIVER

Ladies, it's YOUR day to enjoy driving the Porsche, and the company of some fun lovin' women from the Fox Valley Region PCA. Mark your calendar and reserve the day for YOU. Please RSVP to Laura Prellwitz by July 15, 2014. lprellwitz@att.net

Departure: 9:00 AM at the Maplewood Shell gas station on Hwy. 29 west of Green Bay. (4720 Milltown Road) OR 10:00 AM at the McDonald's in Wittenberg. (located at 413 N. Genesee St. Wittenberg, just off exit # 195 from Hwy. 29 W.)

We will arrive about noon in Eagle River where we will spend three hours at Art-a-rama.

Description: Art-a-rama's art fair brings approximately 140 juried artists from all over the country to the Northwoods for a one-day show. It is known for its high quality arts and crafts. There is also live music, food, and a silent auction. Art-a-rama is a non-profit organization. All proceeds go back into the Eagle River area communities for scholarships, artist-in-residence programs and art promotion. www.artarama-er.com

Approximately 3:00 PM, we will depart Eagle River and drive about 10 miles south to the Three Lakes Winery. A tour of the winery is optional. The winery has a delightful store with wine tasting available. <http://tlwinery.com>

The day's activities will conclude about 5:00 PM in Three Lakes. Members may depart for home, or an optional overnight stay is available in Antigo, WI, at America's Best Inn.

www.americasbestinnantigo.com A block of 5 rooms has been reserved. Each room has two double beds and is \$60 plus tax. Contact Laura Prellwitz by July 15 to reserve your room.

lprellwitz@att.net You do not need to contact the motel. Cancellations can be made at no charge until July 16th at 2:00 PM.

There will also be an optional dinner at a local restaurant in Antigo about 6:00 PM. All participants are welcome to join us.



2014 Fall Tour: The Great River Run!

October 2014						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18



2014 Fall Tour The Great River Run II October 10th and 11th

Friday October 10th
Riverport Inn Winona, MN
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Paintwerks Tech Session Follow-up

Restoration session attracts more than 40

Story and Photos by Donna Daufenbach (Milwaukee Region VP)

More than 40 people enjoyed an automotive break from the busy holiday season as Dave Zimmer, owner of Paintwerks in West Bend, hosted a fantastic tech session on Dec 7. One of his customer's owns a '66 911, which is in the midst of restoration. The car is currently stripped to bare metal on a rotisserie.

Dave used this example as a starting point to discuss how to assess early 911s. Key areas to inspect for rust include:

- the package shelf,
- around the lower corners of the rear window,
- the jack points,
- rear seats,
- floors as well as other locations.



"There's only this much clearance," said Dave Zimmer as he discussed the challenges of restoration during the Dec. 7 tech session at Paintwerks.



The work area in the Paintwerks shop was standing-room-only as Milwaukee Region members and guests listened to Dave Zimmer as he discussed considerations when buying an older vehicle.



Dave Zimmer points out one of the more vulnerable areas of sheet metal that is likely to rust.

Paintwerks Tech Session Follow-up

He reviewed the degree of disassembly involved to address various areas and associated costs of restoration.

Dave emphasized that “your budget should not only cover the purchase price but also any needed repairs and maintenance. Decide the level of preparation you want to pursue as you develop your budget and plans.”

It was a great turn out this morning with owners of 911s, 356s, 914s, 944s arriving from both the Milwaukee and Fox Valley regions. Conversation over coffee and donuts started the day and we finished with subs and soda.

Among the attendees were Gordon Skog, Don Berchem, Steven and Robert Henschel, Jay and Lee Heppe, Hugh Davies, John Dohmen, Gregg Eisenhardt, Scott Clausing, Greg Kizevic, Karl Schulz, George Payne, Marty Gnatzig and Chris White.

Thank you to Dave and Lynn Zimmer for this fun morning.



Masking tape is not a permanent solution.



Attendees got a close look at the underside of the 911.



The 1966 911 rests on a “rotisserie,” which rotates the car for easy access during restoration work.



Tech session host and owner of Paintwerks, Dave Zimmer told the group: “Your budget can get stretched if you don’t consider the costs of restoration when making a decision to acquire a car.”

Holiday Party Follow-up

The FVR celebrates friendships and the season at the 2013 holiday party in Neenah

Gordon Skog, Debbie Houle, Lindsay, and Andy Daly (Gordon's daughter and son-in law) hosted an amazing holiday party on December 14th at the Holiday Inn Riverwalk in Neenah. I think it was the best one ever! Congratulations again to Gordon, Nick, and Mark on their awards as Member of the Year and Enthusiasts of the Year, respectively. You absolutely deserve the recognition and on-going validation of your efforts for the club.

Thanks also to everyone who donated items to the auction. The winning bid for the leather jacket that Nick donated was \$450. Thank you, Nick! Larry Rogers has confirmed a total of \$1,775 was raised at the auction, which is a new record.



Group photo at dinner (Prellwitz photo)



Left to right: Enthusiast of the Year, Nick Proctor, is joined by Tim St. Aubin and Dan Pankratz (Prellwitz photo)



New members, Shaun and Deanne Stamnes at holiday party (Prellwitz photo)

Holiday Party Follow-up



Guests were viewing hte any great items available for bidding
suring the silent auction (Prellwitz photo)



Jimmy Haen, librarian/historian and Al Taylor,
webmaster, are having a good time (Prellwitz photo)



Holiday Inn hostess, Kirsten, has become good
friends with Gordon after several years of party
planning together (Prellwitz photo)

FVR Member Focus: Nick Proctor

I joined the Fox Valley Region PCA in 1990. How did this come to be?

My ardent interest in cars started in 1950 when I first discovered Hot Rod magazine. Also, there was a high school senior in our little town of 1,036 people who actually owned a '32 Ford hot rod. Every chance I got I would go look at that hot rod and dream.

I consider myself very fortunate to have had the ability to own sports cars. It started with 3-years in 3 Corvettes. After enough of that, I turned to Porsches. This resulted in three 944s, 1990 C4 cab, 1988 C4S, 1986 Turbo, 2000 Boxster S (which I had super-charged in Kansas), 2007 Carrera cab with Power Kit X-51, 2007 GT3 (Oh sweet baby, where are you tonight?) 2013 Boxster S, and now a 2014 Cayman S and 2009 Cayenne Turbo S.



In 2007, I had a 2000 Ferrari 360 and in 2009 a Cadillac CTS-V. Although I have never raced cars, I have taken race car driving schools: Skip Barber 4 times and Track-Time 3 times. My best advice out of all of this: Keep your eyes looking where you want to go, not at the wreck that just happened in front of you.

My background is in Pharmacy. After finishing under-graduate school in Pharmacy, I attended Graduate School in San Francisco and Berkeley, studying Pharmaceutical subjects. I worked for Kaiser Aluminum and Chemical Corporation in Oakland from 1974 to 1984, as an occupational toxicologist. During that time it became possible for my boss and me to write a textbook of toxicology, "Proctor and Hughes Chemical Hazards of the Workplace". It was a quick, concise reference for emergency room physicians and nurses treating workers exposed to chemicals. Our 5th edition, and last, was published in 2004. Internet databases now fill the need that we first filled.

I moved my family from the San Francisco Bay area to Appleton in 1984 to work in Product Safety at Kimberly-Clark Corporation. I spent a lot of time with attorneys and public relations professionals in that job. I retired from KCC in April 2006.

I was Vice-President of FVR-PCA in Laura's first term as President 2008-2009, and we totally revised our club By-Laws. I attended Porsche Parade in 2010 in St. Charles, Illinois. I have been Dealer Liaison for our club to Porsche of the Fox Valley since 2010. I spend a lot of time at Road America each summer, and have worked the last 3 years at the PCA PorschePlatz in Porsche Park in August.

A New Decade, A New Super Sportscar

The super sportscars from Porsche

Source: Porsche AG Press Database

A super sportscar for every decade: Porsche has developed an exceptional sportscar every decade since the 1950s. These sportscars have always led the way in the premium segment and remain an impressive testament to the brand's innovative power.

All six (*now seven-ed.*) super sportscars brought racing technology to road users, and were not only successful in achieving the best times - they also featured trendsetting designs and new technologies that always put them years ahead of their time. These very special Porsche models all have one thing in common: the vast array of new ideas and concepts that were used to drive forward key innovations in other Porsche model lines - and often even for the automotive industry as a whole.



1953: 550 Spyder

Four-cylinder flat engine with four overhead camshafts; engine power of 110 hp (81 kW); top speed of 220 km/h; weight empty of 550 kg; price: DEM 24,600. The first Porsche model to be specially developed for racing, the 550 Spyder shone in 1954 with a class win and an overall ranking of third in the Carrera Panamericana, despite facing competition that featured a much greater displacement capacity.

A New Decade, A New Super Sportscar



1964: 904 Carrera GTS

Four, six or eight-cylinder flat engine; engine power of up to 240 hp (177 kW); top speed of up to 263 km/h; price from DEM 29,700. The 904, designed by Ferdinand Alexander Porsche, features a small frontal area and was the first Porsche model to have a plastic body. The Carrera GTS won the Targa Florio only five months after it was released, and was also able to prove its worth at both the Monte Carlo Rally and Le Mans. It is still regarded today as one of the most elegant race cars to have been made.



1973: 911 Turbo

Six-cylinder flat engine with turbocharging; engine power of 260 hp (191 kW); top speed of 250 km/h; price: DEM 65,800. The 911 Turbo was the first Porsche series production vehicle to feature a turbocharger. Its key strengths were based on proven technology used in racing and included the brakes and aerodynamics in particular.

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1985: Porsche 959

Six-cylinder, twin-turbocharged flat engine; engine power of 450 hp (330 kW); electronically controlled all-wheel drive; active chassis; top speed of 315 km/h; price: DEM 420,000. The 959 combines high-tech features with a passion for competition like no other Porsche model. Designed for the new Group B in racing, the vehicle was constructed as a technological benchmark based on the 911 model line; only 292 units were produced in this exclusive series.



1997: 911 GT1

Six-cylinder flat engine with turbocharging; engine power of 544 hp (400 kW); top speed of 310 km/h; carbon-fibre Kevlar body; price: DEM 1.5 million. When the 911 GT1 racing car was granted approval to compete in international motorsport, a small-series comprising at least 20 vehicles was required for road use - a quota that Porsche met. Even the road cars, which feature a front that is synonymous with the 996 model range, were built by the racing department in Weissach.

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2003: Carrera GT

Ten-cylinder V-engine; engine power of 612 hp (450 kW); top speed of 330 km/h; carbon-fibre monocoque; ceramic brakes and clutch; price: EUR 452,400. Originally developed so that Porsche could take part in Le Mans, the ultra-flat mid-engine sportscar was manufactured in Leipzig in an exclusive series of 1270 units. On September 21, 2004, the Carrera GT conquered the Nordschleife at the Nürburgring in 7:33 minutes, setting a new lap record for road cars in the process.



2013: 918 Spyder

Eight-cylinder V-engine; engine power of 608 hp (447 kW), and the two electric motors with a combined 286 hp (210 kW); top speed of 345 km/h (purely electric 150km/h); carbon-fibre-reinforced plastic (CFRP) monocoque interlocked with CFRP unit carrier; hybrid module with electric motor and decoupler; electric motor with decoupler and transmission on front axle; high-performance hybrid brake system with adaptive recuperation. On September 4, 2013, Porsche factory driver Marc Lieb piloted the 918 to a 6:57 minute lap time of the Nürburgring. Launched as the future of the sportscar, development was based on the 917 which won overall victories for Porsche at Le Mans from 1970 and the successful RS Spyder, the endurance winner of the American Le Mans Series (ALMS) from 2005.

Porsche Trivia Contest!

How well do YOU really know Porsche? Send your answers monthly to Laura Prellwitz by the 20th. She will let you know how many you had correct and will keep a running total. The member with the most correct answers by March 20 will earn a \$25 gas card. Correct answers will be shared the following month. Correct answers will be shared the following month. Congratulations to Larry Rogers with 8 points and Jamie Prellwitz for earning 7/10 last month. The competition is on!

1. True or False. The Type 546 was the first production 1.5 liter Porsche engine to have plain-bearing connecting-rod big ends instead of the built-up Hirth roller-bearing crank.
2. True or False: The Type 519 transaxle did not have the new Porsche synchromesh components.
3. Another urgent requirement forced on the Porsche car by the more powerful 1500 engines was:
 - a. fuel injection
 - b. electronic ignition
 - c. bigger brakes
 - d. none of these
4. In his campaign to sell Porsches in the U.S., Max Hoffman ignored all engines of less than
 - a. 1.3 liters
 - b. 3.0 liters
 - c. 2.5 liters
 - d 1.5 liters
5. True or False. Shaft drive to its four camshafts, dual ignition, roller bearings and a dual-inlet cooling fan were key attributes of the Type 547 engine.
6. The distinguishing external feature of the 356C was the new wheel and hubcap design which signified:
 - a. ABS brakes
 - b. Four-wheel disc brakes
 - c. New drum brakes
 - d. None of the above
7. The 356C was available with a relatively rare Porsche body style:
 - a. Targa
 - b. Cabriolet
 - c. Cabriolet with removable hardtop
 - d. Fastback
8. A 1964 model 356C was available with which of the following engines?
 - a. 1300 Super
 - b. 1500 Sport
 - c. 3.0 liter flat six
 - d. 1600SC
9. True or False. Production of the 356 officially ended in mid-September 1965.
10. The grand total of Porsches made under the Type 356 banner was:
 - a. 175,000
 - b. 76,303
 - c. 91,000
 - d. 40,810

Answers to last month's trivia: 1. B, 2. T, 3. C, 4. T, 5. T, 6. C, 7. B, 8. D, 9. F, 10. C

Bits and Pieces



Teaching them young - changing the air filters. (Opicka photo)

HELLO MY NAME IS

If you have been to a club event, undoubtedly you have seen others at the meeting with the attractive and classy engraved wood name tag, which is a great alternative to the press-n-peel name tag.

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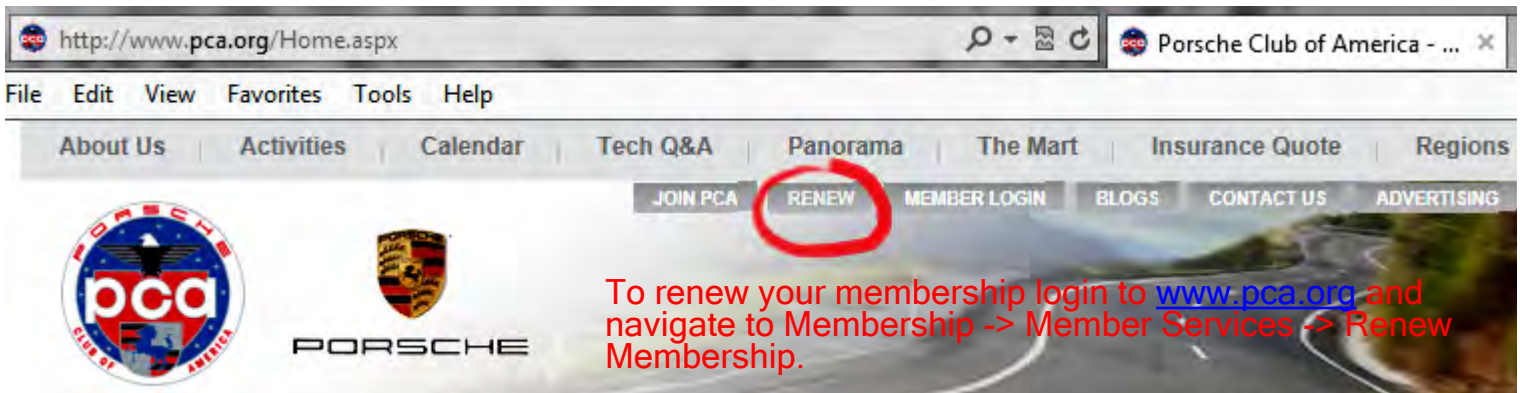
Membership Milestones



Member Anniversaries

Name	Location	Vehicles(s)	Member Since
Albert Fisher	Oshkosh, WI	2008 Boxster	2008
William Hewitt	Appleton, WI	1985 944	2001
James & Cynthia Janes	Butte Des Morts, WI	1999 Carrera	2003
Martin & Jan Krebs	Junction City, WI	1984 930, 1989 944 S2	2003
George & Quinn Payne	Oshkosh, WI	1982 911	2007
Peter & Donna Smart	Wisconsin Rapids, WI	1975 914	2007

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From the Editor



The Learning Curve

What will 2014 be bringing you? We all have surprises to face at some time or another, but we are a very adaptive species and can handle the unexpected. That is something we all do well. And maybe that is simply because we are even better at finding things to enjoy along the way, on our journey through life. All of us reading this newsletter have a common interest in Porsche, and more importantly, the people we know that share that common interest. So while we may not have a mastery of predicting the unknown and interesting things that will occur, we can plan for the known and make a point of it to enjoy some time with our Porsche friends at the FVR events listed on the club calendar.

At the FVR holiday party in December I was treated to one of life's unexpected surprises, with recognition as a recipient of an Enthusiast of the Year award. It truly was an honor to receive such an award, and I needed to think about what it was that prompted the board to provide me with that acknowledgment. At the time, I found myself for somewhat of a loss for words, but then of course, following my co-recipient of the 2013 Enthusiast of the Year Award Nick Proctor's dissertation on anthropology, form, and function would leave just about anybody grasping for something that hasn't already been said... OK, just kidding - Nick's speeches really need to be heard in person to be appreciated.

That night I did manage to offer some semblance of my thoughts, but later realized that the recognition I received was really nothing more than smoke and mirrors on my part. Maybe not so much smoke - but the mirrors metaphor does hold some water. In my efforts as newsletter editor, all I really am doing is holding a mirror up for the club to see what it is they have planned and accomplished as a group. And from where I sit, there has been some pretty impressive stuff to see. More trips, dinners, tours, tech sessions--you get the picture--than I can remember over the last year. Not to mention the donations to deserving charities made possible through the work of our members. So, in mindful appreciation of having received an official recognition for my efforts, I also wish to extend my appreciation to the Fox Valley Region for being my "Most Enthusiastic Club Ever." So how's that for a start to your 2014!

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