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# WHALETALES



**August 2010**

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# Whaletales

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## On the cover



Nick Proctor and the Pirelli Tire girls were obviously having a fabulous time at Porsche Parade.

When asking Nick about this photo, he instantly broke into that same smile, although he did speculate aloud; "The Michelin girls were very nice also - I wonder where they went?"

# From the President



I would like to take a moment to thank everyone for their participation in the Fox Valley Region's 20th Anniversary celebration. It was a spectacular event with record attendance. Thanks to all who helped to make the event happen, and all who participated. Special thanks to Steve and Andrea DeBaker and their staff for hosting and hustling all day to make us all feel very welcome and comfortable. The silent auction was a success due to fabulous donations by club members. Thank you for all donations to the silent auction and for door prizes. I would like to extend an extra special thank you to our Zone Rep, Ken Hold and PCA National Representative, Mark Shevitz who made the journey to celebrate with us from Kentucky and Missouri respectively. I appreciate the opportunity and honor to act as club President throughout this year of celebration. It took all members working together for 20 years to bring this milestone achievement to the club. Having the full spectrum of founding members to new members present to celebrate was very humbling and appropriate for the occasion. I certainly hope to assist in making the next 20 years as successful as the first.

I feel it necessary to capture for the record some of the notable events that took place while over 75 Porsche enthusiasts gathered in Greenleaf to celebrate the 20th Anniversary of the club. First, there were four trophies handed out for the Concours that was held. Congratulations to everyone who participated in the beautiful display of the Porsche car that we all love. Second, there were many well-deserved awards given out by emcee Mark Shevitz. Thank you to all who contributed and were honored at the event. Third, what fabulous PR from the Press Gazette! If you did not see the article in print, definitely check out all the great pictures online. Lastly, Gordon and Debbie redeemed themselves as the Bocce Ball Champions and took home the Porsche steering wheel trophy. Good work Team Gorbie!

I will continue to say this because I believe it with my whole heart - I consider my role as President a great honor. I have been involved in many car clubs over many years but have never felt more pride than I do being a member of Porsche Club of America. Porsche Club of America's slogan is "*It's not the cars, it's the people...*" The more events you attend the more true that statement rings!

Lastly I hope to see many of you at our many upcoming events. It is never too late to host an event for next year, so please volunteer and keep the momentum going!

Thank you and I hope to see you all soon.

Mit freundlichen Grüßen,

Andrew Opicka  
President, Fox Valley Region  
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# Upcoming Events



FOY  
VALLEY  
REGGOTY  
PRESENTS



August 2010

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2	3	4	5	6	7

# PORSCHE

DINNER AND SOCIAL  
AUG 3RD 2010

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AND A (HOPEFULLY) PERFECT SUNSET  
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PORSCHE ART WORK  
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8.3.10 7pm

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SOCIAL AND ART SHOW



\*330\* Justin Pauly  
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Mixed Media  
48" x 34"

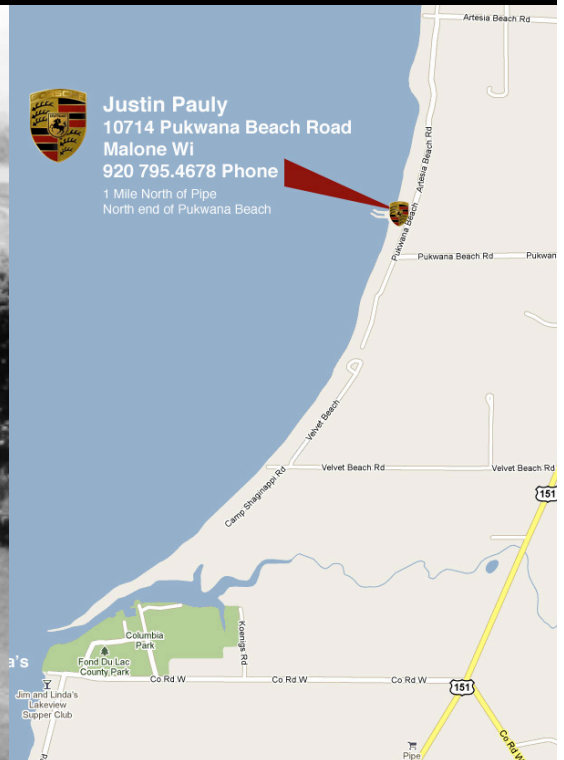
If there are any questions, please feel free to email or call me anytime.

Best regards and see you all there.

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# Upcoming Events

August 2010						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2	3	4	5	6	7

## Turn, Turn, Turn!

Dete and Kathle Bollenbach are excited to host

### The 1st Annual Streeterville Scrambler & Fox Valley Porsche Club MOTORHED



## Drive, Dinner and Dance

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Drive will be followed by an informal "Cocktailing and Detailing," and a true Wisconsin Style Texas BBQ!!

After dinner you can dance and party under the stars with



**"Running with Scissors"**

(One of NE Wisconsin's favorite party bands!)



or share your favorite touring tales around the bonfire!

\*Meet at the Bollenbach's, 13615 State Hwy 32/64, Mountain, WI after 9:00 a.m.

\*Depart at 10:00, tour will be mapped out for you, lunch on your own along the route.

\*Return to the Bollenbach's around 4:00 for cocktails and a Shine and Show (FVPC members pick their favorite bikes. Scramblers judge the Porsches!)

\*Dinner at 5:30 \*Live Music "Running with Scissors" from 7-11 \*Bonfire at dusk

\*RSVP to 715-276-1410. We can help you arrange lodging! Blocks of rooms are reserved at:

Mountain Springs Motel (4 miles south) 715-276-2700 \$79.00 dbl.

Indian Springs Resort and Casino (19 miles north) 715-473-6300 \$85.46 dbl - reservation code: Motorhed

Spur of the Moment Ranch - Campsites and Cabin Rental (2 miles south) 715-276-3726

## Saturday August 7

**RSVP Required  
ASAP!!**

# Upcoming Events

## Tour of Waushara County

August/September 2010

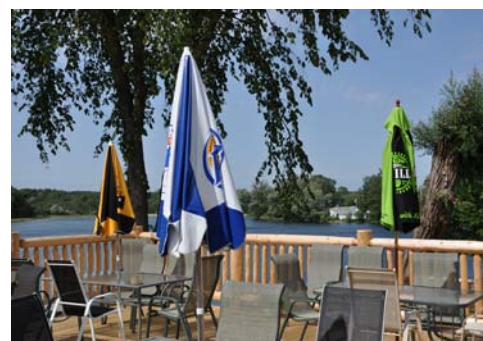
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
29	30	31	1	2	3	4

Schedule for the Waushara county tour on Sunday, August 29:

We will meet at the Aurora hospital parking lot in Oshkosh at 11am. To get there, take highway 41 to Oshkosh and exit onto highway 21. Go West on highway 21 for 0.3 miles, the hospital is on the left at Westhaven drive.

### Tour Route:

- We will leave Aurora at 11:30am and proceed to Omro via highway 21 west.
- After crossing the Fox river in Omro, we will turn right onto highway 116.
- We will then turn left on county D, then right on highway 49. left on county H, right on 26th street, right on county W, left on county A into Wild Rose where we will stop for lunch at the Pioneer Pub. <http://www.thepioneerpub.com> The trip to Wild Rose takes about one hour. Lunch will be on the back deck over looking the pond if the weather is good. Otherwise we will dine inside. Lunch will take about 1.5 hours.
- Leaving Wild Rose, we continue on County A to County H, to Aspen Rd, to 24th street to Kusel Lake where we will take a break.
- Leaving Kusel lake we will turn left on 24th st, right on Aspen, right on county W, and left back on county H. At highway 49 we turn right, back to county D, then left on county B, left on 116 into Winneconne for a stop at the ice cream stand. We then take 116 to county S, then highway 45 back to highway 41 and the tour ends at approximately 4:30 pm.



PLEASE RSVP BY WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 25 to Tom and Kathy Robl at [tomkat1969@att.net](mailto:tomkat1969@att.net)



## Labor Day Picnic!

September 2010

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
5	6	7	8	9	10	11

Monday, Sept. 6, 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. will be the Fox Valley Region's annual Labor Day Picnic at Road America. Please join us for a cookout and potluck dinner at noon at Porsche Park. Meat, buns, condiments, table ware, soda, and water will be provided. Please bring your own folding chairs, a dish to share, and your own adult beverages if you so desire. Members are encouraged to bring a salad, appetizer, dessert, etc. from our region's newly published recipe book. Volunteers are also need to help set up, cook, clean-up and take down. Please consider volunteering to help if you are attending. This event is limited to members and one guest only, unless the guest(s) are potential club members. **RSVP's are due to George Payne [82targa@att.net](mailto:82targa@att.net) or James and Cindy Janes [jrjanes@omscom.com](mailto:jrjanes@omscom.com) no later than Wednesday, September 1.**



# Upcoming Events

September/October 2010

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
26	27	28	29	30	1	2

**Question:** Where, all in one place, could you see a beautifully restored...

- 1922 Model T (touring)
- 1926 Model T (doctor's coupe)
- 1954 Jaguar XK - 120 (open two-seat)
- 1963 Porsche 365B Carmen Coupe
- 1967 Porsche 912 - 5 speed
- 1970 Jaguar XKE Coupe
- 2001 Mazda Miata Special Edition

**Answer:** All in the garage of Dan and Barb Pankratz in Manitowoc, WI, at 2:00 PM on Sunday, September 26th.

Dan and Barb recently completed an on-going 32 year project and have fully restored the 356B to its original grandeur and would very much be honored to share it with you, along with some of their other restored vehicles.

Plan to meet at 4421 County Road CR just south of Manitowoc to see their great cars and for the Pankratz's to show and share with you their latest accomplishment, the complete restoration of the 1963 356B Carmen Coupe.

At 4:00 PM we will caravan a short distance to Luigi's Italian Restaurant in Manitowoc for pizza or pasta (you may order from the menu).

**Please RSVP to Laura Prellwitz (for dinner reservations) no later than Friday, September 24 at [lprellwitz@att.net](mailto:lprellwitz@att.net)**

**Directions:** From I-43, take exit # 149 at Manitowoc (look for the Menard's store or Holiday Inn signs). Turn left onto Hwy. 151/ Calumet Avenue. At second stop light (by Culver's, Wal-Mart and Festival Foods) turn right onto Dewey Street. Go only a short distance to next stop light (Manitowoc Visitors Center and Festival Foods) and turn right onto County Road CR. Drive approximately 1.9 miles. Look for brown house on the left, shortly after you pass Natural Ovens Bakery on the right.

## Central Wisconsin Autocross Schedule

Gentlemen,

Here is the CWI-PCA autocross schedule for 2009 as it has evolved so far. In addition we are working on a Friday late afternoon event at the Sugar River go-cart track near Brodhead, WI, and there also will be an autocross at the Rockford Speedway later in the season, but that date is still up in the air.

July 25, 9 a.m., Columbus 151 Speedway, Columbus WI.

August 8, 9 a.m., Columbus 151 Speedway, Columbus WI.

September 5, 9 a.m., Columbus 151 Speedway, Columbus WI.

We are always happy to have visitors join us and would be delighted if any of your members, or yourselves, would like to attend.

Cordially,  
Greg Mode  
CWI Region PCA

P.S. Attached is a picture of my Franken-Porsche and myself at the CWI, Milwaukee, and Chicago multiregional autocross at the Rockford Speedway in 2008.



# Upcoming Events - 2010 Fall Tour

## The FVR 2010 Fall Tour!

September 2010

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25

Greetings Fellow Members,

This year's Fall Tour will be primarily a Southwest Wisconsin Rural County Trunk tour. Joyce and I have been touring there for years and there are hundreds of routes one can take. We have chosen what we feel are very scenic drives with ridge vistas, as well as, coulee curves. There will be some great "pit stops."

The tour will start at Gordon's Auto Clinic; then onto the Town of Rome, near Nekoosa, for lunch. Then we will travel through the Kickapoo River Valley to Prairie du Chien on the Mississippi River. In Prairie there are gift shops, Cabelas, a nearby casino and more.

The second day's tour will consist of a trip down the lower Mississippi shoreline to Potosi. There we will tour the National Beer Museums and have lunch. We'll head north from there on a very picturesque drive to Montfort, where there is a wind farm. From there we will travel to Spring Green. There we can tour Peck's Farm Market and other shops. We may also visit Ringbrothers, an award winning custom car/hot rod shop ([www.ringbrothers.com](http://www.ringbrothers.com)).

Sunday, those who wish may take a trip to the House on the Rock, highly recommended if you have never been there. There is also Frank Lloyd Wright's Taliesin if you are so inclined.



Please join us for what we hope will be a very fun and relaxing tour.

FOR RESERVATIONS CONTACT: Alan Taylor [ataylor@wctc.net](mailto:ataylor@wctc.net) **AND call for your reservations:**

Friday night accommodations:

Bridgeport Inn, Prairie du Chien  
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Saturday night accommodations:

The Round Barn Lodge, Spring Green  
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Hope you can come,  
 Warren and Joyce Beaver  
 Alan and Ann Taylor





# SAVE THE DATE!

August 2010

YOU AND YOUR PORSCHE ARE INVITED TO JOIN US FOR  
A SPECIAL GATHERING OF

## PORSCHE 911 AND 912 1964 – 1973

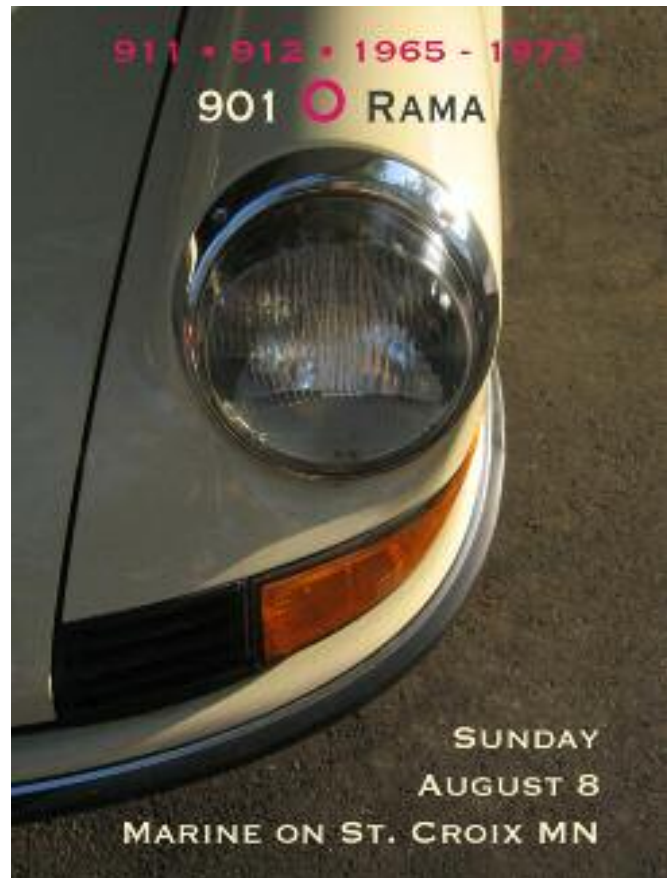
WE'LL MEET IN MARINE ON ST. CROIX  
SUNDAY, AUGUST 8

- **Take a Sunday tour** through the beautiful St. Croix River valley to one of Minnesota's oldest towns, the village of Marine. All owners are encouraged to bring their cars, no matter the condition. Several historic racers, early and original cars will be on hand.

- **911 / 912 cars will be placed for display by 10 AM** at Burris Park, next to the Mill Pond. Enjoy the sights and sounds of these early cars and spend some time talking to other owners. A special adjacent parking area is reserved for all other Porsches.

- **Lunch will be at noon** - you can pack your own picnic basket or let us reserve a box lunch for you. Grills and picnic tables are on site. Just a few steps away are the Brookside Grill, Olive's Neapolitan Pizza, the General Store Deli and the Village Scoop ice cream shop. Bring your own cooler for beer or soft drinks. Water and lemonade will be provided.

- **People's Choice awards** will be given in several categories, along with special organizer's awards for which you cannot possibly prepare, so be assured of a low key event. A decent wash and vacuum will be a good idea. We'll ask you for a \$20 donation for Courage Center in lieu of entry fees. There will be prizes, goodies and keepsakes for all entrants.



The drive to and from Marine (about 10 miles north of Stillwater) will make for a memorable day, as will the chance to renew old friendships and make new ones. Contact us for travel planning, scenic routes and nearby lodging. Map search: Marine, MN 55047

Display space may be limited, so please let us know your plans as soon as you can. Will you spend some time helping on event day? Contact Gordon or Mark. We look forward to seeing you on August 8!

Check for updated information at [www.901orama.com](http://www.901orama.com) (coming soon).

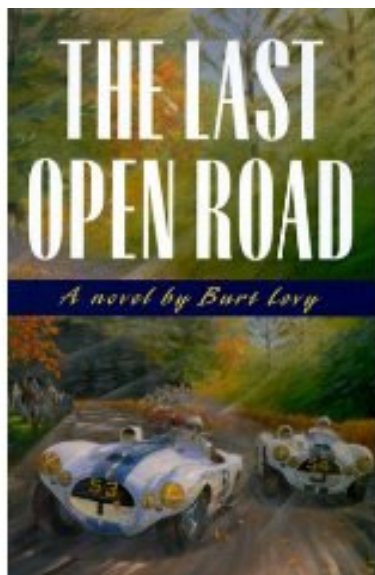
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# Upcoming Events



October 2010

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
17	18	19	20	21	22	23

## THE LAST OPEN ROAD PARTY

Come and enjoy a day in the cartoonish life of a bunch of lovable Fox Valley Region Porsche Club of America palookas on the upper-crusty open-road car-race circuit. It's 1952, and Gordon Skog, just 19, may not be the most gifted mechanic to hang around Rob's Sinclair gas station, but he can't stay away. Turning down his father's offer of a union job in a chemical factory, Gordon is lured into the grease-pit by glimpses of Rob's curvaceous niece Debbie Houle. Gordon becomes Rob's head mechanic and has to maintain the black Porsche 911 of the tough-talking computer expert Andrew Opicka. A problem with the 911's touchy carburetor sends Gordon to an Appleton KIA dealership, where he learns the sleazy tricks of the import luxury car trade from owner Jim Janes and shifty sidekick Cindy. From there it's a short hop to the world of open-road sport-car racing (on make-shift courses laid out on rural roads) at Little Nelligan Lake in Beaver, WI. While Gordon is smitten with the skin-deep charms of Laura Prellwitz, girlfriend of wealthy cad Nick Proctor. This fun, high-octane fuel, day for fans of the Fox Valley Region Porsche Club of America, will enjoy a relaxing race meal and socializing with other typecast members and vivid racing fans.

**Where:** Pat and Allan Utecht's Cottage, N5424 47<sup>th</sup> Road, Little Nelligan Lake, Beaver, WI. This is about one hour North of Green Bay on Highway 141.

**When:** October 23, 2010 1:00 PM to ??? There are overnight accommodations available at the cottage for four couples on a first come basis. There are cabins for rent two miles away at **Whispering Pine Lodge, 5058 Parkway Road, Pound, WI 54161 Phone: 920-897-4417 E-mail: [whisperingpine@ez-net.com](mailto:whisperingpine@ez-net.com)**. In addition, there are motels in Crivitz and Coleman / Pound.

**Food:** The meal will be the race fan menu from page 361 of the book "The Last Open Road" by Burt Levy. Please bring the beverage of your choice.

# FVR Calendar of Events

August	Tuesday, August 3, 2010 Social and art show, on east shore of Lake Winnebago just north of Pipe, WI. Hosted by Justin Pauly. <a href="mailto:jepauly@mac.com">jepauly@mac.com</a>
	Saturday, August 7, 2010 - 09:00 AM to 11:00 AM Coffee at Bergstrom Porsche Coffee and doughnuts at Bergstrom Porsche 9:00 - 11:00 AM (Nick Proctor/Tim Diedrich hosting)
	Saturday, August 7, 2010 MotorHed Picnic "MotorHed" picnic, rally, and music at Bollenbach's in Mountain, WI. Overnight accommodations available. <a href="mailto:pete@graniteridgekennels.com">pete@graniteridgekennels.com</a>
	Thursday, August 19, 2010 - Sunday, August 22, 2010 ALMS at RA Road America American Le Mans Series.
	Sunday, August 29, 2010 Tour of Waushara County, with lunch in Wild Rose. Hosted by Tom and Kathy Robl. <a href="mailto:tomkat1969@att.net">tomkat1969@att.net</a>
September	Monday, September 6, 2010 - Labor Day Picnic at Road America Hosted by George Payne <a href="mailto:82targa@att.net">82targa@att.net</a> and Jim & Cindy Janes. <a href="mailto:porschejp123@yahoo.com">porschejp123@yahoo.com</a>
	Thursday, September 9, 2010 - Sunday, September 12, 2010 PCA Escape 2010 to British Columbia, Sun Peaks Resort in British Columbia, hosted by Canada West Region.
	Friday, September 10, 2010 - Sunday, September 12, 2010 VSCDA at RA Road America, Vintage Sports Car Drivers Association Elkhart Lake Vintage Festival.
	Friday, September 17, 2010 - Sunday, September 19, 2010 FVR 2010 Fall Tour Fall Tour to Prairie du Chien/Spring Green area. This premier Fox Valley Region event will be hosted by Al & Ann Taylor and Warren & Joyce Beaver. <a href="mailto:ataylor@wctc.net">ataylor@wctc.net</a>
	Sunday, September 26, 2010 See the Concours d'Elegance winning 356B, and other restored vehicles in the garage of Dan and Barb Pankratz. Hosted by Laura Prellwitz, <a href="mailto:lprellwitz@att.net">lprellwitz@att.net</a>
October	Tuesday, October 5, 2010 Tech Session at AutoClinic Tech session at Gordon's. <a href="mailto:gord240z@hotmail.com">gord240z@hotmail.com</a>
	Saturday, October 23, 2010 The "Last Open Road" Party, based on the book "The Last Open Road" by Burt Levy. Hosted by Pat and Allan Utecht. <a href="mailto:allanu@walsdorffroofing.com">allanu@walsdorffroofing.com</a>
November	Tuesday, November 2, 2010 Mackinaw's Social Dinner at Mackinaw's hosted by Charlie & Barb Wise. <a href="mailto:seawise@new.rr.com">seawise@new.rr.com</a>
December	Saturday, December 11, 2010 Holiday Party Holiday Party - Holiday Inn Neenah, hosted by Andrew Opicka. <a href="mailto:andrew@opicka.com">andrew@opicka.com</a>



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# Whaletales - 1st Place PCA Recognition

The Fox Valley Region recently gained a significant form of PCA national recognition, when it was announced at the Chicago Parade that Whaletales, the Fox Valley Region's newsletter has earned 1st place in the class II category (100 to 199 primary members) for the 2010 PCA national newsletter contest. Congratulations are in order for Herb Velazquez, Whaletales editor for the calendar year 2009 issues taken under consideration for this award.

Herb's diligence in publishing Whaletales earned top spot in direct competition with the Bluegrass region's *Rumble* and the Shenandoah region's *Heat Exchanger*, as well as newsletters from several other regions. Examples of categories weighed in the judging of newsletters are: information and navigation, layout and appearance, editorial commentary, event publicity and follow-up, features and article contributions from members, photography and/or artwork, technical articles and automotive tips, and general scope and variety.



Herb Velazquez with the 2010 PCA class II newsletter 1st place award.



# Recent Events - Rally in Keshena Area



FVR members arriving at the Lowey residence



The Keshena Rally is underway



Going topless?



Porsches of all models and vintage



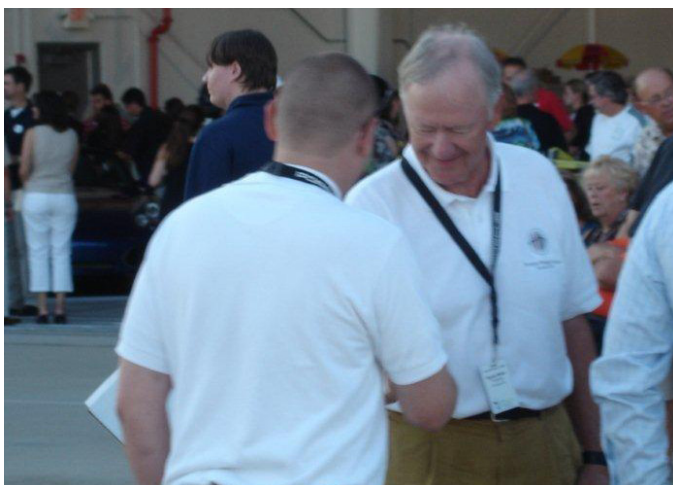
Nick Proctor in his Boxster



A great day for a great event



# Recent Events - 2010 Parade



Andrew Opicka and Hans-Peter Porsche



One of seven surviving 1952 Porsche America Roadsters



Nick Proctor with the Pirelli Tire girls. I don't think that smile will come off Nick's face for a very long time!

PCA member Robert Geiser displayed his completely unrestored 1962 Porsche Junior Tractor at 2010 Parade. Autoweek noted it to be "perhaps the most original entry" of several hundred Porsches on display.

For anyone interested in seeing this bit of Porsche history in action, Mr. Geiser will have it on working display at the Calumet County fairgrounds in Chilton on August 14 and 15 at the Wisconsin Steam Antique Engine Club show. During the afternoons of both days members tractors are used to work up the ground that the grain that was threshed at the show was grown on. The field demonstration is usually held in the afternoon after the parade on the grounds.





# Recent Events - Iola Car Show Social

On Saturday July 10th, Barb and I had the pleasure of hosting our first FVR-PCA event at our home west of New London. The 19 in attendance took part in various activities, ranging from a group caravan to the Iola car show in the morning, followed by River tubing down the Little Wolf River, and a buffet dinner later that afternoon.

The group caravan of members consisted of 4 Porsches and 8 individuals braving the heat to search for Porsche related materials. Jamie Prellwitz persevered in his search, and found a prized piece of original Porsche sales literature specific to the Prellwitz's 1987 911. After enduring the heat at Iola, the same 8 brave souls embarked on a cool and refreshing journey down the Little Wolf River floating in style on river tubes, some of which were complete with cup holders. Ahhh! While the surprise "pop-up"



Fox Valley Region PCA presence at the Iola Old Car Show



Barb Wilkinson and some of our guests at the Iola Car Show Social enjoying some precipitation-free time on the deck.



# Recent Events - Iola Car Show Social

showers were somewhat intimidating at first, we soon regained our sense of adventure, singing a rousing chorus of "The Ballad of Gilligan's Island" as we travelled down river at a leisurely pace. Alas, after reaching our home port--and not being marooned on an uncharted island--we rejoined the rest of the guests, and shared a great meal and many laughs.

Laura Prellwitz distributed some of the FVR cookbooks, filled with many FVR member's tried and true recipes. Also available to purchase in support of our club's activities were additional FVR 20th anniversary wine glasses, and 20th anniversary tee shirts.

Having the best of weather for all of our club events would be good, but being in the best of company is priceless. Barb and I enjoyed hosting this event, and have plans in store for future adventures.

Mark Wilkinson



A trailer full of river tubes, and a driveway full of Porsches - what a combination!



Dark rain clouds seem to be common this year, but we will not let that dampen our spirit.



# Recent Events - FVR 20th Anniversary

The Fox Valley Region's 20th anniversary celebration on July 24th at Trout Springs Winery was indeed very special. Seventy-one members and guests (a new record for our club) and 32 Porsches were in attendance. Despite the heavy rains and storms of the previous days and even the morning of the event, the good Lord smiled upon us with dry and partly sunny weather the remainder of the day.

Preparations for Fox Valley Region PCA 20th anniversary celebration began coming to fruition on Friday evening July 23rd, when two Porsche Club of America guest representatives arrived in the area. These special guests were Ken Hold, our Zone 13 Representative from Lexington, Kentucky, and Mark Shevitz, PCA National Representative from St. Louis, Missouri. Those of you, who have attended Parade, may recognize Mark from his long-standing emcee duties at the annual gathering. Ken and Mark joined Andrew and Elise Opicka, Jamie and Laura Prellwitz, and Nick Proctor for dinner at the Courthouse Pub in Manitowoc on the eve of the FVR anniversary celebration. We were most honored to have both of these outstanding men share in our celebration.

Steve & Andrea DeBaker closed Trout Springs Winery to the public on Saturday, but the gates were opened to PCA members beginning at noon. Laura & Jamie Prellwitz were the official greeters getting waiver signatures, handing out wristbands, door prize tickets, wine glasses, specially made name tags identifying each member's status within the club,



Left to right: Elise Opicka, Ken Hold, Mark Shevitz, Jim Prellwitz, Laura Prellwitz, Nick Proctor, Andrew Opicka

and Concours forms. Al Taylor then directed traffic and assisted in parking cars which was no easy feat. Due to the heavy rains we've recently had, the original parking plan had to be scrapped and re-vamped, but Al did a terrific job getting everyone in the proper and dry place safely.

As the festivities progressed, attendees enjoyed tours of the winery guided by FVR member and winemaker, Steve DeBaker. Steve took time to explain several facets of the winery operation such as the importance of soil, climate, and varietal selection. Pest control, vitally important to vineyard health is accomplished with chickens, if I correctly recall Steve uses Aracanas, which lay blue eggs; they



A new FVR record with 71 attendees and guests with 32 Porsches - all at Trout Springs Winery for the 20th Anniversary

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were quite happily pecking at the ground in search of bugs all around us as we walked through the vineyard. Steve described to us the term veraison, when the fruit begins to color and ripen, which signals the upcoming harvest is growing near. His passion for the art of winemaking, if not noted by this point, was made clear as he described his personal quest for creation of a new American Viticultural Area (AVA) in Northeastern Wisconsin, the *Niagara Escarpment of Wisconsin*.

After attendees enjoyed a very informative tour of the processing, bottling, and ageing stages of Trout Springs Winery, an interesting tour of another of the DeBaker's business ventures, the Branch River Trout Hatchery was underway. With the knowledge gained from the tours firmly planted, Andrea and staff provided an opportunity to taste the incredible array of wines produced at Trout Springs. Judging by the tactful nods of approval, and brisk sales it was apparent that many new favorites were found.

Steve had even printed some commemorative Fox Valley Region wine labels for some special bottles of wine. A silent auction ran concurrently throughout the afternoon, and music was provided by Tim Diedrich. Thanks to the DeBakers, Andrew Opicka, Bill & Linda Bein, Tim & Renny

Diedrich, Pete & Kathie Bollenbach, and Jim & Mary Haen for their contributions to the auction. Your generosity and thoughtfulness were greatly appreciated. At 3:00 PM, Concours judges; Andrew Opicka, Dennis Lahti, Larry Rogers, and Ken Hold began the detailed task of reviewing 16 cars. Thanks to everyone who participated in our first-ever Concours. (Please see the photos that follow for the trophy winners.) Also, at this time, a photographer from the Green Bay Press Gazette arrived and took many photos and conducted some brief interviews with members. Thanks to new member, Dick Randall, for finding the link online (see the photo caption below) later that evening for those photos!

Shortly after 4:00 PM dinner was served, and as always, the potluck dinner was overflowing with a large variety of salads, side dishes, appetizers, and desserts. Following dinner, we took a group photo of all attendees, a photo of all previous and current officers in attendance, and a Presidents' photo with six of the ten total presidents in attendance.

Mark Shevitz then emceed a short awards and announcements ceremony, and shared his thoughts and observations about our region. He was very favorably



<http://www.greenbaypressgazette.com/apps/pbcs.dll/gallery?Avis=U0&Dato=20100724&Kategori=GPG01&Lopenr=7240813&Ref=PH>



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impressed with our group and noted the true emphasis of "It's the people, not the cars" philosophy that we demonstrate. Certificates of appreciation were given to several members who hosted events so far this year or who have contributed in some special way to our club the past 20 years, including Matt Safranski who was the founding father of our region. Ken Hold also offers his congratulations and positive impressions of our region. He presented a binder with copies of our region's original paper work, and a letter of congratulations from PCA President, Kurt Gibson. Gordon Skog also presented a beautifully framed and matted keepsake display of the April Panorama article about Laura Prellwitz and our region to her. Laura was totally shocked and surprised, and is most humbly appreciative of this very special gift.

Door prize and silent auction winners were announced, and the Concours trophies were presented. A big "thank you"

goes to Andrew Opicka for organizing the Concours and trophies. A few extra commemorative t-shirts were sold, along with some wine glasses and recipe books. In total, the silent auction raised \$476.

Steve DeBaker then organized several Bocce ball teams and the competitive continued on past 8:00 PM. The winners were Gordon Skog and Debbie Houle who received the "steering wheel" trophy.

Thanks again to everyone on the planning committee as it truly took a group effort to organize and produced such a tremendously successful event. We appreciate Ken Hold and Mark Shevitz for giving up a weekend of their personal time to visit and share this special occasion with us. Thanks to Nick Proctor for all his work developing and creating the commemorative t-shirts, Jim & Mary Haen for producing the certificates of appreciation and gift baskets



Matt Safranski receives recognition as founder of FVR



Carol Helstad receives the 1st Place Concours trophy



Jim Stephenson and Andrew Opicka out for a cruise



Bill Saler took best in show with his Boxster RS60



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for door prizes, Larry Rogers for collecting all the RSVP's and the registration funds, silent auction purchases; and t-shirts, wine glass, and recipe book monies. Appreciation further goes to Andrew Opicka for organizing much of the day including the Concours, silent auction, trophies, providing ground transportation for Mark Shevitz, and taking care of a myriad of other details. Additional appreciation to Jamie & Laura Prellwitz for locating and inviting all previous officers to attend, specially designed name tags, assistance in designing the commemorative wine glasses, taking care of insurance waivers, and being greeters for the day. Thanks to Dennis Lahti, Ken Hold, Andrew Opicka, and Larry Rogers for being our first-ever Concours judges, and to Gordon Skog for providing the Bocce ball trophy. Certainly the biggest thank you goes to the DeBakers for all their work in hosting this event, the setting up of tables, tents, potluck food items, and providing the wine tasting, delicious burgers, table ware, and condiments.

Lastly, thanks to all the members and guests who contributed in any manner and attended to help us celebrate this milestone in our region's history.



Left to right: Current president, Andrew Opicka; Past Presidents; Larry Rogers, Laura Prellwitz, Jim Stephenson, Dennis Lahti, and founding President, Matt Safranski; Absent: Greg Russo, Mark Wallenfang, Dave Hoem, and Rick Slater.



A sincerely humbled Laura Prellwitz receives special recognition for her efforts and accomplishments



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Fox Valley Region's 71 attendees at the 20th Anniversary celebration



Ron Possell has been a member since 1989!



Well, hello there Kathie!



# Pankratz's 1st Place 1963 356B

Fox Valley Region members Dan and Barb Pankratz brought home a justified reward for their hard work in the restoration of a 1963 356B. Their reward was a first place in the Road & Track Magazine Concours d'Elegance that took place Saturday July 17, 2010 at Elkhart Lake during the Brian Redman / Kohler International Challenge.

Since the first road races through Elkhart Lake, race and road cars have lined up in the village for early evening viewing and judging. This tradition continues to be a favorite for exhibitors, spectators and townsfolk alike. The International Challenge Concours d' Elegance presented by Road & Track attracts a wonderful field of cars. Many are rare and prestigious examples that have been prepared to a very high standard.

The Saturday night concours was held in front of Siebkens, with judging 6:30-8 pm, after which time the street was re-opened to traffic. Pankratz's 356B took first place in the Elite Cars, 1963-1970 class. Congratulations Dan and Barb!

PS - on a related note; check out the series of five YouTube videos from the original 356 factory production - these are incredibly detailed factory videos showing the high level of manual labor - and pride in craftsmanship that went into building these cars.

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LQBrQ5qd5w8>



Dan and Barb Pankratz with their award-winning restored 356B



# Classifieds

## Name Badges

Have you ever felt like a dork at a meeting because you had a press-n-peel name tag on while others had an attractive and classy wood or metal pin?

Furthermore, you were even more embarrassed when you forgot to take it off and went somewhere else afterwards?

Larry Rogers has a solution for you! Our region has very attractive and professional name badges that are laser-engraved with our region's name, and most importantly, your name for about \$12 each. You can order either a pin-on style or magnetic style.

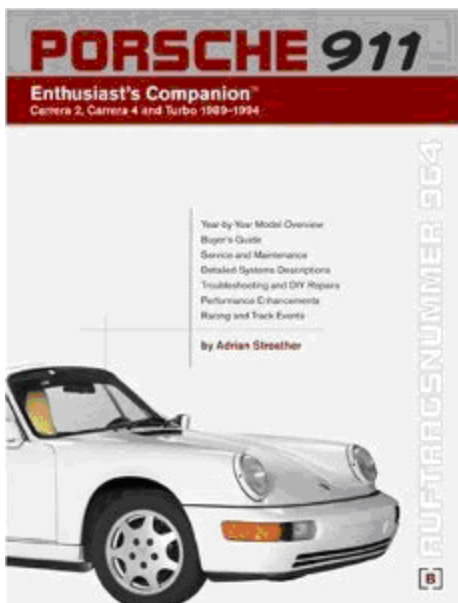
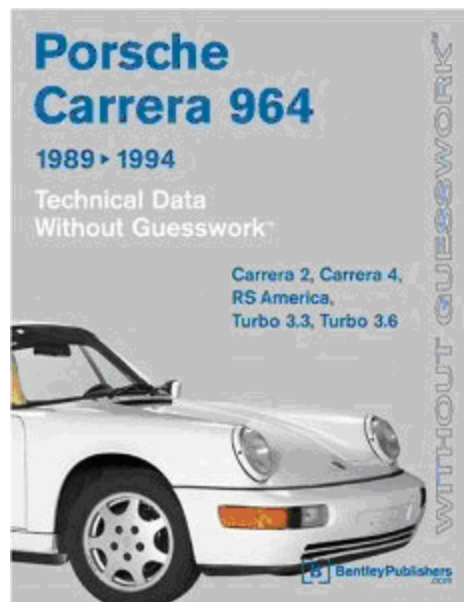
Please contact Larry at [fvrpca@sbcglobal.net](mailto:fvrpca@sbcglobal.net) to order yours now. You can have it in time for our upcoming events.

### A New Book in Library, #234!

Porsche Carrera 964: 1989-1994 Technical Data - Without Guesswork:  
Carrera 2, Carrera 4, RS America, Turbo 3.3, Turbo 3.6

Where appropriate, the handbook delivers very helpful 911 - specific repair instructions and notes. Even if you're an old hand at replacing drive belts on other cars, when replacing the alternator and cooling fan belts on a 911 you have to "adjust V-belt tension by moving adjustment shims to inside or outside of pulley halves." When replacing the clutch, you'll need to know that the "cross-shaft needle bearings are not identical [so check] proper location before installing." Not sure where the antenna amplifier is mounted? According to a chart in the Electrical section, it's in the luggage compartment near the right hood hinge.

Paperback: 368 pages, Publisher: Bentley Publishers; (July 2002)  
ISBN-10: 0837602920, ISBN-13: 978-0837602929



### New library addition, #235:

Porsche 911 Enthusiast's Companion: Carrera 2, Carrera 4, and Turbo 1989-1994

By Adrian Streather

OK, so you want to learn all about the mechanicals and electricals of your 89-96 911 (aka 964). This is a book for you. It covers almost all of the DIY repairs and all the technical data you can imagine. When you need to do maintenance or repairs look here first so you know what you'll be in for. At 644 pages, there isn't too much that isn't covered. Then, if the project is more than you want to tackle, you can always turn to Gordon Skog and his staff.

Paperback: 644 pages, Publisher: Bentley Publishers (December 2003),  
ISBN-10: 0837602939, ISBN-13: 978-0837602936

# Welcome New FVR Members!



New member Robb Tollefson of DePere  
with his 2002 C4 Cabriolet



New members, Ilan and Carol Shapiro of  
Appleton with their 2001 Boxster S

New members Walt and Pat Freckmann of Sturgeon Bay write "We're happy to be a part of the Fox Valley Porsche family." The picture below is of their two Porsche 914's. Both are 1970 vintage, however, the silver car has had extensive high performance modifications including the addition of a 2.4 liter four. Walt and Pat are looking forward to their first FVR group activity.



Yellow is for "show," while the silver is for "go!"



# Porsche Racing News

Autoweek has reported that Porsche has confirmed that it will bring its new 911 GT3 R hybrid to Petit Le Mans at Road Atlanta on Oct. 2 to compete in the American Le Mans Series season finale.

Porsche and the ALMS made the official announcement on July 21. Wolfgang Durheimer, Porsche's executive vice president of research and development, had told AutoWeek during the 24 Hours of the Nürburgring two months ago that the company was almost certain to race the car at Petit.

"[We] are going to bring it [to Petit] because the [U.S.] is one-third of our market," said Durheimer at the 'Ring. "The ALMS is very 'green.' . . . I had a phone call with [series boss Scott Atherton] and he asked me when will we show up [and race the hybrid], so I told him as soon as possible."

The 911 GT3 R hybrid uses a flywheel-driven kinetic-energy-recovery system developed by the Williams Formula One team, featuring two electric motors at the front axle with each developing 60 kilowatts to supplement the 480 hp normally aspirated flat-six engine. It impressed observers during the 24-hour race at the Nordschleife. The car--driven by ALMS GT champion Jörg Bergmeister, Richard Lietz, Marco Holzer and Martin Ragginger--led the race overall for more than eight hours before retiring with a blown engine with just one hour and 45 minutes remaining in the event. The failure struck some Porsche personnel as ironic, since they were concerned about the flywheel system's reliability, not the generally bulletproof 4.0-liter flat-six gasoline engine. Its entry at Petit means it will now get another crack at a significant endurance event. The race runs over a distance of 1,000 miles or a maximum of 10 hours.

"After the 911 GT3 R Hybrid's fantastic performance at the Nürburgring 24 Hours, we are now eager to gain more experience with the hybrid technology on a variety of racetracks," said Hartmut Kristen, head of Porsche Motorsport. "At the same time, we would like to show fans and customers in our most important markets how our 'race lab' performs under racing conditions."

*source - Autoweek*



Porsche 911 GT3 R Hybrid

# Membership Milestones



## Member Anniversaries

Name	Location	Vehicles(s)	Member Since
Avery & Allison Alexander	Menasha, WI	2005 Boxster, 1987 928	2006
Jim & Mary Haen	Green Bay, WI	1989 911	1996
Robert Hawley & Jennifer Blahnik	Bailey's Harbor, WI	1996 911, 1978 911 SC, 1973 914	2003
Jim & Evie Rossol	Bailey's Harbor, WI	2002 911	2009
Robb Tollefson	DePere, WI	2002 911	2009

## New Members!!!

Thomas Bracewell	Green Bay, WI	1980 911
Charles Crotty & Judy Jason	Marquette, MI	1983 911 SC
Richard Uhl & Ales Grupp	Fish Creek, WI	1983 911 SC
Patti-Jo Toellner	Neenah, WI	2005 Boxster

The Fox Valley region now has **158 primary members** with 133 affiliate members, for a grand total of 291 members. Thank you to everyone who has renewed their membership on time. It is greatly appreciated! With great driving weather finally here please invite fellow Porsche owners to join our region. Thank you to everyone who positively promotes our club to others with a passion for Porsche! Member to potential member is still our best method of recruitment.

New members may join online at [www.pca.org](http://www.pca.org), or contact Laura Prellwitz, membership chairperson, and let her know so she can send a paper application in the mail to the potential member.



# From the Editor

## The Learning Curve

On the eve of the Fox Valley Region Porsche Club of America's 20th anniversary I am finding myself to be literally in awe of the efforts put forth by Fox Valley Region members. Two examples of the extraordinary achievements of our fellow members are highlighted in this issue.



As part of the 2010 Parade festivities, winners of the annual PCA regional newsletter contest were announced. Herb Velazquez, Whaletales editor from October 2008 to December 2009 received the 1st place 2010 PCA national newsletter contest award for class II regions with 100 to 199 primary members. Be sure to congratulate Herb for a job well done. Having accomplished such a feat while travelling extensively for his work, is a testament to his dedication in serving the FVR membership to the best of his abilities. And I wish to personally add that, given this news and knowing that the bar has been inched a bit higher - I hope to live up to the task as Whaletales editor with this recognition of Herb's enthusiasm to guide me.

Also, the incredible restoration project completed--by Dan Pankratz's own account--just one day before entering and winning a first place award at the Road & Track Magazine Concours d'Elegance that took place Saturday July 17, 2010 at Elkhart Lake during the Brian Redman / Kohler International Challenge. Dan has also provided an interesting history of the restoration that he and Barb completed on the 1963 356B, which actually started 32 years earlier when he purchased the car in 1978. You can look forward to reading more about that in next month's Whaletales. Dan and Barb are experienced hands at restoration work, with a wide variety of beautifully restored vehicles in their garage. So be certain to mark on your calendars, and make your RSVP's for an event that is sure to be interesting - the recently added "open garage" at the Pankratz's on Sunday, September 26th.

Well, I am just about partied out - for a while anyway. Coming up fast is the "MotorHed Party" at Bollenbach's in Mountain, Wisconsin. Now that one promises to be a great time - so if you haven't already, send a quick email to Pete at Granite Ridge Kennels [Pete@graniteridgekennels.com](mailto:Pete@graniteridgekennels.com) so he and Kathie can be sure to have everything prepared to show us all a great time.

And of course, don't forget to RSVP for the 2010 FVR Fall Tour. Warren and Joyce Beaver, along with tour co-hosts Alan and Ann Taylor have set up a great sounding itinerary for this year's fall tour with a southwesterly destination of Prairie du Chien, Wisconsin. There is a lot planned for this trip, so please check the event information on page 8 of this issue for the "full scoop" on the what, when, and where. I've got this one on my personal calendar, and Barb and I are hoping to see you there.

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