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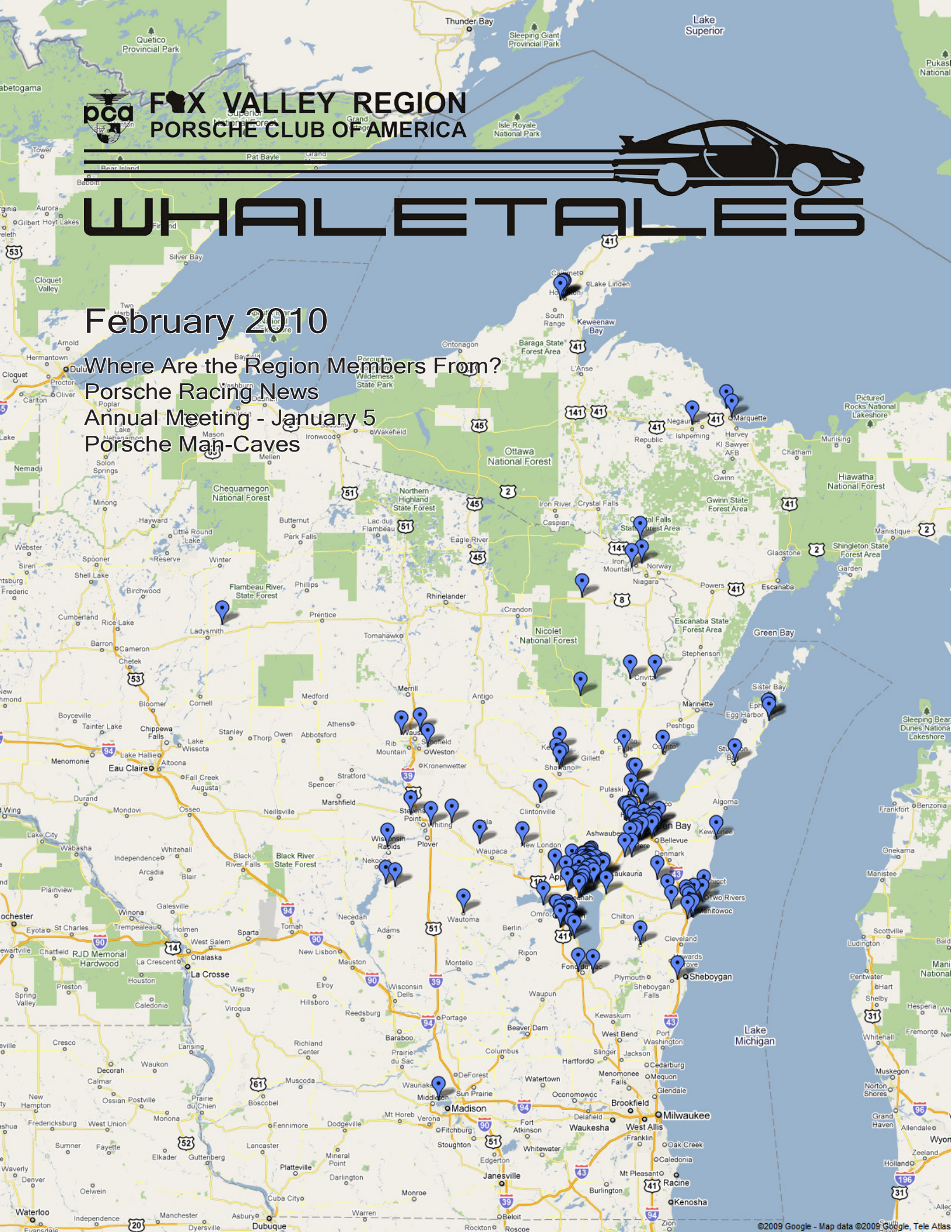


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February 2010

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Porsche Racing News
Annual Meeting - January 5
Porsche Man-Caves



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On the cover



This month's cover is a visual representation of where the Fox Valley Region members are from, courtesy of Google© Maps.

In addition to the locations shown on the map, FVR members also reside in Colorado, Illinois, and Oregon.

From the President



January has been a quiet month. Most of our Porsches are tucked away in our garages hibernating and awaiting the first exhilarating startup in the spring. Things at Porsche corporate are quiet too. I have only come across one rumored story about the possible return of Porsche to Le Mans. This article is one of a few interesting articles I have come across this month. For those of you have subscribed to the Porsche news request email blast you have gotten this information as soon as it was released. If you have not gotten this email and are interested in these news topics just send me an email and I will add you to the list. Our region held one social event in January hosted by Larry Rogers. The event had high attendance and we all enjoyed the bountiful portions that Victoria's always provides.

This February we have a few events that are sure to please. My wife and I are hosting a Porsche Movie night to include a movie of the Porsche Factory. We also have the well organized bus trip by Jim Stephenson to the Chicago Auto show. Please be sure to get your RSVPs in early to reserve your space for these events. (Details of these events are listed further in the newsletter)

Our region's website is undergoing some changes by our webmaster Al Taylor. Al has spent a significant amount time on our new site with great direction and success. He is currently developing and integrating Google calendar and maps to ease our scheduling, notification and location mapping (driving directions) of our regions events.

The committee working on the Region of the Year Award has also completed its submission. Laura Prellwitz has successfully mailed the necessary documents, so we are all currently awaiting results which will be received at Porsche Parade in July. Keep your fingers crossed.

Lastly, we are very fortunate to have Tim Diedrich accept the role of Advertising Chair. Tim will offer a great lead for our region in this area. This is a new role for our region and it will bring many benefits to the club.

Thank you and I hope to see you all soon.

Mit freundlichen Grüßen,

Andrew Opicka
 President, Fox Valley Region
 Porsche Club of America
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Upcoming Events

You are cordially invited to an exclusive viewing of National Geographic's Ultimate Factories series episode featuring Porsche! Join us at the SC Grand Dinner Theatre on Friday February 5, 2010 as Andrew Opicka hosts Porsche Movie Night!



February 2010

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

What: Porsche Movie Night

Get inside the famous House of Porsche and see how they create the Porsche 911, one of the most influential and recognizable vehicles in the world. Every distinctive element is manufactured at the Zuffenhausen factory in Stuttgart, Germany, a historical industrial monument. We'll examine the Porsche factory's innovative system of lifts, elevators and bridges, which conveys car bodies 50 feet above a public highway.

When: Friday, February 5th

Details: 5:30 PM Social 6:00 PM Dinner 7:00 Movie

Where: SC Grand Dinner Theatre

1250 Mid-Valley Drive, DePere, WI 54115

Food: Family Style Baked Chicken and Baked Haddock.

All Family Style Selections are served with garlic baby red mashed potatoes, corn bread stuffing, gravy, steamed vegetable (corn, California blend, frenched green beans, or glazed baby carrots), coleslaw, fresh baked dinner rolls, butter, assorted dessert bars or cake cutting, coffee, hot tea, and milk. With tax and service charge \$14.75 / person.

RSVP by Feb 1 to: Andrew Opicka at Andrew@Opicka.com



Please join us for the much anticipated technical session presented by Chuck James from Porsche Cars North America. Chuck will provide a PowerPoint presentation on the new technologies and features on the most recent Porsche model released.

What: Porsche Panamera Technical Session Presented by Chuck James from PCNA

Additional Details on the Porsche Panamera are available at:

<http://www.porsche.com/microsite/panamera/flash/default.aspx?language=en-us&market=PCNA&pool=usa&browser=other&instance=&variant=§ion=&showintro=true&bandwidth=dsl&width=1680&height=1050&specialquest=0>

When: 11/FEB/10 6:00 PM

Where: Bergstrom Porsche of the Fox Valley

2986 Victory Lane

Appleton, WI 54913

Light snacks and refreshments will be served.

Please RSVP to Andrew@Opicka.com by 08/FEB/10.

NEW!

February 2010

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
7	8	9	10	11	12	13

*An email will be sent out in the event of bad weather scheduling.

Upcoming Events

We are pleased to announce that our club will be going to the Chicago Auto show on Saturday, February 20th, 2010.

You are welcome to bring family or friends, but the only way I will hold a seat on the coach is if I receive a check made out to "Fox Valley Region PCA" in advance for \$25.00 per person. The \$25.00 per head will be the cost of the coach only. The \$25.00 is not refundable if you can't make it. We usually fill the coach to capacity. Carry on coolers are welcome. 2010 Chicago Auto Show Tickets are available separately for \$11.00 per person for adults, senior tickets are \$7.00 (age 62 and over) Children age 7-12 are \$7.00. It is recommended you purchase tickets ahead of time online at www.chicagoautoshow.com You will print them on your home printer, this can save a lot of time at the entry gates. We will make stops for breakfast and supper.

Thank You,

Jim Stephenson
sspeedster356@new.rr.com



February 2010

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
14	15	16	17	18	19	20

What: Chicago Auto Show Bus

The Chicago Auto Show is one of the largest car shows in the world. The show generally displays most all makes of cars, trucks, and SUVs, to include many cars of the future. We will have a 56 passenger coach from Kobussen bus lines and we will be leaving Appleton PROMPTLY at 7:00 am and arriving back in Appleton around 9:00 pm.



When: Saturday, February 20th

Details: 7:00 am departure - 9:00 pm return

Where: Bus from Faith Technologies, 2662 American Drive, Appleton, WI 54914

Breakfast: Stopping at Bublitz's Family Restaurant, 580 East Ave, Lomira, WI 53048 from 8:00 am to 9:00 am.

2010 Chicago Auto Show: McCormick Place, 2301 South Martin Luther King Drive, Chicago, Illinois 60616 Arrive 11:00 am, leave 3:00 pm.

Supper: Stopping at Claim Jumper Restaurant 781 N Milwaukee Ave, Wheeling, IL 60090 from 4:15 pm to 6:15 pm.

Return: Bus returns to Faith Technologies at 9:00 pm

RSVP info: Send checks for coach ride payable to "Fox Valley Region PCA" to:

Jim Stephenson
 111 Parkway Drive
 Combined Locks, WI. 54113

Upcoming Events

Supermileage Challenge

The Wisconsin Energy Efficient Vehicle Association (WEEVA) is the statewide entity including both the Wisconsin Electrathon and Wisconsin Supermileage programs. Both programs provide a means of teaching young people how to evaluate alternatives and make sustainable lifestyle choices, and use a problem-solving discipline to design and build these efficient vehicles, all in a hands-on and team-oriented approach. Students are combining both mental and physical skills through applying Manufacturing and Engineering concepts and equipment to accomplish their tasks.

On Friday, April 30 and Saturday May 1 of 2010, the Fox Valley Region Porsche Club of America will again be supporting the WEEVA Supermileage event. FVR Volunteers have in past years provided much needed assistance for tasks including recording fuel measurements before and after participant runs. If you would be interested in becoming part of the growing number of FVR members providing volunteer support for this, the 9th year that FVTC has hosted this event, please contact Peg Homel at phomel@att.net



April / May 2010

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
25	26	27	28	29	30	1

What: Supermileage Challenge.

When: Friday, April 30th to Saturday May 1st

Where: Friday - FVTC, Appleton, WI; Saturday WIR, Kaukauna, WI

Details Available: <http://www.challengewisconsin.org/supermileage/FVTC.html>

Plum Hill Dinner/Social

Jim and Lisa Stephenson will be hosting an FVR social event at the Plum Hill restaurant in Kaukauna on Tuesday, April 06, 2010, and welcome interested FVR members to attend. Take a moment to review their menu at their website, and you'll surely be intrigued by the available choices of dinner entrees offered at Plum Hill.

What: Plum Hill Dinner/Social

When: Tuesday, April 6, 2010

5:30-6:30 p.m. (Gathering/Cocktails)

6:30-8:00 p.m. (Dinner/Meeting if need be)

Where: Plum Hill Cafe & Art

313 Dodge Street

Kaukauna, WI

(920)766-9090

www.plumhillcafe.com

April 2010

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
4	5	6	7	8	9	10

Contact: sspeedster356@new.rr.com

Upcoming Events

Spring Waterfall Tour



May 2010

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
16	17	18	19	20	21	22

What: Spring Waterfall Tour - You are invited to tour of some of the UP's most spectacular and accessible waterfalls.

When: Saturday, May 22nd, 2010, 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM CDT

The tour will start and end in the parking lot of the Days Inn, Eagle River, WI

In the morning: We will visit Bond Falls (pictured above) and Agate Falls.

Lunch: Elk & Hound Restaurant, Ironwood, MI (tentative)

N10233 Country Club Rd, Ironwood, MI 49938

In the afternoon: Potawatami Falls & Gorge Falls (collocated) and Lake Gogebic State Park (Rest Stop)

Overnight Accommodations: We have a block of rooms reserved at the Eagle River Days Inn for the nights before and after the tour (the 21st and the 22nd). To reserve a room, please send email to Al Curran at arcllc@gmail.com. The room rate is \$62.10 per night plus tax.

There will be many other interesting sites along the way, including the Copper Peak Ski Jump and the world's largest Stormy Kromer (if you don't know what a Stormy Kromer is, all the more reason to come!)

RSVP info: Contact Al Curran at arcllc@gmail.com

FVR 20th Anniversary Celebration

Fox Valley Region Porsche Club of America 20th Anniversary Celebration

July 2010

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
18	19	20	21	22	23	24

All previous and current officers and members of the FVR,
as well as current members and officers in Zone 13 are invited



Saturday, July 24, 2010

Noon to 7:00 PM

Trout Springs Winery

8150 River Road

Greenleaf, WI

www.troutspringswinery.com



*Hosted by Steve & Andrea DeBaker,
committee members: Laura Prellwitz, Andrew Opicka, Nick Proctor,
Larry Rogers, and Tim Diedrich*

Winery and fish hatchery tours @ 1:00 and 2:00 PM only
Wine tasting throughout the day (3 sweet & 3 dry wines)
Full wine tasting (7-8 full flights plus food pairing for an additional \$3.50
payable at the event)

Low-key Concours with special parking for show cars with
special guest judge, Zone Rep. Ken Hold

Potluck dinner 4:00 - 5:00 PM **(please bring a dish to share)**
Meat, buns, condiments, tableware, and water provided.
Folding chairs would also be appreciated

Bocce ball (with trophy and prizes), raffles, silent auction, door prizes,
Concours trophies, and music to follow dinner

FVR 20th Anniversary Celebration

Order your 20th Anniversary FVR Logo t-shirt to Commemorate this special event and year!

All t-shirts are crew neck, on high quality black cotton material, with our Fox Valley PCA logo and 20th anniversary date in yellow and black lettering

T-shirts can be ordered in men's and women's sizes,
Small, medium, large, and XL for \$15 each
Size 2XL for \$17

ALL t-shirt orders are due no later than Tuesday, June 15th.

Orders will arrive in early July and can be picked up at the Auto Clinic in Neenah prior to the anniversary (we will let you know when they arrive) or at Trout Springs on July 24th.

RSVP's ARE REQUIRED!

To reserve your place and shirt for the 20th anniversary celebration, complete this form and mail it to our Treasurer, Larry Rogers.

Yes, I want to order a t-shirt(s)! Indicate number of shirts and size by gender:

	small (\$15 each)	medium (\$15 each)	large (\$15 each)	XL (\$15 each)	2XL (\$17 each)	Total t-shirts
Mens	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	\$ _____
Womens	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	\$ _____

Yes, I/we will attend the 20th anniversary celebration!

Number attending	_____	x \$5 / person	Total attending	\$ _____
			Grand Total	\$ _____

RSVP's with t-shirt orders, must be received no later than JUNE 15th. (You may order a t-shirt(s) without attending the event, too.) **RSVP's for attending the event only are due no later than JULY 15th.** Send this form and your check payable to "Fox Valley Region PCA" to:

Larry Rogers
168 South Pine Court
Appleton, 54914

FVR Calendar of Events

February	Friday, February 05, 2010 Movie Night at SC Grand Movie night and dinner at SC Grand in DePere; 5:30 PM Social, 6:00 PM Dinner, & 7:00 Movie. Please RSVP by Feb 1 to: Andrew Opicka at Andrew@Opicka.com
	Thursday, February 11, 2010 Technical Session at Bergstrom Porsche Porsche Panamera Technical Session Presented by Chuck James from PCNA Please RSVP by Feb 8 to Andrew@Opicka.com NEW!
	Saturday, February 20, 2010 Bus to Auto Show Bus trip to Chicago Auto Show. Jim Stephenson hosting. sspeedster356@new.rr.com
March	Tuesday, March 02, 2010 Porsche Driving School at Sports Corner Will be held at Sports Corner, DePere. Porsche Driving School information and dinner. Andrew Opicka hosting. Andrew@Opicka.com
April	Tuesday, April 06, 2010 Plum Hill Dinner/Social Plum Hill restaurant in Kaukauna, hosted by the Stephenson's. sspeedster356@new.rr.com
	Friday, April 30, 2010 - Saturday, May 01, 2010 Supermileage Challenge Supermileage challenge at FVTC and WIR. Joe & Peg Homel, coordinators. phomel@att.net
May	Saturday, May 01, 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)
	Tuesday, May 04, 2010 - 05:00 PM Jim & Linda's Social Join us for the annual "spring opener" dinner, social, and car show at Jim & Linda's in Pipe, WI; 5:00 social, 7:00 dinner, hosted by Gordon Skog. gord240z@hotmail.com
	Friday, May 14, 2010 - Sunday, May 16, 2010 Vintage races at RA Road America, SVRA Spring Vintage Weekend & Family Tailgate Party.
	Saturday, May 15, 2010 Learn to Drive Stick Learn to Drive Stick seminar - Andrew Opicka hosting. Andrew@Opicka.com
	Sunday, May 16, 2010 FV Road & Track Classic Fox Valley Road and Track Classic
	Friday, May 21, 2010 - Sunday, May 23, 2010 Waterfalls Tour to UP Waterfalls tour to Michigan's UP, Al Curran tourmeister. arcllc@gmail.com
	Tuesday, June 01, 2010 Kodiak Jack's Social Dinner/social at Kodiak Jack's in Oshkosh, Strublic's hosting. jjstrublic@centurytel.net
June	Saturday, June 05, 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.
	Sunday, June 06, 2010 State Parks Tour Free State Parks tour, Jamie & Laura Prellwitz hosting. lprellwitz@att.net
	Saturday, June 12, 2010 Ladies' Only Tour Door County - Lake Michigan Shore, Laura Prellwitz hosting. lprellwitz@att.net
	Thursday, June 17, 2010 - Sunday, June 20, 2010 June Sprints at RA Road America, Chicago Region SCCA June Sprints
	Saturday, June 26, 2010 Keshena Area Rally Rally in Keshena area, Jim Lowey hosting. jimlowey00@frontiernet.com
	Saturday, July 3, 2010 - 09:00 AM to 11:00 AM Coffee at Bergstrom Porsche Coffee and doughnuts at Bergstrom Porsche 9:00 - 11:00 AM, Laura Prellwitz hosting
July	Saturday, July 3, 2010 PCA Parade - St. Charles, Illinois invites you to the 55th Porsche Parade in St. Charles at the Pheasant Run Resort.

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July	Tuesday, July 6, 2010 Branch River Social Dinner/social at Branch River Country Club, Prellwitz's hosting. lprellwitz@att.net
	Saturday, July 10, 2010 Iola Car Show/Cook-Out Iola Car Show/cook-out at Mark & Barb Wilkinson's in New London. wlknsnm@wolfnet.net
	Thursday, July 15, 2010 - Sunday, July 18, 2010 Kohler/Brian Redman at RA Road America Kohler International Challenge with Brian Redman (vintage cars).
	Saturday, July 24, 2010 20th at Trout Springs Winery FVR 20th Anniversary celebration at Trout Springs Winery, hosted by Steve and Andrea DeBaker and Laura Prellwitz. lprellwitz@att.net
August	Tuesday, August 3, 2010 Social Event This social event on east shore of Lake Winnebago will be organized and hosted by Justin Pauly. jepauly@mac.com
	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 Motor Head Picnic "Motor head" picnic, rally, and music at Bollenbach's in Mountain, WI. Overnight accommodations available. pete@graniteridgekennels.com
	Thursday, August 19, 2010 - Sunday, August 22, 2010 ALMS at RA Road America American Le Mans Series.
September	Saturday, September 4, 2010 - 10:00 AM to 02:00 PM Picnic at Bergstrom Porsche Potluck picnic at Bergstrom Porsche 10:00 - 2:00 PM
	Monday, September 6, 2010 - Labor Day Picnic at Road America Hosted by George Payne 82targa@att.net and Jim & Cindy Janes. porschepj123@yahoo.com
	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. ataylor@wctc.net
October	Tuesday, October 5, 2010 Tech Session at AutoClinic Tech session at Gordon's. gord240z@hotmail.com
	Saturday, October 9, 2010 Lap Around the Lake "Lap Around the Lake" (Winnebago) tour hosted by Prellwitz's. lprellwitz@att.net
November	Tuesday, November 2, 2010 Mackinaw's Social Dinner at Mackinaw's hosted by Charlie & Barb Wise. seawise@new.rr.com
December	Saturday, December 11, 2010 Holiday Party Holiday Party -Holiday Inn Neenah - host/hostess needed.

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 to order yours now. You can have it in time for our upcoming events.

Does your business provide goods or services of interest to Porsche owners?

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Contact the editor to discuss your ad today!

Advertising Chair, Tim Diedrich
advertising@fvr-pca.com

Subject: Best of the Best from the Fox Valley PCA

We've talked about it for many months, now let's make it happen. After all the delicious potlucks we've had, I know many of you have some outstanding recipes for appetizers, salads, desserts, casseroles, etc.

Let's put together a recipe book of all your best recipes and create the "Best of the Best from the Fox Valley Region PCA".

Please send me your favorite recipes and over the next several months, I will assemble a recipe book. (I have to find something to fill my time once I'm past-president). Perhaps we can use this as a fund raiser for our charities, too. Email them to lprellwitz@att.net or, you may also photocopy your recipes and mail them to me:

Laura Prellwitz
1115 South 35 Street
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Looking forward to receiving and reading all your yummy recipes!

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Where Are the Region Members From?

It was at some point after enjoying the Italian buffet at the Neenah Holiday Inn Riverwalk during the Fox Valley Region 2009 holiday party, that another member seated at our table asked the question; "Where are the FVR members from?" Well, I felt that was an outstanding question, on two counts. One; it was a question I had also pondered, and two; it was therefore a question that I was prepared to answer.

It hardly seems plausible that I could at this point in time be considered an authority on any subject regarding the FVR, having only been a member for six months. Too much time on my hands perhaps, but there are some subjects that will readily absorb whatever waking moments I have. Anything to do with maps is one, another is best put under the general heading of maps and technology.

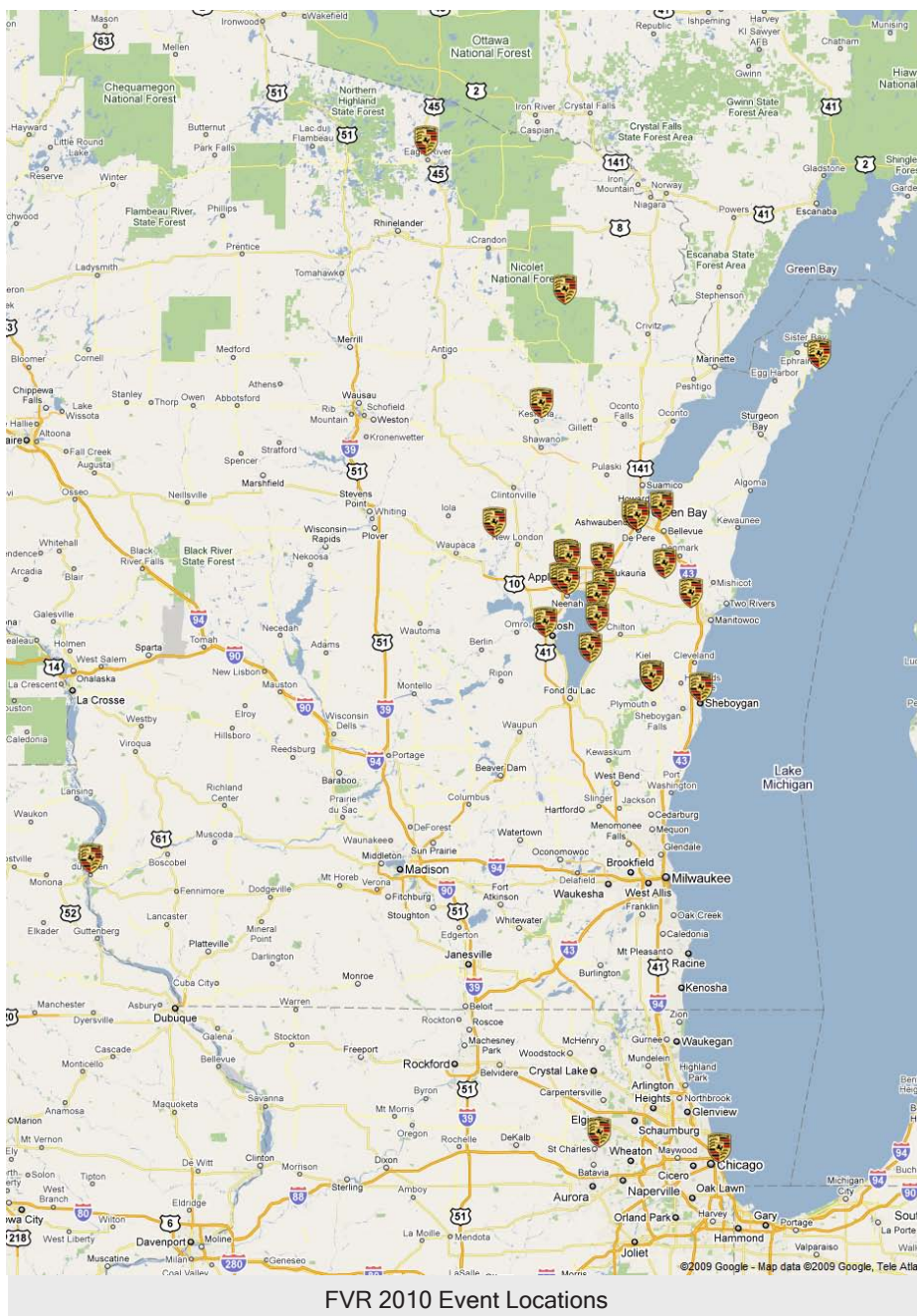
My attempt to answer the question with a verbal response was probably not the most definitive, something along the lines of the highest concentrations of members are along the highway 41 corridor from Green Bay to Oshkosh. What you see on the cover of this month's Whaletales is a Google© map with placemarks indicating member locations (not shown on that map are the members who are residents of Oregon, Colorado, and Illinois).

Although the Fox Valley Region membership represents a geographically diverse collection of locations, it is interesting that the average of all FVR members geographic coordinates lies in a field in the Town of Maple Creek in Outagamie county, not far from the location of the family homestead farm of one of the original FVR board members, Brian Laedtke.

Aside from being a mere test of aptitude for crunching numbers and diversion from the throes of winter, what use is this information? It could serve as an optimization method when selecting a venue for an event; for instance an event northeast of Appleton would be require the least aggregate number of miles to be

driven if all FVR members were to attend.

A map has also been created listing the FVR 2010 calendar of events. That map, shown below provides approximate locations for all of the events listed in the FVR Calendar of Events pages in this issue.



Where Are the Region Members From?

Currently under development is a coordinated effort to provide improved navigational information in both the Whaletales newsletter and FVR website. Both Bing and Google websites have been tested for functionality, with Google being the preferred site. That is in no small

part due to Google's user friendly permissions for use of their mapping imagery. The images used in this newsletter are allowed uses provided that legible attribution to Google and their partnered navigational sources is made, and provided we use "distinctive aspects" of their mapping

products. In the coming months we will be providing additional details on availability of web access and downloadable GPS navigational materials for FVR events and tours.

Board Notes - Technical Advisor

Technical Advisor

I have found an interesting article\forum notes that may be of interest to the DIY Cayman and Boxster owners. Please remember safety first whenever attempting your own service.

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PLEASE NOTE: Fox Valley Region PCA is NOT affiliated with pelicanparts.com in any way. All ideas, submissions, or services found on this site are in no way endorsed or supported by the club.

<http://forums.pelicanparts.com/boxster-cayman-forum/446236-where-place-jack-stands-after-lifting-car.html>

Mit freundlichen Grüßen,

Andrew Opička

Board Notes - WebMeister

There have been many changes towards our websites. Even though we still have two websites, our primary one has been redirected, which makes it appear that we have one site. Our secondary one, <http://fv.pca.org>, has seen many changes as well. I had posted a site that I had many hours invested into, however, due to transferring files from one computer to another, the links didn't work properly. As a result, I have created a temporary website and have posted that one. We now have a links to Facebook, our sponsors, a google calendar and a couple of pictures.

We are working with Google calendar which has some nice features. One feature is that it creates a map to display where the event is located. Please visit the website often and check out our new calendar feature along with the Facebook link. I am planning on changing the style of the website often and will be incorporating many pictures of the different events our club has over the summer.

Al Taylor
Webmaster for FVR

Porsche Racing News

Fontana, California - January 7, 2010

Team Falken Tire, the American Le Mans Series factory race team, has taken delivery of the only 2010 Porsche GT3 RSR race car shipped to North America. The RSR is destined for competition in the grueling nine-race ALMS series this year .

The car was hand-built in Porsche's Weissach, Germany, Motorsports facility, and was then air- freighted on a 747 cargo plane to LAX, close to Falken's Corporate offices in Fontana, California.

The car is the latest generation water-cooled 4.0-Liter Porsche Flat six boxer engine, making 450 HP (restricted). The car will assist, as well as represent, Falken Tire in an aggressive tire development and racing program for the GT class in endurance racing.



ever been as close to a race car as this current GT3 RS. That's why I'm thrilled to be able to prove that this sports car is up to the challenge of the 24 hour race."

The new Porsche 911 GT3 RS is powered by a 450 hp, 3.8-litre, six-cylinder boxer engine. The high-revving unit reaches a specific output of over 118 hp per litre. Developed in the motorsport department at Weissach, the 911 GT3 RS is fitted with a particularly short transmission ratio for racing purposes as a standard feature. The dynamic engine mounts featured as standard contribute to improved driving dynamics. Depending on the driving situation, the mounts change in their stiffness and damping effect, improving the connection between the engine and body when driving under racing conditions. The aerodynamics is consequently designed for downforce - another forte for track racing.

"In the last years, Porsche racing vehicles have performed brilliantly at the 24 hour race on the Nürburgring with their speed and extraordinary reliability," says Hartmut Kristen, Head of Porsche Motorsport. "Four times straight, it was the Porsche GT3 RSR that was the vehicle to dominate the overall classification. I'm very pleased to see one of our Weissach-developed road-going vehicles competing parallel to the thoroughbred racers and proving its suitability for long distance competition."

The 38th running of the Nürburgring 24 hour race takes place from 15 to 16 May 2010. Every year, this event attracts far more than 200,000 spectators to the Nordschleife.

Stuttgart, Germany - January 19, 2010

Porsche ambassador and test driver Walter Röhrl (62) will contest the Nürburgring 24 hour race in May 2010. The double world rally champion pilots a standard Porsche 911 GT3 RS. This marks the first time since 1993 that Röhrl competes in Germany's largest automobile race.

Since 1993, Röhrl has conducted tests in every standard Porsche vehicle on the Nürburgring-Nordschleife. "Right from the word go, the new 911 GT3 RS reminded me of race vehicle," says Röhrl. "No other road-going 911 has



Annual Meeting - January 5

On Tuesday evening of January 5, 2010, the Fox Valley Region Annual Meeting was held at Victoria's Italian Restaurant in Appleton. At this meeting, nearly all of the board was present for an evening of rolling up the sleeves and getting down to the business of running the club. Newsletter editor, Mark Wilkinson was the only board member not present (usually blessed with good health, I've had my quota of down days for the year - guaranteed to be better the rest of the year - MW, editor).

Rather than bore you to tears with words to explain what you can better understand from reading Mary Haen's excellent meeting minutes, enjoy the photos, and

recognize the faces of your fellow FVR members and the people who make the FVR function as a club devoted to your interests.



2010 FVR Board seated in Victoria's dining area



Pat Rogers and Elise Opicka



Mary Haen and Andrew Opicka discuss the issues



2010 Fox Valley Region Board of Directors at Annual Meeting, January 5, 2010 L to R; Dennis Olson, Insurance Coordinator; Tim Diedrich, Dealership Liaison/Advertising Chair; Nick Proctor, Dealership Liaison/Public Relations; Laura Prellwitz, Membership Chair; Jimmy Haen, Librarian/Archivist; Elise Opicka, Social Chair; Andrew Opicka, President; Gordon Skog, Vice President; Mary Haen, Secretary; Larry Rogers, Treasurer; Al Taylor, Webmeister; (Mark Wilkinson, Newsletter Editor - absent)

Annual Meeting - January 5



Al Fisher & Jamie Prellwitz



From left - Andrew Opicka, Gordon Skog, Joe Homel, Dennis Olson, Judy St Aubin, Charlie Wise, Al Fisher, & Jamie Prellwitz



Judy St Aubin & Cindy Janes



Tim St Aubin, Arleigh Lueck, Mary Lynn Lueck, & Larry Rogers



Peg Homel, Jimmy Haen, Mary Haen, & John Strublic



Tim Diedrich, Nick Proctor, & Renny Diedrich

Club Meeting Minutes

January 2010 Board Meeting Notes

- Andrew opened the board meeting by thanking Pat and Larry Rogers for setting up the January dinner night at Victoria's.
- He also thanked Tim and Renny Diedrich for setting up the club on face book. The club face book page will reference/link to the new web site.
- Since there was minimal participation in the trivia contest this year, there was discussion regarding the continuation of the contest. Should we make changes to the type of questions included; not only technical questions, but also event related questions where you would have had to be present to know the answer. Any volunteers to run the trivia contest?
- Tim Diedrich volunteered to become our Advertising Chair. He has many ideas he plans to explore and develop. If you have ideas you think would be helpful, please let Tim know.
- We are looking for member involvement in the newsletter as well. Have you created a "man cave" or done something of interest to the group? Please share with us the before, during and after photos and story. Your story may give someone else a place to start their project.
- Board members are also asked to submit an article to the newsletter every month that is relevant to their position, i.e. librarian - when new books have we ordered/received. Article submissions are due to Mark by the 20th of each month.
- With the advent of posting the newsletter on the web site, we will no longer publish any treasury amounts so they are not readily available to outside readers. Per Larry, Holiday Party Silent Auction proceeds should cover the expense of buying some of the items for raffle and leave a balance to be donated to charity this coming year.
- We are looking for someone to host the Holiday Party this year. Table decorations will once again be done by Barb and Charlie Wise.
- Laura and Andrew will meet to hash out details and budgets for the 20th anniversary party. Tim has volunteered to do the DJ work and to look for donations for door prizes. 20th anniversary shirts will be produced with Nick in charge sometime in June. Nick will require that most of the shirt orders be prepaid with only a limited number of extras.
- Jim Stephenson is hosting the Bus Trip to the Chicago Auto Show on Feb 20. This has been well attended in the past, so RSVP early. Sounds like we've got a rather deluxe motor coach and nice dinners planned. (Laura says there will even be room for coolers!) Contact Jim for bus reservations and info on on-line admission ticket info.
- Al Taylor, our illustrious Webmeister, has been working VERY HARD at tweaking our website to a design that is brighter and will allow all of us a more user friendly interface as well as removing the majority of password protected areas. He also proposed the use of Photobucket to link our site seamlessly to our photo site to quickly and easily share our memories. He would like to feature a member and their car each month. Al brought his laptop to the meeting so we could see the progress. However, due to running short of time we were not able to see the results of his efforts. Hopefully, in the near future, we'll get that chance.
- Elise will take over the distribution of postcards to the three or four members that do not have computers. Postcards let those members know of upcoming events.
- Elise also inquired about interest in a club event magnet similar to what Road America sends out. She will inquire on cost and a few other details.
- We have a pretty full calendar of events for 2010; your participation is all that's needed. Please be courteous and RSVP to the tour host/hostess in a timely manner.
- Jim Haen, librarian, has a new set of three books "The Complete Porsche" that will soon be added to the library cabinet. The Porsche archival book set was advertised in Road & Track. He will also provide Al with an updated library media list to eventually post on the website.
- Meeting was adjourned at 21:48 hours.

Porsche Man-Caves

We've all either seen them on the auto care shelves, read the advertisements, or know the name - Griot's Garage. So I took an interest when the name popped up in this month's search for a Porsche man-cave. That description stemmed from a story about a Portland area Porsche owner and his like-minded friends that found themselves in after inviting Griot's Garage founder, Richard Griot out to join them for dinner, when Griot told them, "Maybe you should all come over and hang out in my garage instead."

So this last December, when the group visited Richard's garage they were welcomed to view a number of Porsche's in Griot's collection, including: a 1984 962C Porsche works car, the Kremer Brothers 935 twin turbo, a metallic orange 1988 930 Turbo, and a new Cayenne GTS. And that was inside the garage, outside was a paint-to-sample 1978 SC in metallic lime green, a black Carrera GT, and pictured below, a green GT3RS that was the Porsche press car at the GT3RS launch (and a past Griot's Garage cover car).

The 911 GT3 RS was introduced by Porsche in 2003. The RS (Rennsport, or "Motorsport") is lighter than the standard GT3, owing to a polycarbonate rear window and a carbon fiber hood and wing. The horizontally-opposed 6 cylinder, 3.6 liter engine features overhead cams with 4 valves per cylinder, varioCam valve timing, and titanium connecting



2007 GT3 RS (Griot's Garage Handbook 283 cover car)

Porsche Man-Caves

rods. The mill cranks out 415 horses, rocketing the RS to 60 mph in about 4 seconds, and enabling top speeds close to 200 mph (all with an estimated 24 mpg on the highway)!

This particular car was Porsche North America's press vehicle and was probably driven by more people than any other GT3RS in the world. If you saw a green RS in an industry magazine or website, chances are this was the one. The inside trunk is signed by legendary Porsche race-car driver Hurley Haywood. He often presented and drove this car on tracks and at press events to show its performance potential.

In addition to a magnificent collection of Porsche's, Richard Griot has built an impressive man-cave complete with movie theater, a bar, and both a poker table and pool table finished off in Griot's Garage Red. While some of us might debate the relative merits of Guard's Red for such finishing details in our own man-caves, the "track" lighting used in Richard's man-cave is certainly an interesting creative detail.

Porsche Guys' Night in the Man Cave, <http://www.inmygarage.com/?p=1977>



Entrance to Richard Griot's man cave



Hurley Haywood's signature - how cool is that?



Poker table ready for action in the cave



Track Lighting detail

Tech Tips for the Porsche

Tech Tips from AutoAtlanta

- (Boxster Specific) Should you notice excessive movement in the shifter or a loud CLUNK during takeoff , it may be time for new engine mounts. To access them just remove the interior access hatch and have an assistant watch the engine while you drive. If the engine rises more than an inch between shifts, the front engine mount should be immediately replaced.
- If you notice a squeaking noise as you are driving over a bump in your 996 or Boxster, your front shock is more than likely the culprit.
- If you notice a squeak when you turn the steering wheel you probably have a bad lower ball joint. The joint can be replaced but the simplest solution is to replace the entire lower control arm.
- If your 996 or Boxster has a Blue coolant cap, it should be replaced, as they are prone to failure. The later style caps are black, and have a part number ending in 01.
- (Boxster Specific) If you notice excessive moisture in the rear trunk, the most common cause is a crack in the coolant overflow tank. As soon as you notice moisture in the trunk, you should have the cooling system pressurized and inspected. A little maintenance could save bundles in time and money.

Board Notes - Social Chair

Is there anything more wonderful than a full FVR Porsche Club social calendar for 2010? Some of you may argue that a sunny dry spring day to reawaken your hibernating Porsche's is more wonderful, but as your Social Chair it is all a matter of perspective. I am honored to help coordinate the fun events that the Club offers every year. Check out the events on the calendar and plug in where you can. I know some of you reading this may have never attended an event, and I will tell you that you don't know what you are missing. Owning a Porsche is more than just driving fast and looking cool, it is also about socializing with other great people who like to drive fast and look cool!

I know that 2011 seems far away, but let's start filling up that calendar so we can keep up the momentum. Please contact me if you would like to host an event next year and we will work out the details.

Cheers,

Elise Opicka

Board Notes - Dealer Liaison

January 2010 Dealer Liaison

Weekly visits have been paid to Bergstrom Porsche. Planning sessions for upcoming technical sessions and coffee and doughnut Saturdays were held with Paul Ellsworth and dates are on his calendar.

Nick and Tim

Porsche Sport Driving School

Porsche Sport Driving School and Porsche Travel Club Offer a Wide Range of Activities for 2010

Special Driving Events Planned in Coming Year

Atlanta/Stuttgart, January 15, 2010 - Porsche is challenging its most passionate drivers in 2010 to hone their performance skills on an array of new and established locations that include the renowned Porsche Driving School at the scenic but challenging Barber Motorsport Park in Birmingham, Alabama, as well as other special locations around the globe.

Internationally, Porsche has plans for special hands-on driver training, as well as exclusive travel and driving experiences at exciting locations worldwide. Interested participants can begin booking immediately through Porsche Sport Driving School and the Porsche Travel Club 2010.

Most appropriately at this time of the year, the first event is Winter Training as part of the Porsche Driving Experience. Two ideal events for beginners are Porsche's Precision Training Camp in Austria and Camp 4 in Finland. For the more experienced winter drivers, on the other hand, Porsche is offering snowbound tracks and ice lake driving courses prepared exclusively for the German automaker at the Porsche Driving Experience

Center in north Finland, which recently opened in 2009. Here several Winter Training Sessions are being offered on this frozen tundra from January until the end of April. The ultimate driving experience here is reserved for the Master Training Experience with Porsches running on ice with spiked tires that promise the ultimate in severe winter driving fun.

As always, the Porsche Sport Driving School operates year round and offers numerous courses for beginners, intermediates and advanced drivers, including special programs tailored to specific groups of drivers. Porsche Classic Training with historical sports cars, for example, is now being held for the second time. Super Sport Training, in turn, thrills drivers with the very high-performance Porsche sports cars such as the Carrera GT, the 911 GT2, or the GT3. The "Women Only," program, as the name indicates, is targeted specifically at women with a penchant for driving in truly sporting style.

The Porsche Sport Driving School forms the heart of Porsche's performance driving events for most of its customers and has been a part of Porsche's special



Porsche Sport Driving School

events for many years. Here in the U.S., Porsche operates one of the country's top Sport Driving Schools anywhere. Guest drivers of all skill levels receive personal instruction in Porsche renowned sports cars from 28 top professional drivers, many of whom are highly accomplished drivers in their sport with historic wins in some of the world's most renowned races. For example, the team is led by the great endurance racer, Hurley Haywood, who among other accomplishments, has won five times at the 24 Hours of Daytona, three times at the 24 Hours of Le Mans, and twice the 12 Hours of Sebring. Various programs include beginning, intermediate and advanced race instruction. Programs can be booked for one, two or three days.

All in all, some 250 instructors working for Porsche the world over guarantee optimum support and know-how for participants - on national and international race tracks, both offroad and on ice. Participants even have the opportunity to acquire a motorsport license in order to join

in customer races such as the Porsche Sports Cup.

The wide range of activities offered by the Porsche Travel Club subdivided in 2010 into four specific themes is both attractive and highly individual: Porsche Behind the Scenes, Porsche Weekends, Porsche Adventure Tours, and Porsche Camps. Apart from day and weekend excursions to popular destinations in Germany, Porsche Travel Club also offers exclusive tours to beautiful places both nearer by and far away. Driving a Porsche sports car, a Cayenne or the Panamera, for example, guests have the opportunity to discover both the Provence and the Côte d'Azur, the Alps or the Pyrenees.

The various courses and sessions offered by the Porsche Driving Experience may also be booked by companies wishing to give their employees a very special gift. For further information on both U.S. and international programs, please visit Porschedriving.com or call 888 204-7474.

Board Notes - Treasurer

Did you know that your annual club dues of \$42.00 are split with the National office? They keep \$28.00 to cover the production costs of PANORAMA, the salaries of the few administrative people that operate the office in Virginia, and other costs incurred by National Club officers and Zone Managers, all of whom volunteer their services. Our Fox Valley Region receives \$14.00 of your annual dues. Since we have roughly 150 members, that means we get approximately \$2,100.00 annually to operate our Region. Next month I'll give you some broad strokes on our other sources of revenue, and how we spend the money.

Larry Rogers
Treasurer

Board Notes - Newsletter

I have just one short message to add this month, and that is a request for input from members for future Whaletales editions. Member bios, Porsche related photography, short stories about repair, restoration, or even routine maintenance projects on your Porsche would also be welcome.

Please forward any ideas regarding possible submissions for the above, or any comments or concerns regarding this newsletter to me at editor@fv-pca.com

Mark Wilkinson
Whaletales Editor

Membership Milestones



Member Anniversaries

Name	Location	Vehicle(s)	Member Since
Byron (Bud) Anderson & Ann Schoenecker	Green Bay, WI	1976 914 1964 356	1992
Doug Caple and daughter, Ashley Caple	Appleton, WI	1972 911	1999
Martin & Jan Krebs	Junction City, WI	1989 944S2 2001 986	2003
George & Quinn Payne*	Oshkosh, WI	1982 911	2007
David A. Stank	Appleton, WI	1982 911	2005
Gerald & Deborah Wetter	Appleton, WI		1966
Fritz Wotruba and Trevor Wotruba	Appleton, WI	1986 944	1989

*George Payne, along with Jim and Cindy Janes, will be co-hosting the Labor Day picnic at Road America September 6.

The Fox Valley region now has 153 primary members, 128 affiliate members, for a grand total of 281 members. This is the highest membership ever in 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, or contact Laura Prellwitz, membership chairperson, know so she can send a paper application in the mail to the potential member.

From the Editor

The Learning Curve

Are we just about ready for some fun in the sun yet? For those of us that choose not to sneak away to a milder climate for a bit of warm weather play, or maybe that sort of escape just isn't in the cards, this time of year in Wisconsin can at times contribute to a melancholy mood. Just thinking about it this Rolling Stones tune, aptly named "Winter" (Jagger/Richards, 1973, side 2) was on my mind;

*It sure been a cold, cold winter,
my feet been draggin' 'cross the ground.
And the fields has all been brown and fallow
And the springtime take a long way around*

Having been through a couple dozen Wisconsin winters already I should surely have the hang of this by now. The sun will rise (a bit higher in the sky each day now!), the seasons will change, and storms will pass. But we can all use a little something to pick us up along the way. How about a bus trip to Chicago on Saturday February 20th to attend the 2010 Chicago Auto Show to liven things up a bit? Fellow member Jim Stephenson has arranged for a 56 passenger coach from Kobussen bus lines to transport those of us who might be looking for a bit of an escape from the dreariest days of winter. You know, that period of time between weekly football games between your favorite NFL teams, and when the road salt is finally rinsed off the asphalt by those welcome April showers.

Well - I don't know about you, but I am looking forward to this spring, summer, and fall. We have plenty of FVR events on the calendar already, so everyone can be making plans to attend the events that, well, just plain sound like fun. Of course, we don't need to think much past getting behind the wheel of our Porsches and imagining some of the greatest roads on earth to drive, and meeting with our equally great friends, old and new to make plans for doing more of the same.

Hey, it works for me! And for you, just thinking about this has a new tune in my head now, given the month of February coming up Bon Jovi's Summertime (Bon Jovi/Sambora/Shanks, 2007, track 2) seems appropriate;

*[solo] Feel something like summertime
Top down ain't nothing but time
Radio's on for me and my valentine*

*[chorus] It's like that first slow dance and that first long kiss
There ain't nothing baby better then this
It's like a beach blanket and a bottle of wine (yeah)
Feels something like summertime
Top down ain't nothing but time
Radio's on and you're by my side,
Feels something like summertime
Just like summer time
Sum-sum-summertime
Something like summertime*

Now stay warm, and hold that thought; it won't be long and "sum-sum-summertime" will be here in Wisconsin!

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