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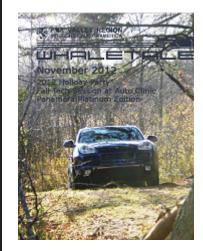
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On the cover

What to do when bringing a Cayenne home for the first time? Well, of course finding just the right photo op to show it off - and slogging around the "back 40" just seemed like the right thing to do-:) (Photo by owner/editor, Mark Wilkinson)

From the President

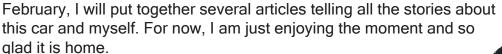
I am not sure about you guys, but I cannot wait for winter to hit. Just so things will slow down a bit. It has been one crazy busy year. I guess that keeps me out of trouble for the most part, but it just seems like I have no time to just sit back and enjoy the moment. I suppose there will be time enough for that, when I retire or am near dead. They say that the real satisfaction comes from the journey and once obtained what else is there. So what I am trying to do is sit back and enjoy my journey, the thing is, I have no time to do that. Some predicament I'm in. Not sure how I will work this out, but I will find a way.

So October started off with the Annual Tech Session at Auto Clinic, fantastic weather, what a night. A great turn out by our members. I think all who attended would agree that it was a great event, whether it was learning some of the suspension systems of our Porsche's or just socializing or winning the door prizes. So thanks to all who attended and I hope you had an enjoyable evening.

October 13th we had our past President, Laura and Jamie Prellwitz host a small gathering of friends at their home in Manitowoc. It was a bit chilly that evening, but it was nice and cozy with their set up in the garage. They supplied all the food and drink. This was one evening that I was able to sit back and relax and just enjoy the company. It really and truly was a gathering of friends, I am very blessed.

Coming up November 6th, we have Barb and Charlie Wise hosting a dinner at Mackinaws in Green Bay. Owner of Mackinaws, and club member Pat Quinn, really caters to our club, Barb and Charlie always makes sure that it is a fun filled evening, so be sure to send in your RSVP to (seawise@new. rr.com) Coming December 15th, is the annual Holiday Party. Start making plans and mark these dates down.

Some exciting news for me this past month was, my 63 Porsche 356, finally came home; it has been at different body shops for many years. It has been a long road, but is finally done with the body and paint work complete. This project will be my main personal goal to finish putting together this winter. I have plans to take it out for the first time for the clubs annual Pipe run in the spring. Starting next



Hope to see you at the last 2 events

of the year.

Proud to be your President.



FVR Calendar of Events

| November | Tuesday, November 6, 2012 November dinner/social, at Mackinaws hosted by Barb and Charlie Wise. seawise@new.rr.com |
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| December | Saturday, December 15, 2012 Holiday Party at Holiday Inn Neenah Riverwalk. Hosted by Gordon Skog and and Debbie Houle, gord240z@live.com |
| January | |
| February | |
| March | Tuesday, March 5, 2013 Spring Tech Session at the Auto Clinic, hosted by Gordon Skog. gord240z@live.com |
| April | Tuesday, April 2, 2013 Dinner/social at the Lorelei Inn in Green Bay, hosted by Jamie and Laura Prellwitz. lprellwitz@att.net |
| May | Saturday, May 18 - Sunday, May 19, 2013 Waterfalls tour to Pictured Rocks National Lakeshore in Michigan's UP, hosted by Al Curran. arcllc@gmail.com |
| June | Saturday, June 8, 2013 Ladies' Only Tour to Washington Island, more details yet to come! Hosted by Laura Prellwitz lprellwitz@att.net |
| | Sunday, June 23 - Saturday, June 29, 2013 2013 Porsche Parade, Traverse City, MI Grand Traverse Resort |
| July | Saturday, July 13, 2013 lola Old Car Show (Ford versus Chevy: Showdown in I-town.) tubing, and roast beef dinner, hosted by Barb & Mark Wilkinson. mark.wilkinson@charter.net |
| August | |
| September | Friday, September 20 - Sunday, September 22, 2013 Fall Tour to Minoqua, WI area, hosted by Bob and Carol Burress & Greg and Mary Rigoni - more details yet to come on this event! |
| October | Tuesday, October 1, 2013 Fall tech session at Auto Clinic, hosted by Gordon Skog. gord240z@live.com |
| November | |
| December | |

November 6: Dinner at Mackinaws

November 2012

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What: Dinner/Social at Mackinaw's When: Tuesday, November 8, 2011

6:00-7:00 p.m. Social 7:00 p.m. Dinner

Where: Mackinaws Grill & Spirits

2925 Voyager Drive (I-43 and East Mason)

Green Bay, WI 54311

(920) 406-8000

http://www.mackinaws.com



Our November Dinner will be at Mackinaws in Green Bay, and is being hosted by Barb and Charles Wise. Watch for Porsche parking behind the restaurant, and start the evening socializing with your Porsche friends at 6:00 pm with cocktails, followed by dinner at 7:00 pm.

This year it will be a show and tell with a short game to follow. Please bring something that is serious or interesting that the members can learn from. There will be a prize for the best show/tell of the evening, also a great door raffle.

Please RSVP to Barb Wise at 920-734-4043 or seawise@new.rr.com by Nov.4th as we need to give Pat a head count.

2012 Holiday Party



December 2012

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What: 2012 Holiday Party, hosted by Gordon Skog and Debbie Houle

When: Saturday, December 15, 2012

Where: Holiday Inn Neenah Riverwalk

123 East Wisconsin Avenue, Neenah, WI 54956

Details: 3:30 - 5:00 PM - BOD Officers Only meeting

5:00 - 7:00 PM - Social including cash bar, hors d'oeuvres, and silent auction bidding

7:00 - 8:00 PM - Italian Buffet dinner, including beverage and dessert

8:00 - 9:00 PM - Business meeting and award reception

9:00 PM - Silent Auction promptly closes with all money collected for charity

10:00 PM - Continued social time in Fan Club

Cost: \$14.00 per member*. Non-member or additional guests \$26 per person.

(*The FVR is subsidizing the cost of the dinner)

Please make checks out to FVR-PCA and send to: Larry Rogers

168 S Pine Ct

Appleton, WI 54914

Silent Auction: Please be sure to bring an item or items to donate to our silent auction! This is our largest fundraiser for charity, and a lot of fun every year. Items do not have to be Porsche related, so bring anything that you believe will start a bidding battle. Thank you for your generosity!

RSVP is assumed by your nonrefundable payment sent to Larry Rogers by December 8, 2012. No additions or cancellations can be accepted after December 8th for final planning purposes. Any questions can be directed to Gordon Skog at gord240z@live.com

June 8, 2013: Ladies' Only Tour

Ladies, reserve Saturday, June 8, 2013, as YOUR day to drive and enjoy your Porsche! This year's tour will take us to beautiful Washington Island, in Door County. There is an optional overnight stay in Ephraim as well. Come with us for a great day of driving, fun, laughter, fellowship, shopping, and scenery!

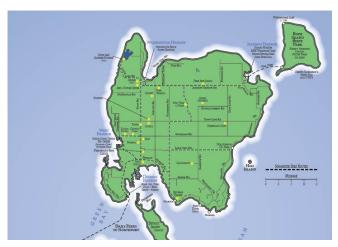
We will meet at the BP Station/McDonald's at 2721 Manitowoc Road, Bellevue (east side of Green Bay) to DEPART @ 8:30 AM. Please be prompt! Manitowoc Road is exit # 181 off I-43. It is about a 2 hour drive to Northport where the ferry will take us to Washington Island. We will take the 11:00 AM ferry and will spend the afternoon on the 35 square mile island.

Costs and options: The 2012 rates are \$13 per person for the ferry only. Each auto is \$26. Therefore, two people in one car is \$52. IF you do not wish to take your car to the island, you may park it at the Northport Visitor's Center parking lot and pay the \$13 fare only. Upon disembarking the ferry, you may walk to some scenic areas and do some

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shopping, rent a bike or moped. Another option is to ride the 2- hour scenic and narrated Cherry Train tour. Individual tickets are \$15, or you may purchase a combo ticket (ferry fare and Cherry Train) for \$27.50. For more information about the ferry, http://wisferry.com/ride-ferry. For more information about the cherry train, http://www.cherrytrain.com

For those of you who take your car to the island and will be driving, we will not have a "follow the leader" type tour. Since it's an island, the chances of getting lost are quite low. Therefore, you will be given a map of the island highlighting points of interest, things to see and do, list of restaurants, etc.,so you will be free to explore at your leisure. Every needs to be back to the ferry dock before 4:00 PM to catch that ferry back to the mainland. The last boat of the day is at 5:00 PM.

We will gather back together at the Northport Visitor Center (ferry dock) and will drive south on Hwy. 42 making a shopping stop at Seaquist Orchards and at Ellison Bay Bluffs County Park for a scenic view.

For those of who are interested, a block of five hotel rooms have been reserved at the Somerset Inn and Suites in Ephraim, WI. A room with two queen beds is \$82.14, all taxes included. Please call the hotel directly at 920-548-1819 or 1-800-809-1819 and ask for one of the rooms reserved under the name "Laura Prellwitz". If there's a problem, please let me know, or ask for the manager, Phil Koch. Any unreserved rooms will be released by May 5, 2013. First come, first served. Please also let me know when you've made a reservation. For more details about the hotel, check out http://www.somersetinndc.com

We will have pizzas delivered from a local pizzeria to the lobby of the hotel for evening supper. Everyone is invited to join with us, whether you are staying at the hotel or not. You are welcome to return home at your leisure on Saturday night, or if you're staying at the hotel, depart at a time of your choosing Sunday morning.

I am excited to have you join us on this unique tour! If you have any questions, please e-mail me at lprellwitz@att.net or call 920-242-1644.

Other Fox Valley Region News

Nominations for 2013 Board of Directors

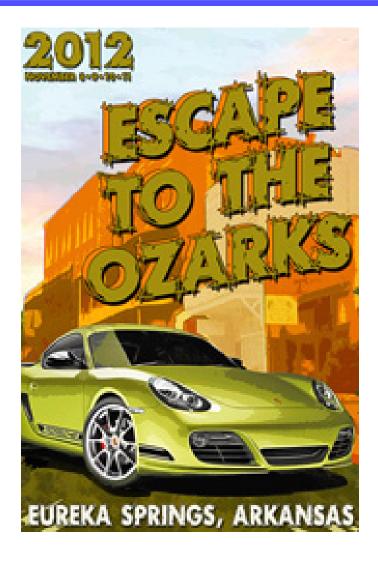
It's that time of year again when we ask for any interested members to step out of the shadows and throw their hat in the ring for next years Board of Directors.

Are you tired of hearing from the same secretary for the past twelve or thirteen years? Would you like to hone your skills in leading a club? (It looks good on your resume.) Do you have ideas of how we can improve as a club? Would you be interested in adding some new blood to the club? We'd love to have you on board. All current board members are willing to help with the transition.

You've heard the saying that it takes a village to raise a child. The same applies to the club. New and fresh ideas make us the great group we are. Please let any board member know of your interest by the end of October so ballots can go out in early November.

Mary Haen Secretary

PCA Escape to The Ozarks



2012 Escape - Eureka Springs, Arkansas - November 8-11

web site now live - http://www.pca-escape.org/

Escape is one of the "big" Porsche Club events of the year. It's often the case that the Parade is on one coast or the other, and not everyone has the time or budget for a trip like that, perhaps all the way across the country. Escape provides you with another option.

November 8th, 9th, 10th, and 11th Eureka Springs, Arkansas will host the 2012 Escape weekend billed as "Escape to the Ozarks", and we are hard at work finalizing plans for a weekend we're sure you'll enjoy. The event will consist of banquets, driving tours, drives to local area attractions and a "People's Choice" car show. There will be free time during the event to allow you to explore area restaurants and culture on your own.

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For Sale: 1992 911 Carrera 2

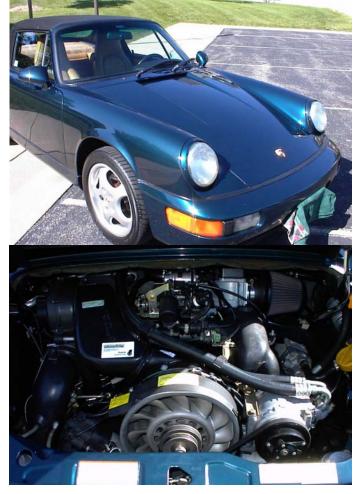
1992 911 Carrera 2 For Sale

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 - 3. new brakes and rotors \$1,592
 - 4. BB Performance Exhaust \$400
 - 5. 30K mile service \$2,296

\$27,000 will drive it home. Car has clean car fax --- no dents / dings / scrapes.

Call Doug Darrah at (920) 378-5538







Fall Tech Session at Auto Clinic

Source - Mary Haen

October meeting at "Fall Tech Session" hosted by Gordon Skog at Auto Clinic

Jimmy Haen, club librarian, brought in a number of new books to add to the library. Now with the cooler weather and yard work nearly done for the season, it's a perfect time to check out a few books or videos and get comfy in your favorite chair. Grab a few while getting your oil changed at Gordon's.

Thanks Gordon, and your band of merry helpers, for once again putting together a very enjoyable Labor Day weekend picnic at Road America. Mother Nature once again smiled down on us with sunny skies and seasonal temperatures.

Fellow member Nick Proctor is recovering nicely from hip replacement surgery. He hopes to rejoin us at the Holiday Party in December. We wish him a speedy recovery. And yes the rumors are true; the GT3 has moved along, but we're waiting to see its replacement!

Thanks also to Laura and Jamie Prellwitz for a very enjoyable Fall Tour to Paradise...Michigan that is. Only someone who has planned a tour can truly appreciate the work and planning that goes into such an event. We appreciate all the effort it took to pull of such an enjoyable weekend.

Twenty eight members gathered for pizza, munchies, and conversation. The Auto Clinic was meticulously clean and heavily stocked with goodies as always. Gordon demonstrated changing struts and shock absorbers as a way to heighten the car and smooth out the ride.

Just a few highlights of Gordon's presentation on changing shocks on a 2002 Carrera 4S:



Gordon Skog and explains and demonstrates during the Fall Tech Session at Auto Clinic (Wilkinson Photo)

Fall Tech Session at Auto Clinic

- Gordon explained the difference between shocks and struts and their functions.
- The demonstration of special tools for properly compressing springs to remove and replace the integral shocks under loads of pressure. To retain opposable thumbs, be sure to pay attention to safety when compressing a spring with so much tension.
- Take your time and pay close attention as to how things came apart so you can reverse the
 process in putting it back together correctly. (A picture from a digital camera can save the day.)
- Shocks generally have a life span of 100,000 miles and gradually fail over time; so it's nice to have someone else drive your car now and again.
- Rotate tires often, especially in front wheel drive cars, to help even out tire wear.
- After replacement of shocks, be sure to have a quality alignment done.

Another thank you to Gordon, for his top notch hospitality and for his gracious donation of many door prizes. The proceeds from the charity raffle put \$85.00 into the fund; the super mechanics tool chest was won by George Payne.



Gordon demonstrates safely compressing coil springs (Wilkinson Photo)



Reassembly of the suspension components (Wilkinson Photo)



Tech Session attendees search for the winning number (Wilkinson Photo)

Porsche continues on its record course

Source: Porsche AG Press Release

Lutz Meschke, CFO of Porsche AG: High earning power demonstrates strict cost discipline Nine months into 2012, Porsche continues on its record course

Stuttgart. Dr. Ing. h.c. F. Porsche AG has boosted its sales by 28.1 percent to 10.15 billion euro in the first nine months of the 2012 fiscal year. Sales increased by 20.2 percent to 103,245 vehicles. The operating profit rose by 22.9 percent to 1.88 billion euro. For Matthias Müller, President and CEO of Porsche AG, the thriving business development "is proof for the great appeal of the sports cars and the Porsche brand alike. With an operating profit margin of 18.5 percent being achieved, Porsche AG is taking a pole position in the automotive industry." Market launches of more models such as the all-wheel drive versions of the new generation of the 911 Carrera ensure that Porsche will maintain its leading position, Mr. Müller declared.

Lutz Meschke, Porsche AG's chief financial officer, emphasized that the Stuttgart-based sports car manufacturer is staying on its road to success despite the economic headwinds. "We have almost matched the results of the entire previous year after only nine months in 2012. And we definitely expect to outperform the 2011 record year in terms of sales, revenue and operating profit. That's an excellent result seen against the backdrop of the ever cloudier market environment in Western Europe. Now it's become clear just how important a systematic internationalization of our business is," Mr. Meschke said. Moreover, the high earning power demonstrates the strict cost discipline in the company. "The scalable cost structure with comparatively low fixed costs constitutes a crucial success factor for Porsche AG," the CFO explained.

The sports car maker sold 24,859 vehicles in China in the first nine month of the 2012 fiscal year, 35.4 percent more in comparison to the same period of the prior year. The growth in the entire Asia/rest of the world region added up to 25.1 percent, going to 41,212 units. In Russia, sales rose by 69.7 percent, rising to 2,628 vehicles. Porsche was able to move up a step in the German market as well, climbing 14.2 percent to 11,905 units. The increase in Europe totaled 13.2 percent, with 34,656 vehicles sold. The United States remained the largest single market from January to September of the current year. Porsche sold 24,982 sports cars there (a plus of 22.1 percent).

The model series showing the greatest growth was the 911: 19,261 sold vehicles translate into a jump of 39.8 percent. The model series with the largest volume was the Cayenne with 54,860 units and a growth rate of 24.9 percent. The figures for the number of Panameras sold reached 21,713 (a plus of 15.8 percent). Within the Boxster model series, the new generation of the Boxster roadster has been on offer only since April 2012 yet the model series achieved a growth of 3.3 percent, reaching 5,817 vehicles. The market launch of the new Cayman generation is still to come - which is why, due to its life cycle, the sales of the Boxster model series have declined by 21.3 percent, falling to a total of the 7,411 Boxster and Cayman mid-engined sports cars.

Production rose by 18.4 percent, to 111,076 vehicles, in the first nine months of 2012. The 911 accounted for 19,980 units of the total (an increase of 27.2 percent), the Cayenne for 60,380 vehicles (a plus of 30.6 percent) and the Panamera for 21,854 vehicles (a rise of 3.0 percent). Of the total of 8,862 sports cars of the Boxster model series produced, the Boxster itself accounted for 8,056 units and the Cayman for 806 vehicles.

The number of people employed at Porsche also grew substantially over the course of the year. With 17,066 persons employed as at 30 September 2012, exactly 11.5 percent more employees were on board than at the onset of the year.

Panamera Platinum Edition

Source: Porsche AG Press Release

Porsche launches a special Gran Turismo series Exclusive and elegant: the Panamera Platinum Edition

Stuttgart. Starting at the end of November, Dr. Ing. h.c. F. Porsche AG, Stuttgart, is offering a particularly exclusive and elegant version of the Panamera: the Platinum Edition. The elegant special edition Panamera, available as Panamera 4 and Panamera Diesel, stands out thanks to their subtle, independent design features in platinum silver metallic combined with expanded standard features and exclusive details.

The lower half of the side view mirrors, the air-inlet grille lamellas, the air vent grille on the side designed specifically for the turbo model, the trim on the trunk lid and the rear diffuser are all in platinum silver metallic. The interplay with one of the Edition's five exterior finish colours results in an especially harmonious and elegant appearance. Solid exterior colours are offered in black or white as well as the options of metallic basalt black, metallic carbon grey and metallic mahogany lacquer finishes. The black glossy finish used for the side window strips creates a convincing overall exterior appearance.



Panamera Platinum Edition (Porsche AG Press Database)

Panamera Platinum Edition

Delivering considerable benefits to the customer, many frequently requested extras are now coming as standard equipment with the Panamera Platinum Edition. These include the Bi-Xenon main headlights and front parking assist. The automatically dimming interior and exterior mirrors reduce glare from traffic behind you, and the 19-inch Panamera Turbo alloy wheels with the red, black and gold Porsche crest highlight the sporty elegance of the vehicle.

The new black/luxor beige bi-colour combination also creates an especially sumptuous interior ambience. Exclusively for the Panamera Platinum Edition a part-leather interior package comes as standard, with a full leather package optionally available. Compared to the previous bi-colour detailing, the new bi-colour combination patterns have been revised. Thus, along with the upper part of the dashboard and the door trim, the footwell and the back of the front seats as well as the loadspace cover are in black, while the remainder of the interior is in luxor beige. Other highlights include the standard sport design steering wheel and the distinctive Porsche crest on the front and rear headrests as well as the insignia "Platinum Edition" on the front door trim strips.

In addition, Power Steering Plus as well as front seat heating come as standard. The standard Porsche Communication Management (PCM) with navigation module keeps Platinum Edition drivers on track. With a high-resolution 7-inch TFT touchscreen and eleven loudspeakers with a combined output of 235 watts, the Porsche Communication Management with built-in navigation unit not only gives assistance with dynamic route guidance, but also ensures optimal audio sound in the vehicle.



Panamera Platinum Edition (Porsche AG Press Database)

2013 Fall Tour Preview!

From Greg Rigoni, Bob and Carol Burress - the 2013 fall tour team.

The dates --- September 20th to the 22nd
The place --- Minocqua, Wisconsin
Hotel -- Americinn Minocqua
700 Highway 51 North 115
Minocqua, WI

Rate --- \$69.00 / nite plus tax so about \$75.55/nite (great deal as it is Minocqua)

Standard room 2 queens.

Kings may be available if you call early for same rate or that was what I was told. No Smoking.

Reservations --- under the Fox Valley Porsche Club

Block reservation number --- 131213 may want to use this munber when you call for a room.

Contact person at hotel -- Wendy she works 10 to 3 weekdays. she set this up and is great to work with.

Call hotel directly at -- (715) 356-3730 ask for Wendy during her shift.

Send Greg Rigoni an email at grrigoni@chartermi.net when they book a room so he can keep track of the number of rooms and who is coming.

YOUR 2013 FALL TOUR TEAM!

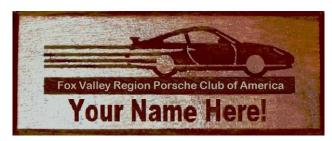
HELLO MY NAME IS

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

Now, you will no longer need to be embarrassed when you forget to take it off and go somewhere else afterwards - this FVR logo name tag rocks!

Larry Rogers has the 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.



Membership Milestones





Member Anniversaries

| Name | Location | Vehicles(s) | Member Since |
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| Reick & Noemi Beiersdorf | Plymouth, WI | 2009 911, 2006 Carrera S | 2009 |
| William & Linda Bein | Bend, OR | 1996 993 , 1981 911, 1974 911 | 1995 |
| Jack & Carole Dewolf | Clintonville, WI | 2002 996, 1986 930 | 1997 |
| George & Kathy Graphos | Green Bay, WI | 2008 Cayman S | 2007 |
| Heidi Mitchell | Appleton, WI | 2008 Cayenne, 1992 911 | 2004 |
| Rollie & Janet Nail | Peoria, AZ | 1985 911 | 2009 |
| Andrew & Elise Opicka | Green Bay, WI | 2008 Cayenne S, 2003 911 | 2005 |
| Peter Preston & Heidi Heath | Oshkosh, WI | 2006 Cayman S | 2010 |
| David & son Tyler Stank | Appleton, WI | 1982 911 SC | 2005 |
| Roberta Vandeveld & daughter Jennifer Eis | Green Bay, WI | 1974 914 | 2009 |

Welcome to our new members of the Fox Valley Region!

| Name | Location | Vehicles(s) | Member Since |
|---|-------------------|---------------------------|--------------|
| Jon Kuehn (new member) | Appleton, WI | 2010 911 4S | 2012 |
| Bob & Carol Burress (transfer from CWI) | Miramar Beach, FL | 2010 Panamera S, 1995 968 | 1995 |

Our region's current membership is 286 total members; 155 primary members and 131 affiliate/family members. Thanks to all of you who continue to promote our club to fellow Porsche owners! Thank you also to our loyal members who continue to renew their membership with us annually. Your continued support and participation is greatly appreciated.

From the Editor

The Learning Curve

Although Barb and I missed out on a number of events earlier this year due to events beyond our control, the latter part of 2012

is proving to be an exceptional time to be associated with the Porsche marque.

After a wonderful fall season, with great weather, scenery as the leaves slowly changed, and more memories of great events, we are now making the final preparations for travel to Eureka Springs, Arkansas for the 2012 PCA Escape.

Portrayed as the "other big" PCA event of the year, Escape provides another option to Parade in both location and atmosphere. While the Parade offers an environment where Autocross or Concours entrants can find challenging competition, Escape is an event focusing on enjoying area tours and local places of interest, with plenty of opportunities for relaxing while socializing with fellow Porsche enthusiasts.

The location of this year's Escape in Northwest Arkansas is a geographically interesting area, with plenty of twists and turns intertwined with elevation changes--read fun to drive--where early November weather can be reminiscent of the Fox Valley Region in September. Unfortunately, the timing of our travels will keep us from attending the November dinner at Mackinaw's this year. Instead, we will be "roughing it" in a cabin nestled in the woods near Beaver Lake. I promise to take a break and throw another log on the fireplace, and we will enjoy a glass of wine thinking about our friends in the north.

And yes, the trip will be made a bit more enjoyable, as not only will it be the first 'real vacation' we've planned in several years; it will be our first long-distance trip with the Cayenne (if you missed that part, you obviously didn't make it to Laura and Jamie's October get-together, and you need to look at the cover again). And you know, I just can't wait to get started!

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