

## Whaletales

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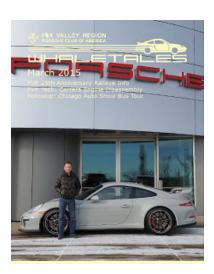
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#### Cover Page

Reick Beiersdorf is all smiles with his new 991 GT3 in PTS Fashion Grey. Reick explains that the color is a 60's 356 color that he had been trying to get for years, and now he has the Porsche of his dreams.

# From Your Region's President

At the conclusion of each day, I remind myself, "It's one day closer to spring!" and indeed spring officially arrives March 20 at 5:45 PM CDT. I'm sure many of you are as anxious as I am about getting your favorite car(s) back on the road again and experiencing the unbridled joy only a Porsche driving experience can bring to your life.

As you know, 2015 is a very special anniversary year for our club, and since January 1, the momentum has been building. The movie event in January was a bit dampened by inclement weather, but the February motor coach excursion to the Chicago Auto Show is filled, the March annual meeting/new member welcome is nearly sold out, our region set a new membership record in February with 168 registered members, and PCA national office honored us with two impressive commemorative banners. Suites/condos are quickly filling up at the Landmark for the June celebration. Thank you all for your outstanding enthusiasm and participation in our club's events this year! It is a lot of work to host these events, but it's extremely gratifying when members attend them.

I also want to thank our wonderful Vice-President, Todd Benz, who will be attending the Zone Presidents' meeting in Springfield, Illinois, the weekend of March 17. Due to some conflicts, I am unable to be there, but Todd has enthusiastically offered to represent our region. I know he will do a fantastic job sharing all the positive aspects of our region with the six others in our zone, as well as collecting and sharing new information from the Zone and National levels. Thank you so very much, Todd. I know his schedule is overloaded as well, so I truly appreciate his cheerful willingness to participate in this annual forum.

Finally, I am continuing the search for some new leadership within our region. Although December is many months away, I will be entirely leaving the duties of social chairperson and President at the end of this year. I will be retiring from 33 years in teaching in 2016 and want to explore some other paths of interest in life. If no one steps up, I am still leaving. Ideally, I would be delighted to find some leaders in the next few months so I could mentor and coach those members, and then it would be a smooth and stress-free transition into 2016. Please reflect and evaluate if you would have the time to take on some additional responsibilities with the club, so we can continue the great progress we've made these past 25 years. I would be happy to discuss the roles and duties, and answer any questions you might have.

As always, please enjoy this edition of Whaletales, and be sure to check out the calendar and following pages with expanded information about those events. Be sure to make your RSVP's as soon as you are able to. The hosts will be most appreciative.

Sincerely, Laura Prellwitz



## **FVR Calendar of Events**

#### 2015 Calendar of Events

Tuesday, March 3 - Annual FVR Board mtg at Titletown Brewery This even has been booked to capacity!

Saturday, April 11 - Join us for an afternoon visit to the extensive Tom Grunnah Porsche collection in Elkhart Lake, followed by dinner at The Depot in Plymouth. RSVP to <a href="mailto:lprellwitz@att.net">lprellwitz@att.net</a>

Saturday, Apr 18 - Mini Tour to Bailey's Harbor, with dinner at the Coyote Roadhouse. Hosted by Sergio Heredia sherediamd@sbcglobal.net

Tuesday, May 5 - Spring opener at jim & Linda's, Pipe, WI, hosted by Alan & Pat Utecht, contact allanu@walsdorfroofing.com

Saturday, May 9 - Tech session on garage lifts, at the home of Bryan Robertson in Menasha, contact bryan187247@hotmail.com

Sunday, May 17 - Fox Valley Road & Track Classic, FVR invitation from Roy Fine

Friday, May 29 - DE Intermediate and Advanced drivers (RG 2 and 3) PCA National-Led Instructor Training Course, Blackhawk Farms, South Beloit, IL, sponsored by Milwaukee Region, MilwaukeeDE@aol.com

Tuesday, June 2 - Dinner social at Kodiak Jack's in Oshkosh. Hosted by John & Jeanne Strublic.

Friday, June 26 - Sunday, June 28 - FVR 25th Anniversary Celebration at Landmark Resort, 4929 Landmark Drive, Egg Harbor, Wisconsin. For more information, contact Laura Prellwitz at <a href="mailto:lprellwitz@att.net">lprellwitz@att.net</a>

Saturday, July 11 - Veteran's Bike Ride/Fund Raiser, coordinated by Alan Cayer

Saturday, July 18 - Tubing and dinner at Mark & Barb Wilkinson's. RSVP to mark.wilkinson@charter.net

Saturday, August 8 - Tour to Alfa Heaven at Aniwa, WI. Hosted by Shaun Stamnes

Friday, August 14 - DE at Road America - All skill levels welcome! Sponsored by Milwaukee Region, contact MilwaukeeDE@aol.com or see http://www.porschepark.org/events/de.php

Saturday, September 5 - Picnic at Road America. Opportunity for parade lap coordinated by Milwaukee Region and FVR 25th anniversary committee.

Friday September 25 - Sunday September 27 - Fall tour in the scenic and Porsche-worthy Spring Green area. Hosted by Warren & Joyce Beaver <a href="mailto:beaversdime@solarus.net">beaversdime@solarus.net</a>

Tuesday, November 3 - Social and dinner at Mackinaw's in Green Bay. Hosted by Jim & Mary Haen. RSVP by November 1st to <a href="mailto:mehaen@sbcglobal.net">mehaen@sbcglobal.net</a>

October - Fall Tech Session at Auto Clinic, Neenah hosted by Gordon

Saturday, December 12 - Holiday Party at Holiday Inn Neenah Riverwalk



Have you checked out our FACEBOOK page yet? Join the fun, timely news updates, conversation, jokes, Porsche updates, etc. We have 84 "friends" now. Please "like" and "friend" us and join in!

https://www.facebook.com/people/Pca-Fox-Valley/100008321265800

# March 3, 2015: Annual Meeting



Titletown Brewing Company

## Social/Dinner, Annual Meeting and New Member Welcome

Per our region's by-laws, we will hold our annual meeting for 2015. All members are encouraged to attend and to give direct suggestions, feedback, questions, etc. to the Board members of the FVR-PCA.

Additionally, all new members (anyone who has joined the club in the past two years or who has never previously attended an event) are encouraged to come out and meet your Board members and fellow FVR-PCA enthusiasts. There will be a special gift for all new members who attend and lots of door prizes for the veterans. Do you know someone who might be a potential member? Bring him/ her and also receive a special gift.

RSVP's are due no later than Sunday, March 1 to Iprellwitz@att.net or call/text 920-242-1644

Visit <u>www.titletownbrewing.com</u> for more information. It is located at 200 Dousman Street, Green Bay, WI.

#### March 2015 Tue Wed Thu Sun Mon Fri Sat 2 5 6 7 1

Tuesday, March 3

- 5:00 6:30PM Social/attitude adjustment, new member welcome
- 6:30PM Dinner from the menu in the "Frost Room"
- · 8:00ish PM- Annual meeting begins

# April 11, 2015: Ultimate Porsche Garage



## The Ultimate Porsche Garage and Collection

Tom Grunnah, PCA member for more than 50 years with the Chicago region, has invited the FVR members to visit his expansive Porsche collection near Elkhart Lake, WI. With several thousands of models, Porsche collectibles, racing memorabilia, and a garage full of the "real things", Tom's passion for Porsche is almost overwhelming. His collection was also published in a book about "ultimate garages".

Please join us at Tom's place on Saturday, April 11, 2015 at 3:00 PM for the grand tour. Following the visit, the group will join together at The Depot restaurant in Plymouth, which features seafood, German and American food. <a href="https://www.pjcampbellsatthedepot.com">www.pjcampbellsatthedepot.com</a>

RSVP's are needed by Wednesday, April 8th. Once you have RSVP'd, directions to Tom's home will be shared with you. Please RSVP to Laura Prellwitz at <a href="mailto:lprellwitz@att.net">lprellwitz@att.net</a>

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# April 18, 2015: Dinner at Coyote Roadhouse

# Mini-Tour to Bailey's Harbor -- with - Dinner at the Coyote Roadhouse

On Saturday, April 18th; we will meet at 3:00 PM at the junction of Hwys 57 & 54 (Algoma Exit), by the Shell Station on 54.

We will depart around 3:15 PM and will (optionally) visit The Rushes at Kangaroo Lake, past Jacksonport, on Logerquist Road. We will not get out of the cars, we'll just ride through this picturesque resort, then we'll head out to the Coyote Roadhouse on County Road E for dinner.



For those who would like to meet at Coyote Roadhouse, expected ETA of the tour is 5:00 PM, with dinner at 5:30 PM. Please RSVP to Sergio Heredia at <a href="mailto:sherediamd@sbcglobal.net">sherediamd@sbcglobal.net</a> by June 11 in order that he can provide an approximate headcount in advance.

Hope to see many of you there!

Sergio Heredia

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See the full menu at coyote-roadhouse.com



# May 5, 2015: Spring Opener in Pipe



#### 2015 SPRING OPENER

May 5th, 2015
Jim and Linda's Lakeview Supper Club
W3496 County W
Pipe, WI 53049
Social Time 5:00 to 7:00
Dinner at 7:00





the Bavarian countryside, pass 70 castles on the 625 mile Castle Road, explore the country of the Brothers Grimm along the Fairy Tale Road, or take Germany's oldest scenic drive on the German Wine Road in Rhineland Palatinate, but you won't end up in Pipe, Wisconsin at the Fox Valley Region PCA's Spring Opener. Now anyone can make an argument either way which of these trips would be more enjoyable. So, save May 5th, 2015. We will try to give you an enjoyable evening for a lot less money.

You can take the most scenic drive through

See you in Pipe.





# May 9, 2015: Installing a Garage Lift

## PCA Tech Session - Installing a Car Lift in a Regular Garage

I installed a lift last summer and learned a lot from the experience. If you are interested in doing something similar or would just like to see the underside of your Porsche, come to the Tech Session at my house in Menasha on May 9th, from 6pm to about 9pm.





Here are some of the things I plan to discuss:

- Different types of lifts available.
- Ways to modify and reinforce a typical garage for a lift.
- Cost of installing a lift versus expanding garage.
- How to get it delivered.
- Show what is required to put it together.
- Show the operation and how to use the wheels to move it.

RSVP to bryan187247@hotmail.com so I'll know how many parking spots to have available.

Address:

1319 Sunset Ln Menasha WI 54952

See you there, -Bryan Robertson 1988 911 Turbo, black

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## June 2, 2015: Dinner at Kodiak Jack's













#### IT'S KODIAK JACK'S TIME AGAIN!

Please join us on June 2, 2015 as we host our fifth Kodiak Jack's event. It's a wonderful night of great conversation, drinks and good food. Kodiak Jack's restaurant has a terrific menu selection with something for everyone. We will have our own area off the bar and there will be appetizers before dinner. Come anytime after 4:30PM and we will all sit down to dinner at 6:30PM. Please park on the north side of the building as we can all park together there and put on a mini car show. We had customers last year walking around and admiring our cars and it was great fun.

Kodiak Jack's is located in Oshkosh at 2059 Witzel Avenue. Take the Highway 21 exit off of Highway 41 and go west. Take the roundabout to Washburn Avenue. (There is a Kwik Trip on the corner of Washburn and Highway 21). Go past Fleet Farm and take the next roundabout to the right. Kodiak Jack's is just down the street on the left next to Wal-Mart.

#### HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE!

Please email <u>jistrublic@centurytel.net</u> or <u>strublic23@gmail.com</u> of your desire to attend by Monday, June 1st.

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## June 26-28, 2015: FVR 25th Anniversary



## 25TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

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## At the Landmark Resort

To start the celebration, a gimmick rallye will begin in the Kewaunee area about noon and will conclude at the Landmark at about 3:00 PM. Trophies given for 1st - 3rd places. A car show, open to the public, will be held in a special reserved parking area from 3:30 - dusk. A "Peoples' Choice"," Best of Show & Shine", and "Best of Show" trophies will be awarded. Members will be photographed with their car. Banquet dinner, award presentation and many other surprises begin at 6:30 PM. Evening entertainment to follow. Sunday morning is a golf outing at Alpine Golf Course or scenic driving tour to Cana Island Lighthouse.

For more information, contact club President, Laura Prellwitz via the FVR website <a href="http://fv.pca.org">http://fv.pca.org</a> or <a href="http://fv.pca.org">lprellwitz@att.net</a>









# FVR 25th Anniversary Ralleye Info

#### Advance 25th Anniversary ralleye information for participants and navigators

#### **Odometer Correction**

Due to the fact that ALL odometers are not the same, at the start of the Rallye we will have an exact start check sign.

At a point near the start (Yet to be determined) but 5 - 10 miles out on the route, we will have a mileage check sign with the exact mileage that the Rallye Master had at this point. Because the Official Rallye Miles (ORM) is an important part of the scoring, this check will allow you to correct your odometer error.

#### **Examples**

At the mileage check your odometer is over the check sign,

CHECK SIGN Divided By

<u>MILES OVER</u> = CORRECTION FACTOR

Example using 5 mile check sign:

5 mile check sign divided by 5.2 (your odometer) = .9615 CORRECTION FACTOR

At the mileage check your odometer is under the check sign,

CHECK SIGN Divided By

MILES UNDER = CORRECTION FACTOR

Example using 5 mile check sign:

4.8 (your odometer) divided by 5 mile check sign = 1.0416

Your mileage at the finish (less off course miles) times the CORRECTION FACTOR = ORM

Dan Pankratz

Co/Chairman Tech. Committee

Dan and Barb Pankratz

Rallye Masters

# July 11, 2015: Veteran's Ride

## <u>Vietnam Veterans of America Chapter 224</u> & Desert Veterans of WI, Inc.

## **2015 VETERANS RIDE & RAFFLE**

Saturday, July 11th 2015 at Pearly Gates Bar & Grill Green Bay, WI

The goal of the Vietnam Vets of America 224/Desert Veterans of Wisconsin: *TO BETTER THE QUALITY OF LIFE OF OUR LESS FORTUNATE VETERANS* thru this fund raising event.

Vietnam Veterans of America 224 and the Desert Veterans of Wisconsin Inc. objectives include, but not limited to:

To improve the lives of those who served in uniform during the nation's longest and most divisive war, promote veterans health care, promote resolution of POW/MIA issues, insure agent orange treatment and compensation, assist incarcerated and homeless veterans, assist less fortunate veterans and their families, support veterans memorials and observances, promote youth and family activities, and raise funds to help all veterans. Some possible fund distributions:

- Enhancing the scholarship program
- DAV transportation program
- King Veterans Home and Homeless Veterans
- Christmas baskets to needy vets and/or vets families
- Summer care packages
- Financial assistance to Vets with unexpected medical bills
- Support For Locally Deployed Troops and Their Family Readiness Group



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# September 25-27, 2015: Fall Tour

## 2015 Fox Valley Region Fall Tour

Friday, Saturday, & Sunday September 25-27

## Spring Green, WI

Joyce and Warren Beaver would like to announce that this year's fall tour will again be touring Wisconsin's beautiful southwestern area. Scenic county trunks have been tentatively selected for tour routes, these will be will firmed up after checking with the counties for construction dates and locations. The 2010 tour route was changed four times as road construction plans were determined!

We will use Spring Green, WI as our base; staying there two nights. It's a little easier and gives us more time to check out the shops, restaurants, bars and galleries the area has to offer. We will be staying at the Spring Green Motel <a href="https://www.springgreenmotel.net">www.springgreenmotel.net</a> All units are at ground level. Rooms have been blocked for us until August 5th (cancellations must made at least one week prior). Prices range from \$79.00 to \$125.00. Be sure to tell them you are with the FVR Porsche Club. Motel contact information is <a href="mailto:sgmotel@charter.net">sgmotel@charter.net</a> or 608-588-2141 or 888-647-4410.

The tour will begin at Nekoosa, meeting at noon for lunch on Friday, September 25th. We will leave Nekoosa taking a scenic drive along the Wisconsin River and stopping at a couple of our favorite vistas as we make our way to Spring Green. Saturday will be primarily a driving tour making our way from Spring Green to the Mississippi River and back through the Driftless Area; roads made for Porsche driving.

Contact us at <a href="mailto:beaversdime@solarus.net">beaversdime@solarus.net</a> when you have booked your room so we know how many are coming or call me at 715-451-5634 if you have any questions. We will get more info to you as things solidify. Looking forward to seeing you all.

Warren and Joyce Beaver



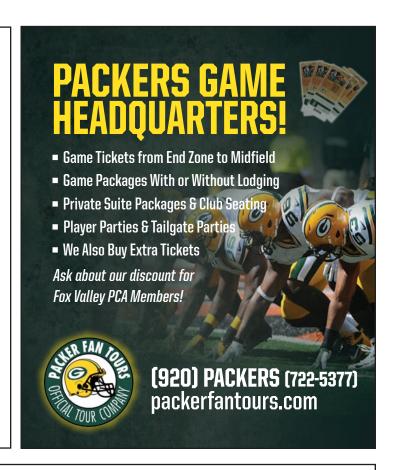
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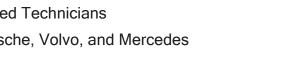
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First Time 1987 Carrera Engine Drop - Chapter 10 - "More Disassembly"

Jim Prellwitz, Technical Chairperson

Holy cow! What a mess.



Having removed the exhaust, muffler and heat exchangers, I see that it is getting more difficult to keep track of all of the parts. The exhaust was completely rusted so more heat and chisel work was required to disassemble the components. The O2 sensor was a particularly difficult removal as it was rusted tight and no amount of heat seemed to make it release its hold on and eventually it stripped out of the threads in the exhaust tube.

Fortunately, with a little torch work and handy trip to McMaster-Carr for an M18 threading die, I was able to clean out the bung well enough for a new O2 sensor which meant another trip to my online store. Yes it's rusty and yes, it's an illegal in California test tube for the catalytic courtesy of the previous owner.



Having the heat exchangers removed, it gave me a good picture of the underside of the engine and refreshed my thoughts about all the seals I would need to replace. It also gave me a look inside the head and it surprised me to see what was happening inside the exhaust ports. There was definitely some unburned "carbonish stuff" gunking up the works in each of the ports. This reaffirmed that I was on the right path by pulling the heads for cleaning.

No fear, a little sanding and high temp paint and all will be good. I briefly considered purchasing a new convertor to make the system completely legal but at about \$700 I thought I might be able to make do with the existing bypass tube. I wasn't planning any trips to California anyway.



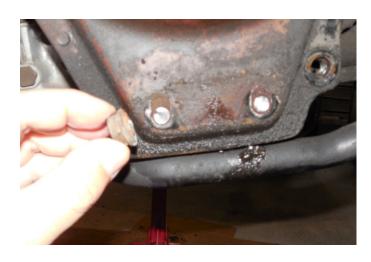
Removing the engine mounting frame and muffler bracket did not fail to challenge me any less than the first part of the project. As usual, a couple of bolts came undone with no drama, building my confidence and encouraging me become over confident.





Of course I immediately snapped off one of the last two mounting bolts. Determined not to repeat this error, I began slowly working on the last bolt. I applied liberal amounts of penetrating oil and still it would not move. I applied generous amounts of heat and yet it refused to budge. One last heat application and I put a little extra pressure on the bolt and, snap! Crap, another broke bolt.

Well, I drilled and dug and drilled and heated and drilled some more and finally I was able to get both bolts out. The last one that broke cleaned up fairly nicely, probably due the heat and penetrating oil that was previously applied. Unfortunately the first one that broke off made a mess and will require some repairs at my machine shop.





Removing the upper and lower valve covers was a pretty easy task and all four covers came off easily. The rockers were also fairly easy to remove. Setting the crank at TDC, with both valves closed and no pressure on the rockers, it was a simpler matter to get in to unscrew the rocker bolts and slide them out.

Once I had them all out and individually bagged, I was ready to move on to removing the cams.

The rocker shafts have a bolt that goes through them with little wedge shaped washers on each end. The ends of the shafts are counter sunk to fit the washers so when the through bolt is tightened it pulls the washers in and expands the ends of the rockers for a tight fit.

The only bit of a trick is to ensure that you don't drop any of the parts down into the oil return tubes in the exhaust galley as this will make things a bit more difficult if you plan to reuse any parts.

I purchased new through bolts, nuts and washers along with the RS O-rings that help seal the rocker shafts. The factory has the groove in the shafts but does not use the O-rings unless it's for a racing engine. The research I did, suggested that adding these O-rings will help seal up an older engine as well so I went the extra step.





I pulled the timing chain covers off, lots of nuts on these covers. The gaskets are also baked on tight so this will take some elbow grease as well. Removing the cam requires removing the tensioner so the chain and gears can be removed.

Taking the pressure off of the tensioner was a simple matter. A c-clamp was a handy device to compress the hydraulic tensioner and there is a small hole for a pin to lock the tensioner in place. A broken drill bit from the previous broken bolt removal exercise sufficed for the locking pin.



Once it was locked in its compressed position, I could remove the mounting bolt and slide the whole assembly out of the timing chain housing.

Then the idler gear can slide off its mounting pin to allow the chain to fall slack.





The next steps were also fairly easy. I had to purchase a large special wrench to hold the cam gear in place while the bolt was unscrewed, so if anyone needs one, I have it.

The bolt comes out; a timing pin is pulled out with a small 6mm screw used as a pulling tool. Porsche has a special tool for that also but the screw trick works as well. I have also heard that an old spark plug with the top screwed off would work



as well. With the timing pin removed the timing gear slides off of the camshaft.



Once the chain gear is removed, the timing gear can be removed. A small woodruff key keeps the gear from turning on the cam. Behind the timing gear is the cam cover with three bolts in it. Remove the three bolts and the cover comes off with some end play spacers and a thrust washer. Then the cam can be pulled out. Steps are the same for the other side.

Once the cam is out, there are about bazillion nuts to unscrew of both the hex and barrel style in the cam carriage assemblies. Once those are all removed the cam carriage can be lifted off, revealing the heads.

Next, I while tackle the heads and get over to my local machine shop for disassembly, cleaning, measuring and valve guide replacement.





# Followup: Chicago Auto Show Bus Tour





Smiling faces on the Auto Show bus!



Porsche 918 Spyder, only \$875,000 (Sergio Heredia Photo)

# Followup: Chicago Auto Show Bus Tour



Boxster S (Sergio Heredia Photo)



Lori and Tom seem to be deep in thought... (Sergio Heredia Photo)

# Followup: Chicago Auto Show Bus Tour



After the Chicago auto show, dinner at Mirabell German restaurant in Chicago (Jamie Prellwitz Photo)



Left front - Bob Geiser, Tom & Lori Mazza, Background - Alan Cayer, at Mirabell German restaurant . Other people were guests of the club (Sergio Heredia Photo)



Gordon Skog, Debbie Houle, Dee and Shaun Stamnes



Alan Cayer, Kathy & Sergio Heredia

# **FVR ID Badge Update**

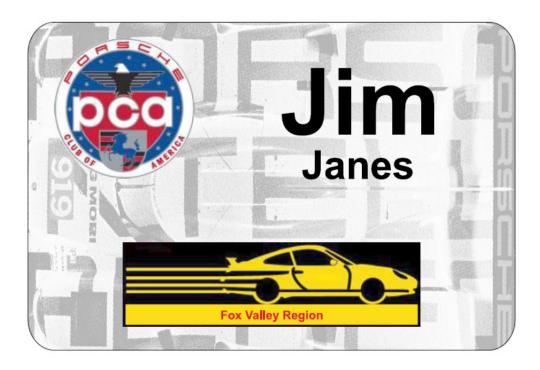
#### New Fox Valley Region ID Badges are available!

Discussion on various proposals for updating the Fox Valley Region ID badges has been underway since late in 2013, and the FVR board has recently approved the design shown below. If you have the older name badges and you are happy with them, they will be just fine, updating to the new ones is completely optional. If you would like to update to the new design which will be our standard ID badges going forward, the new badges will be printed plastic laminate cards, featuring the PCA and FVR logos, member name, with first name in large, easy to read letters. The background image is the Porsche 919 hybrid featuring the new livery design based on the Porsche Intelligent Performance theme. The lanyards will be a repeating pattern as shown below, the badges will also include the option for magnetic attachment.

The package will be one badge, one lanyard, and one holder for \$10.00 plus shipping.

Send request for ordering to Jim Janes at <a href="mailto:jrjanes@omscom.com">jrjanes@omscom.com</a>.

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# Membership Milestones



#### Member Anniversaries

Name	Location	Vehicles(s)	Member Since
John & Elizabeth Beck	Appleton, WI	1980 911 SC	2007
Rob & Kristin Chartier	Oshkosh, WI	1986 911 Carrera, 1986 944	2010
Earl Green	Appleton, WI	2007 Cayman	2008
Charles & Susan Johnson	Fish Creek, WI		1972
Don & Jeanne Pappas	Appleton, WI	1987 944 Turbo	2013
Bryan & Chotika Robertson	Menasha, WI	1988 911 Turbo	2012
David Savu	Ishpeming, MI		1980
William & Patti Schnettler	Neenah, WI	2007 911 Carrera	2009
Tony Wickham	Neenah, WI	2008 Cayenne	2014
Chris Winquist	Green Bay, WI	1986 944 Turbo	2013

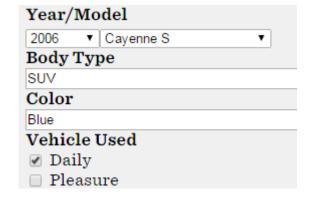
#### Welcome to our new members of the Fox Valley Region!

Name	Location	Vehicles(s)	Member Since
Steven Groddy	Manitowoc, WI	2015 Cayman	2015

The Fox Valley Region Porsche Club of America's current membership is 293 total members, with 169 primary members and 124 affiliate/family members. With 226 vehicles being registered with PCA, 26% of FVR members report owning more than one Porsche.

Also thank you also to our loyal members who continue to renew their membership with us annually. Your continued support and participation is greatly appreciated. Renewing your membership is even easier with the redesigned PCA website, simply login to <a href="https://www.pca.org">www.pca.org</a> and click on the renewal date near your welcome banner.

Members can also edit the information on their Porsche vehicles (click on your name on your welcome banner, then "edit", and then "membership"). By doing so, the vehicle data in the monthly Membership Anniversary section above will reflect your current Porsche collection, as this is always updated from the PCA database when Whaletales is published!



## From the Editor

#### The Learning Curve

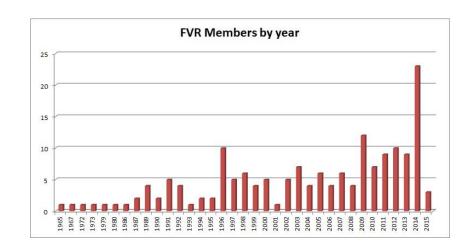
2014 was indeed a very good year for FVR, as the region membership had substantial growth, gaining 23 new members during the year. And that is only counting the new primary members, so that number is effectively doubled considering the great majority of memberships also include an affiliated family member. While that is a very encouraging statistic, there is another aspect to consider. Membership retention is equally, or perhaps even more important for keeping the club viable.

We have all been there, and we had expectations, and perhaps even some reservations when joining. My reservations proved to be without merit, and well - I did not expect to have served five years as newsletter editor before Barb and I reached our 6th anniversary as PCA members. So, I guess my expectations could be characterized as having been greatly exceeded!

As always, we want to ensure that our club activities are in alignment with PCA guidelines, but also that our membership is well represented. This can be achieved through communication on matters of interest to any of the FVR board members as listed on page 2 of Whaletales. Also bear in mind that this is your club, and that volunteering to be a part of the leadership team can be an effective way to build an organization that continues to endure the test of time.

Your Whaletales Editor,

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