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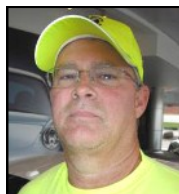
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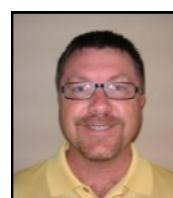
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## President's Message

By Ed Stevenson

### Spring has sprung!

What a great time of the year. Great weather for getting out and enjoying our Porsches and I have to mention what a great past couple of weeks to watch basketball. Exciting! Our March social was at the new Ramsey's location. We had a tech session



Coffee) at 10:00am and drive to the Windy Corner for lunch. On Saturday May 10th, Lug Nutz Auto Club has invited us to their facility for a tech session and lunch. We will have the opportunity to put our cars on a lift and check them for the summer driving season. We will begin at 10:00 and stay till around 1:00.



in the adjacent lot. I did not get a count but I'm certain it was the largest yet. We had a great turn out of Porsches, many Corvettes including two C-7's, a Ferrari, BMW's, a Jag, and several nice examples of American Muscle. Our C&C's are becoming a monthly must do for car nuts from all over central Kentucky. Please help us grow by telling your car nut friends.

RSVP to David Patrick at ptrck-dvd@yahoo.com.

Macan launch should be sometime late April or early May. There should be events at the dealers. I will get info out as soon as any is firm.

Hope you can come out soon and have some fun with us!

at Foreign Affairs Autowerks at which we changed the balance shaft and timing belts on my 944. Jim Brandon did a great job of explaining the 944 engine and how the balance shaft works and how critical the belts are for that interference engine. I did the work on my car with some assistance from Nick from Foreign Affairs. The 944 is ready for the season and I'm looking forward to getting it out and about!

### Upcoming events

Our April social will be at David and Patricia's home on the 13th. We will have a pot luck style dinner. The club will supply meat, bread, non-alcoholic drink, and plates etc. Members are asked to bring a side dish, dessert etc. We will begin grilling at around 5:30.



Drive it,  
Ed

Yesterday was our Cars & Coffee for April. The temperature was brisk, but the attendance was outstanding. We filled up the side lot and had many cars

On April 26th David Patrick will host Diner's, Dive's and Porsche Drives. We will meet at The Clarion (same place as Cars &



## **The 59th Annual Porsche Parade June 15-21, 2014 Monterey, California**

The 59th annual Porsche Parade, PCA's annual convention, will be held in Monterey, California June 15-21, 2014. It is a week-long extravaganza of competitive events, tech sessions, social events and FUN.

**Registration begins April 1, 2014**, and links for registering will be provided on [pca.org](http://pca.org) and [parade2014.pca.org](http://parade2014.pca.org) at that time. Keep checking [parade2014.pca.org](http://parade2014.pca.org) for information on events.

The Hyatt Regency Monterey will host many of Parade's staples (Goodie Store, Tech Sessions, the Art Show, etc.) and two of our five banquets. Three of the banquets will be held at various offsite locations. We have blocks of rooms available at five local hotels, and anticipate that many people will stay throughout the area. Discount rates for Parade entrants for hotels will be available upon the completion of registration. We look forward to a spectacular event, and hope you will join us!

### **QUESTIONS**

If you have questions regarding Parade, please consult the Parade website at [Parade2014.pca.org](http://Parade2014.pca.org). If you are unable to find your answer there, email Kathleen Behrens, Parade Registrar at [registrar@pcaparade.org](mailto:registrar@pcaparade.org) or call 503.579.3423 (please leave a message).



# TRACK TIME

BY BRANT D. NYSTROM

First, let's jump into the national racing scene:

The IMSA 12 Hours of Sebring was run March 15, 2014. This is the second event of the season for IMSA's Tudor United Sports Car Championship, the most highly recognized series for road racing in the US. The 12-hours of Sebring, along with the 24-Hours of Daytona, and Petite Le Mans at Road Atlanta make up the North American triple crown of endurance racing.



*Porsche 911 RSR at Sebring*

As you may recall, Porsche began this season by unveiling its new 911 RSR racecar, based on the new 991 chassis. Additionally, they scored a big win at Daytona with their #911 car (they run two factory sponsored RSRs #911 and #912) to take the lead in the TUSCC series.



*Porsche Pit Stop*





# TRACK TIME

BY BRANT D. NYSTROM

Flash forward to mid-March. Sebring is notorious for being a rough track that takes a toll on racecars. In fact, the track is formed over the remnants of a World War II vintage airbase, and its rough cement seams upset today's highly evolved cars and occasionally yields concrete chunks to the dismay of drivers. Not unexpectedly, the race proved to be complex (especially for the prototype cars) with spins occurring throughout the event, and an uncommonly high degree of attrition.



*The Other 911 RSR: Team Falken Motorsports*

As for Porsche, they continued to perform at the highest level. This time the positions were switched, with the #912 car winning its class. Overall, Porsche holds down positions 2 and 3 in the series with two race wins to their credit. The new Porsche 911 RSR is proving to be both fast and reliable.



*Quality Team Strategy Positions Porsche for the Win*





# TRACK TIME

BY BRANT D. NYSTROM

Switching gears from the national racing scene to amateur track events, I want to announce the coming of one my favorite PCA Driver Education weekends, Summer Heat sponsored by the Kentucky Region PCA. This June 6-8 event (along with its counterpart in September) has been a mainstay on our yearly track calendar. This event is special for beginners and instructors alike. Not only is it one of the few PCA events that train new nationally accredited Porsche instructors, but the strong instructor turnout creates some great future track stars.



*Treasurer Bob Lovejoy Tearing Up Putnam Park*

Summer Heat is held the first weekend of each June at Putnam Park (near the Indianapolis airport). This is a 3-Day event, with day one being reserved for instructors and advanced drivers only. Registration opens April 20 at 9:00 am on [www.motorsportreg.com](http://www.motorsportreg.com). This event fills up QUICKLY so be sure to register early.



*Your Author: Yes I Know, It's Not a Porsche*



# TRACK TIME

BY BRANT D. NYSTROM

Blue Grass Motorsport of Louisville, KY sponsors this DE. This is a long-term sponsorship arrangement that provides numerous benefits to the participant. First, the dealer brings a variety of new Porsche vehicles and merchandise to check out. Second, they usually bring two professional drivers from the Porsche Sport Driving School to instruct regional instructors and to offer ride-a-longs to event participants in new Porsche vehicles. Finally, and not least in value, the dealership provides a free dinner social Friday and Saturday evening at the headquarter hotel. The unique social nature of this event (dinners coupled with a collective group of participants that broadly know one another) truly makes this the best event for beginners. There are numerous folks to talk to at length, and most are super-accessible and more than willing to discuss process and/or technique with new drivers.



*Blue Grass Motorsport's Spread*

I am a huge fan of the KYPCA events, they are top-notch caliber DE's, and I highly recommend them to all drivers, but specifically to the new track participant.

If you have interest in joining us at any upcoming event, or would like more information on PCA DE events and what is required to join-in, please feel free to contact me: [brantdnystrom@gmail.com](mailto:brantdnystrom@gmail.com)

Brant



# MEMBERSHIP NEWS



**Tim  
McNeely**  
*Membership  
Chair*

## 190 members!

Two new members this past month!!! Please join me in welcoming:

Russell Collins of Winchester

2001 911

Ron & Kay Mobley of Versailles

1984 944

Our membership is at 113 Regular Members and 77 Family & Affiliate Members, making our total membership 190.

Wow....spring season is finally here. What a brutal winter. My battery tender got a workout this winter while my 911 was in hibernation. Time to stretch out its legs!!! Come join us soon for an event.

Also, please recognize the following  
Member Anniversary dates:

Larry Woods	1984
Ken Partymiller	1988
Terry House	1998
EdMerkler	2001
Jamie Donaldson	2005
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# CALENDAR OF EVENTS



**David Patrick**  
Activities  
Chair

Contact David with Porsche-related event news:  
ptrckdvd@yahoo.com

**Apr 13th** Membership Social, 5:30– 7:30 pm, At David & Patricia Patrick's. Pot luck dinner. Club will provide meat & beverages. 3212 Kettering Ct. Lexington. RSVP to David @ ptrckdvd@yahoo.com by April 11th.

**Apr 25-27** DE Mid Ohio Region

Mid Ohio Sports Car Course Lexington, OH. Register at [www.clubregistration.net](http://www.clubregistration.net)

**Apr 26th** Diners, dives and Porsche drives. 10:30– 12:00 pm. Meet at Clarion Inn on Newtown Pike at 10:00 am for a scenic drive to Windy Corner for lunch and stories.

**May 2-4** DE Northern Ohio Region, Mid Ohio Sports Car Course Lexington, OH. Register at [www.clubregistration.net](http://www.clubregistration.net)

**May 3rd** Cars & Coffee, 9-11 am at The Clarion Hotel, Newtown Pike

**May 5th** Board Meeting at Marika's, 5:30–7:30 pm

**May 10th** Tech Session at Lug Nutz Auto Club 391 United Ct, Lexington. 10 am-12 pm.

**May 18th** Membership Social, 5:30-7:30 pm, place TBD

**Jun 2nd** Board Meeting at Marika's, 5:30-7:30 pm

**Jun 7th** Cars & Coffee, 9-11 am, clarion Hotel, Newtown Pike

**Jun 8th** Ault Park Concours, 3600 Observatory Ave, Cincinnati, OH More details to come

**Jun 14-15** DE Alabama Region, Barber Motorsports Parkway, Birmingham, AL. Register at [www.clubregistration.net](http://www.clubregistration.net)

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# Cars & Coffee

March 1st,  
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Dale White's 2008 997 C4S Cabriolet



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Kevin Wright's 997 Carrera S



# Cars & Coffee March 1st





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## BOXSTER/CAYMAN GTS



Once again Porsche ups the ante! Creating a more purposeful Boxster/Cayman platform to offer to the enthusiast. The Boxster/Cayman platform has grown into a world class sports car on it's own merits. No longer an entry level Porsche as it has been billed for many years. Albeit an unfair moniker in my opinion. I happen to think the original Boxster and subsequent initial offering of the Cayman to be quite respectful world class sports cars. But to the motoring press they have always been treated as baby

Porsches. Now when we read the reviews on the current Boxster/Cayman series from the motoring press they often speak of the two models as the best sports cars made by the German Marque.

Everyone will have there own opinions on the subject of the best Porsche sports car. There will always be a special reverence for the venerable and iconic 911 and deservedly so. However, if you are a fan of the Porsche brand I think you would owe it to yourself to drive the

various models to see which one suits you best. This is what I consider to be the greatest thing about the Marque. Unlike most other sports car makers where you have two or three variants of one model, with Porsche you have 7 different models and multiple variants of each one to choose from. Of course you can argue that 3 of the models aren't technically a sports car.

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# TECHNICAL

Taking a closer look

Timing and balance shaft belt replacement on a 944

Jim Brandon instructs the crew on the steps necessary to replace a timing belt and balance shaft belt on a 944. Brian and Scott from Foreign Affairs Autowerks graciously provided the venue and the necessary tools for the team to complete the project. Ed Steverson supplied the vehicle to be worked on and there was also a donor engine on display for Jim to point out some of the finer details.



# The Revs Institute for Automotive Research "The Collier Collection"

Submitted by Ben Prewitt, Photos and news release provided by The Revs Institute

There is some very good news for Porschephiles and other car enthusiasts who can visit the Naples, Florida area: the Collier Collection at The Revs Institute for Automotive Research, Inc. is opening to

and he expanded the stable to about one hundred significant automobiles. The Collier Collection is a part of the Revs Institute, "an educational organization that advances the scholarly study of automotive

torical, technical, and aesthetic. The reservation system seems valuable to me, in that Museum cars are often featured at concours, vintage races, and other museums and a visitor can learn if a favorite



the general public after about twenty years of restricted admission. I visited the Museum, circa 1989, and was astounded by the quality of the classic road and racing cars that it contained (Mercedes, Duesenberg, Vanwall, etc.). They had recently acquired the world renowned Briggs Cunningham Museum cars and historical documentation; a tremendous coup, including coupes. The Collier Museum's founder, Miles C. Collier, is a discerning collector and Porsche fan

history", which provides extensive source and photographic materials for such study. A check of their web page [www.revsinstitute.org](http://www.revsinstitute.org) is highly recommended, if one contemplates a visit. Museum tours are still by reservation, on Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Saturdays. There is a \$17 admission fee, with a \$3 surcharge for a docent-guided tour. I suggest the guided tour, as the docents are knowledgeable and quite able to enter into discussions of the finer points of the cars: his-

car might be absent on a certain date. As many of our readers know, the Gulf Coast of Florida is a notably pleasant place to be, barring the occasional tropical storm. In my humble opinion, the Collier Automotive Museum and the Revs Institute have to rank as top attractions to an attractive area. I hope to see you there next winter, if not sooner.





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### **The Revs Institute for Automotive Research to Open To Public**

#### ***The Collier Collection of over 100 significant automobiles and their interpretive displays to go on exhibit***

(Naples, FL) March 12, 2014 - **Beginning March 25<sup>th</sup>**, The Revs Institute for Automotive Research, Inc. in Naples, Florida will open its automobile collection to the public on a limited schedule, by reservation only. The Collier Collection consists of over one hundred significant automobiles built between 1896 and 1995. "The automobiles on display at Revs are some of the rarest and most important cars ever built at anytime, anywhere. They are the ones that variously blazed technical pathways, redefined aesthetic standards, made history, and changed the world," said Murray Smith, Motorsport Consultant, vintage racer and Revs Program at Stanford board member.

Based on its extensive library, outstanding periodical collections that date from the 1890's and its extensive photograph and manuscript collections on all things automotive, the Naples, Florida automotive research institute has become a major resource for historians, researchers, writers and academics. National and international notoriety of The Revs Institute's programs, resources and renowned motorcar collection has led to the opening of the Collection to visitors.

"There has been an ever-increasing number of requests for tours of the automobile collection, and we will now be able to accommodate those eager to learn more about the cars we hold in our Naples facility," Scott George, Vice President of The Revs Institute explained. "We hope that increased access to The Revs Institute's collections will further enhance people's understanding of the automobile, as one of the most significant creations of the twentieth century"

"The automobile is, quite simply, the most significant technologic object of the 20<sup>th</sup> century," says Miles C. Collier, President. "Our mission is to create awareness of the automobile's role, past, present and future, in shaping the modern world. Through the preservation and conservation of important historic automobiles, through the collection of an extensive archive of documents and images, and the assembly of extensive book and periodical libraries, we comprise one of the most comprehensive historical automotive research facilities anywhere. And now in partnership with Stanford University, through the Revs Program at Stanford, we are also building an exciting online database that will allow access to select images and other archival material for the benefit of researchers, students and enthusiasts outside our respective institutions."

Since the Collier Automotive Museum was closed in 1994, the Collection's focus has been on developing a new ethic and philosophy toward the preservation of important historic automobiles. By creating educational programs targeted at curators, major collectors and opinion leaders, Revs was instrumental in shaping the accepted new paradigm that stresses preserving rather than restoring important collectible cars. Out of emphasizing the historic nature of important automobiles, the Collection's mission emerged: using the automobile to trace the trajectory of modernity. While remaining accessible to scholars, students and researchers over the last twenty years, the Collection's gradual development out of public view allowed the institute to use its time and resources to flesh out its current mission into today's reality. During those years, the Collier Collection was carefully enlarged, many of the automobiles were conserved with cutting edge techniques developed at the Institute, the galleries were reinstalled with extensive interpretive materials to better reflect the mission, and the archive and research library were subject to major expansion and development.

In 2011, The Revs Program at Stanford was founded. "We think that the automobile provides the perfect focal point for teaching and research since it touches every academic discipline in some way," said J. Christian Gerdes, Associate Professor of Mechanical Engineering and interim director of the Revs Program at Stanford. "Through the Revs Program at Stanford, scholars bring their passion for their individual fields to the automobile, using it to engage with students and to bridge disciplines. In this way, we want to connect every part of the university - from art history to engineering, urban studies to medicine - and share these connections with the world."

"I expect you'll see more and more great things on the Stanford Revs Digital Library web site. As we continue to build out the site, it will become richer and more engaging. Every day we add more images from the Revs Institute's collections and more information about those images," says Peter Mangiafico of the Stanford University Libraries. "Ultimately the site could grow to where it becomes a complete digital automotive museum accessible to researchers, scholars and interested lay people around the world."



### About The Revs Institute

The Revs Institute for Automotive Research, Inc., a not for profit 501(c)(3) organization, occupies a purpose built facility in Naples, Florida. It provides serious researchers with resources to support studies leading to a greater level of understanding of the automobile, not only as a technologic object, but as an agent for social and economic change. It also supports an appreciation of those certain automobiles which, because of their outstanding design or engineering, are worthy objects in and of themselves and thereby deserve to be considered among the masterpieces of the human mind and spirit.

Housed in the Naples, Florida facility are automobiles from The Collier Collection. Over 100 of the world's most significant automobiles are grouped into four collections: *Automobility*: the story of the road, the automobile and modern life; *Vitesse: Sports Motoring and Motoring Sports*, the story of the high performance automobile; *Porsche: Designed to Excel*, tracing the engineering thinking of one company over an extended period; *Revs: Racing Cars and Racing Men*, a look at the evolution of the pure racing car. Each object in the Collection meets rigid standards for historic, technical, aesthetic or social significance. Also maintained in the building are extensive book and periodical libraries, archives of photographs, movie film, letters and papers, engineering documents, ephemera such as brochures and advertisements and automobilia.

The Revs Institute will be open each week on Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday from 10:00 AM to 4:00 PM. Tickets must be purchased in advance and can be reserved both online and via phone. Prices are as follows: General admission \$17.00; faculty, students and active military \$12.00; docent tours which give a more comprehensive look at the collection are available for an additional \$3.00. These tours for up to 10 visitors at a time are available twice daily at 10:00 AM and 2:00 PM.

Note: Group tours of ten or more people are limited and must be reserved and approved in advance. Group size is limited to 80 people. Please call for more group information.

Please review our policies and procedures, available on line or by request, before visiting. Regrettably, walk up visitors cannot be accommodated.

For information please visit [www.revsinstitute.org](http://www.revsinstitute.org) or call (239) 687-REVS. Ticket reservations and inquiries will be processed beginning March 17, 2014.

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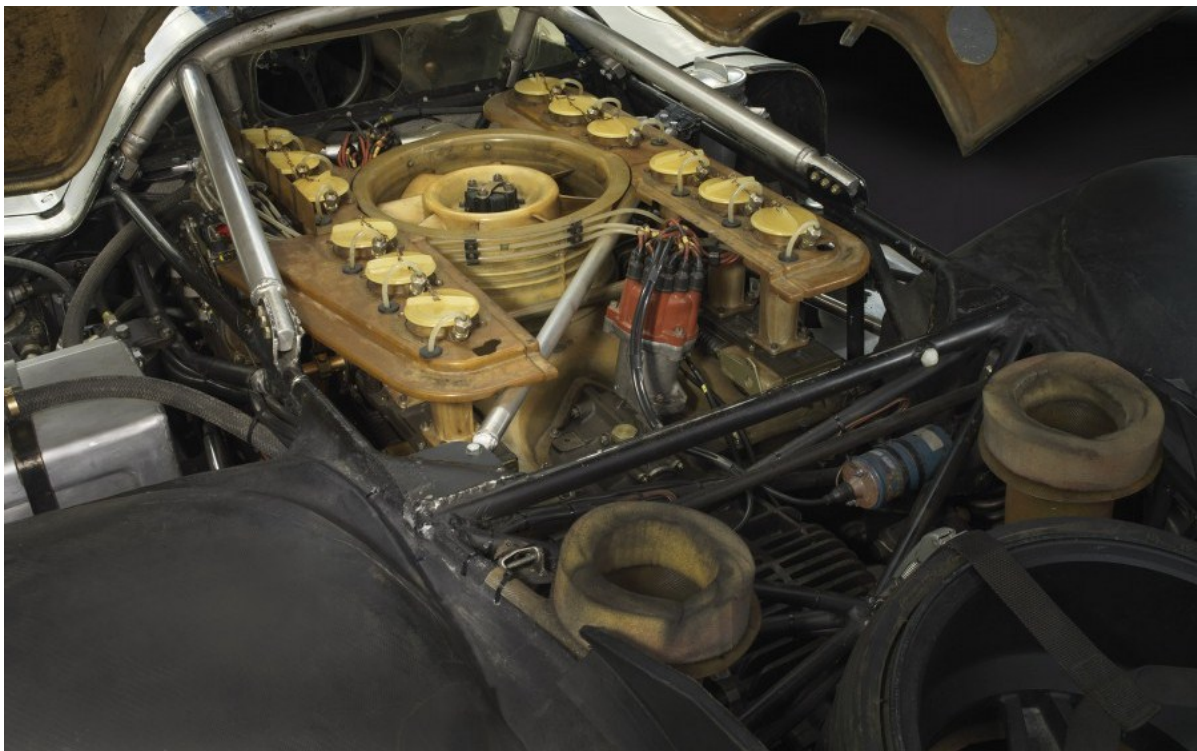
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