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The Bluegrass Region
PCA Board of Directors
meets on the first
Monday of each month
at 6:00 p.m. to eat,
7:00 p.m. for business.
Members are welcome.
See the Calendar
for details



President's Message



**Scenic drive,
tech session,
driver
education,
car show,
provide
Porsche fun**



Scenic Drive

The club started the drive season on April 17th with a scenic drive to Acres of Land Winery in Richmond.

We had a turn out of 26 members and guests who enjoyed a fun drive, great company and some good food. The restaurant at the winery is in a new building that is first class.

Their old building was lost to a fire last year and they built a great restaurant to replace it with. They were nice enough to keep the restaurant open on Sunday evening for us and gave us great service.

Tech Session

We also had another great tech session hosted by Jim Brandon. The 2.7 is completely torn down and Jim is planning on rebuilding it.

Driver Education

On the same weekend we had several members attend a DE at Mid Ohio. Sounds like they had a great time and everyone made it home with no sheet metal work needed!

There are two upcoming DE's at Putnam Park near Indy. The first is May the 21st and 22nd being held by Central Indiana Region. Go to clubregistration.net and sign up. There are currently less than 50 cars

signed up so you should get plenty of track time if you go.

The other is being hosted by the Blue Grass Motorsport and is June 10th through 12th. Go to kypca.org to register for Summer Heat 2011.

Car Shows

May is the beginning of the car show season.

The region hosted a shine and show at Pleasant Ridge Park in Lexington on the 30th. We had invited the cars from the Andover Forest subdivision to join us. The weather cooperated and a good time was had. Thanks to Robert McClelland for putting this together. This is an event that we will be able to build on if we want to make it bigger.

Tennessee Tubs is on May the 21st and we have been invited to the home of Richard Collins of the KY Region. home in Bowling Green for a cookout on the 20th. The KY Region makes a run from Bowling Green every year to Tubs.

RSVP to Richard at DRACMARINE@aol.com if you want to join them for the cookout. He can recommend accommodations in Bowling Green.

The Southern Indiana Region is taking a drive to

French Lick on the 28th of May. They will be having lunch at the restored West Baden Hotel. The World Class Driving Event will be happening so there will be many exotics that people have signed up to drive around the French Lick area to look at. RSVP to Mark Roethemeier if you would like to attend and he will coordinate the trip. His e-mail is family@roethemeier.net.

Upcoming Events

Our events in May will include Cars and Coffee at Ramsey's Diner on Harrodsburg Rd. on the 14th and our Membership Social on the 15th at Calistoga's.

We will be making a decision on our annual charity at a Board Meeting soon. We will continue to support the KY Childrens Hospital through our Keeneland Concours Paddock Challenge proceeds.

The Concours is on July 16th this year.

I hope to see everyone at an event soon. If you have an activity you would like to do let us know and we will make it happen.

Drive it like you stole it!

—David

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**Porscheplatz hospitality as last year
with Ken Hold again coordinating for PCA.**



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Help us identify programs for membership meetings

At the January board retreat set to explore new activities for the club, we decided we would like to arrange programs for our membership meetings held on the third Sunday evening of each month.

We are open to suggestions for meetings going forward, and we invite your assistance to identify programs.

Anything that has entertainment value for our members and carries some connection to Porsche or related car activity is welcome.

Please contact me or any board member if you have an idea for a membership meeting program, and we will do our best to include your idea at a future membership meeting.

Thanks in advance, and we look forward to seeing you at our next membership meeting!

Robert McClelland

Vintage GRAND PRIX of Mid-Ohio

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MEMBERSHIP NEWS



Tim McNeely
Membership
Chair

One new member, total membership 195

One new member this last month. Please join me in welcoming:

- **Christian Ramsey of Lexington**
1998 911 (the last year of the 993)

Our membership is at 117 Regular Members and 78 Family & Affiliate Members, making our total membership 195. If it ever stops raining, the season for diving is upon us!! Lots of good activities on the horizon...come out and join us.

Also, please recognize the following Member Anniversary dates:

- | | |
|----------------|------|
| • Tim McNeely | 2003 |
| • Mark Kidd | 2004 |
| • Walter Davis | 2005 |
| • John Downs | 2005 |
| • Mike Spirito | 2006 |
| • Kelly Ison | 2008 |
| • Robert Keck | 2009 |
| • Mike Ryan | 2009 |

BOARD MINUTES

With no quorum at the April 4th board meeting, these Minutes could not be approved, and with no business conducted, no Minutes were recorded for April 4th.
—editor

March 7, 2011 Bar Louie

Board Members in Attendance: William Glover, Neil Fisher, Jim Brandon, David Patrick, Paul Elwyn, Mark Doerr, Bob Lovejoy
Members present: Gary Hackney, Patricia Patrick, Mary Doerr, Maureen Elwyn

Welcome Zone 13 Representative Ken Hold

Call to Order: 7:00

Secretary Report: Motion to accept February minutes
Paul Elwyn, Second Mark Doerr

Treasury Report: Current Balance \$5,027.35 Motion to accept Treasure's report:

William Glover, Second Neil Fisher

Chair Reports:

- **Tech:** Jim Brandon: Tech session on the 5th included 9 attendees with quite a bit of disassembly completed. Next session set for the 19th of March
- **Newsletter:** Paul Elwyn: we have excellent content for the March Newsletter

New Business:

- **National PCA Awards**
Paul has submitted to the board for review a draft application for Region of the Year. Paul will also submit the newsletter for consideration.
Public Service Award:
Paul will submit an application for Public Service Award

Activities Planning:

- March 20th membership meeting, Johnny Carino's

- The Pub will be the venue of the April Board meeting moved to March 28 to avoid school break conflicts
- April Membership meeting will be rescheduled for the 24th and will coincide with the Acres of Land Winery Dive in Richmond
- Central Indiana PCA to host a Spring Color Tour and has invited the bluegrass region

Presidents Meeting:

March 26th in Chicago, Motion to reimburse for expenses by William Glover, Second Neil Fisher

Charity Committee: The Committee will reach out to our membership for charitable organizations to be considered in 2011

Motion to Adjourn: Bob Lovejoy, Second Neil Fisher



William Glover
Secretary

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

For more information regarding events, contact David Patrick, 859-229-1376.

May 14 Cars & Coffee, Ramsey's Diner, Harrodsburg Rd., 9-10 am.

May 15 Membership Meeting, 5:30 pm, Calistoga's.

May 21 TNTubs Car Show and BBQ, \$20, benefit. 9 am, Brush Pines Farm, 1354 Brush Creek Rd., Kingston Springs, TN. Contact Nate Green, 615-351-0160 or Richard Collins, DRACMARINE@aol.com, host of cookout on Friday

evening.

May 28 Drive to French Lick for the Supercar Tour event at West Baden Hotel to see an amazing assembly of high-end cars and to have lunch under the dome of the West Baden Hotel. See Chat for further details.

Jun 6 Board of Directors, 6 pm dinner, 7 pm business, all members welcome. Sawyer's, downtown Lexington.

June Jun 10-12 Summer Heat 2011 Driver Education at Putnam Park, Kentucky Region. Contact Jeremy Miller, 502-396-9111.

Jun 11 Bluegrass Region Picnic at the Great American Brass Band Festival, Danville, 5-11 pm. Food and drink on site or bring your own, a lawn chair and umbrella. Free jazz, blues, classical, traditional brass music all evening. Porsche caravan to Danville. Details to come.

See Page 9 and Chat for details.

Jun 18 Tech session, 10 am -Noon, Jim Brandon's Garage. Details to come.

Jun 19 Membership meeting, 5:30 p.m., Chop House, Richmond Rd.

July 30 P2O, caravan by Tim McNeely. See Chat for more details.

Charitable Beneficiary suggestions requested:

The Charitable Committee requests suggestions from members for local nonprofits to be the beneficiary of this year's charitable drive. This charitable effort exists in addition to our annual Paddock Challenge fund raiser to support Kentucky Children's Hospital. Contact David Patrick, ptrckdvd@yahoo.com 859-229-1376



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Join the **Great American Brass Band Festival & Bluegrass Region PCA Picnic** June 11th

Join fellow Porsche enthusiasts for an exciting evening of music in Danville, June 11th, from 5 to 11 pm.

What you have seen on Lexington news broadcasts portrays the *stereotype* that people expect when they hear “brass band festival,” **but this event goes WAY beyond what you expect** with professional blues, jazz, classical, Mardi Gras funk/soft rock/reggae/hip hop

New Orleans party music!

We will gather at 5 pm on the lawn of Centre College near the main stage where professional musicians will perform nearly non-stop until 11 pm.

Bring a lawn chair, choose from a number of food vendors on site, or bring your own picnic dinner along with your favorite beverages and kick back to enjoy an evening of lively music under the stars.

This event runs rain or shine, so bring your umbrella.

The festival on Saturday be-



gins at 9 am with several performance sites and a parade (see the schedule), but the main stage on Centre’s campus is the place to be beginning at noon if you want to spend the afternoon prior to the Porsche club event enjoying the music and simply relaxing with reading material or napping under a shade tree.

Check the map below for the best parking. Shuttles run every two minutes, so you can catch a ride to the performance area if you don't want to walk.

The plan is to enjoy the music and one another’s company at one of the best music festivals

in the country that draws over 50,000 visitors from around the world.

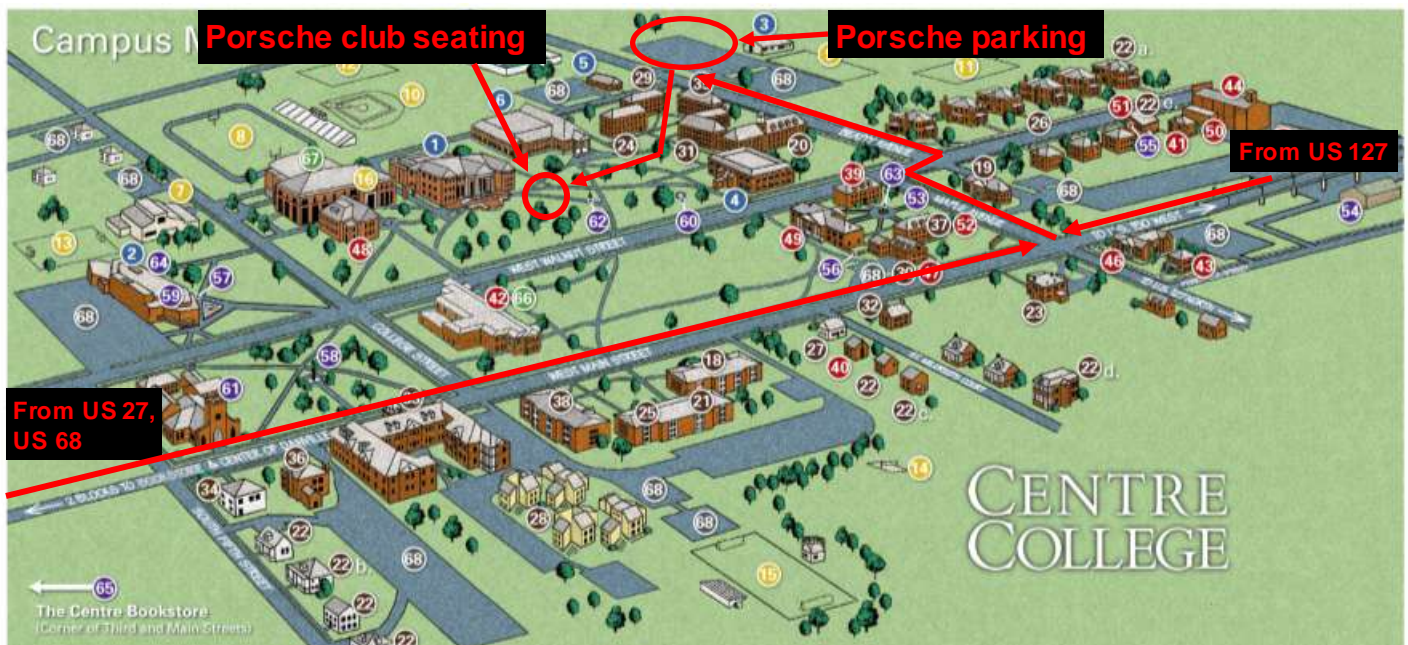
We will try to have our club banner on site to the right side of the main stage so you can locate our seating area.

We hope to see you at the festival!

—Paul Elwyn

For more information about the performers and schedule of events:

<http://www.gabbf.org>





Cars & Coffee

Join us
for Porsche talk &
breakfast **May 14th**
at Ramsey's Diner
Harrodsburg Road
9:00 am-10:00 am

Stunning cars, pleasant company at April 9th Cars & Coffee

The April 9th Cars & Coffee provided stunning Porsches in the parking lot and pleasant company at the breakfast table.

Bruce Naude of Blue Grass Motorsport arrived in a new GTS, offering a visual treat alongside Mike Spirito's excellent 1974 Carrera, the image above capturing tails spanning 37 years.

Of the seven cars lined up, two were air-cooled. Complementing the lineup were Brant Nystrom's Cayman S, Jamie Donaldson's Cayman, Bob Lovejoy's 996 Carrera, Robert McClelland's 928 S, Paul Elwyn's Carrera 4S, and Tom Bailey's Boxster S.

Seated around the table for breakfast were Theresa, Aidan, and Bruce Naude, Mike Spirito, Jamie Donaldson, Robert McClelland, Brant Nystrom, Bob Lovejoy, and Tom Bailey.



More Cars & Coffee

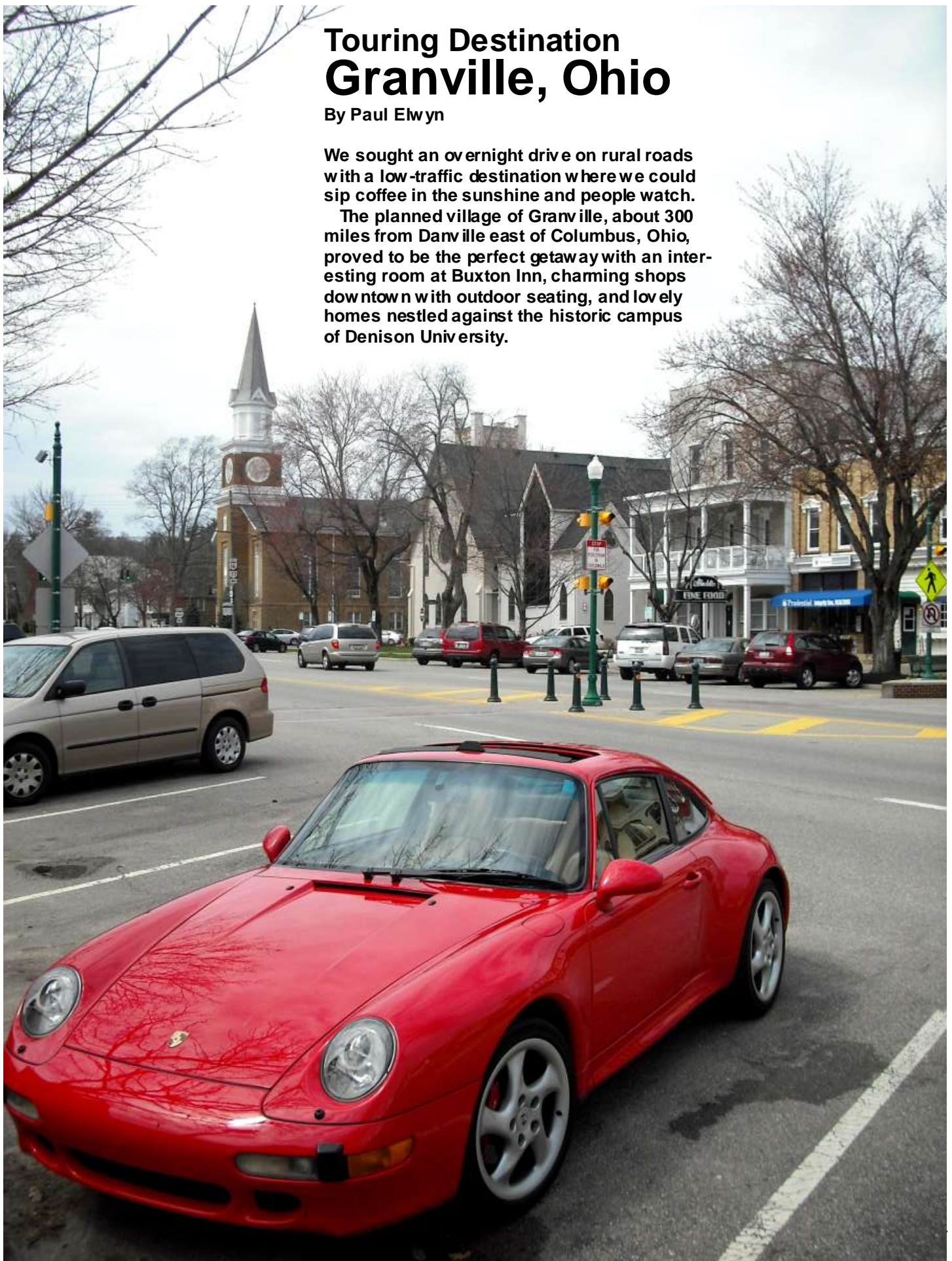


Touring Destination Granville, Ohio

By Paul Elwyn

We sought an overnight drive on rural roads with a low-traffic destination where we could sip coffee in the sunshine and people watch.

The planned village of Granville, about 300 miles from Danville east of Columbus, Ohio, proved to be the perfect getaway with an interesting room at Buxton Inn, charming shops downtown with outdoor seating, and lovely homes nestled against the historic campus of Denison University.





Buxton Inn, built in 1812, is the oldest continuously operated inn in Ohio.
 Our room was freshly renovated with a modern bathroom, a comfortable Queen bed, a deck overlooking a courtyard, and Wi-Fi. The inn features seven dining rooms.

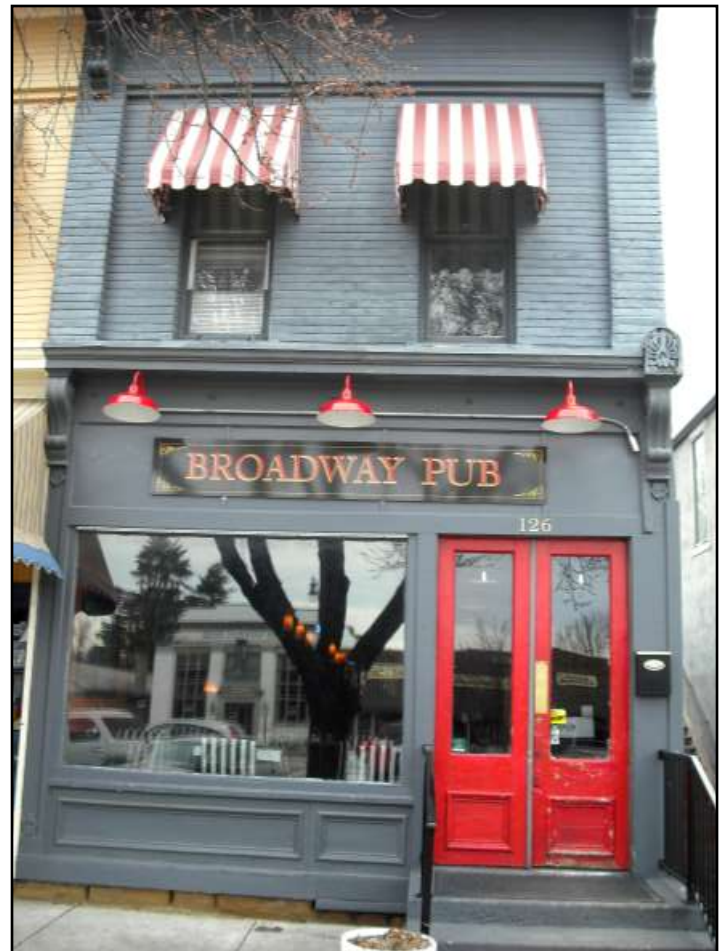


Granville Inn, across the street from the Buxton Inn.





Try Whit's frozen custard.



Memorial benches along Broadway encourage relaxing downtown.

Touring Destination Granville, Ohio



TECHNICAL

Taking a closer look

2.7 engine clinic #3

April 16th, Jim Brandon's Garage



Eleven people gathered at Jim Brandon's garage on April 16th for the third 2.7 engine tech session.

Club members disassembled a cylinder head (valves, springs, seals, shims, and retainers), inspected and measured valve guides for wear, removed cylinders and pistons, measured a cylinder for wear, split the crankcase and inspected main bearings, gears, layshaft and oil pumps.

Attending this session were David Patrick, Robert

McClelland, Mike Spirito and his Italian intern, Nicola Pilati, Jamie Donaldson, Ken Slone, Bradley Smith, Ken Partymiller, Larry Woods, Chris Martin, and Paul Elwyn.

Above: Ken Slone observes as Jim Brandon and David Patrick split the crankcase.

Right: Withdrawing a cylinder.



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April 16th, Jim Brandon's Garage



The exposed crankshaft, camshaft and distributor drive gears with camshaft drive chains, dual oil pumps at upper right. Below left: Jim Brandon (center) explains component functions in the opened crankcase with Jamie Donaldson, Ken Slone, David Patrick, and Mike Spirito observing. Below right: Dual oil pumps, input on right, extraction on left, are driven by a shaft running alongside the crankshaft (above) to the cam drive gear.



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Jim Brandon fields questions regarding 2.7 engine details.



Above and left: Larry Woods (left) and Ken Partymiller discuss a damaged cylinder with PCA club racer Chris Martin (right) who spun his 1982 Euro 911 3.0 to about 8,500 rpm, Chris estimates, in a PCA race at Road Atlanta. A head stud broke and escaping pressure blew out a chunk of cylinder sealing ring. The stock euro 3.0 redlines at 6,800 rpm. Chris is in the process of rebuilding the engine.

TECHNICAL

Taking a closer look

2.7 engine clinic #3

April 16th, Jim Brandon's Garage



Above Right:
Robert
McClelland
compresses
valve springs
in process of
removing valve
stem collars,
valves, and
valve springs.

Above and
below: Jim
Brandon dem-
onstrates how
to use a
micrometer to
measure valve
stems and
guides. Mike
Spirito (far
right) becomes
familiar with
the micrometer.



Acres of Land Winery hosts April 17th social



Porsches led by David Patrick approach Acres of Land Winery for the April 17th social.



The April 17th membership meeting offered a scenic drive led by President David Patrick from the former Porsche of Lexington site along back roads to the Acres of Land Winery located on Barnes Mill Road near Richmond.

Eleven Porsches joined the caravan while three more met the group at the winery, bringing the total Porsche count to **14** and the total number of attendees to 25! (All are pictured except the president's Cayenne S driven by Patricia Patrick. Sorry about that!!!)

Following wine tasting and dinner, Dan Puchalski won a book and Jim Brandon won an autographed poster which he gave to Maureen Elwyn for her office.



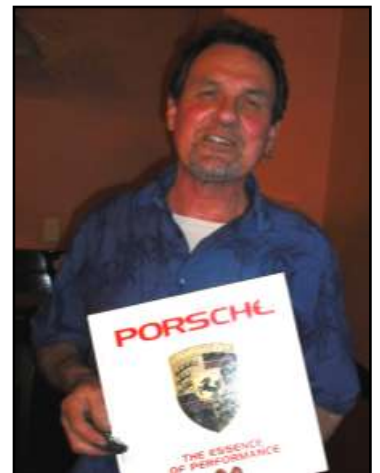
Acres of Land Winery hosts April 17th social



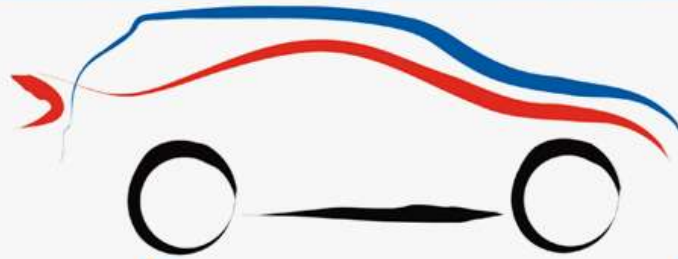
Acres of Land Winery hosts April 17th social



Drawing winners were Jim Brandon (background), who gave his signed poster to Maureen Elwyn, and Dan Puchalski.



Acres of Land Winery, located six miles from I-75 Exit 87 at Richmond on a scenic, rural drive perfect for Porsches, offers a complete menu in its restaurant to complement wine. Picnics can be arranged, or visitors can dine indoors or outdoors on sheltered decking. www.acresoflandwinery.com 859-328-3000



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Hershey Swap Meet 2011

Text and Photography by Robert McClelland



To begin with, it is like going to a museum. Like all “shopping” one either looks forward to it and is wide eyed all the way through, or it is not your cup of tea. But there is no question that the annual Hershey Swap Meet is unique in the Porsche experience.

Those who know me know that I like classic Porsches. I had heard about “Hershey” for several years and decided a few years ago to make the trip to see what all the fuss was about. It was indeed a blast. I needed six hours to browse through it all.

The trip is a nine (9) hour drive from Lexington through West Virginia and Maryland to reach the area. Of course, Hershey, Pennsylvania is the home of Hershey chocolate manufacturing. It is a town/city actually created by Milton Hershey who

grew up in Lancaster, PA. After finally reaching success with caramel production at the beginning of the 20th century, he recognized the potential in chocolate and from then on, became fairly wealthy. After selling his caramel business for \$1,000,000, he set out to create a town in the farmland area near Lancaster and planned everything from his company’s factory to utilities, transportation and housing. Today it is a center of Pennsylvania celebrations such as high school state athletic championships and an amusement park with 11 coasters.

The “Swap Meet” is an annual charity event sponsored by the Central Pennsylvania Porsche Club of America on the 3rd weekend in April. The meet draws as many as 600 vendors on a nice day. Thousands of shoppers attend from many

states and Canada (as can be seen from license plates). Parking at the “Giant Center” is segregated into “for sale” Porsches, regular Porsche parking, and all others. My guess would be there were 30 cars “for sale.” There were at least a couple of hundred Porsches driven in (I am sure more would have come but for the weather forecast) and probably a thousand other vehicles and trailers.

Having been before, I knew what to expect and had planned my trip months in advance. I needed a new passenger side door for our 1964 354 C and a few other trinkets such as a fuse cover for my 1969 911E. This is the kind of stuff that the Hershey Swap Meet is for.

I put out a note on the Chat that if someone had a part they wanted me to look for, let me know and a couple of folks took me up on the offer. Rich-

ard Collins down in Bowling Green was looking for a speedometer and sensor for an ’86 Carrera and Brad Smith asked me to keep an eye out for a front turn signal for his 356 A. I had a mission....

Denise has a brother and sister-in-law in Lancaster and she thought it a good opportunity to see them. We are not big on expensive hotels but I have been curious just how nice the historic Hotel Hershey really is. We tried to get reservations at the Hotel Hershey but, being Easter weekend (late Easter), with special Easter family packages, all the rooms were taken. The Hershey Lodge (an associated hotel) was available and we booked a room for Friday and Saturday with reservations in the Harvest Restaurant (Hershey, too).

About a week before, I started watching the weather.

Hershey Swap Meet 2011

By Robert McClelland



The Hershey Swap Meet is in a very large parking lot of a civic center called the Giant Center. There are porta-potties but no cover. Reading in the paper this morning, I noticed that Lexington has set a record for the amount of rain for April. I was expecting no less for Hershey and from the forecast, my expectations were on point. Every day that approached, the

probability waffled between 60-70% likelihood of rain and thunderstorms. I packed my rain suit and rain hat along with my large golf umbrella.

Denise advised that she would use the car during the day which made me uncomfortable until Phil Doty said he was going up to work with his friend, Bob Gutjahr from near Washington, D.C. Bob said

later that he had been coming (selling) for twenty-one years. But with Phil there with a car, let it rain and storm, I would be fine. After arriving at the hotel, Denise found that shuttles would deliver her wherever she wanted to go, very Disney-like.

Saturday morning I awoke to sunshine that by the time I was eating breakfast turned to pouring rain. Un-phased, I climbed into my wagon and headed for the Giant Center about two miles away. Arriving at 8:20 for an 8:30 start time, by the time I had my rain suit on and stepped from the car, the rain had stopped. I had been told on my last trip that I needed to be there early "or all the good stuff would be gone." That seemed a little foreign to me last trip because this stuff had been in someone's parts bin for, in some cases, 40 years. What's the hurry?

The difference, however, is that this year, I had specific

designs on what I wanted and I had a mission.

The first booth I came to had a sparkling set of polished 16" Fuchs high lighted in red with good tires that had just sold for \$600. They would have looked good on my red 911.

My plan is to hurry quickly through the rows eyeballing the general layout. This year with the rain, there were not as many vendors. "Only" about 400, so "quickly" is relative. I did get through three of twelve rows before I saw a 356 door leaning up against a van. I wandered over and took a closer look. The door had some rust on the bottom [don't they all?], had a window and frame, although a little pitted. But it was correct for a "C" coupe.

Since Dick and I got the car from Brian Cunningham, we had known the door was the wrong fit for the car but not knowing the idiosyncrasies of 356's didn't lose any sleep over it. I was bothered though about the hinge on the vent window that was not like the other side. It was flat where the driver side was conical in shape. I had thought the cone had broken off. On Friday night before the meet, I discovered the difference.

I wanted to be sure I scouted for any small hard-to-find part I needed for either the '69 911E or the 356C and was perusing my restoration manuals and found that 356A coupes had the flat pivot hinge and the C had a conical one. In fact, the C door was unique and other doors could not be made to fit properly. The description was exactly what our passenger door was like. We have an A door on a C coupe.

I had, over the past month, placed a notice for a C door on both Pelican and the 356 Registry parts list-serves. I was contacted by a fellow from Montana with one that looked just



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fine from the pictures. The price was \$600 with no glass, frame, winding mechanism or handles. But, I had the glass, frame, etc. on the car now

[before I knew the difference]. Shipping would be around \$100. I had priced a door from a parts supplier last year at

\$1,000, so \$600 is relatively low.

I asked the vendor how much the door was and he said he had just sold it for \$100. Now, I

understood the importance of getting there "early." The Fuchs and now the door...this was just like the garage sales in Lexington. The real pros get there early, as in 30 minutes before the opening.

But it wasn't raining.

Bummed but moving on, I found a jack handle/lug wrench at the end of the row. I needed one to replace the short pipe and ratchet I was carrying in the car because the tool kit was missing...\$75 negotiated down from \$100.

On the next row, I noticed another 356 window frame, this time for the driver side. It struck me that my driver side frame was actually bent from what I am sure was a surprise collision with a wall while backing up prior to my ownership. It always worked but really did need to be fixed...\$75 down from \$100.

The swap meet is more than parts, there are several clothing vendors and at least two Porsche dealers with clothing and accessories (and cars). I stopped to quickly move through some jackets logoed with Porsche at \$60 or two for \$100. I had wanted a jacket all winter to wear to club meetings.... But winter is over and I don't really need a jacket. Moving on....

I was keeping my eye out for early model turn signals and speedometers but also realized it was already 10:15 and my "quick" walk-through was only half done.

One quick stop found a set of steel lug nuts for when my 911 wheels get back from Weidman Wheels...\$20.

Looking up, it still wasn't raining and with the rain suit, in the 43 degree temperature, I was warm. But a trip to the car was due to drop off my treasures. Dan Puchalski had flown up and needed to put things in my wagon so he would be able to get through security on the

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way back, and we headed for the car for a drop.

Returning to my round, I began stopping for questions about fuse covers, turn signals and speedometers. Eventually, I found an '86 speedometer for Richard but was advised that I needed to know if Brad's 356A was an "early" A or a "late" A. Not being able to reach Brad, I got vendor contact info and abandoned the search. I moved on to more treasures. I chatted with one vendor about some waste headliner material to

patch a post area in the 356. He said he had some saved and would mail it to me Monday. I contacted him today and he confirmed that he had found it and would get it into the mail. Now that is what this place is all about.

After my three (3 1/2) hour quick round, on my way to the "For Sell" section, I walked past an incredible red GT2. It was the day before Easter and "coveting" was clearly a problem at that moment.

There were all shapes and sizes for sale. One 914 track car there had a 3.6 in it and was priced at \$45,000.

Then a quick tour of the parking lot led me back to the beginning for some serious detail shopping and a very messy Bar-B-Q. There was a small people's choice concours this year because of the rain. But there were some very nice cars.

I went in search of something I might have forgotten or something I might be spurred to impulse buy. I found two clear

lenses for the 911 front turn signals at \$25 still in the plastic parts wrapper with part number. I had wanted a back lens but couldn't reach Dick to see which side. When he did call, the vendor was gone. He also told me that our front lenses were orange....

I went back and looked at the jacket again but decided winter was over. Went over to talk to Phil and Bob and keep my eye open for other things. I actually bought one of those foam squeegies that "won't scratch your car." We'll see....

It was 2:10 PM and it still hadn't rained. But it was only 49 degrees and Phil and Bob were frozen, being locked to their vending area. Bob sells vintage literature and had some specialty items for sale. Many of the vendors were packing up.

I should have bought the jacket but decided I would check on Denise who was having a late lunch at the Hotel Hershey across the four-lane from the swap meet. I met her there and we toured the Hershey Gardens and then headed back to the Lodge for a change of clothes before dinner with Denise's brother.

But, wait. I think I will drive through one more time to see if that Jacket vendor is still there packing. Ahhhhh, yes..... she was able to find it packed away...and only \$60.

The door is being dismantled for stripping as I write.

—Robert McClelland

Shine and show draws an eclectic mix of cars



Eleven Porsches and an eclectic mix of seven other cars assembled on April 30th at Pleasant Ridge Park in Hamburg for a casual tire-kicking session.

Organized by Robert McClelland, the event turned out exactly as Robert had hoped it would, providing a relaxing morning of car talk around an interesting mix of cars on a beautiful Saturday morning.

Among the Porsches were two 356 cars, a coupe and a roadster, two 928s, two 993s, two 997s, a 3.2 Carrera Cabriolet, one Boxster, and a Cayenne.

If you missed this outing, catch the next one!



500,000 miles in 45 years with a '66 Ford LTD



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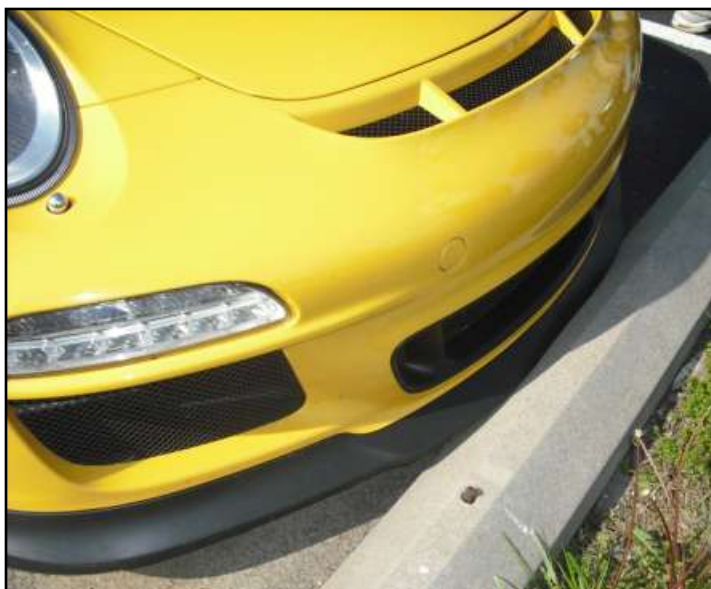
Sam, age 95, paid \$3,600 for his Ford LTD in 1966 in Sacramento, California. Since then he has driven the car over 500,000 miles.

The 390 C.I. V8 still runs well with no rebuild in its history. Sam changes oil twice a year, and has changed the automatic transmission fluid only twice.

Everything still works well, including the air conditioning, says Sam. The engine compartment looks unmolested.



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