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On the road to Sioux City in our recent fun run.  
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# FROM THE PRESIDENT

By Joe Chambers

If you are like me our SA2010 helmet is set to expire at the end of this year. I've been shopping around for a SA2020 model and so far I have drawn a blank. I did find this from Snell, the governing body for helmet specs, SA2020 Final - SA2020 was published in its final form last month. It and an accompanying cover are posted on the Snell website. Testing is already underway but the first helmets certified to SA2020 will not be available for sale or use until October 2020. Based on past new helmet requirements, these roll-outs are slow to develop and we will likely see many manufacturers delay availability well into 2020. If you have an SA2015 helmet you will be good until 2025. If anyone finds an SA2020 helmet for sale, please let me know.

Speaking of helmets, here is the latest update on our RPM plans. Our intention is to host a DE on October 12 from 8am to 4pm. This is dependent on a track inspection to be done by our team on August 31. If we feel like the track is safe, that we can provide a decent paddock area for participants, and the ground is sufficiently dry - we will open registration on September 1. We are also working to keep the cost very affordable. Paddock conditions will be a bit challenging and the bathrooms will be porta-potties. We acknowledge that this is not ideal. We hope that the conditions will not keep anyone away from coming out and supporting the event. Part of our purpose in hosting the event is to

generate some revenue for the track in hopes that they will be able to find a way to remain in operation. Our other purpose is to get a track day in for the club members that just like to hit the track. We are very hopeful that there will be some novice interest and we can introduce a new group of drivers to the fun of driving their car on a racetrack.

Has anyone noticed an unusually high number of butterflies this year? On our Fun Run to Sioux City we found a few million of them. While traveling the north end of the Loess Hills Scenic Byway it was quite mesmerizing watching them spin and spiral in front of our cars for nearly 3 hours. I'm pretty sure my Porsche still has some lodged in places I haven't discovered yet. There were a lot of butterflies but not enough to spoil the fun we had traveling from Council Bluffs to Sioux City. **Kim Burger** is a master at planning these events. I can't thank Kim enough for the attention to detail and preparation that he puts into these events. The trip was complete with a pit stop at the city park in Pisgah, Iowa. Kim had a full complement of refreshments for the break. He had other supplies as well but you will need to talk to one of us that were on the trip to get the story on that! Thank you to **Kurt and Melinda Halvorson** for being the lead car and to **John and Linda Rebrovic** for being the sweeper. It never gets old seeing a line of Porsche's motoring their way

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# Membership News

By Brandon Koom  
Membership Chair

When you join the Porsche Club of America, you become a member of the largest independent, single marque club in the world. Membership is open to all Porsche owners, co-owners or lessees, who are 18 years of age or older. Club membership allows you to learn more about what your car can do, have more fun with it and get to know other Porsche owners who share your interests. We have fun, do cool stuff and drive some of the finest cars made. Come join the fun!

Why not save time and renew for 2 or 3 years? The benefits are many: you will be able to attend GPR member-only events such as the always popular Winter Party, Spring Fling Social, annual picnic, as well as enjoy free advertising for car-related items for sale in Der Skooner. You must be a PCA member (pca.org) in order to join the Great Plains Region.

Please go to gprpca.com and click on the green button: "Join or Renew Your GPR Membership Online". Be sure to add your significant other to the email list so she/he can also receive GPR/PCA emails. Complete the information and pay by credit card on our secure site. If you prefer to pay by check, you may print the online form and mail it in.

Questions? Contact:  
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*Welcome* to our new PCA and GPR members:

**Charlie Gaetzke**  
**David Eikenbary**

*Congratulations*  
to our members with September PCA anniversaries:

30 Years

**Jack Baker**

25 Years

**John Marchant**

10 Years

**Steve Wilson**

# GPR Name Badges

Look official at our next GPR/PCA event. The magnetic name badges are \$12, which includes shipping to your home. They take about 3 weeks to arrive.

If you would like to order one, please contact Melinda at gprnews-letter@gmail.com.

Don't forget to wear your name badge to all GPR events!



# By the Numbers

144 GPR members  
266 PCA members in our Region

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**PORSCHE**

# It's Time for Another GPR Ladies Only Paint & Sip Event!

It's been a year since our last painting party, so please join Melinda Halvorson for another evening of painting, sipping, eating, and fun!

You choose a door hanger shape you would like to paint in advance, but that's all you need to do. All of the supplies you will need to paint your door hanger shape will be provided. There are many samples for you to look at for inspiration, not to mention finding ideas on Pinterest. The owner of the shop and her assistant will be there to help you every step of the way.

Here's what you need to know:

**Tuesday, October 1<sup>st</sup>  
6:00 pm**

Please bring an appetizer or dessert to share.

Wine and non-alcoholic drinks will be provided.

Creative You Door Décor Studio  
333 N. Spuce St., #102, Valley, NE

There are only have a few spots left! Email Melinda with your interest as soon as possible:

[melinda.halvorson1115@gmail.com](mailto:melinda.halvorson1115@gmail.com)





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# CALENDAR OF EVENTS

## September

4 <sup>th</sup> -7 <sup>th</sup>	Treffen Vermont	Woodstock, VT	
8 <sup>th</sup>	All-European Show & Shine* See Page 13 for more information.	Lauritzen Gardens, Omaha	Noon to 3 pm
14 <sup>th</sup>	Porsches & Pancakes	Garden Café 11040 Oak Street, Omaha	8:00 am
21 <sup>st</sup>	Oktoberfest Fun Run & Party See Page 10 for your invitation!	Bob & Carol Lynch's home 6100 Northern Hills Drive, Omaha	6:00 pm

## October

1 <sup>st</sup>	GPR Ladies Only Door Hanger Party at Creative You Door Decor, Valley See Page 5 for more information.		6:00 pm
12 <sup>th</sup>	Porsches & Pancakes	Garden Café, Omaha	8:00 am
12 <sup>th</sup>	DE	RPM	8 am-4:30 pm
27 <sup>th</sup>	Hayrack Ride & Bonfire	Santa's Woods, Blair	4:30 pm

## November

7 <sup>th</sup> -9 <sup>th</sup>	Porsche Palooza	Eureka Springs, AR	
9 <sup>th</sup>	Porsches & Pancakes	Garden Café, Omaha	8:00 am
9 <sup>th</sup>	New Member Dinner	Spezia Omaha	6:00 pm

## December

14 <sup>th</sup>	Porsches & Pancakes	Garden Café, Omaha	8:00 am
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**Watch your email and our website, [gprpca.com](http://gprpca.com), for more information and new events as they are added.**

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(From the President, continued from Page 2)

through the back roads of America. As you are driving you look at the line of cars admiring the different models and years as you go up and down and around the curves. They are all beautiful in their own way. I would also like to thank **Luann Rannals** for volunteering to fill out the observer's report to PCA. We started our trip at 1pm and arrived in Sioux City a little after 4pm. Those who were staying overnight checked in to the Stoney Creek Hotel and freshened up for dinner at the Trattoria Fresco. The PCA slogan of "It's not just the cars, it's the people" was in full effect. It was a great trip!

Our next fun run will be on September 21. That is the date for our Oktoberfest at **Bob & Carol Lynch's**. For those that are interested, we will do a 90-minute drive that will begin and end at the Lynch's. We hope you will join us. If you can't make the drive we still hope that you will join us for the party. The party will be from 6-10pm. For those of you interested in the Husker game Bob and Carol have promised to have the game on during the party. The start time for the game with Illinois is still TBD at this time. The menu will be brats and hamburgers, German potato salad, sauerkraut, and all the fixings. Thank you to Bob and Carol for hosting this event. Also, a big thanks to **John Krecek** for providing the beer! **Please get your RSVP to Chris Coda (christopher\_coda@hotmail.com) before the end of the day on September 15** so we can get a good head count to Carol for her to give to the caterer on September 16<sup>th</sup>.

The ladies of our club will be getting together again on October 1 for a Door Hanger Party. They will meet at Creative You – Door Décor in Valley starting at 6pm. Contact Melinda

Halvorson if you are interested.

We are going to try something different on October 27<sup>th</sup>. We have planned a visit to Santa's Woods in Blair. It will be a hay-rack ride and bonfire. We will meet at Santa's Woods at 4:30pm and the hay-rack ride will begin promptly at 5pm. It's a 45 minute ride. When we return to our campsite they will have the bonfire fired up and ready for us to cook hot dogs and s'mores over the fire. I have been to several of these in the past and they are a lot of fun. Kids are welcome for this event. Santa's Woods does allow alcohol so you are welcome to bring a beer or two if you wish. The club will provide the hot dogs and s'mores. We will provide additional details when we get closer to the event.

Porsche managed to salvage a 3<sup>rd</sup> place GTLM finish in the IMSA race at Road America. They never did seem to hit their stride in qualifying. To manage a podium was a testament to their sheer competitiveness. The Pffaff Motorsports team in the 911 GT3 R had a phenomenal day. Their young driver, Matt Campbell, had the race of his life. Pffaff came home in P1 in the GTD category. You may remember that 7 of us from the GPR were fortunate enough to do a DE at Road America back in June. It's thrilling to watch an IMSA race from a track that you have recently driven. Another fun way to watch the IMSA races is via the IMSA.TV website. You can watch the race and you can also switch to on-board cameras in about 8 select cars to experience what they are seeing. I find it very interesting to switch from car to car and listen to the different sounds that each manufacturer produces. They are all uniquely different.

Summer is winding down; get out and enjoy your Porschel!

~ Joe

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# Oktoberfest

Please Join Us for a Fun Run  
and Oktoberfest Dinner  
September 21<sup>st</sup>

Everything starts at 3:00 pm with a Fun Run,  
which will begin at Bob & Carol Lynch's home:  
6100 Northern Hills Drive, Omaha.

The Fun Run will last 75 to 90 minutes, and will finish up back at the Lynch's home,  
just in time for dinner at 6:00 pm.

The menu consists of wonderful German fare:  
Brauts with the appropriate condiments  
Hamburgers  
Hot German Potato salad  
1 or 2 other sides  
Seasonal Dessert

Beer, water and iced tea will be available

This event is for GPR members only. Adults only, please.

You **MUST RSVP** to Chris Coda, Social Chair: [christopher\\_coda@hotmail.com](mailto:christopher_coda@hotmail.com)  
**NO LATER THAN September 15<sup>th</sup>.**

# With Sympathy

We would like to express our deepest sympathy to the family of Larry Kavich, who passed away on August 5<sup>th</sup> in Arizona after a brief but severe battle with pancreatic cancer. A Memorial Service was held on Monday, August 12, at Temple Israel in Omaha. In lieu of flowers the family requests that memorials be directed to either the Nebraska Humane Society in Omaha (attn: Mary Severin, Nebraska Humane Society, 8929 Fort Street; Omaha, NE 68134) or Child Crisis Arizona (817 N. Country Club Drive; Mesa, AZ 85201).

Larry was an active member of the Great Plains Region for many years and was one of the first Presidents of our region. He will be missed by many.

# Through My Rearview Mirror

By Lee Raskin, Former GPR member, now of Pikesville, Maryland

Larry Kavich ...what a terrific guy. We had been friends since the mid-1950's...sharing early Omaha motor-sports...going to the Offutt AFB sports car races....meeting legendary drivers, Carroll Shelby and Masten Gregory....going to Abe Slusky's Playland Park Speedway...meeting stock car drivers Johnny Beauchamp and Tiny Lund...owning Go Karts...Hiawatha Doodle Bug motor scooters...listening to Sports Car in HiFi 78 LP records on Larry's stereo... learning to pronounce: PORSCHE in two-syllables...Le Mans without the 's' in French... and the Mille Miglia (1000 mile race, 1927-1957) in Italian. Eventually, we owned real Porsche sports cars

and became members and officers of the Porsche Club of America's Chesapeake Region and Great Plains Region, respectively...1,200 miles apart. I had bought my first 356 Porsche in 1964...Larry followed with a new 911E from Rosen-Novak Porsche in the late 1960s – and kept that same Porsche 911 for 50 years. We reunited in Omaha during 2009, while always staying in touch... sharing family and Porsche stories throughout the decades.

I'll sure miss my dear friend, Larry. My sincere thoughts and condolences go to Andi and his family. May Larry's memory always be a blessing.

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# Welcome and Thank You

By Melinda Halvorson, Editor

I would like to take a moment to welcome your new Der Skooner editor, **Mark Eichten**. Mark joined the GPR in 2017 and was featured as a Meet a GPR Member in the November 2018 issue of Der Skooner if you'd like to get to know him better. I know I am leaving the newsletter in very capable hands.

I am stepping aside as your editor mainly due to health reasons. My cancer has returned so not having the newsletter to put together each month will relieve a great deal of stress for me. It's also time for a

fresh look to the newsletter, and I know Mark will come up with a great design.

I want to thank each of you for allowing me to be your Der Skooner editor for the past 5 years. You have allowed the newsletter to be sent out digitally, which has saved the GPR a great deal of money over the years. I also gave the newsletter a bit of a fresh look so I thank you for your patience with that, and a few typos along the way.

I have enjoyed getting to know all

of you better as a result of being at more events, and convincing some of you to write articles for the newsletter. Thank you to those who didn't run the other way when I came to talk to you about writing an article!

I will still be at events with Kurt, but perhaps I won't climb up the tower at MPH to get those shots of our DE'ers out on the track.

# Meet a GPR Member

The GPR/PCA is made up of a great group of members. This month's feature member is **Ken Burson**.

I was born and raised in Omaha and I have been a PCA member for 31 years. I have also been married to my wife, Irene, for 31 years and we have two grown children, one grandson and another grandbaby on the way. Professionally, I am the President of Piping Resources, Inc.

My love of all things internal combustion arrived at a very early age. My Dad had an auto repair shop in South Omaha. He and his partner had an example of virtually every muscle car ever made at one time or another. I have heard stories of them testing their AA Fuel slingshot dragster down 32<sup>nd</sup> avenue with all the neighborhood kids blocking the side streets. I love the smell of nitro methane to this day and discovered that a small amount of fuel goes a long way and too much nitro will blow the head off of your go-cart. Been there and done that.

As a kid I recall seeing Porsche 356s running around Omaha. Howard Shoemaker had one in the early 60's and lived just blocks away from my Dad's shop. I believe the first 911 I took notice of was Howard's 1967 911S. Man did I love the sounds the flat six made! At the time it seemed all Porsche drivers ran their 356 and 911 at high RPMs all the time. It's understood that you don't want to lug these engines but I don't recall reading that stipulation in the owner's manual.

In 1978, after going through a few



muscle cars of my own, I bought my first Porsche, a 1968 911L that was a bank repo car. It was Polo Red with a tan interior. The car ran very strong but the old long hood, short wheelbase cars wanted to swap ends around corners in the rain, so I decided the next Porsche would be a long wheelbase, wider wheeled, thus wider tire 911.

I sold the '68 to buy my first house because, as they say, you can't sleep in your car. But in response, I would like to add that a house will not go 135 miles per hour. I bought a replacement Porsche in 1983, which is the red on black 1970 911T that I Club Raced and still own today. I also have a Polar Silver 993 I acquired in 2009 from Bob Knapp (GPR member) and an Arena Red 993 Turbo 4 that I acquired in 2010 from Chuck Frichot (GPR member).

As for my favorite Porsche experience, there are too many to list.

Auto crosses at the Nebraska State fairgrounds, DEs at Heartland Park that were timed events and then Club Racing all over the mid-west. Another fond memory is the fact that I was in the first wave of PCA DE instructors and still enjoy instructing to this day. I would estimate that I have had at least 150 students over the years. One of my students won the GT class at the 2002, 24 Hours of Daytona.

Concerning the question of what other "Dream Cars" would I like to own, I am content with my old air-cooled cars but I wouldn't mind owning a GT3!

# All European Show & Shine

## Sunday, September 8<sup>th</sup>, Noon to 3

### Lauritzen Gardens

See fine European cars and motorcycles on display. Imagine models of Jaguar, Porsche, Mercedes-Benz, Ducati, BMW, Ferrari, Pantera, Alfa Romeo, Austin Healey and others surrounded by the beauty of the garden.

Guests may walk the 100 acres of gardens or they may take a narrated tram tour for \$5 per person. The café will be open from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. for lunch and snacks.

Please note that during the All-European Show and Shine, cars are exhibited to the northwest of the rose garden (the furthest part of the garden away from the visitor and education center) and the show ends promptly at 3 p.m. Guests are encouraged to arrive at the event early enough to account for walking times to reach the show site (the staging location takes approximately 20 to

30 minutes to reach by foot, depending on the speed of the walker).

Admission to the event is included with paid garden admission - \$10 for adults and \$5 for children age six to 12. Garden members and children under age six are admitted free of charge.

If you have a fine old or new European car or bike and you would like to exhibit in the garden (or you know someone who does please register online at:  
<https://shop.lauritzengardens.org/category-s/194.htm>

Our GPR members always enjoy this event and represent Porsche well. Hope to see you there!

*(This event is not sponsored by the GPR/PCA.)*



## Congratulations

### Eric Elliott, GPR Webmaster

By Joe Chambers, President

Congratulations to **Eric Elliott** for winning a 2019 PCA Website Award at Parade in Boca Raton. He received Second Place in the Class III (clubs with 200-400 members) competition. Eric spent a considerable amount of time redesigning our webpage and his hard work was recognized by the PCA. Please join me in thanking Eric for all he does for our club. We are very proud of your accomplishment!



Eric Elliott, GPR Webmaster (L), recently received the 2019 PCA Website Award from Joe Chambers, GPR President (R).



# JOIN US FOR A HAYRIDE AND BONFIRE AT SANTA'S WOODS!

Be sure to put **October 27<sup>th</sup>** on your calendars!

We'll meet at Santa's Woods at 3764 NE-133, Blair, NE at 4:30 pm.

The fun begins with a hayride beginning promptly at 5:00.

After a 45 minute ride we return to our campsite to a bonfire all set up  
and we'll have hotdogs and s'mores.

Watch for more details in your email and the October issue of Der Skooner.  
You won't want to miss it!

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## Porsches & Pancakes - August 10<sup>th</sup>

Fourteen attended our Porsche breakfast in August. We hope you'll join us on **September 14<sup>th</sup>** at our next Porsches and Pancakes at Garden Café, 11040 Oak Street in Omaha. It's always a fun morning of good food and great conversation.



Photos by Joe Chambers



# From the Grid

By Rick Mourey, Safety Chair/Club Racer

Photos by Theresa Mourey

The GPR “Race Crew” (**Shawn Keeler, Sally Knapp** and I along with crew chiefs **Theresa Mourey, Sandy Bruso** and adopted racer **Dave Safris**) traveled to Minnesota for the Brainerd International Raceway Club Race. This race is hosted by the Nord Stern Region and they put on a great event.

For this race we also had **Roland Nieves** with us. Roland is a former club racer, extraordinary instructor and PCA timing guru who also holds the distinction of being the only driver to “catch air” while racing at Hallett in Oklahoma. GPR’s very own traveling track junkie, **John Artherton** was also in attendance. I’ve lost track of how many tracks you’ve been to this year John, but great to see you there and hope to see you at High Plains.

As we started off, we were hoping the trip up to BIR was not a harbinger of things to come, with driving rain and Minneapolis traffic making a long tow even longer. Brainerd

Minnesota is a lot farther away than it looks on a map. Fortunately, we drove out of the rain and arrived at the track in sunshine and warm weather.

BIR is a very large facility and boasts being one of the fastest road courses in the country, which proved to be very true as we all found out. There are also several factors that make the track layout very interesting. The first is the main straight, which at around 4,000 feet long is also the drag strip where they hold large NHRA events. I think you could actually make tires from the amount of rubber on this section of the track. It’s this same rubber that when wet is slipperier than smooth ice. To add to the fun, the area has large painted sections (I guess for TV impact...), which also are very slippery, and a couple of very ominous concrete walls. Oh, and track exit is at the beginning of the straightaway. At the end of the main straight is turn one which is slightly banked and taken

flat out through turn two which is not banked... Now as some of you know, I race a 944 that is not blessed with a lot of horsepower. You haven’t lived until while going 125mph in a corner you get passed by a Cup Car doing 150 - 160mph in that same corner. FUN. The last segment of the track we all commented on was exiting turn 9 in 4<sup>th</sup> gear heading straight for the tunnel under the bridge that takes spectators to the track infield. Shawn, Dave and Sally seemed to shrug this off though, as apparently, I was the only one thinking “boy that’s a lot of concrete and pretty narrow”. Video of the day was taken by Dave of that very spot as he stood on the bridge during a practice session and captured a 911 lose it coming out of turn 9 and pull two, 360-degree spins right through the tunnel never touching a thing. The driver will remain nameless, but he did say afterwards an underwear change was in order after that event.

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Sally Knapp (L) and Shawn Keeler (R) out on the track.

(From the Grid, continued from Page 15)

Racing, Shawn and Dave put down some blistering lap times with Dave taking a 3<sup>rd</sup> place in race 2. Shawn got bit by the “if you have a problem with the car it will show up at the track” law, but it’s pretty impressive for both of them when your lap times average 100mph! The 944 classes at this race were limited in car count (it’s not really a 944 track), but Sally in SP3 hit her weekend goal of doing a sub 2 minute lap time and I hit mine of not lifting in turns 1 & 2 and at least keeping SP1 national champion Steve Coomes in sight!!! In the spirit of club racing our crews also got into the act with Theresa Mourey getting ad-hoc drafted to help out on the grid (her grid rep-

utation is following her to different tracks now) and Sandy Brusio and Roland came to the huge rescue of a fellow club racer spotting a developing engine fire in his 911 while in the paddock and helping to get him out of the car and the fire teams called in!! Nice work there!

All in all, a good weekend hosted by the Nord Stern region at a very



Rick Mourey takes his turn out on the track.

interesting track in the middle of Minnesota. Off next to High Plains Raceway in eastern Colorado, where the environment and weather is the complete opposite of Minnesota.

## Fun Run and Overnight to Sioux City - August 10<sup>th</sup>-11<sup>th</sup>

Photos by Linda Burt Rebrovic and Melinda Halvorson

Fun always describes the drives that **Kim Burger** puts together for our GPR Fun Runs and this drive did not disappoint. Thirteen cars with 23 Porsche friends drove the beautiful, winding Loess Hills Scenic Byway Saturday afternoon, August 10<sup>th</sup>. We had a nice stop at the Pisgah City Park with Kim providing snacks and water. He always takes such good care of us!

We arrived at the Stoney Creek Hotel and Conference Center around 4:00 and were pleasantly surprised at how quaint the hotel was. We had time to rest or do a little shopping before we gathered for dinner at Trattoria Fresco, a highly rated Italian restaurant near our hotel. The food was delicious and it was fun to visit with old friends and new. See you on September 21<sup>st</sup> for our next Fun Run!



Kim Burger, (center, white shirt with hat), runs a smooth driver’s meeting before we begin the drive.

# More Pictures From the Fun Run to Sioux City



**Dinner at Trattoria Fresco**

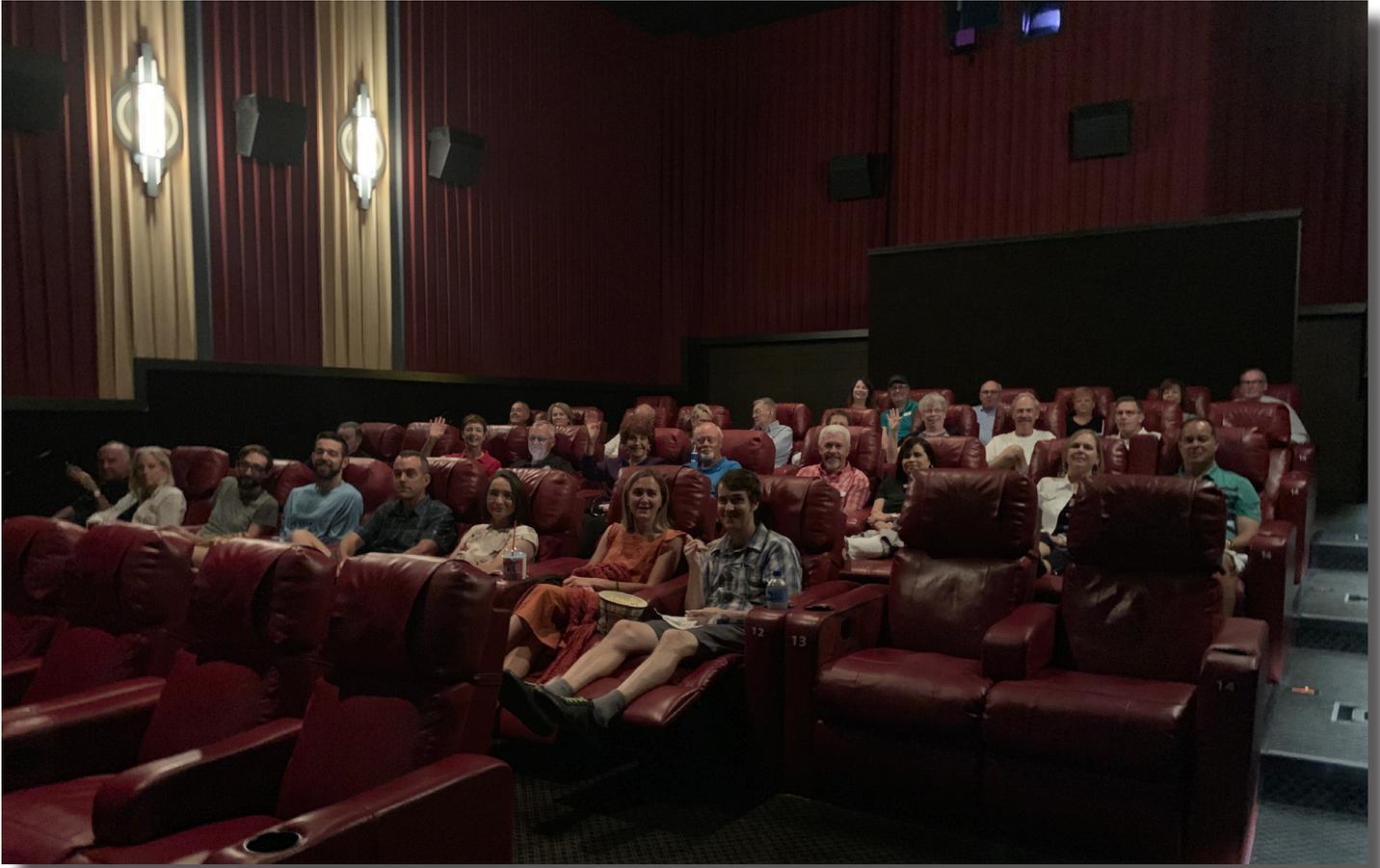


John Rebrovic (L) and Walt Wood (R) met a few new friends on the trip!

L to R: Joe & Cindy Chambers, Walt Wood, Glo McDaniel, Jeff & Linda Sena, Kurt Halvorson, Todd & Luann Rannals, Jeana & Chadd Goosmann, Deb & Tom Berger, Chris & Jim Medici, Sandy & Paul Schudel, Linda Burt & John Rebrovic, Deb & Armando Colorado

# Movie & Dinner - The Art of Racing in the Rain - August 17<sup>th</sup>

Photo by Melinda Halvorson



A first for the GPR, we rented a theater at the Marcus Majestic Cinema of Omaha at 144<sup>th</sup> and Maple to see the movie *The Art of Racing in the Rain*. We weren't sure how many would be interested in attending so we reserved the smallest theater. The theater sold out the first day the tickets were on sale. We quickly moved to a larger theater and that nearly sold out as well. *The Art of Racing in the Rain* was based on Garth Stein's 2008 book about a sportscar racer and his gold retriever, Enzo. Actor-turned-racer Patrick Dempsey is a producer, and the people behind the movie partnered with IMSA to capture some real sports-car action. Jeff Zwart,

one of the car world's great filmmakers, directed the racing sequences.

We all enjoyed the movie but felt there could have been more racing scenes. After the movie 23 of us headed to Jack & Mary's Restaurant for dinner.

This was such a success that we may just do it again for another movie releasing soon - *Ford V Ferrari*, which has a release date of November 15<sup>th</sup>. Watch *Der Skooner* and your email for information about our next movie and dinner night.

# GPR August 2019 Board Meeting Minutes

Date: 08-06-2019

Time: 600pm – In Person (Thanks to Steve Gehring for hosting at his office.)

In Attendance: Joe Chambers, Steve Gehring, David Adler, Eric Elliott, Rick Mourey, Terry Lessmann, Chris Coda – By Phone

## President (Joe Chambers)

Joe reviewed upcoming board vacancies. Mark Eichten has agreed to take on the newsletter as Melinda is stepping down. She will support Mark through the transition. Chris Coda will also have to depart as social chair. The board is exploring options to backfill the Social Chair position and will post the vacancy in Der Skooner

## Secretary (David Adler)

July minutes were approved and published in Der Skooner.

## Social Chair Updates (Chris Coda)

Pay-your-way dinner and a movie: The Art of Racing in the Rain – August 17<sup>th</sup>:

Meet for the movie at 3:00pm, the show starts at 3:30pm. Dinner will follow at Jack & Mary's (655 N. 114th St.) at 5:30/6pm. Club members attending will need to submit menu choices prior to the event. Cost: \$10.78/person (\$8.50 ticket price). 40 signed up for movie and 36 for dinner

Fun Run to Loess Hills/Sioux City: August 10/11  
Stoney Creek Inn - 11 cars 21 people  
15 rooms reserved - \$120/room

Kim Burger has mapped a route for the run and will work with Steve Gehring to get information out to membership.

Ladies Night: Creative You Door Décor – October 1<sup>st</sup> at 6pm, 333 N. Spruce St. #100, Valley, NE  
DE at RPM – October 12<sup>th</sup>

Board is discussing cost per car and whether there will be a novice class

Santa's Woods – Hayrack ride and bonfire – Blair, NE – October 27<sup>th</sup> – 4:30/5pm  
\$185 deposit (\$9/head, every person counts towards the deposit)

Club provides the food (hot dogs, chips, drinks) – approx. cost of \$500

The board decided to cover the cost of the event  
Party at the Lynch's: September 21<sup>st</sup> – 6 pm

Carol Lynch has secured catering and the menu is set  
Fun Run start time and route needed

## Safety/CDI Report (Rick Mourey)

No national updates or rules changes to DE or Tour (fun run) rules

Insurance certificate for the August Fun Run obtained and provided to Kim Burger.

Working with national safety chair to clean up of GPR DE Instructor list – Active/Non-Active

## Registrar's Report (Terry Lessmann)

A group of club members met at RPM on July 20 to scope out the track. We felt it was in decent shape and have pursued a fall date. October 12 has been selected. A final track inspection will take place on August 31. If the track passes inspection registration will open on September 1. The October 12 DE will be held at RPM from 8am to 4pm. The cost will be \$100 per person with no discounts for anyone.

## Membership Report (Brandon Koom)

Through July: 144 Paid GPR members and 266 PCA members in GPR region.

The club welcomes new PCA and GPR Members  
Charlie Gaetze and David Eikenbary.

## Treasurer Report (Moe Shanley)

July's beginning cash balance was \$81,833 and ended the month at \$81,270; a decrease of \$563. The decrease is due to room rental at Charleston's, monthly printing of Der Skooner, and flowers for a club member's wife.

## Der Skooner (Melinda Halvorson)

Nothing significant to report.

## Website (Eric Elliott)

Website is updated and calendar current through November

Eric will send email about upcoming Porsches & Pancakes on Wednesday

Respectfully Submitted,

David Adler  
GPRPCA Secretary

# GPR Classifieds

## For sale:

The 1500 page, three volume definitive history of Porsche, "Excellence Was Expected" by Karl Ludvigsen. Essentially new condition. \$350.

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