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"On The Cover" by Mike Anderson

Zero to 60

Mike Anderson, GPR President

I know everyone in the club understands the passion and love for Porsche cars. We just think they are the best, we like looking at them, talking about them and driving them. To that end, my time this winter in Phoenix has been a real joy. It seems there are car shows every weekend, or maybe two to choose from. What is special is talking with the Porsche people you meet at the shows.

Show one was the Sotheby's preview at the Biltmore. I got to stand next to a 959 that eventually didn't meet reserve as it was only bid to \$1.5mm. Yikes! I also saw a 356 Outlaw that sold for a cool \$750k. Oh my. The cars were wonderful. I had on my Porsche gear but was caught looking at a Ford GT when a Porsche guy started chatting. Wonderful couple from MN. Really cool preview to go to.

Show two was Barrett Jackson. Total zoo but worth the effort. I could argue that we all should go search barns for Chevy C10 pickups and 1972 Broncos. The prices are nuts. The time and effort that guys have put into them is truly amazing. I only went for one day, but you should plan on two days if you can. Too much to see.

Show number three was a bust. Lots of muscle in Sun City West. Not surprised. Nary a Porsche in the lot. Saw a Karmann Ghia and a BMW. Nuts.

Show number four. Oops. I had the wrong date for the Porsche cars. I went on the weekend when they specialized in Japanese tuners. Cool cars, but not what I was looking for. The good news is Kurt Halvorson had sent info on a car show at the Penske car dealership. Bingo!

Show number five. Porsches everywhere. Lambo's, Ferrari's, Rolls, a couple of GTOs, but mostly exotics. The cars were fantastic, but as they say in Porsche Club of America, "it's all about the people." I got to the show late, chatted briefly with a couple as they were leaving with "his and hers" 911s. A 1988 and 2001. I explained I had never been to this show and wasn't sure what to expect. Their comment was, "you have to go to the Concours in the Hills, there will be a 1,000 cars there!" I had not been to that one but decided to check it out. I never made it past the Porsche section. I spent an hour speaking with the owners, asking about their cars, learning about the history. After a short while, my brain was full.

This month's cover photo is a photo that really left me awestruck. A thumbnail just wouldn't do it justice on this page, and I'll let it speak directly to you.

One of the coolest was a 1987 Petrol Blue 911 a guy had just bought in FL. It was a long story, but the short version is he missed out on a listing in the PCA classifieds, and the owner called him a couple of days later and offered the Petrol Blue one as he felt bad this guy had missed out. Wow! Just shows how connected we all are.

I think it is great to confirm that there are wonderful Porsche loving people all over the country and I'm sure the world. I can't remember a lot about the cars I saw, but I do remember all the great people I met and spoke with. If you get a chance, pop down to Arizona and look at cars. They have tons of them.

Mike

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Great Plains Region Club Calendar

March 2024

March 2nd - Car Care Seminar at Owners Pride, 9:30-11:00am ([RSVP Only - Limit 20](#))

13730 P St, Omaha, NE 68137

March 9th - Breakfast at Paradise Bakery, 8-9:30am

Village Pointe 17305 Davenport St, Suite 101, Omaha, NE 68818

March 23rd - Museum of American Speed and lunch, 9:15-1:00pm ([RSVP Only - Limit 30](#))

599 Oakcreek Drive, Lincoln, NE 68528

April 2024

April 20th - Spring Fling DE at I-29 Speedway (formerly RPM)

Watch for further details via email and clubreg.com

April 30th - Ladies Potting Party & Lunch, 10:00am (See upcoming emails & gprpca.com for RSVP info)

The Garden Gallery, 2721 N 206th St, Elkhorn, NE

National Calendar



Club Racing Calendar



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Board of Directors Meeting

Minutes of the GPR Board Meeting February 13, 2024

The Great Plains Region PCA Board met by teleconference at 6:00 pm. Present were Mike Anderson, Eric Elliott, Kurt Halvorson, Jeremy Kroh, Terry Lessmann, Carol Lynch, Paul Schudel, and Roger Williams. Bob Kirchner and Jim Medici were unable to attend. Dennis Fitzke joined the meeting as an observer and assistant to the social chair.

PRESIDENT: VP Jim Medici presented Least of My Brethren with our check from the Annual Dinner raffle, along with member contributions of gloves and hats. Gratitude to the GPR was expressed by the organization's leadership. The Schonesland Region is joining GPR for dinner July 12th, along with monthly breakfast and Supercar Saturday on July 13th. Anderson and Medici participated in the New President's PCA Webinar February 6th and will participate in the Zone 10 annual meeting in Des Moines March 9-10.

SECRETARY: The January 2024 minutes were approved as distributed.

TREASURER: The January 2024 beginning cash balance was \$67,774 and the ending cash balance was \$66,401. January and February financial details will be provided in the March minutes.

SOCIAL: The Annual Dinner was held at Omaha Country Club on Saturday, January 20th, 2024, with nearly 120 members and guests attending. The February 7th screening of *Ferrari* attracted 44 attendees, with a self-pay dinner beforehand. Approximately 65 attended breakfast at Porsche Omaha February 10th. A Car Care Clinic at Owner's Pride is scheduled for March 2nd from 9:30-11:00. March 9th is breakfast at Paradise Bakery at 8am. March 23rd is a trip to the Museum of American Speed in Lincoln from 9:30-11:30am with tour guides and lunch to follow. April 30th brings a Ladies Event with Spring gardening and planting tips, and lunch to follow. A Driving Tour to Eureka Springs and Bentonville, Arkansas with two overnights and a museum tour is being planned for July 19-21.

MEMBERSHIP: GPR paid members total 213 out of 328 PCA Primary members. Lynch sent correspondence to all who had not renewed as of the new year and received many renewals. Twenty-eight decided not to renew, and adding in 37 Lifetime members, we need to

ensure we replace lost dues revenue with new members. Two Lifetime members will be honored in 2024. The Porsche Pal/Buddy system continues with assigned board members reaching out to new members to help facilitate their participation in events, answer questions, and otherwise act as a liaison to the new member.

REGISTRAR: DE dates for 2024 have been added to ClubRegistration.net, caveated that the dates are tentative until contracts are executed. DE 101 was presented at the Porsche Omaha breakfast February 10th by Roger Williams, Jim Medici and Terry Lessmann, with refreshed slides for 2024. The new presentation has been uploaded to the website for member use.

SAFETY: Chair Williams reviewed the newly revised Tech Form for DE participation, noting the discussions which ensued with PCA's National DE Chair. The form will be posted to the GPR website for member reference and use. The Club Race application and ad was submitted to PCA in January, with approval allowing registration to open April 1st. Club Race volunteer positions are filled, and the three PCA race officials have been assigned. On-Site Tires will again be our tire vendor to support the Club Race and DE. Update on RPM in Pacific Junction: the facility was sold in January, with the new owner promising capital improvements in the paddock, concessions/restroom building and on the road course. Anticipated improvements to take place through a multi-year plan. The new name for the facility is I-29 Speedway.

EDITOR: February issue of Der Skooner was published and distributed to our advertisers and our website. March Skooner to include Meet A Member, Porsche Newsroom article, and a submission by member Steve Wilwerding on the chemistry of car wash solutions.

WEBMASTER: GPR website is up to date with known events, along with requisite RSVP/Registration forms. February Der Skooner was emailed to members on February 2nd. DE information has been updated with the 2024 revised Tech Form, 2024 DE 101 presentation, and the 2024 DE calendar. GPR events for 2024 will be added to the PCA calendar.

The next board meeting will be Tuesday, March 12th at 6:00pm at Porsche Omaha.

-Kurt Halvorson, Secretary

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By The Numbers:

PCA Primary Membership: **330**

GPR Membership: **214**

Welcome New Members!

David Pham - Gretna
Noah Schmitz - Panama, Iowa
Gerald Simons - Omaha
Mike Patak - Elkhorn
Justin Kosch - Omaha

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Steve Ginn

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Any questions about the GPR store? Please contact me, Carol Lynch, using the convenient email link below.

Moved, retired, new email address or dropped a land line phone? Just let me know, then we can keep you in the loop on all things GPR.

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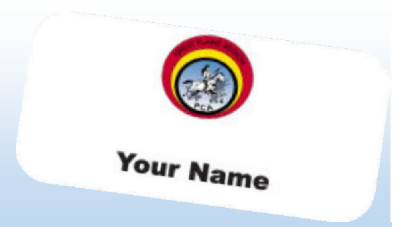
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Know Your porsche

Article by Steve Wilwerding

When you buy products to detail your Porsche, have you ever paid attention to their pH? Have you wondered why some shampoos seem to strip away dirt better than others? Have you thought about how the products you are using affect the protection you have on your Porsche?

If any or all of these have never occurred to you, it's important that you start paying attention to the detailing products that you are using on your automobiles. This includes not only the shampoo you are using to wash your car, but also the products you are using to clean your wheels as well as to detail your interior. Let's start with a little background on pH.

pH Level

As you likely remember from your high school chemistry class, pH level is a measure of how acidic/basic a solution is. A pH of 7 is neutral. Pure water has a pH of 7, though if you were to measure the water coming out of your tap, it would likely deviate up or down somewhat because of minerals in the water. In the realm of car detailing products, they are generally labeled pH neutral, acidic (a pH lower than 7), or alkaline (a pH higher than 7).

Wheel Cleaners

Wheel cleaning products tend to be the most common that deviate from a neutral pH. Most often, wheel cleaners tend to have a pH of less than 7, making them acidic, thus making them something you want to use very carefully and quickly. Acidic wheel cleaners (sometimes called wheel brighteners) can do a great job cleaning the brake dust and grime off your wheels, but if left on too long, or used incorrectly, they can actually etch your wheels, or strip the paint off of them.

It is important to note that any product that isn't pH neutral tends to strip off waxes and sealants, whether on wheels or paint work, so if you are us-

ing an acidic or alkaline wheel cleaner, plan to apply protection after you are done. Some folks think that they need to use non-pH neutral wheel cleaners every time they wash their car, but that tends to be overkill. Instead, I recommend using wheel cleaners to thoroughly clean the wheels, then apply a wax or sealant to the wheels. Once I have a good coat of sealant, I have found that I can use pH neutral shampoos to keep my wheels clean the rest of the season.



Car Shampoos

Most car shampoos that you come across are pH neutral, which means that they do a good job of cleaning your car without stripping off waxes and sealants. However, it is important to pay attention when you see shampoos labeled as “Reset” or “Max Power” or “Strip Wash” – those tend to be alkaline, and while they will do a great job at dissolving dirt and grime, they will also dissolve any wax or sealant that you have applied.



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I do keep a supply of these alkaline car washes, because at least once a year (usually the beginning of the driving season), I will “strip” the car using one of these shampoos, clay, decontaminate, then apply sealant and wax. Once that is done, I can usually stick to pH neutral shampoos for the rest of the season.

If your car is ceramic coated, you can be a little more lenient on using alkaline car shampoo. Assuming you have used a good ceramic coating, an alkaline car shampoo will not strip it like it will with waxes and sealants. However, it is still recommended to use pH neutral shampoos for maintenance washes and use a “Reset” type alkaline shampoo once or twice a year to remove the contaminants from your ceramic coating. Just like with wheels, you shouldn’t be using the strongest chemicals for your regular washes.



Interior Cleaners

As with car shampoos, most interior cleaners are pH neutral, but pay attention, especially for leather and vinyl cleaners. I have always used a pH neutral leather cleaner on my Porsches, but there are some alkaline products out there. Just like car shampoos, the alkaline leather cleaners will likely do a better job of cleaning dirt and grime, but you run the risk of stripping off OEM protection and

dyes from the leather seats, so be very careful.

Miscellaneous

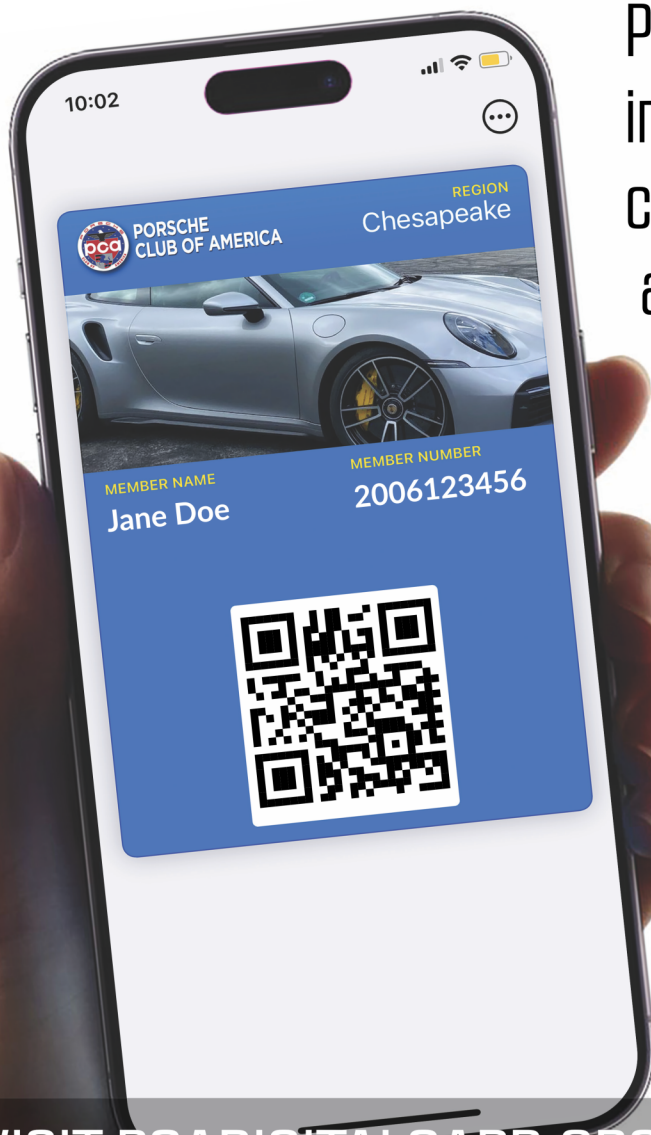
When you are at the auto parts store, or browsing online, you will likely see products specifically designed as “bug and tar remover” or “water spot remover”. These products either tend to be highly alkaline or highly acidic, so just be aware that using them will likely strip off any waxes or sealants on your car. Always follow the instructions to the letter, especially for acidic products that should not be left on a surface too long. One tip – if you are using a strong chemical for the first time, dilute it 10:1 with water – that should bring the pH closer to neutral, and minimize the risks of using the product. You can then adjust from there if you need stronger cleaning power. For example, I find that diluting Chemical Guys Bug and Tar Remover 10:1 in a spray bottle works great for removing bugs on a waxed car, without also removing the wax and sealant.

Hopefully this article has given you some good tools to use when you are buying products to detail your Porsche. It is important to understand the pH levels of wheel cleaners, shampoos, interior detailers, and other miscellaneous car detailing products. As stated above, non-neutral products do have their uses, but just be aware of the downsides and risks that come along with them, and when in doubt, dilute the products.

Happy detailing!



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Social Apex

Article by Paul Schudel, Social Chair

A mild February had the club back out of hiding from the cold winter blast of January where the breakfast at Porsche Omaha was pushed back until after that pesky groundhog gave his opinion on the remainder of winter.

An outing to see the movie *Ferrari*, which was preceded by dinner at Local Beer & Patio out at Village Pointe, started off the month in a welcoming fashion.



February 10th saw the return of the postponed but quarterly breakfast at Porsche Omaha. A huge thank you to Mitch and his team for hosting breakfast, as well as a DE 101 session put on by Terry Lessmann, Roger Williams and Jim Medici. A very special 356 was parked in the main showroom... Were you there to see it?



At left and upper right, GPR members gather for dinner and a showing of "Ferrari" at Village Pointe.

Above, a restored 356 on display at Porsche Omaha. This photo supplied by Armando Colorado.

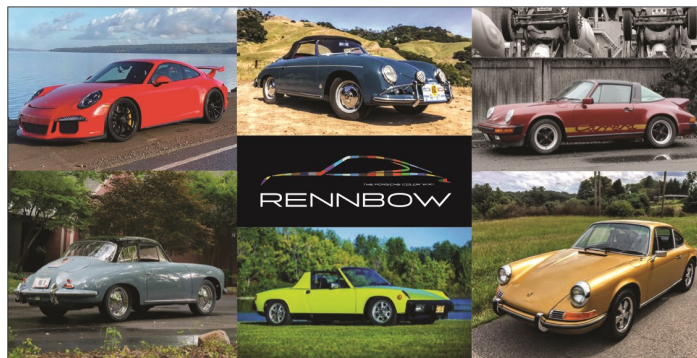
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Hopefully you saw the email link and are (were?) able to join us Saturday, March 2, at Owners Pride for a car care seminar from 9:30 -11:00 a.m. For those not familiar with Owners Pride, they offer car detailing, ceramic coating, and Paint Protection Film (PPF) services, as well as a line of car detailing products for purchase.

Join us for coffee, conversation, and cinnamon rolls as we resume our monthly meeting of “Porsches at Paradise” on March 9 at 8:00 a.m. at Paradise Bakery & Café in Village Pointe.

On Saturday, March 23, a visit has been scheduled at the American Museum of Speed located at 599 Oakcreek Drive, in Lincoln, from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m.. The Museum has been voted #1 by USA Today’s Readers’ Choice Award as Best Attraction for Car Lovers. It was founded in 1992 by “Speedy” Bill and Joyce Smith and moved to its current location in 2001. This 150,000 square foot museum was formed to present a continuous chronology of automotive racing engines and speed equipment development to preserve, interpret and display items of significance in racing and automotive history.

We will meet at the Museum in Lincoln at 9:15. Admission is \$10 per person (at member cost). Arrangements have been made for Museum volunteers to provide guided tours of the facility and its displays for us. Following our Museum tour, for those interested, we will share lunch (at member cost) and discuss our reactions to the tour. Participation will be limited to the first 30 individuals to register. One spouse or guest per member is welcome to register. Hope to see you there!



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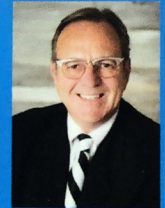
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A Note from the Editor



If you've seen this "surgical suite", you know where I am. Or more accurately, where I was.

I decided it was time to replace the OEM transmission mounts as a second one in 3 years had failed. I had some recommendations to try out some semi solid mounts. One advantage in these, there is no hydraulic fluid to leak out onto the catalytic converters below. The photo below shows the difference. The old OEM mount on the left, the new semi solid on the right.



Another notch in the "pro" column, firmer shifts. You take away that fluid, and there is less play and movement in the drivetrain. That kind of info is well documented and understood. Which brings me to the "con" that is also understood with these types of mounts. That lack of hydraulic fluid means these semi solid mounts augment and transmit more vibration from the drive train. In a car with 22 year old bones, I completely understand that these are really more of a track upgrade than what one would want in a car that spends most of it's time on public roads. Time will tell, so I'm not giving up on them yet!

Have you got any projects going on in your garage, or planning to take a road trip with your Porsche? Perhaps taking a road trip to bring home a new Porsche? We'd love to hear your stories from the garage or open road (or track!)

I'll make it easy to send in an article and include my direct email link.

editor@gprpca.com

Any newer members to the club wish to be featured in our "Meet A Member" section? While I send out emails from time to time looking for contributors, you don't have to wait! You can make use of this link right here. [Meet A Member](#) Even if you've been here a while, but might not have been contacted about this, please feel free to reach out, we'd love to hear from everyone, no matter how long you've been with the club.

Last note, we do love to hear from the members, so please feel free to reach out to me or any of the board with ideas for events or comments on *Der Skooner*. All this is for you, the membership, so let us know your thoughts!



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Bill Pemberton

When did you join PCA?

January, 2023

Where are you from?

Blair, Nebraska

What Porsche(s) have you owned, and what do you currently own?

We currently have a 2020 White Macan S, and a 2024 Cayman GTS in Chalk.

What makes your car(s) special?

My wife loves her quick SUV (Macan), and the 2024 Cayman will be perfect for me to run time trials and DE events.

Next Porsche or current project?

Right now I'm getting the Cayman set up for track use. Bridgestone RE71RSs, Apex Wheels, tie downs and more!



Meet A Member: continued

Favorite memory with your Porsche(s)?

Getting the break in period done on the Cayman, and opening her up!

What got you interested in Porsche?

I have, surprisingly, been a PCA DE instructor for over 20 years.

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Announcement!

July Road Trip to Eureka Springs and Bentonville, AR

At the January GPR Board meeting, it was agreed to offer the members an opportunity to participate in a road trip to Eureka Springs and Bentonville, Arkansas over the weekend of July 19 through the 21st. If you have visited the Ozarks, you know that there are quite a few interesting roads in the area that lend themselves to a "Porsche Fun Run". Also, you may be familiar with Eureka Springs, which is a quaint town in Northwest Arkansas for a visit, as well as with the Crystal Bridges Art Museum located in Bentonville (and funded by Alice Walton of the Walmart family) which is a world class museum of American art.

In order to gauge the level of interest in this road trip and provide guidance for efforts to reserve blocks of hotel/motel rooms in both cities as well as to identify restaurants capable of accommodating our group, it would be appreciated if you could please send an email to the Club Social Chair, Paul Schudel, at paul.schudel@gmail.com to confirm whether you would be interested in this road trip. This would not be a commitment to make the trip, but rather an indication of interest to assist with planning efforts.

Again, the planned dates for the road trip are July 19-21 with an overnight stay in Eureka Springs and an overnight stay in Bentonville.

Thank you!



Rocky Mountain Region

Article thanks to Danielle Badler of the Rocky Mountain Region PCA

The Remainder Bin

So I was meandering through my local Barnes & Noble. I had already cruised through the car magazines, noting once again the amazing fact that Jolly Olde, a country the size of New York State, still dominates the car mag shelf space. I counted four Porsche-only monthly Brit titles. How can that be?

No matter. On to the remainder shelves. And there, amid the 50% off titles on the top ten killer submarines of the world, how to cook a souffle like Julia Child and gardening secrets of the pros ... there it was ... really? Could it be? Yes indeed! “The Comedians in Cars Getting Coffee Book.”

I’m a big Jerry fan. Late night, when Stephen and Jimmy and Jimmy are on hiatus, I watch Seinfeld reruns. And they hold up. The puffy shirt, the bubble boy, yada-yada-yada, the soup Nazi, Festivus. They’re timeless. Not that there’s anything wrong with that.

It also doesn’t hurt that we’re both from the same general neck of the woods, Lon Ghiland. Which the natives shorten to The Ghiland. You have to hit that G, hard. I even had a very distant brush with fame once – a guy I used to play golf with, whose business was drilling precise holes for elevator shafts, told me he once drilled shafts for Jerry’s converted car garage on the Upper West Side of Manhattan. Yes, that’s right! Although I never got an invitation to see the result of his work.

At first, I thought the book was a joke. Because it reminded me immediately of one of my favorite bits on the series, Kramer’s coffee table book on coffee tables. But that’s another story. You see, I’ve seen every bite-size episode. I love it. The cars, the guests, the chatter, the revelations.

Of course, I’ve buried myself in the tome. And I’m proud to share some take-aways. Because God only knows how many copies of Comedians are out there, anywhere. Here’s just a scrape of crema from the surface of the cup.

Jerry wrote an introduction to the book. “What if I figured out a way to bring the viewer along on a bit of comedy hang time but mostly the jokes and whatever else has some thought value? I’m not much for podcasts. I think virtually everything could do with a good edit a beautifully put together stand-up set is ‘I have a lot of funny and interesting thoughts. Here’s the best ones.’”

The episode with President Obama; “We did the phone call first. The President was like ‘Yeah, come on over.’ After Obama hung up the phone, he said to the Secret Service agent who was in the office with him, ‘He’s going to knock on the window. Don’t shoot him.’”

On relationships. Jerry to Bill Burr; “If I could give you three words of marriage advice? I’m married 14 years.” All right. “Never stop apologizing.”

More on relationships. Jerry to Ali Wentworth; “I’ll tell you, your husband (George Stephanopoulos) has got one of the greatest husband lines I’ve ever heard. ‘So you’ve moved to this new place on 72nd. Are you happy there? And he says I hope we are.’”

On TV and movies. Mel Brooks; “It’s got to please you. You’re the only audience. If it pleases you, it will please them. If you don’t laugh, they’re not going to laugh. If you don’t cry, they’re not going to cry.”

On other comedians. Jay Leno; “When you’re hot, whatever you do: ‘Oh, ho, ho.’ People laugh at everything you do. Then after they’ve seen you a few times, it gets a little trickier. Taste is what’s left.”

Badler: continued

More on other comedians. Jerry to Howard Stern; “Listen, a great stand-up is a victory over the self. And you are as great an example as exists. Your career is a victory over the self. The greatest obstacles are the self. It wasn’t the business. It wasn’t other people. It wasn’t relationships, your wife, whatever. None of that was the biggest obstacle. It was you. You conquered yourself.”

Still more on other comedians: Robert Klein to Jerry about Rodney Dangerfield; “We’d hang around.” Where? “His place, first on 86th. (In accent) I’ll tell ya, I got an apartment on 86th, between Columbus and Puerto Rico. I got mugged there. The guy had a razor. It was an electric razor. It was my own fault. I was standing close to an outlet.”

Back to Jerry’s intro, on the cars; “... if you’re not an automotive enthusiast, cars are an unbelievably boring subject How a person could not be interested in cars, I’ll never understand. They’re

such large, important, fascinating objects They’re such a perfect fit with the comedians and the coffee. The reason I love cars is each one’s personality always expresses a moment in mechanical history and culture Every car is so unique to me. And so much like a person. Always trying to please, so often failing....”

I hope you find your very own Getting Coffee Book. I’m keeping mine, piping hot, forever.



The banner features a scenic view of a glacier and mountains in Alaska. In the center, there is a circular logo with a white Porsche car, a cruise ship, and mountains. The text "TREFFEN AT SEA" is arched over the top of the logo, and "AN ALASKA ADVENTURE" is arched below it. Below the logo, it says "PORSCHE CLUB OF AMERICA". At the bottom, the text "Now Booking!" is written in a large, white, serif font, followed by "July 28- August 4, 2024 | Majestic Princess" in a smaller, white, sans-serif font.

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Tuesday, April 30, 2024

10:00

**The Garden Gallery
2721 North 206 Street
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11:30

**Maximo's Cantina
(a short walk from the Gallery)
2613 North Main Street**

Following Lunch:

**Enjoy the many locally owned boutiques, shops
and art galleries in Olde Towne Elkhorn**

Bring your own pot/container (or purchase one at the Gallery), and select any of the beautiful plants for your pot. You will pay for the potting soil and plants you use. (You might want to bring your gardening gloves.) **THERE IS ROOM FOR 15 TO PARTICIPATE IN "POTTING."**

If "potting" is not your thing, you will be amazed at the beauty and selection in the three greenhouses. Who knows, you just might find something to take home, including a beautiful container arrangement! **THERE IS NO LIMIT TO THE NUMBER OF "NON-POTTING" ATTENDEES**

The Garden Gallery

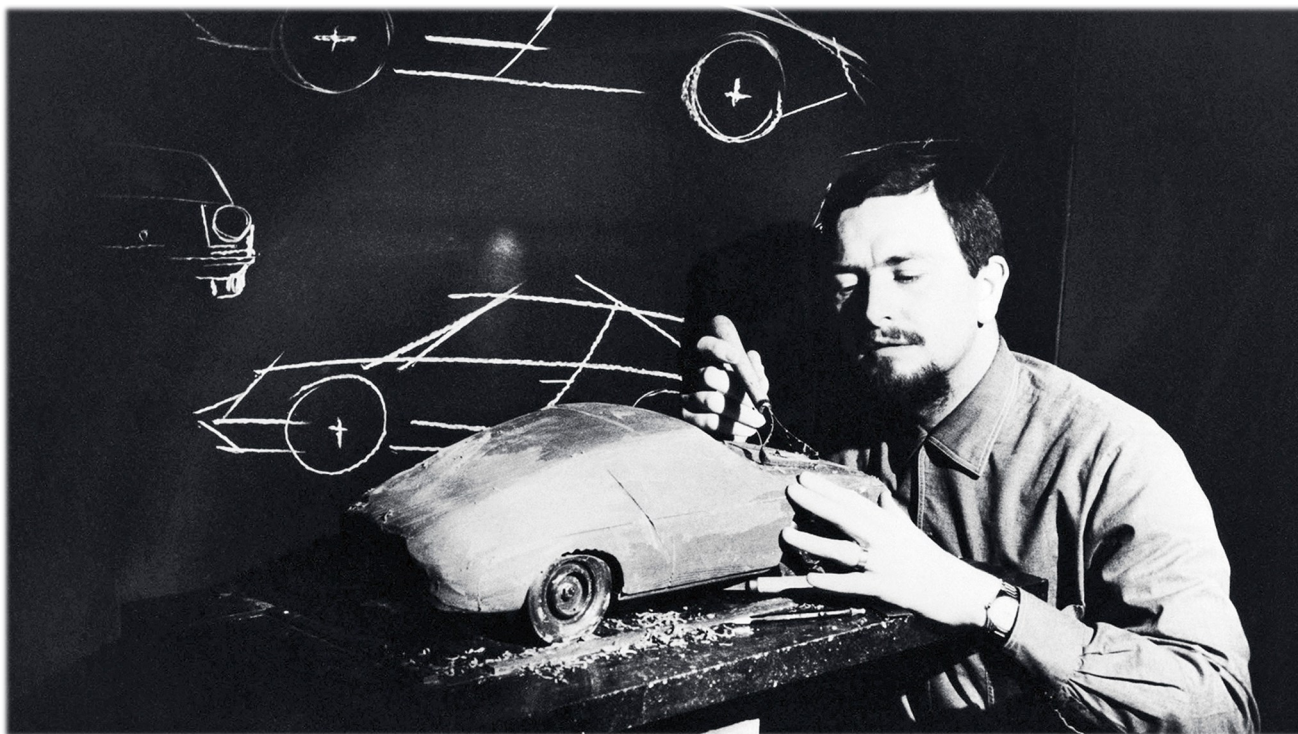
The Garden Gallery, owned by Master Gardner Michelle Minnick, has been described as a "magical hidden gem." In her three greenhouses you will find some of the most beautiful and unusual annuals, perennials, and tropicals available in this area.

A 1920's era home in front of the greenhouses showcases one-of-a-kind pieces of art from approximately 25 local artists. In the house and yard you can expect to see welded garden art, sculptures, and paintings, some of which are fun and quirky and all hand created.

To ensure enough staff is available, **reservations cannot be accepted after Friday, April 19.** Watch your email and the gprpca.com website for reservation information.

Clay Art: Tools of the modelers at Style Porsche

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08/02/2024 Clay models have long played a crucial role in the development of iconic Porsche designs. The experts use unique tools to shape them. Metal blades and scrapers, delicate wire loops, wooden sculpting tools, and brushes – this suitcase contains more than a hundred instruments. But what they're used for is not immediately clear. They're the tools of a modeler, at the exterior studio of Style Porsche, who is responsible for producing clay models of future sports cars– one of the first steps on the path to making a vision a reality. This suitcase is one of a kind, as each of the approximately 50 Porsche modelers puts together their own selection. The shape experts sometimes even produce tools of their own to meet their personal needs.

Once Michael Mauer, Vice President Style Porsche, and Peter Varga, Director of Exterior Design, have chosen a selection of their designers' sketches, up to ten models at a scale of 1 : 3 are created for the internal competition. The teams of designers and modelers transform their initial designs into three dimensional forms.



Clay Art: continued

While Porsche also uses photorealistic simulations based on CAD data and virtual reality software, clay models play an essential role in sports car development, as they not only provide a highly sensory impression of the typical interplay of concave and convex shapes, but also allow modelers to more quickly implement the many changes inherent in the design process. Their hands are the perfect complement to the designers' eyes.

Pinnacle of clay art using photogrammetry

What is commonly referred to as a clay model, and even feels like one, is, in actuality, made from industrial plasticine. Large bars of the modeling mass are stored at exactly 60 degrees Celsius in the studio oven, which maintains a consistency similar to that of soft butter. The plasticine hardens at room temperature and can be processed. A total of 100 kilograms of plasticine is applied by hand to a frame of wood and rigid foam to create a 1:3 model. For 1:1 models, it takes up to 1,200 kilograms.

The modeler uses shaping tools to remove material, form edges, and smooth surfaces as well as tapes and films to accentuate important lines and produce headlights and windows. The internal selection process ends with two full-size designs, which are then modeled, covered with special films, and painted. A single model may have two different sides to present different design or equipment variations. On the path to series maturity, the experts record the dimensions using photogrammetry. The 3D data serves as the foundation for the rest of the digital development process.

It can take six months to form the 1 : 1 model, which is extremely realistic. In fact, it's just about impossible to tell the difference between an actual vehicle and a model during presentations. That's the pinnacle of clay art.

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