



On My Mind: Burnell Curtis, President

hours to replace three of them. The fourth one can wait until I am in a better mood.

That is all I have for now.

See you at an event.

Burnell

The end of December and the month of January are slow times for the Lone Star Region Porsche club. We have no activities during this time so I have no events to write about. We were planning a meet, drive, eat activity for January but it seems to have died for lack of attention. By the time you read this you will know if it was revived or not.

I recently read about the new 997 GT2 that Porsche has just brought out. It continues to amaze me how Porsche can continue to improve the car. They always seem to be able to extract more horsepower from the engine and improve the handling. They are able to do all of this and still produce a car that will idle correctly and drive well in traffic.

Many of you know that I passed my 1987 Carrera on to my son-in-law. The car now has more than 220,000 miles on and is going strong. At least, it was going strong until it encountered a deer. It was dusk and the deer darted out of the bushes on the side of the road. The damage was not terrible and could have been much worse. The hood, a front fender, the fog lights, and the headlight assembly had to be replaced. It now looks very nice with the fresh paint on the front of the car. Most of the rest of the car was compounded so that the paint matched.

I have been having difficulty with my hood and rear deck lid, and it finally got to the point that they would not stay up. All four of the struts were bad. With every new model of Porsche produced, I think that the engineers at Porsche have a goal to make the hood and deck struts more difficult to replace. For the front hood, you can only see the bottom of the strut. I had to fashion a special tool to release the catch at the bottom of the strut. It took me three