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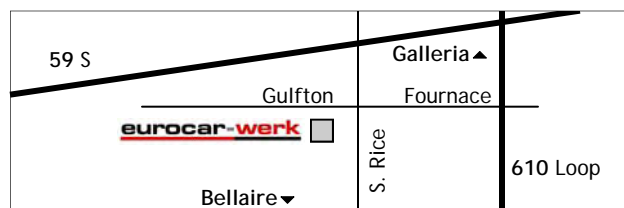


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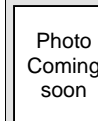
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On My Mind: Lynn Friedman, President

I am still buzzing from my first ride in the new Boxster Spyder. If you were lucky enough to be at our June Driver Education event at Texas World Speedway, I hope you also took the opportunity to hitch a ride in one or both of the two that were present. PCA and Porsche Cars North America provided members with this unique opportunity to experience the car that was inspired by the legendary 550 Spyder.

It has lightweight sport bucket seats and aluminum doors with pulls that replace traditional handles. The rear trunk lid "humps" give this Boxster an entirely new profile. To keep the weight down there is no automatic roof system, door storage compartments, standard air conditioning or radio. A little goes a long way in this car. As for the important stuff, how did it feel? What was the ride like? How did it sound? That could only be gauged by the big grin that I kept on my face long after climbing out of the car.

While the acquisition of a Boxster Spyder is not in my immediate future I did the next best thing, I "built my own" Spyder on

the Porsche website. I built a platinum silver metallic Spyder with matching painted wheels and 7-speed PDK that now lives on my computer, as a screen saver, for now.

I have yet to see my first Spyder on the streets of Houston, but I know it won't be long. Sooner or later, one is bound to pop up at one of our Saturday morning GTGs (get-together's). Don't forget to stop by one this month. Don't let the dog days of summer slow you down. Get your cup o' joe and come out and meet your friends or make some new ones.

- August 8 (Sunday) (second Sunday of the month) Cellar Wine Bar, (formerly Paradise Coffee, same location) Cellar Wine Bar serves coffee and pastries for the breakfast set
- August 21 (Saturday) (third Saturday) 290 and Spring Cypress, Starbucks
- August 28 (Saturday) (fourth Saturday) North, Market Street in the Woodlands

Stay cool on the road!
Lynn

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- 4 Board Meeting
- 6-8 Tourpalooza in Colorado (PCA Zone 9 Event)
- 7 Coffee and Cars, Uptown Square from 8:30 to 10:30 am
- 15 PCar GTG (S) - 8:30 am at Paradise Coffee in Clear Lake City
- 20 Porschenistas - Ladies Networking
- 21 Car GTG (NW) - 9 am at Starbucks at 290 and Spring/Cypress
- 28 PCar GTG (N) - 8:30 am Starbucks in MarketStreet by the Woodlands Mall

September 2010

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- 1 TBD Board Meeting - nomination committee appointed
- 4 Coffee and Cars, Uptown Square from 8:30 to 10:30 am
- 9-12 Porsche Escape, Sun Peaks British Columbia
- 10-12 Boxstoberfest in Fredericksburg
- 11-12 LSR DE at TWS
- 12 PCar GTG (S) - 8:30 am at Cellar Wine Bar in Clear Lake City
- 12 BMW Autocross at Houston Police Academy
- 17 Porschenistas - Ladies Networking
- 18 Car GTG (NW) - 9 am at Starbucks at 290 and Spring/Cypress
- 25 PCar GTG (N) - 8:30 am Starbucks in MarketStreet by the Woodlands Mall
- 25 DHL Charity Car Show
- TBD LSR Concours

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We are pleased to announce registration for Boxstoberfest 2010 is now open. As in all past years, Boxstoberfest will be held in Fredericksburg TX, and the beautiful Texas Hill Country. The dates are September 10-12, 2010.

As in the past years, the driving tour is the main event. For those who want a more laid back day, we have a self paced course laid out, through some very exciting and scenic small towns and country roads. For those who are a little competitive, we have a distance tour planned, where you follow a course over a set of cryptic clues to reach the end at a very specific mileage. There are trophies for closest to actual mileage – Most Accurate, and “Most Lost”.

Friday night will be registration, dinner and drinks on your own. Saturday morning will include a show-n-shine, a few tech sessions, then split up for the driving tours into the Hill Country.

Saturday evening will include a post drive cocktail reception, followed by dinner, awards presentation and door prize giveaway.

We can say for certain you will thoroughly enjoy the event!

Remember, Boxstoberfest is a free event, coordinated by a group of highly dedicated folks and supported by our generous sponsors! Your only costs are your meals/drinks, lodging and gas. There are no registration fees – possibly making this the best value of any driving event in the entire United States.

Hope to see everyone in September.

Visit www.boxstoberfest.com for more details, and the registration site. Link.

Porschenistas

Ladies Networking Socials-

Ladies! Mark your calendars to attend a “Porschenistas—Ladies Networking Social.” These monthly events are planned with the ladies in mind, and are open for all primary and associate Lone Star Region members. Past events have included dinners at trendy eateries as well as enjoying musical entertainment at local hot spots. Check the schedule in the *PorscheNaut* or on the web site for upcoming dates!

OK Porsche guys, if your spouse or significant other isn’t reading the *PorscheNaut*, now it’s time!

Details for locations and scheduled activities will be communicated via the *PorscheNaut*, the LSR website and our monthly email blasts.

If you have questions about the up-coming events, a suggestion or would like to assist in the planning of a Porschenistas event, contact LSR Social Chairperson, Nina Midway at social@lsrpca.com.

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Membership: June

William Wong - Membership

Lone Star Region welcomes our newest members!

New members as of 07/01/10 for the month of June 2010

David M. Albright	2008	Boxster
Karen R. Albright	2010	911 C4S
Christopher W. & Linda Armstrong	1996	911 turbo
Michael & Larry Eisenberg	2009	911 turbo
David B. & Daniel Ervin	2006	Cayman
Younassan J. & Jeannette Honein	2001	Boxster S
Jeremy & Stacy Lord	2009	Boxster
Robert D. & Melanie Matej	1992	911
Tom S. Platou	1996	911
Alfonso M. Rodriguez	1989	911

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Thomas R. & Aimee Davis	2000	911
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Welcome!

For those of you who are new to the Porsche Club, the Lone Star Region would like to welcome you! Reasons for joining the club are many, but rest assured you're not alone in your endeavor as the owner of one of, if not the best high performance automobile available today! If your ambition is to become one with your car, testing your driving abilities and your car's handling characteristics then our Drivers Education (DE) or Autocross events are just for you. If you prefer a more relaxed atmosphere, our concours events are held at various venues around the Houston area. If wearing a helmet isn't your cup of tea and you've decided that washing and waxing is best left to the detailer, then you're sure to find that participating in one of our "Drive-n-Eat" socials is just for you!

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- Open to Blue Solo & Advanced Drivers
- 4 Hours of Open Track
- See website for more details

\$125 for Open Track Day Events
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Todd Blue's Porsche of North Houston Hosts Automotive Event Of The Year More Than Five Hundred Guests Celebrate Dealership Grand Re-Opening and Cayenne Launch

Houston, TX July 26, 2010 – Todd Blue, Dealer Principal of Porsche of North Houston located at 18111 North Freeway in Houston, TX, announced today that the dealership's Grand Re-Opening and Cayenne Launch Event on July 15th, 2010 was a tremendous success. The dealership welcomed over five hundred Porsche enthusiasts during the two hour event. The evening was designed to re-introduce the dealership to the Houston community and debut the all new 2011 Porsche Cayenne.

"We really felt the event showcased both the luxury and performance side of Porsche", said Kelly Wolf, General Manager. He added, "So many customers came to me and said they'd never attended an automotive event like this. From washroom attendants, to Cayenne model car gifts and a hip lounge to a red carpet, our goal was provide all our guests with a unique experience they would always remember."

Porsche of North Houston transformed the dealership showroom and service department into two unique party spaces. The showroom showcased world cuisine featuring wine and food pairings from Spain, France, Italy and California. Guests enjoyed a Double Cross Vodka specialty drink deemed the 'Porschetini'. Houston favorite Divisi Strings Collide performed an eclectic mix of sounds. The service department was transformed into a hip 'red lounge' featuring a wine and champagne bar, passed appetizers and DJ Wop spinning tunes. Ruth Meric Catering, Double Cross Vodka, Houston Magazine and Saint Arnolds were contributing sponsors.

"We couldn't be happier with how this event turned out", Dealer Principal Todd Blue said. "This was a wonderful opportunity to reintroduce Porsche of North Houston to the Houston marketplace and to solidify us as Houston's only 'boutique Porsche dealer' - focused on delivering an extraordinary experience for all who visit our store".

The all new 2011 Cayenne was the centerpiece for the evening and popular amongst the guests. Just released, the all new SUV has been reengineered from top to bottom with a sleeker design, roomier interior and unparalleled performance. "The Cayenne is Porsche's most recent masterpiece. Never before has the Porsche line up been so diverse – from sports cars, to luxury four door sedans, to the finest sports utility on the market today", Blue added.

Porsche of North Houston is Houston's only Premier Porsche dealer and one of only 25 Porsche dealers in the nation to receive Premier Porsche status in 2010. Todd Blue, Founder of Indigo Classic Cars, purchased the award-winning dealership in January 2010 and immediately went to work to differentiate the dealership's level of customer service from other Porsche stores in the Houston market. Blue describes the dealership's approach as "**Porschecentric** – a word we created to describe our total enthusiasm for all things Porsche."

To find out more about Porsche of North Houston or the all new Cayenne, visit www.porscheofnorthhouston.com or call (281) 944-2122.

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Farewell Jim!

Long-time LSR member and friend to many, Jim Zwahlen has moved north to the scenic (and cooler) lands of Calgary, Canada. Jim was a dedicated Lone Star Region Concours D'Elegance volunteer, dedicating many hours over the last 8 years. His dedication will be missed. As a token of appreciation, Sylvia Lanz (center) and Andrew Barry (left) present Jim with a Texas shaped award so that he doesn't forget his Porsche friends in our great state.

Jim, we wish you clear skies and Mountie-free roads for your future Porsche driving!



For those who attended the Grand Re-Opening of Porsche of North Houston and the 2011 Cayenne Launch event were treated to an automotive event like no other!



June Board Minutes

Cynthia Crawford- Secretary

LSR PCA Board of Directors

Date: June 9, 2010

Place: Houstonian Fitness Center

Time: 6:30 p.m.

Present:

Lynn Friedman, President

John Smaardy, Vice-President

Cynthia Crawford, Secretary

William Wong, Membership Chair

Burnell Curtis, Past President

Greg Stewart, DE Chair

Greg Platt, DE Registrar

Nina Midway, Social Chair

John Haworth, LSR Store Chair

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Alex Clamon Michael Mills

Lynn Friedman called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

Lynn reported that she has forwarded the Bylaws and Standing Rules for the San Diego Region for consideration by the committee formed to review LSR's bylaws.

Lynn reported on behalf of Matt Kucharski on the May 15-16 PDS/AX event. Matt continues to work on reducing expenses for these events.

William Wong reported that the membership stands at 1048.

Greg Platt reported that the June DE is almost completely full with only one spot remaining.

Anne Retzler reported that the charity fundraiser held at Westside Tennis & Fitness Club on April 18, 2010 was written up on Paper City online.

Ron Baklarz reported on the wonderful time that all participants had at the Driving Tour of Southwestern Louisiana on May 14-16, 2010. He is interested in planning a rally. The Board discussed different types of rallies and locations to hold one. Ron will look into the possibilities and report back to the Board.

Nina Midway discussed the requirements for scheduling a social event at Sam Houston Race Park. The Board agreed that their scheduling requirements do not allow us schedule far enough in advance to hold an event there.

John Haworth presented a spreadsheet of the current inventory of the LSR Store. He will be working on restocking the more popular items and identifying additional items to add to the Store.

Jim Heimer reported that the website had received 1400 unique visitors. He brought LSRPCA rack cards and holders to be delivered by various members of the Board to businesses which support the Club.

Lynn mentioned that the Club had purchased first aid kits and a fire extinguisher to have available at Club sponsored events.

The Board welcomed guests Alex Clamon, Kurt Hueni, and Michael Mills from MSR Houston. They discussed the facilities at MSR and their interest in hosting a track or non-track event for the Club. A lively discussion ensued regarding the feasibility of holding events such as a PDS, a solo only DE, or a charitable event at MSR. The Board thanked Alex, Kurt and Michael for coming out to meet the Board and their offer to work with the Club to plan an event at MSR. The Board will continue discussions with MSR regarding possible events to hold there.

Old business:

There was no old business.

New business:

There was a discussion regarding collecting old computers and printers to donate to Magnificat House.

Burnell Curtis moved to adjourn. Cynthia Crawford seconded, all agreed, and the meeting was adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

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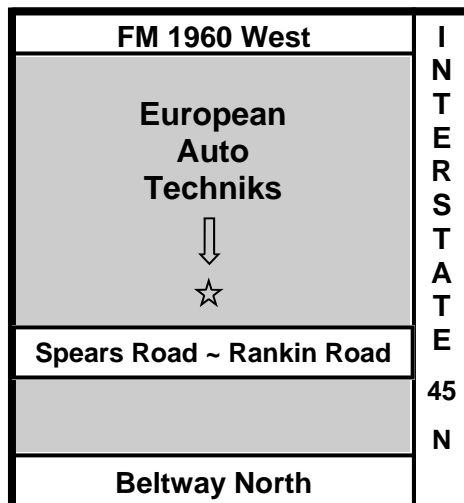
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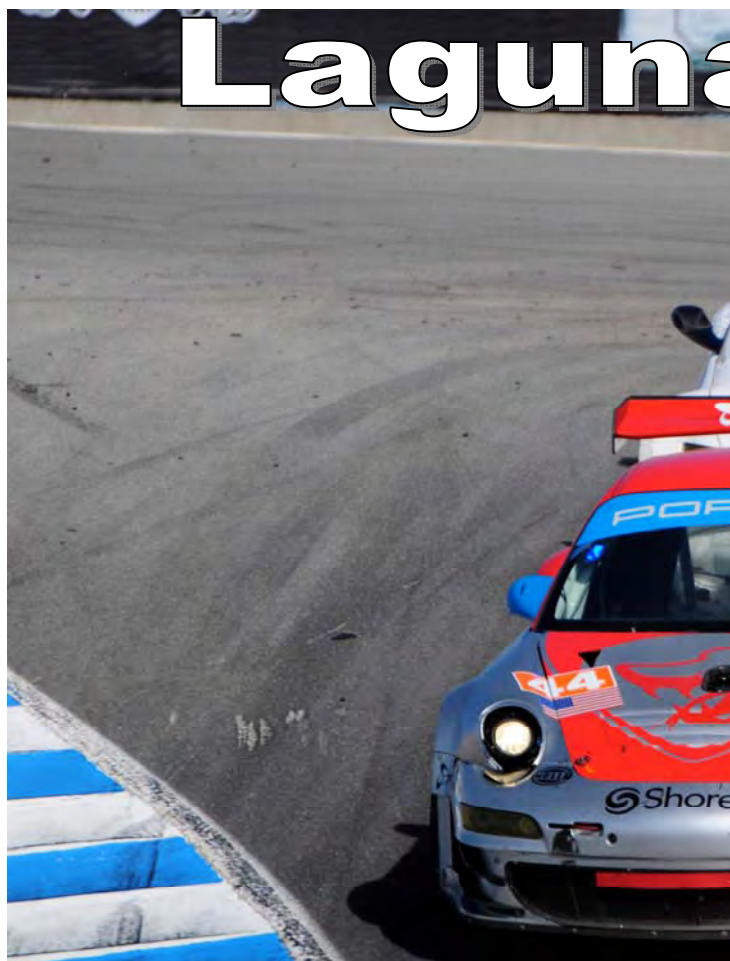
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It was Friday morning and off to yet another plane flight out of IAH. Except this time, it was for a vacation trip to Laguna Seca for the six-hour American Le Mans and GT race. All good. My fellow banking colleagues Rick Copeland and Davis Allman (both Porsche owners and club members) accompanied me and our son Max. This may be Max's last trip for a bit, where he can ditch school on Friday, as he starts at UT's business school in the fall. The good karma about this is that the first US F-1 race in some time was announced today, and it's in Austin!

Arriving in San Francisco, we rented a car for the one and one-half hour trip to the Laguna Seca Raceway. The track is 95 miles south down 101 and about seven miles west of Monterey. We stayed in Monterey.

The Laguna Seca raceway was opened in 1957, after a fatal accident in the Pebble Beach Road Races, when in 1956 a Ferrari clashed into a tree killing its driver. The track was developed at a cost of \$1.5 million at the edge of Fort Ord. In 1974, the Army transferred the 500 plus acre site to Monterey County for the Monterey County Parks Department. The not-for-profit Sports Car Racing Association of the Monterey Peninsula (SCRAMP) operates the racetrack. SCRAMP was formed to "benefit local charitable and non-profit organizations and to promote the economic vitality of Monterey through the encouragement, solicitation, organization, sponsorship and perpetuation of motorsports events in the vicinity of the Monterey Peninsula." Its earnings are given to charity. A great public-private arrangement.

The track is 2.3 miles long, with 300 feet of elevation change. The eleven-turn course is famous for the Corkscrew at Turns 8 and 8A. This is a blind apex at the highest point on the course. The slope is a challenge for the drivers, as they try to keep their forward balance, while turning, and yet not scrape their front end at the beginning of the drop.



a Seca!



We arrived Friday at Laguna Seca Raceway about 1:00pm after stopping for provisions in Salinas, just east of the track. We took in practice laps and the qualifying for GT, GTC, LMP, LMPC and GT3 Challenge.

The weather varied greatly across the course with some of the areas extremely windy and other areas, much less so. Fortunately, it was sunny most of the time. Going from the temperate green climate of Monterey to the more desert terrain of Salinas reminded me of traveling from La Jolla inland a few miles to Miramar. It never ceases to amaze me how much the California climate changes a few miles from the coast—a desert on the cold waters of the Pacific.

We concluded that evening with dinner in Monterey at the Fish House, a small local haunt on Del Monte that my oldest brother had recommended. It was so good we went there Saturday night too.

Unsure about parking, we left for the track Saturday morning at about 9:00 am, with a 2:30 pm race start for the six-hour race. We had bought folding chairs and watched much of the practice from the Corkscrew. We left our chairs there to tour the vendors and paddock. After lunch and buying a few t-shirts, we toured the pre-race paddock.

Just before the beginning of the race, we began the trek back up the hill to watch the race. Fortunately our chairs were still there, for a front row seat at the Corkscrew. The Corkscrew, at the top of the highest hill, is a short walk to a great vantage point for most of the track. As the race wore on, the GT cars were closely bunched. There were eight different cars leading at times – three Ferraris, two BMW's, two Corvettes and the Flying Lizard Porsche.

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North Houston

Dear Fellow Porsche Owners and Enthusiasts,

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I invite you to visit our new facility. As always, I know I can provide you with the expertise you deserve.

Sincerely,
Rodger Gay

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As the temperatures fell, we spent the last half hour of the race at the Number Two hairpin turn, in our rental car. We had parked it earlier that morning just for this purpose. We watched as the number 90 Rahal Letterman BMW M3 GT (piloted that day by Dirk Mueller and Joey Hand) led the number 45 Flying Lizard Motorsports Porsche 911 GT3 RSR (driven by Joerg Bergmeister and Patrick Long), by just a few car lengths. Joey Hand in the M3 gained the GT lead with 33 minutes to go when Long came in the pits for fuel only.

With eight minutes to go, far from our view on turn 11, as the green flag signaled the final restart, the number 45 GT3 RSR with Patrick Long at the helm passed the number 90 M3 to take the lead in GT. The top three finishes in GT would be Porsche, BMW and Corvette, with the Porsche ahead by .0365 seconds, after the six hours. The three GT's took fifth, sixth and seventh overall.

For the second straight race, the HPD ARX-01c driven by David Brabham, Simon Pagenaud and Marino Franchitti took first overall in LMP. The Porsche RS Spyder of Klaus Graf, Sascha Maassen and Memo Gidley took second in LMP.

Two Oreca FLM09's took third and fourth overall in LMPC.



In the Porsche GT3 Cup class, the Black Swan Racing car co-piloted by the Bleekemolen brothers from the Netherlands took seventeenth overall and won GTC. They led all six hours.

Next scheduled stop is Sebring. We decided we would all meet again at Sebring in March for the twelve hour race, our first time to that venue.

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Zwart Wins Pikes Peak Time Attack Class With Porsche 911 GT3 Cup; Breaks Record by 38 Seconds while Finishing Sixth Overall - Ahead of Every Production-based Car Entered

Colorado Springs - June 27, 2010 - Jeff Zwart, from Woody Creek, Colorado, driving the specially- prepared Luminos Watch Porsche 911 GT3 Cup race car, has won and set a new record in the 2WD Time Attack class in Sunday's 88th running of the Pikes Peak Hillclimb.

Zwart, now a seven-time Pikes Peak class winner, not only broke Rhys Millen's 2009 class record by 38 seconds (after smashing his qualifying record by 18 seconds), but went faster than all but five of the entire field - three Unlimited Class and two Open Wheels cars, all with 600-plus horsepower. His 911 GT3 Cup car also beat all the production based race cars entries, 2WD and 4WD. Nobulhiro Tajima, from Japan, won the hillclimb overall in an eight-cylinder, turbocharged Suzuki 4WD one-off race car with an Unlimited Class entry.

Zwart said the key to his victory was the confidence that build up every time he drove the car.

"In my previous six victories - all in Porsche street-based turbo cars - I spent most of my practice time trying to tame the car to fit this difficult course; With this Porsche 911 Cup car, it was clear to me from the beginning that the car was challenging me to drive my best, and I went faster every time I stepped behind the wheel. Each time I thought I was asking too much from the car, especially when I carried maximum speed into one of those hair-pins, the Porsche responded and challenged me to push even harder," said Zwart.

He also repeated his amazement from Friday's qualifying session that the normally-aspirated car didn't lose horsepower from its 9,000-foot-elevation start and the 14,000-foot finish line. A combination of the 450-hp, 3.8-liter Porsche Cup car engine and expert engine map adjustments from Porsche Motorsport North America gave Zwart the performance of a lifetime.

Zwart again praised the Pirelli road racing rain tires, which he felt held their grip evenly on both the gravel

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and tarmac surfaces, a necessity as the course has been transformed from all gravel to half and half. Next year, with two more miles of the 12-mile course scheduled for paving, road-racing-based tires will make more sense than ever. The team made some adjustments to tire pressures on all four wheels prior to qualifying. Pirelli had developed a tire for Zwart based on the rain tire they use for the Rolex Grand-Am series.

"Without Luminox Watches, Porsche Motorsport North America, and Pirelli tires support, this victory would not have been possible," said Zwart.

Porsche Motorsport started with a 2007 Cup car, updated it to 2010 specifications, and installed a new 450 horsepower 3.8-liter engine currently in use in the Patron GT3 Challenge, American Le Mans Series Challenge Class, and the Porsche Supercup series. The engine management mapping was modified to perform well in high altitude as the race starts at 9,390 feet and finishes at the summit, 14,110 feet above sea level, and ride height was increased for the gravel sections of the course. The underbody was also modified to protect the car from gravel and stones similar to rally competition.

Zwart has now won his class at Pikes Peak - all in Porsches - in 1994, 1995, 1996, 1997, 1998, 2002 and 2010,

setting new class records four times. Most recently, before this weekend, he co-drove a Porsche Cayenne with Pikes Peak veteran Paul Dallenbach at the challenging TransSyberia Rally (Moscow to Mongolia) in 2007. He also has an SCCA PRO Rally Championship (1990) and a SCORE Baja 1000 class win (2004) to his credit.

The Porsche 911 GT3 Cup car, built on the same assembly line in Stuttgart as the street-legal Porsche 911s, is raced all over the world in the Porsche Supercup series as well as various Porsche Carrera Cup and Challenge Cups, including IMSA Patron GT3 Challenge. New last year was the addition of the American Le Mans Series Challenge class, where the Porsche 911 GT3 Cup cars contest the full endurance series run by the Le Mans racers.

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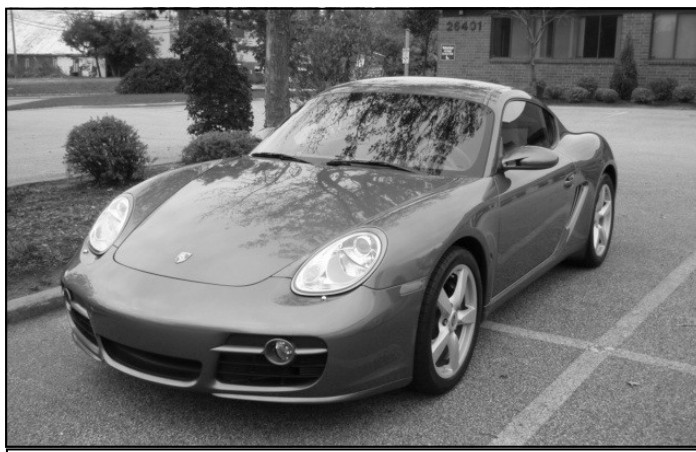
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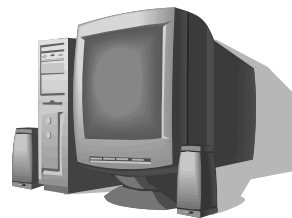


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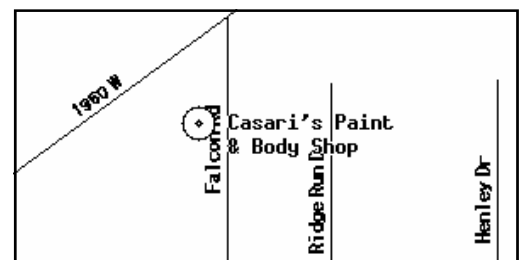
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