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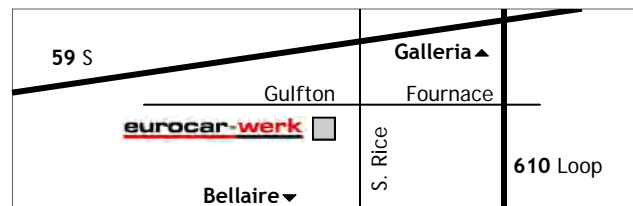
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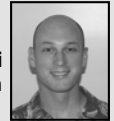
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## On My Mind:

Lynn Friedman, President  
Lone Star Region PCA

The old city of Savannah was a beautiful backdrop to the plethora of Porsches that descended for the 2011 PCA Parade. This week long event brings Porsche enthusiasts and their cars from all corners of the world. From competitive events to socials, there is something for everyone. However, my favorite part of Parade has always been the Concours.

The Concours this year was held in Forsyth Park in the

historical district of Savannah. Forsyth Park was created in the 1840's, on the site of one of the bloodiest battles in the American

Revolution in 1779. Today ancient trees draped in Spanish moss line the peaceful park. This week, generations of



Porsches graced the great lawn. Seeing all the cars regimentally parked on the lush green grass, you just can't help but wear a smile on your face. I thought of what the

ghosts that haunt this old part of the city think of this sight. I bet they were smiling also.



One of the highlights the morning of the Concours, was the unveiling of the '73 911T that was restored by Porsche in Stuttgart-Zuffenhausen, and raffled by PCA. (If you have not followed this restoration, visit:

<http://www.porsche.com/usa/accessoriesandservices/classic/garage/reference/911factoryrestoration/>



True magic! Essentially a new '73, but one with character and history. Representatives from Porsche Classic were on hand to answer questions about their restoration, and availability to work on *your* car (if it's old enough!) When you have given up on finishing that project car sitting in your garage the past 10 years, why not just send it on a nice German vacation and let Porsche Classic work their magic? (for a nominal fee of course.....)

Now if I could only find their department that could restore *me* back to '73 condition!

See you on the road!

Lynn

## Additional Notes . . .

Speaking of restoration and history be sure to check out Lone Star Region's very own Michael Richey and the story of his beautiful "Rock and Roll" 911 in the July issue of Panorama. Michael heads up the LSR Coffee Get-Together in the Woodlands and there is always a crowd admiring his Gulf orange and blue beauty. Congratulations Michael!

Although PCA Parade in Savannah was an exciting event, it can't hold a candle to a special day in Houston this fall. Lone Star Region PCA will celebrate its 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. The big event will be held Saturday, November 19 at the Houstonian Hotel and Conference Center. Mark your calendar today, details will be on the website ([www.lsrpca.com](http://www.lsrpca.com)) and next issue of the Naut.

Lynn

# Upcoming Activities

## September 2011

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- 3 Coffee and Cars - location can vary, check the link  
 7 Board Meeting - nomination committee appointed  
 9-11 Boxstoberfest in Fredericksburg  
 10 PCar GTG (S) - 8:30 am at Dunn Bros in Friendswood  
 15-18 Porsche Escape to Flagstaff, AZ  
 17-18 LSR DE at TWS  
 17 PCar GTG (NW) - 9 am at Starbucks at 290 and Spring/Cypress  
 24 PCar GTG (N) - 8:30 am at Starbucks in Market Street, Woodlands Mall

## October 2011

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- 1 Coffee and Cars - location can vary, check the link  
 5 Board Meeting  
 8 Performance Driving School at Houston Police Academy  
 8 PCar GTG (S) - 8:30 am at Dunn Bros in Friendswood  
 9 LSR Concours at Urban Living  
 13-15 914 Mid US Ramble #12, Eureka Springs, AR  
 14-16 Rennsport Reunion, Laguna Seca Racetrack, California  
 15 PCar GTG (NW) - 9 a.m. at Starbucks at 290 and Spring/Cypress  
 17 Cocktails & Cars w/special guest Michael Hoelscher - 5:30 p.m. at Momentum Porsche  
 22 PCar GTG (N) - 8:30 a.m. at Starbucks in Market Street, Woodlands Mall  
 23-28 Ozark Trip #1  
 29-30 DE at TWS (hosted by Hill Country)

The calendar of events is current at the time printing. Date/time/event changes may be necessary. For additional details of the events listed above and for events scheduled after printing, please check the Lone Star Region web site at [www.lsrpca.com](http://www.lsrpca.com)

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*"How do I sign up?"*

DE event registration **MUST** be completed on-line at [www.clubregistration.net](http://www.clubregistration.net). Additional detailed information can be found on-line at [www.lsrpca.com/drivers\\_ed.htm](http://www.lsrpca.com/drivers_ed.htm). The Texas regions DE handbook can also be found on our website.

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2011 dates: Sept. 17-18 / Oct. 29-30 (Hill Country) / Dec. 3-4

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## Ozark Update

We have two Ozark trips planned for the Fall Season: October 23-28, 2011 and November 6-11, 2011. And registration is going nicely for both trips. We like the two weekend options to keep the cars manageable. King rooms are quickly disappearing for the November trip.

Like Porsche, the Ozark trip subscribes to evolution, not revolution. A few changes have already made the 2011 itinerary. We have added breakfast everyday at both resorts. Combining breakfast and checking out should facilitate the caravans returning home. This will also give us another chance to say goodbye. Dogwood is, once again, available to everyone who would like to participate.

It's a Contest!

- ◆ We need a 50th Anniversary Slogan! Send your suggestions to Lynn Friedman, LSR President (president@lsrpca.com).

We are looking for your input on the following:

- ◆ Some of you really enjoyed the smores, while others ignored them. Keep them?
- ◆ Nobody liked U.S. 65 down to the Interstate on the return home. Was the extra night at Big Cedar worth the hassle? What would you think of an optional night (Friday) back in Hot Springs? That would create one more day of fun driving and an easier drive back to Houston.

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**Steve has been part of the Katy and Houston community since 1994 and actively supports many local charities and organizations.** He has served two years as Chairman of the Board of the Katy Family YMCA and in 2004, chaired the Cinco Ranch High School Project Graduation. Additionally, Steve supports many local schools, businesses and publications, and is a member of Willow Fork CC.

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## Membership: June/July

William Wong,  
Membership

### LSRPCA new members joined in the month of July of 2011

#### New members

Samuel Alcala	2012	Boxster Spyder
Angela & Dale Boardman	2008	Cayenne
Shawn M. Capell	2008	Cayman
Darrick L. Castleberry	2009	911
Carlos P. Colorado	2007	911
Vik J. & Arjun Day	2004	911 GT3
Robby Eaves	2009	911S
Thomas C. Gallatin	2012	911
Linda S. Grant	1998	Boxster
Jon Halvorsen	2012	911S
Darrell L. & Rocio Harrelson	2000	911
Eric Hird	2006	911
Frank L. Incrapera	2008	911 turbo
Srivathsan S. Iyengar & Robert Crawford	2012	911 turbo S
Patrick Kenny	2008	Cayman
Mark A Lostak	2005	Boxster
Deborah L. Meyer	2007	911 turbo
Timothy J. Monk	2004	911
Ann Rae Peterson & Michelle	1982	911SC
Melanie Reeser	2012	Boxster
Don K. Sanders	1995	911
Adam Scheele	2003	911
Dale E. Scott	2006	Cayman
Cris Sherman	1992	911
Joel E. Smith	2011	911
Pieter S. & Kelly Staels	1999	911
Honglan Tran	2011	911 GTS
Phillip & Linda Williams	1973	914
Michael & Isa Zabak	2003	911TT
Transfer-in		
John J. Giblin	2012	911
Marcos Hoffman	2012	Cayman
Neil Mookerjee	2004	911
Milton L. & Martha L. Schultz	1958	356D

## 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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There will be a Concours event, dinner,  
a silent auction, great people, and a chance  
to meet a Porsche racing legend.

More info to come.....

## It's Contest Time!

**We want to have a  
slogan for our 50th -**

something snappy, memorable,  
awe inspiring, and  
easy to pronounce like,  
"When you care enough to drive  
the very best"

(except that something like that has been used before).

Send your slogans for our  
50th Anniversary to  
Lynn Friedman, LSR President  
([president@lsrpca.com](mailto:president@lsrpca.com))

*A prize may be awarded - or you may  
have to do with a deep sense of personal  
pride in a job well done.  
Whatever, send in your slogans!*



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# Dining, Lost in the Pines for the Benefit of Those in Need

by Anne Retzler

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Our last charity drive was to the Hyatt Regency Lost Pines Resort and Spa on Sunday, August 21st. A charitable contribution of \$25 per car was requested, with the funds to be donated to charity by LSR. Each participant paid for their own lunch at the Hyatt Resort Major Neighbors Golf Club restaurant overlooking the golf course. We were greeted with a complimentary glass of a Mimosa and we finished lunch with a cake celebrating the LSRPCA 50th anniversary.

The group of 33 members in 20 Porsches met at Starbucks in Spring Valley and followed 'less travelled straight and winding roads' including both Buescher and Bastrop State Parks, which are connected by a 12-mile drive through the Lost Pines of East Central Texas. Every driver received freebies from the Annual Porsche Parade in Savannah.

Tour/Rally Chair Ron Baklarz and Charity Chair Anne Retzler led the "black" group, while Region member Kandace Heimer and husband and webmaster extraordinaire, Jim, led the "yellow" group on the 150 mile drive from Houston. Attached are photos taken by Kandace Heimer.





## LSRPCA Board Minutes

Cynthia Crawford, Secretary

### September Board Minutes

Date: September 7, 2011

Place: Houstonian Fitness Center

Time: 6:30 p.m.

Present:

Mike Globe, Vice President

Cynthia Crawford, Secretary

Ken Tubman, Member at Large

Burnell Curtis, Past President

William Wong, Membership Chair

Sylvia Lanz, Concours Chair

Joost Perquin, PDS Chair (outgoing)

Steve Bukoski, PDS Chair (incoming)

Greg Stewart, DE Chair

Greg Platt, DE Registrar

Nina Midway, Social Chair

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Anne Retzler, Charity Chair

Hugh Brazier

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Damon Stith

Mike Globe called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

The meeting was primarily devoted to planning for the Club's 50th Anniversary Celebration. Mike lead a discussion regarding the many aspects of the event, including the schedule, guest speakers, display vehicles, concours, charity raffle and auction, door prizes and dinner program. There was lively discussion regarding all aspects of the event, as well as such matters as registration, publicity, security for display vehicles and possible sponsor involvement. Assignments to handle various responsibilities were made. Sylvia Lanz requested \$1000 be appropriated for the purchase of special 50th Anniversary trophies for the Concours. Ken Tubman made a motion to approve the expenditure, Greg Platt seconded and all approved. Additional meetings and/or conference calls to report on progress and to finalize details will be scheduled.

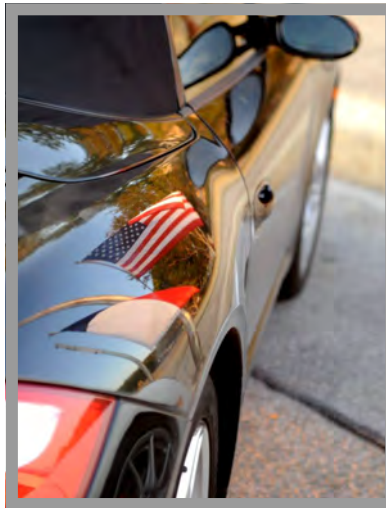
Burnell Curtis reported that he will be heading up the officer nomination committee again this year. Lynn Friedman and Ken Tubman volunteered to serve on the committee. Greg Platt moved to accept the committee as constituted, Mike Globe seconded and all agreed.

Joost Perquin reported that he is stepping down as PDS chair. The Board thanked Joost for his valuable contributions and for creating a very successful PDS program. Steve Bukowski has been working very closely with Joost at PDS events and is ready to take over the program. Cynthia Crawford moved to appoint Steve as the new PDS Chair. Greg Platt seconded and all agreed.

William Wong reported that Club membership stands at 1154.

Nina Midway reported that the next Formula 1 dinner would be on September 24th at a location to be determined.

Burnell Curtis moved to adjourn. Ken Tubman seconded, all agreed, and the meeting was adjourned at 7:35 p.m.



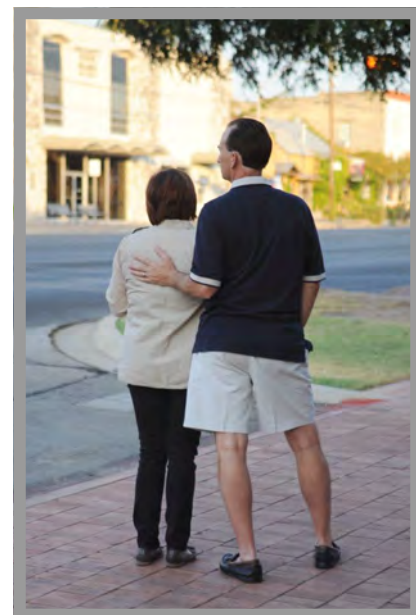
## Porsche Enthusiasts Remember 9-11

*Story by  
Michael Shassere,  
Photos by  
Kevin Ferdinand*

During the final phases of planning this year's Boxstoberfest event, I realized the closing day fell on 9-11-2011 – the 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the tragic events that unfolded at the Twin Towers in New York City, the Pentagon in Washington DC, and rural Shanksville Pennsylvania. I felt a calling to do something to honor the local Fredericksburg first responders, as they are just as important to the residents of the Texas Hill Country as those who responded during 9-11. These Men and Women do just the same thing as those on 9-11; they go into harm's way while the rest of us are leaving. Boxstoberfest has enjoyed the graciousness of the Fredericksburg community for 14 years, and being one of the coordinators I felt we needed to do something to give back to the community.

For a few weeks, I thought – how can we do anything? None of the organizers live in Fredericksburg? I wasn't looking for a big event – rather, just the opposite and a simple recognition where the Boxstoberfest attendees can give a little back to the first responders. It took just one call to Laurie Hartz, at the Fredericksburg Convention Bureau who has helped our group for many years with supporting our event. Laurie suggested calling John Dubea at Clear River Pecan Company to help with refreshments, provided a contact for the local Scout troop, and a list of local clergy to provide a prayer.

I called John explaining what we were doing and asked if he might help by providing coffee, and within 3 minutes asked one



*(continued, see page 22)*





## Burnouts From the Fast Lane:

By Mark Weissner, PorscheNaut Editor

I know you all wonder just how well Porsches can do burnouts. Surely I must have wondered about that too, but didn't really give it ALL that much thought until... Labor Day. The day of the "Tri-County Fire."

I had this issue pretty well set to go and then... while working on some car projects out here in the hinterlands, a friend who was over helping and I smelled smoke. Well, that's not good in a part of Waller County where I have had maybe a couple of inches of rain in two years. My pond has been completely dry all year. Trees dying, no yard at all. You get the idea.

And then we see smoke. A lot of it. Soon, ashes begin to fall. A little looking around and listening to some news tells us it's time to gather up what we can and get out. Fortunately, he has his truck, so the Jeep gets loaded on its trailer, hitched to his truck and it's ready. I have another trailer there with an old Mustang on it. Well, that's an easy decision -- hitch it to my tow car, roll that old thing off and the Porsche on!

After that, you very quickly get a sense of what's important as you only have room for a few things and not much time to load them. The sheriffs and constables are running around, lights on, loudspeakers blaring urging people to get out. Now.

The good news is that a Porsche CAN do a burnout! At least on a trailer! And my house was okay. I had to be gone a week. I can get over all that. Others weren't so fortunate. A drive down 1488

west of Magnolia will show you just what a fire can do.

So that's my story and I am sticking with it.

New news for LSR is the big doin's on November 19. If it's not on your calendar, put it there. Also, send in your application and \$50 and get your chance to go to Germany as our charity prize.

A new feature this issue is a member profile. I would like to present more to you, so please send me some.

That's it for this month's exciting news, stay tuned for next month's edition coming out real soon! Meanwhile, if you smoke, keep your butts in your car. Come to think of it, even if you don't smoke, that's not a bad idea.

See you in the fast lane...

- Mark

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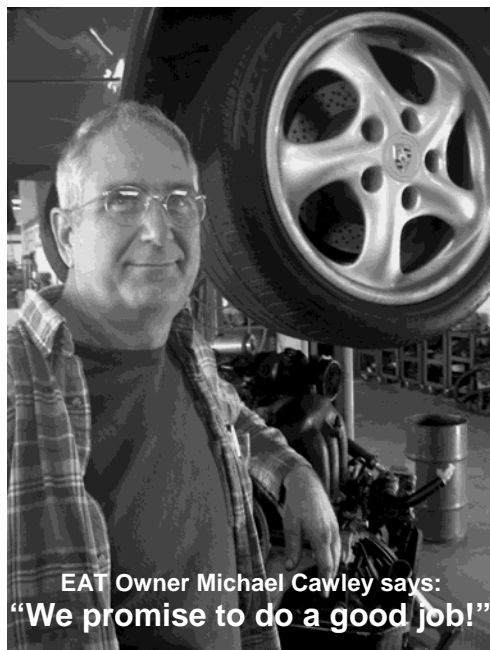
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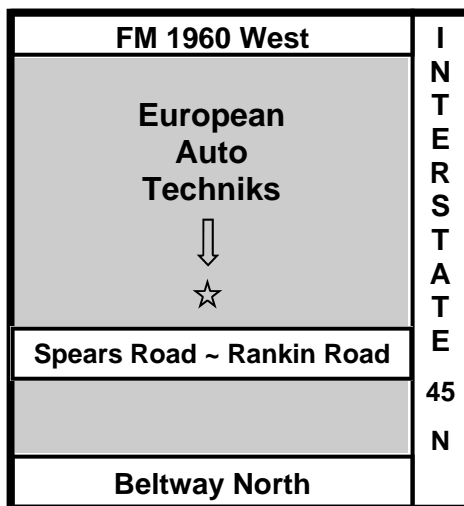
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# “You are the Lucky Winner of a New Porsche Panamera”

By Mark Zehnder, LSRPCA member of 20+ years

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Okay, with a note from Diane Caplan with a subject line like that I guess one could say that this day is starting out pretty darn sweet.

But wait! I read the small print. It's only for a weekend. It's still a mighty good way to start off a day.

Diane Caplan organizes the quarterly “coffee and cars” event at Momentum Porsche. One of the prizes was a weekend with a Panamera and she wrote me to let me know that I won. How cool is that?

I got to experience a terrific car from our favorite manufacturer. My “regular” Porsche is a Carrera Cabriolet which is pretty sweet, but who

wouldn't want to sample Porsche's newest model? So I picked up the keys to a black Panamera (V-6 model) from Jeff Pollard at Momentum on a Friday.

My long time friend, Dick, had flown down from Buffalo in New York to visit with me and my lovely associate, Amber. By the way, I am approaching the 25 year member plateau with our LSRPCA club. Just so you know, when I'm not driving a golf ball or my 997 Midnight Blue Cabriolet, you can find me cutting deals for the plastics used by the number one cooler manufacturer in the world. That means, of course, Igloo. The company has been in Houston since the mid 1940's. And we make a terrific product.

But back to the car. We jumped in and turned the thing they call the “pod,” which is kind of a key thing. Hmm. Nothing happened. I looked over at Dick to see if he had

any ideas and he says, “Don't look at me! I don't have a clue.”

Now I find I am in a semi panic, thinking I have to go back in, embarrass myself and ask Jeff how to start this thing. Hokey smokes, I have been driving cars for all this

time and I can't get this one to start? Okay, I tell myself to slow down and think. I glance down at the main information area in the gauge cluster and see it informing me to “STEP ON THE BRAKE STUPID.” Well, maybe it didn't say “stupid.” I added that part.

But this was the first of many learning experiences with this highly challenging technical

car. We drove home to the west side of town and my impression is that this is a really nice riding car. Really nice. I may not be feeling “OMG I just have to have one.” Yet, anyway. We will see. So I loaded up my two best friends and headed out for Friday night Mexican food, right? Doesn't everyone? We had a few great margaritas (not too many, mind you!) and on the way home we drove down Westheimer Parkway. It's one of my favorite mostly empty roads.

So what does this “Sport Button” thing do? Let's find out, shall we?

“Holy Sport Button, Batman!” There is another completely different car hiding underneath that “sport” button. This car turns into a whole different animal. The ride tightens up and the seven speed PDK makes the performance of the

*(continued, see page 25)*





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# Memoriam

*It is with great sadness that the Lone Star Region notes the loss of two of its members who were heavily involved in Region activities and well known driving instructors in our Driver's Education Program.*

**Ted Lazarides** died in Houston, Texas, on Wednesday, the 6th of July 2011.

Ted joined PCA in 2000, qualified with a racing license and as a high speed driving instructor. Ted served as both Chairman and Secretary of the PCA Lone Star Region Driver's Education program. One of the events Ted very much enjoyed taking part in was the annual Classy Chassis fundraiser for the Shriner's Hospital, giving supporters an exciting short course ride in his red Porsche GT3.

**John Dennigner** passed away on the 31st of July, 2011, mercifully at peace while sleeping.

John was diagnosed with stage 4 lung cancer on May 29, which was the first indication he had anything more serious than 'allergies that developed into pneumonia.' He was under heavy sedation and was resting comfortably at home in his last days. John was a great friend and will be sorely missed by a very large circle of friends. He influenced many people from many walks of life. And he shared his passion for old and new Porsches and his great joy in being a driver's education instructor with the Lone Star Region. He was equally at home with ranchers in Washington county, trial lawyers, city politicians, Porsche-devotees and the occasional software salesperson.

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# Notes From the Interwebs

Author: Unkown or In Hiding

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## DIY and CHEAP fix for a creaking 996/986 lower control arm

The front, lower control arms on the 996/986 are notorious for making an awful racket when the dust cover on the end becomes old and dirt accumulates inside it. We found this on the [986forum.com](http://986forum.com), and thought we'd pass it along.

The most expensive way to fix a squeaky or creaky control arm is to replace it. If the bushings in the center or the back end are cracked, you should do just that. However, If they look good, you may want to save money by using this quick and very cheap fix:

A. Determine that the source of the creak is coming from the lower control arm.



B. Remove the wheel and locate the dust cover indicated by the red arrow in the picture.

C. Using a new, sharp razor knife, make a small incision in the side dust boot.

D. Find your trusty can of WD40, insert the little red tube that comes with each can, and squirt some in that hole.

E. Put your wheel back on the car and forget about that annoying noise for six months or so. Repeat as necessary.

As with any non-Porsche approved tip we offer, use this information at your own risk.

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## Member *profile*

### Thomas Sanders

12 year old. My goal is to become an instructor myself and get other drivers to be in touch with their inner 12 year old.

His story:

I have been in love with Porsches ever since I first saw one drive down our street in 1970. In college I lived near a dealership and would lust after them every time I drove by. I finally bought a 2001 996 in late 2005. For the first two and a half years the only thing I did was drive it, wash it, stroke it, admire it, etc. Then it hit me: they make these things to do things other than just look pretty.

So, I joined the Porsche club, signed up for my first DE in September of 2008 and was ready to go to College Station. Well, Ike changed that, and my first DE migrated to December 08. That first DE began my new career as a speed freak. Between September and December I signed up for an autocross, but didn't like that as much as running around the track at high speed. There are few things in my life that have equalled the thrill of taking this car out on the track.

I have met some terrific people, made some great friends who also share this sport, and have learned an INCREDIBLE amount of knowledge of how to properly drive a car from the many outstanding instructors in the Porsche club. If asked, I would gladly tell you their names. This is truly a unique fraternity to be in and a unique opportunity to release your inner

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### "Porches on the Run" by Kandace Heimer

About the cover photo and photographer:

The cover photo, "Porsches on the Run," awarded third place in the Enhanced Photography – Professional Category, at the 2011 Savannah Porsche Parade, is by Kandace Heimer, a semi-professional photographer. Her primary interests lie in nature, wildlife and underwater photography, but as a long time associate member of the Lone Star Region PCA, she also has the opportunity to photograph Porsches. The cover photo was taken looking down the front straight from turn 1 at the February 2009 LSR DE at the Texas World Speedway, near College Station, to which she has applied her skills as a creative artist to produce a unique work of art.

This was her second Parade, and at her husband's urging, she entered her photography in the Parade Art Show Contest. There were all types of artwork on display, from illustrations, oil paintings, sculptures, crafts, and jewelry, to several groups of photographic categories, both amateur and professional. Kandace was amazed at the quality, creativity, and presentation professionalism of the art entries. Because she had sold several of her photos at various venues in the last six months, by the Porsche Art Show rules, she was required to enter in the Professional Class. The competition was stiff. At the Parade Art Show reception, the winners were announced. To her surprise, both of her photos had won – one third place and the other honorable mention.

Her photography can be seen at [www.kandfoto.com](http://www.kandfoto.com) and/or read about her travels on her blog at [www.kandfotoblog.typepad.com](http://www.kandfotoblog.typepad.com). Her artwork is also on display at the Moody Gardens Aquarium in Galveston and at the Croissant Brioche French Bakery, in Rice Village, West University Place.



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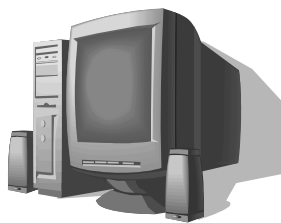
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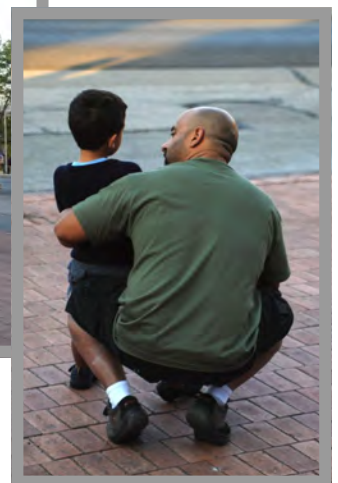
question – “how much do you need, and what time do you need it.” I sent an email to Karen Sauer, a local Boy Scout leader, asking if they could provide a flag presentation. The response was “what time, and what do you need.” The email to Zion church was responded to by the pastor, Kaye Schott with “what time do you need me there.” I was overwhelmed.

Fast forward to Sunday morning. The response grew to more than was requested. At 7:00 am John delivers not just the coffee, but trays of local pastries for everyone to enjoy. The scouts are already there and practicing, Pastor Schott arrives, and 40 Boxstoberfest attendees arrive to help hand out coffee and shake the hands of all the first responders.

At 7:30, we start. The Scouts didn’t just present the flag, but performed a complete presentation that included all the scouts in full dress uniform bringing in the colors, a drum roll during the presentation of the colors, and a poem reading of “I am Your Flag.” Chase Ottmers and Garrett Ottmers carried the Flags, Cade Ottmers played the drum roll, and Sean O’Leary read the poem. Pastor Schott provided a moving prayer, and arranged for the church bells to ring at 7:48 am – the time of the first plane hit 10 years ago.

The whole group stood in silence.

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Aug 11

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Knowing that, we soon get ready for Saturday morning and we are up early. It's not every Saturday you get the keys to someone else's Panamera. Off we go to the Bolivar Peninsula. All three of us are excited about a trip to the Gulf. We planned on cooking steaks and the works so we brought the grill, Igloo, and all the stuff one needs for a day on the beach. Fortunately, this car really has plenty of room in the trunk for it all.

Unfortunately the route to the beach restricts us to the interstate and we can only run the Panamera up now and then when it's safe to do so. At let's just say moderately "extralegal" speeds, we got a few looks and I wasn't sure if that was because of the speed or the very cool ride we were in. Either way a lot of inquisitive eyes were on us. Regardless of Jeremy Clarkson's opinion, I like the way this car looks and I'm sure the next model will be even better.

Finally on a state road after the always interesting Bolivar Ferry boat ride, we were wanting to open it up and get a better feel for that sport suspension. We did pass several cars but that's about all you can do on a straight and crowded two lane Texas highway. We arrived at the sand in one piece and proceeded to hydrate. Can't go to the beach without the proper fluids, after all. The weather that day turned out to be a tad dull and cloudy.

I kept thinking I would rather be standing on the P-Car's pedals. A few very weird folks -- this is the beach, remember? -- stopped by and asked weird questions. Mostly about that car. We all looked each other and chuckled. "Hey mister, you need help starting that car. Maserati, right?" So before too long, we decided to leave

this strange place and return to our regular stomping grounds in the energy corridor.

So we took the Autobahn, err, Beltway back. We got the Panamera rolling pretty good. With no E-Z TAG on the car, we made it a drag race coming out of every toll booth. That was interesting. Overall, I would say the Panamera does just about everything it's supposed to and is a delight to drive, at least once you understand all the different options and advancements that it offers.

After all, it took us until Saturday night to figure out how to operate the windows and self adjusting doors properly. Sunday it was time to get back onto Westheimer Parkway again and then to the golf course.

Before long, Dick had to catch a flight back up north and I had to drive him to the Bush airport. Oh no! Another adventure! I told Amber and Dick that this time I was going to be a bit more careful with my speed.

That turned out to be a wise move and played out well. We eased past two laser loaded tax collectors eager to relieve us of our hard earned dollars. But although I am sure they got their share of loot, it wasn't

from me.

The weekend ended too soon as I drove to Momentum Monday morning and returned this very special Porsche to Jeff Pollard. Oh by the way, Jeff, the tire pressure warning

system lets you know that the right rear tire wants to have more air in it.

In summary, thank you to Momentum for sharing this fine car with me for a weekend. If you want to see just how nice a four door car can be, I recommend dropping be one of our dealers and take a drive. I would bet you like it. I did.



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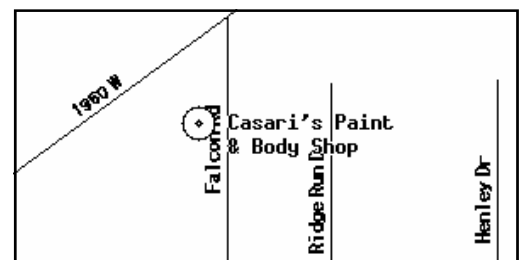
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