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The Monthly Newsletter of the PCA Palmetto Region

# Palmetto Pipes

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## New Member Picnic & End of Summer Gathering September 17th



Join us on Sept. 17th, 2016 at the Pavilion at Stono Ferry Plantation from 11 – 3 for BBQ, a Join us on Sept. 17th, 2016 at the Pavilion at Stono Ferry Plantation from 11 – 3 for BBQ, a “Gimmick” Concours, kids model car contest and mini-Tech Quiz as Palmetto Region recognizes our new members for 2015 and 2016.

The Region’s Grill Masters will be preparing a feast of legendary proportions for your enjoyment in addition to a full slate of activities. Any members desiring to bring a side dish or dessert are most welcome to do so. Soft drinks and water will be provided, anything else you would like to bring, you are welcome to.

Expecting that the weather will be agreeable, we

will also have access to the pool and locker room adjacent to the Pavilion – parents will be responsible for supervising children in the pool area as Stono does not have a lifeguard.

Tickets are \$15 each (includes meal and soft drinks) with kids 15 and under free and members joining in 2015 and 2016 no charge with the discount code you were emailed.

Entry in all events is at no additional charge and prizes will be awarded! We are also anticipating a rich bounty of door prizes.

**Please register for this event online at:**  
[www.pcapalmetto.org/summerpicnic](http://www.pcapalmetto.org/summerpicnic)

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## Members Corner

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## Hilton Head Motoring Festival and Concours Dinner

This year we will again hold a CERPCA dinner on Saturday November 5. The dinner will be held at Hudson's Seafood House on the Docks at 1 Hudson Rd. Cocktails at 6:00 and dinner at 7:00. The guest speaker for this year's dinner will be Ray Shaffer, Classic and Delivery Center Manager at Porsche Cars North America. Ray was a long time GM at Brumos and knows as much about Porsche as anyone.

The menu will include soup or salad, choice of entrees, shrimp & grits, pork Osso Buco, chicken Caribbean style or pan roasted local fish, and dessert. Individual invoices will be prepared by the wait staff, for your payment at the event. The cost will be, \$34.88 plus tip.

There will be a room for 75 people, so get your name on the list quickly. Please respond to Tracy Goucher at [sunkenparadise@yahoo.com](mailto:sunkenparadise@yahoo.com) or 843-252-6369.

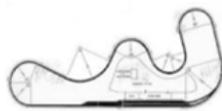
## Calendar: Upcoming Events in our Region and Beyond

For more information and event listings go to: <http://www.pcapalmetto.org/index.php>



**Sat, Sep 17 11:00 AM Gathering & New Member Picnic Stono Ferry Plantation**

Join us on Sept. 17th, 2016 at the Pavilion at Stono Ferry Plantation from 11 – 3 for BBQ, a “Gimmick” Concours, kids model car contest and mini-Tech Quiz as Palmetto Region recognizes our new members for 2015 and 2016. RSVP on the website.



**Sat, Sep 17 Sun, Sep 18 Driver's Education at Roebling Road Coastal Empire Region PCA**

The Driver's Education program provides a safe, structured, and controlled learning environment for your high performance auto. Track near Savannah, GA. Register at [www.clubregistration.net](http://www.clubregistration.net).

**Sat, Sep 17 9:00 AM Sea Island Cars & Coffee Freshfields Village, Kiawah**



Arrive in your favorite ride and join us for Cars and Coffee at the Freshfields Village at the crossroads of Kiawah, Seabrook and Johns Islands. The event will run from 9:00 to 11:00 am and will feature antiques, classics, exotics, concepts and any other cool cars.



**Sun, Sep 18 11:30 AM Drive & Dine Myrtle Beach Area**

Monthly Drive & Dine from the Myrtle Beach Area. We will gather at Ollie Bargain Outlet, Carolina Forest (2100 Oakheart Rd, Myrtle Beach) at 11:30, drive starts at noon.



**Tue, Oct 11 7:00 PM Monthly Social Bay Street Biergarten**

Join us at Bay Street Biergarten (549 East Bay Street) for updates from the officers, to talk about upcoming events, and to socialize with your fellow Porschephiles.



**Sat, Oct 15 Sun, Oct 16 Palmetto Region Oktoberfest Myrtle Beach Area**

Palmetto Region PCA Oktoberfest will return to the Myrtle Beach Area for 2016. Details TBD. Watch the website for details!



**Sat, Oct 22 Sun, Oct 23 Savannah Speed Classic Hutchinson Island, GA**

Info here: <http://www.hhiconcours.com/events/speed-classic.html>. Check out the schedule to see what you are interested in.



**Sat, Oct 29 Sun, Oct 30 Hilton Head Concours HHI, SC**

Find info here: <http://www.hhiconcours.com/events/overview.html>



**Tue, Nov 08 7:00 PM Monthly Social Community Pizza, Tanger Outlet**

Join us at Community Pizza House in the Tanger Outlet area (2400 Gap Road, North Charleston, SC 29418) for updates from the officers, to talk about upcoming events, and to socialize with your fellow Porschephiles.



**Sun, Nov 20 11:30 AM Drive & Dine Myrtle Beach Area**

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**Sat, Dec 03 Sun, Dec 04 Driver's Education at Roebling Road Coastal Empire Region PCA**

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**Fri, Dec 09 TBD Holiday Party TBD**

Save the Date - Details to come!

Breakfast with Dr. Bob, Sunflower Café, West Ashley, 8 am.

Monthly Social, Second Tuesday of each Month, Location TBD. Check website for details.

**Note: Calendar events in bold type earn points toward the Palmetto Region Competitor of the Year Award.**

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# Turn 9

By Joe Mills

As we all know, Charleston is not exactly known for its entertaining driving roads and the summer temps can be less than desirable. The best remedy for these two issues is to head to mountains of North Carolina for a long weekend with an entertaining car. We have taken numerous trips to North Carolina in the P-Car, but this trip was going to be a little different. We found a small campground tucked off a winding mountain road with most of the campsites backing up to a mountain stream. If anyone is ever looking for relaxing place to stay in either an RV or camper, we would highly recommend the Mountain Stream Campground, just outside of Marion, NC.

If any of you have ever been to the track with us, you are used to seeing the Miata being towed behind the RV on a trailer. The trailer is great for the track, but not so much in a campground. This trip was our maiden voyage flat towing the Miata. This is by far the way to go if you are just traveling and want to take an entertaining car along. We did remove the wing and all the other associated track clothing, so we wouldn't stand out more than we already did. And yes, we did get a number of odd looks from other drivers on the road.

Mountain Stream Campground is located on Highway 80, which is a spectacular twisting, winding road that runs from Marion, NC to the Blue Ridge Parkway. Any sports car is fun in the mountain roads, but if you who own a cabriolet or a Targa you can relate when I say that at times, there is nothing better than an open air car. Other than a short rain shower, the top stayed down the entire trip and no AC was needed. That was quite a change from Charleston!

We spent most of our days driving to the Parkway, which meant we had a great "commute" up Highway 80 to our entertainment for the day. Our first day of exploration led us south on the Parkway to Crabtree Falls. An approximate 1.5 mile hike lead us to the falls, where the mist at the base cooled us off.

We then headed to Mouth Mitchell, the highest peak east of the Mississippi. Years ago, we drove up to Mount Mitchell, but we were turned away once we got the top due to snow! This trip, we were determined to make the 300 yard walk to the observation deck at the very top. Our poor planning and cold weather stuck again. When we were packing for the trip, it never occurred to us that we needed to bring a jacket since it was close to 100 degrees at the time. We would have frozen to death had we attempted the hike that day. Strong winds, temps in the mid 50's and fog were not ideal hiking conditions for our shorts and tee shirts. Oh well, we will try again later.

After a day of hiking and driving, we spent a day relaxing by the babbling brook at the campsite. After months of being on the go, it was really nice to just sit and do nothing. The remainder of the trip was spent touring the Blue Ridge parkway from Asheville through Little Switzerland and up to Linville Falls. We stopped at numerous scenic over-

looks, hiked trails and basically did anything that caught our eye along the way. And yes, the third time was a charm at Mount Mitchell. After a brief side trip to Walmart, we were equipped with long sleeve shirts. Unfortunately, the days went by way too fast and before we knew it, it was time to head back to reality. Since the Miata is not your everyday dingy (RV lingo for a car being towed), we drew quiet a crowd when we hooked up and started to head home. Many folks were curious how we were able to make our rig work. Oh well, us car folks can be a little different, but we do enjoy ourselves. Until next month, happy motoring.





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## August Monthly Social Minutes Reported by Roseann Boxx

Meeting was held at Cuoco Pazzo, Mt. Pleasant, with 40 members in attendance.

Al Trego reported 419 members now in our club. Nicole Lefevre reported \$7500 in club treasury. August 20 - drive and dine to Harold's country club in Yamasee.

September 17-new members picnic at Stono Ferry. Register on website.

Check website for upcoming events and DE's.



# Appalachian Adventure

*By Joe Carastro*



On August 12th, Nancy and I fueled up the SuperCroc and headed north to attend Appalachian Region's inaugural "Appalachian Adventure" to be held at Fontana Village (the venue of previous Palmetto trips). After an uneventful drive, we arrived on-site and were immediately welcomed by 70+ region members, got checked in and prepared for the first event, the pre-dinner Happy Hour. As I have come to expect after nearly 40 years in PCA, we met some delightful people. As the weather was nice we had roasted whole pig on the deck overlooking the lower green which was the location for Saturday's Concours. Although it was the low-key People's Choice variety, I did notice a lot of elbow flexing going on in the parking lot.

In addition to the Concours, Saturday featured guided and self-directed driving tours of the local area, a boat tour of Fontana Lake, Lunch on the deck, a group going to the Tail of the Dragon and a Tech Quiz in the afternoon for the Porsche nerds (yes, I was there). Saturday evening we were treated to the Awards Banquet in the Rec Hall and more conversations with new friends.

Appalachian Region (encompassing the western counties of North Carolina) did a great job on this event as everything came off without any noticeable hitches. The Region will be assisting PCA in the 2017 Asheville Treffen to be held at the Omni Grove Park Inn Sept. 20-24, 2017 which will be a do-not-miss event.



# Palmetto Region Oktoberfest

## October 15th

### Weekend Overview:

The main daytime event on Saturday is the Gimmick Rally starting at Noon at the hotel. For those of you not familiar with that term, a Gimmick Rally is intended to be a low key, fun event suitable for anyone regardless of previous rally experience. The event is not timed and does not involve the use of stop watches. A trophy will be awarded to our rally winners during dinner that evening. After the rally we'll have a social hour in our hospitality suite including appetizers, beer and wine.

In keeping with the time of the year and our shared love of German cars, on Saturday night we will all be bused from the hotel to a local German restaurant called Horst Gasthaus for an Oktoberfest Dinner with a prix fixe menu that includes dessert. The Horst is a great spot with authentic German food, a casual atmosphere and live German music. The restaurant owner is setting up a separate area for our group and is even providing us with our own huge keg of special Oktoberfest beer that will be served at no additional charge to you.

On Sunday morning we will be departing at 8:30 am for breakfast at the famous Sea Captains House. We will have our own private room which is on the ocean with a breakfast buffet. After breakfast we part ways and head home.

This event is always a great time that you don't want to miss. We think it's also a great deal at only \$80 per person, \$69 for age 15 and under (plus the room cost). The cost includes the rally and awards, happy hours appetizers and drinks, dinner with transportation, and breakfast. Space is limited so register now!

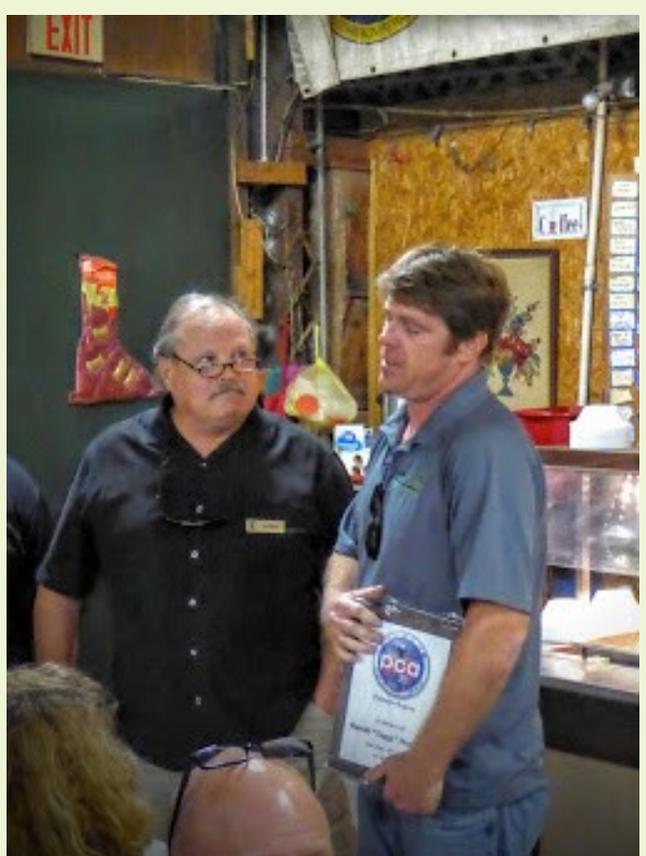
We have reserved a block of oceanfront rooms at a special rate at the Hilton Myrtle Beach Resort located in the Kingston Plantation area of Myrtle Beach. Reservation details will be provided in your registration email, the rate runs out on 9-24 so get your reservation in soon.

Register online here....

[www.pcapalmetto.org/news/377-palmetto-region-oktoberfest-october-15th-2016](http://www.pcapalmetto.org/news/377-palmetto-region-oktoberfest-october-15th-2016)



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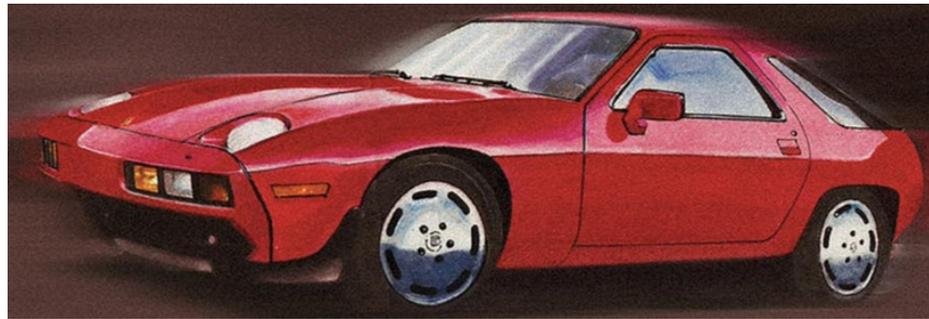
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### ***Final Thoughts from the Prez...***

The time is here!!! New Member Picnic and End of Summer Gathering (BBQ) is almost upon us. It will be on the 17th at Stono Ferry Plantation from 11-3pm. Dr. Joe has been busy putting this fun event together. Details and registration are on our website so check it out. September 18 will be Myrtle Beach's monthly drive starting at Ollie Bargain Outlet, Carolina Forest at 1130am.

The Drive to Harold's Country Club was a huge success! 65 folks from Palmetto and Coastal Empire Region came together in our new annual event. The Annual Tuggy Memorial Drive and Dine was started to honor long time member Harold "Tuggy" Mathisen who recently past away from cancer. He was long time treasurer, king of Rally planning and basically a founding member. In this special tribute, Past President Al Trego briefly spoke highly of Tuggy and presented a plaque to Tuggy's son Rhett. We already look forward to next years event.

For those track junkies, September 17-18 be at Roebing Road for the Driver Education being hosted by Coastal Empire. Lastly, let's not forget the Oktoberfest is right around the corner and we're back in Myrtle Beach at our favorite ocean front hotel. The details are coming soon on the web so keep your eyes peeled! - Keep those wheels turning - Ken

**Monthly Member Meeting is  
Sept 17th  
Stono Ferry Polo Grounds  
Signup Today...**