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45th ANNIVERSARY PARTY

Saturday, August 9th at the Sandcastle on Kiawah Island. Cut-off date is August 6th. So make your reservation now so you don't miss out on a fantastic event. The cost is \$16 per person. Check out the website for more in-depth details and information on the gimmick rally prior to the social hour.



Happy 45th Anniversary

TAIL OF THE DRAGON

Saturday, August 8 is the cut off for the discounted room rate at Fontana Village. So get your reservation made if you're planning to go this year.

We'll depart Friday from the usual Orangeburg Exit (St. Matthews Road) travel up to Walhalla for lunch and gas before continuing on to the resort. Our evening social will be in the downstairs lounge (pool exit) at 6pm. Everyone attending will be asked to bring a little something.

Saturday we'll have our morning drivers meeting before heading out to the drive the Tail and other roads till we reach Tellico Plains, TN. We'll gas up and have lunch there before driving the Cherohala Skyway, with two options for returning to the resort. Also the annual Hill Climb is happening the same weekend. Our local Autometrics team will be participating as well as a few other PCA members. Saturday we'll have our group dinner (this may change depending on the number of members signed up for the event)

Sunday we'll depart back home. It's a great time and look forward to seeing folks there.



Membership Participation

There was a healthy competition started years ago to reward the most active member of the club at the end of each year. In order to present the award, the Board tracks member attendance at events to the extent possible. One thing that tracking attendance allows us to do is see how many folks we think we need to plan for to be at various activities. For example, an RSVP is never required for the Monthly Social, but we do make restaurant reservations. So it's nice to know if we are making that reservation for 15 or 50 on a regular basis.

The Palmetto Region PCA currently has 231 primary members and 154 affiliate members or a total of 385 individuals that, in theory, regularly receive communications, watch the website or Facebook for upcoming events, and may decide to attend anything that interests them. In the years that I have attended Zone 3 President's meetings, we are told that in general expect approximately 10% attendance of the total membership as the "active membership". I am very proud to report it appears we get along and like to show off our cars as we are exceeding the 10% average. From January to July 2014, we've had 20 different activities where the Board has recorded member attendance. Over these 20 activities, we've have almost 120 different members attend. Yes, some of these names have only attended one event - I hope the person felt welcome! And yes, some things are bigger draws than others (Ingram Collection?). The Monthly Social reservations have been increasing from us telling restaurants 20-25 to 30+. The July Monthly Social at Bohemian Bull had 44 members in attendance.

As for who is leading the 2014 Competitor of the Year standings... noting that officers are excluded and in no particular order: Fred Aldridge, Charlie Barnett, Richard Boxx, Cliff Hudson, Steve Kemp, Roger Knobe, JB Lefebvre, and Michelle Porter. Thom Penny and Kevin Zemnicks are not far behind. New or transfer members that haven't been here the whole year, but are coming to activities regularly include Greg and Frankie Kirk and Joe and Nancy Carastro. Any way you slice it, it's not just about the cars, it's about the people. And we have a great group of people!

SONIC CRUISE – IN

Saturday, August 2nd our beloved Porsches were the feature car for the monthly cruise-in held at Sonic. Despite the threat of some nasty weather several members braved the elements and brought their cars out. As usual several Porsche's parked all together drew lots of looks.

Cruise-in's are just that. Cruise on in and display your car. Mingle with other car enthusiasts. Look at awesome cars from every era and manufacturer. Meet new friends. Catch up with old friends. These are great events to just get out in your car for a few hours.



Members Corner

New members:

Stuart Lanza – 2014 Carrera S
Edgar Eltrich – 2001 Carrera 4
Blake Bridge – 2008 Cayman

A warm Low country welcome to you !!! We look forward to seeing you at our next outing.

Calendar: Upcoming Events in our Region and Beyond

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

	Sat, Aug 02	5:00 PM	Cruise-In at Sonic	660 College Park Road, Ladson
	The College Park Sonic hosts a cruise-in most Saturday nights. The 2nd and 3rd Saturdays of each month are reserved for other car clubs. The 1st Saturday of the month is reserved for a featured car. On August 2, Porsche will be the feature marque. There are 13 reserved spaces for our Porsches and then the spaces are first come-first serve. It's a casual gathering so get ready to have your tater tot and limeade fix while hanging out on a Saturday night with your Porsche friends and other auto enthusiasts.			
	Sat, Aug 16	4- 8 pm	45th Anniversary Party	Sandcastle, Kiawah Island
	No Tuesday Monthly social - come to the Anniversary Party! Please RSVP online by August 6! As we celebrate the 45th Anniversary of the Palmetto Region, we will be recognizing the Region's past Presidents. This casual gathering will be held at the Sandcastle Community Center's banquet space.			
	Sat, Sep 06	Sun, Sep 07	Florida Crown Region PCA DE	Roebling Road Raceway
	The PCA Driver's Education program provides a safe, structured, and controlled learning environment with your high performance auto. Track near Savannah, GA. Register at www.clubregistration.net .			
	Tue, Sep 09	7:00 PM	Monthly Social	Restaurant at Southern Season, Mt. P
	Join us at The Restaurant at Southern Season (730 Coleman Blvd, Mt Pleasant) for updates from the officers, to talk about upcoming events, and to socialize with your fellow Porschephiles.			
	Fri, Sep 12	Sun, Sep 14	Tail of the Dragon Trip	Fontana Village, NC
	The Palmetto Region will return to the Tail (318 turns in 11 miles) for some fun. Accommodations will be at Fontana Village. Hotel rooms are discounted for the event at \$89 per night (plus tax). The first nights cost is required as a deposit when you make your reservation. Be sure to tell them you are with Palmetto Region PCA 2014. THE DISCOUNTED ROOM RATE IS ONLY AVAILABLE UNTIL AUGUST 8, 2014. This year's event registration is: \$30 per person (includes Saturday evening dinner at the lodge). We will have an usual social Friday evening (6pm) at the lodge. As in the past everyone will be asked to bring a little something. This is a bring your own drink and drinkwear. Please RSVP to Jackie if you plan to attend.			
	Fri, Sep 19		Drive Your Porsche Day	Worldwide
	A celebration of Ferry Porsche's birthday, get that car out and enjoy it!			
	Sat, Sep 20	Sun, Sep 21	Coastal Empire Region PCA DE	Roebling Road Raceway
	The PCA Driver's Education program provides a safe, structured, and controlled learning environment with your high performance auto. Track near Savannah, GA. Register at www.clubregistration.net . Coastal Empire is offering discounted registration fees to Palmetto Region members for this event. Sign up if you've ever considered going to a Driver's Education event!			
	Sun, Sep 21	11:30 AM	Drive & Dine	TBD
	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.			
	Sat, Oct 18	Sun, Oct 19	Oktoberfest	Myrtle Beach, SC
	Save the date! Details to come, but looks like we'll be doing another event like a few years back - gimmick rally, German dinner, etc.. We'll update the website/calendar with info once firmed up.			
	Tue, Oct 14	7:00 PM	Monthly Social	TBD, Charleston Area
	Join us at TBD for updates from the officers, to talk about upcoming events, and to socialize with your fellow Porschephiles.			
	Fri, Oct 24	Sun, Oct 26	Savannah Speed Classic	Hutchinson Island, near Savannah, GA
	Save the date! Info here: http://www.hhiconcours.com/events/speed-classic.html . Day trip details to come.			
	Sat, Nov 01	Sun, Nov 02	Hilton Head Island Motoring Festival	Hilton Head Island, SC
	Save the date! Info here: http://www.hhiconcours.com/events/concours-delegance.html . Details to come.			

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

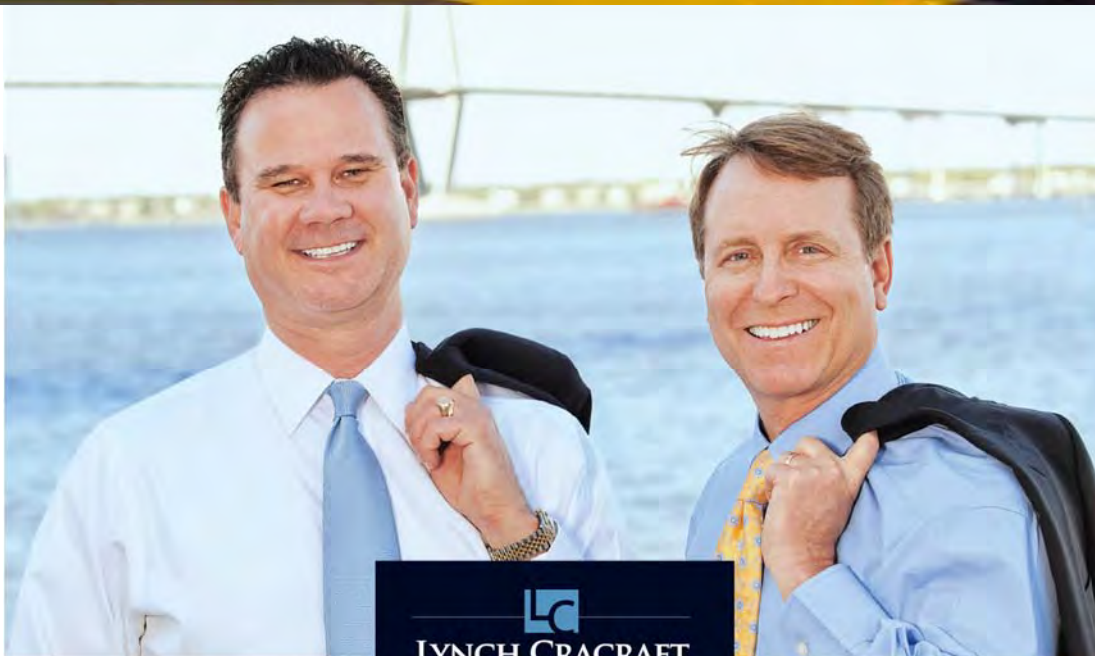
Monthly Social, Second Tuesday of each Month, Location TBD. Check website for details.

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

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PORSCHE ESCAPE

This year's annual PORSCHE ESCAPE is being held in magical Orlando, Florida, November 6 -9. The host hotel will be the Disney's Coronado Springs Resort. Escape room rates are \$129 - \$149 per night. There are several different events that should provide something for everyone. Registration should be open in early July. Hope to see some Palmetto Region mem-

Drive and Dine to the Eatery at the Depot in Branchville

Wow! If you haven't seen the photos posted on the Palmetto Region website, you don't realize what you missed. We had 12 Palmetto region cars meet a group of almost that many cars from Columbia for dinner in Branchville. Yes, it was very hot outside. Yes, Ken missed one turn as he lead the group, but no one knew unless you were looking for that particular right. We arrived in front of the Columbia crowd just in time to get parked and scamper to the shade. The parked cars were a glorious site. We had the dining room to ourselves. The staff of the Eatery did a great job with the large crowd and the food was wonderful. The Columbia crowd (aka SunFun Area of the Carolinas Region PCA) would like to do more with us. We're considering another drive and dine or maybe something more. Watch the calendar for details or speak to a Board member if you have any suggestions of places between here and there.

There will be no Myrtle Beach Area Drive & Dine for August – Come to the 45th Anniversary Party in Charleston!



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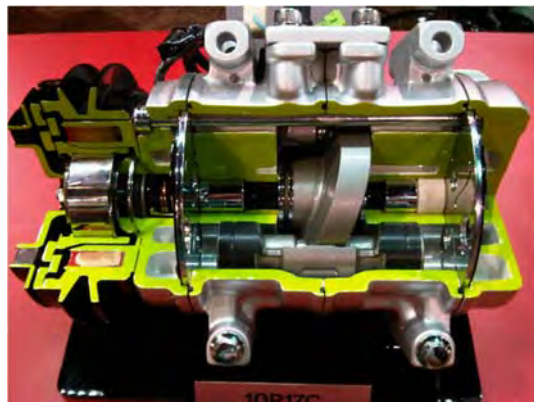
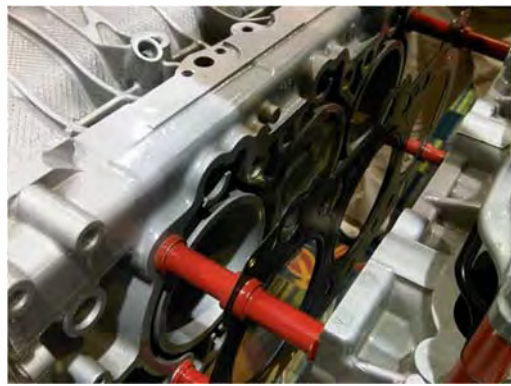
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996 Engine and Other Parts

by Cliff Hudson

From a training seminar plus parts and tools expo attended by Cliff in May in Orlando. As shown in a display at the Elring Gasket Booth, this is an actual 996 engine in a partial state of disassembly, cut away and well detailed for display purposes. Elring was showing all the gaskets that they can supply for it.

The transmission is a cutaway of ZFs 7 speed and a 8 speed has already been designed. This isn't a transmission that is fitted to any Porsche.



A/C compressor is a cutaway of the very popular Denso unit that many manufacturers have used for decades - Porsche included.



From Yahoo Autos, thanks to Cliff Hudson:

BOLD RIDE

By Jeff Perez July 23, 2014

<https://autos.yahoo.com/news/6-cars-that-need-to-be-revived-002647228.html>

The rumors are constantly flooding into our inboxes of cars X, Y and Z being revived with hybrid powertrains, all-wheel drive and a bunch of other claims that no one can really back up. But can you blame them? Of course I'd like to see a new Supra with 500 horsepower, or an RX-7 with twin-rotaries and a six-speed. For the most part though, we take these rumors with a grain of salt. The fun part of it, really, is thinking about your favorite childhood cars coming back to life. Those icons of your generation living on in a new form. That being said, here's six that we think need a new chance at life (click the links to see more):

DeLorean DMC-12

Great Scott, there are going to be a lot of puns in this paragraph! The iconic DeLorean gained fame as Doc Brown and Marty McFly's ride of choice throughout the Back to the Future movie franchise. But realistically, the out-of-this-world design was what really sold it for many enthusiasts. Now, more than ever, might be the perfect time for us to go back and bring this car to the future. I'm sorry.



Lancia Stratos

If the Lancia Stratos doesn't induce hot flashes and/or tingly feelings in your under-

neath—you might want to check your pulse. Produced in 1972, it was an instant classic based on looks alone, not to mention a prestigious racing history to go along with it.



There was an attempt by some rich investor back in 2010 to bring the car back from the dead — and the retro-modern design was actually really stunning — but it was shut down by Ferrari never to be heard from again. It's a shame, really.

Mazda RX-7

Any car nut that grew up in the 1990s

will tell you that the RX-7 is a perfect car to revive. It is one of the most iconic sportscars of the 90s. Production started in 1978 and lasted all the way until 2002, but the "FD" final generation seen here is the one we lust after. Rumors here and there have been hinting at a revival. But we'll believe it when we see it. And we sure as hell hope we see it.



Pontiac Fiero

Is it really all that crazy to want a new Fiero? It is? Ok. But can you blame me? The Fiero was a Ferrari-inspired, mid-engined, rear-drive American piece of goodness that practically everyone fell in love with. Truth be told, you can still pick one up for pretty cheap off of eBay, but how cool would it be to have a new one? I guess that would also mean a revival of Pontiac altogether, which might be a little harder...



Toyota Supra



Like the Mazda RX-7, the Toyota Supra was the object of every 18-year-olds' desire back in 1993 (when the Mark IV came out). It was beautifully designed, sporty, powerful, and came with a manual gearbox, back when Toyota still built those kinds of things. While the Supra has been the most active in the regular rumormill, we're still unsure whether Toyota has enough cojones to bring it back to market. We hope they do.

TVR Sagaris

It was only eight years ago that TVR ended production of the Sagaris... and then ended production of everything else, too. But the Sagaris was a stunning piece of British sportscar engineering that we need back in our lives. And with a TVR revival looming, it could actually happen. So, what'll it be— which one of these rides would you like to see revived?



As for Cliff's response to the author's question: I would have the least interest in owning the Fiero followed by the DeLorean and then the Lancia. Any of the top 3 would suit me; in fact all would suit me. I suppose if pressed hard, I could somehow find it within me to take the entire list.....



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August 16th from 4 - 8 pm for the
45th Anniversary Party at the
Sandcastle on Kiawah Island.**

RSVP before its to late!!!

Final Thoughts from the Prez...

The Palmetto Region PCA celebrates its 45th Anniversary as a Region this year. We have a nice gathering planned for August 16th. If you have not already RSVP'ed and plan to attend, please do so via the online sign up by August 6th! As of August 4th, we expect 100 people at the party. I believe this will be the largest event since the 40th Anniversary Party. Scott Hornsby was instrumental in putting that event together. I will admit, this party will no match Scott's as far as having a famous headline speaker. What can I say, we all can't get Vic Elford! But we will have several past-presidents to tell stories. I hope we do not match Scott as far as the hot temps - but the Sandcastle does have air conditioning!

September is shaping up to be a busy month with Driver's Ed options and the Tail of the Dragon Trip. Note that Coastal Empire is offering discounted registration fees for Palmetto members for their event on Sept 20-21. Also this Fall, you can take an out of town weekend trip with your Porsche in either September, October, or November. See the website or this newsletter for details on the Tail Trip. For the Palmetto Region Oktoberfest celebration, we'll be returning to the Hilton in Myrtle Beach the weekend of October 18. Watch the website for details as they become available. And in November, there will be a group attending the Hilton Head Concours as well as some heading to Orlando for the PCA Escape.

We've made small improvements on the Targa that others probably cannot see. It's nice that I can now use the door pockets and hear the radio if I am so inclined. Yes, yes, I know nothing sounds like the air cooled flat 6, but that 2 hour drive to Myrtle Beach last October by myself got to me. One last point: Ken and Jackie are GREAT friends helping others in need. THANK YOU very much for being there - and there with a car trailer! Keep the wheels turning! **Jennifer**

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