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## **TICK TALK**

Michael Feiler — Editor (Cody's Dad)



This Spring issue of the Tick finds us kicking off a new year. We've got a tremendous number of activities planned and I'm sure there will be many informative and colorful articles for your reading pleasure as the year progresses.

This issue is largely devoted to strenuous efforts on the part of various members to keep us in touch with one another via sundry and creative undertakings. While the pandemic set us back a bit, we did hold most of our traditional annual activities, albeit by very creative means; Charity Fund Raiser, Auto-X, Oktoberfast, and even a reprised tour hosted by John and Nancy Sommerwerck.

Obviously, you have noticed we returned to a printed version of the Tick. I am hopeful with our anticipated ramp-up to more traditional endeavors in 2021, we will be able to continue providing a hard-copy Tick (keeping issues casually arrayed on your coffee table serves to make your occasional guests envious; admit it you enjoy that).

As always, I want to thank Ernie Monroe for providing our cover page and all of our advertisers. Be sure to support them as they support us.

Well, that's it. Got to go, it's time to bring the 911 out of its winter nap. Cody likes the Lexus, but he LOVES the Porsche...who doesn't?



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## PRESIDENT'S PAGE

#### **Lindsey Robinson, Silver Sage President**





## Happy Anniversary Silver Sage Region Porsche Club of America!

This is our 55th year of being part of PCA. I am so excited about what we have planned already for this new year! April 3rd will be our first Coffee and Porsche's drive of the year led by Denis Dunlop. Cruisein will be April 15 at Telaya Winery led by Denise Senturier. April 17th Walt and Mary Thode are looking for volunteers to join us as we head up to our adopted portion of Highway 55 so we can clean it up. April 24 and 25th Bob Kunz and Gary Roeder will be leading the first Autocross event of the year. This will once again be a two-day event held at Expo Idaho.

To start out the month of May I will lead the President's Mystery Drive to an undisclosed location. This drive will end with a picnic lunch at the destination. PCA Spring Treffen will be held in Scottsdale, Arizona May 5th – the 9th. Many members are planning on attending this event. The monthly Cruise-In will also take place in May.

We have many more events in the works and many planned for the rest of the year. Our calendar is located on our webpage at silversageporsche.com and the calendar is included in every email you receive from us. The calendar may change frequently so always check out the latest one in your email. I would also like to extend an invitation to participate in our monthly Board Meeting. Currently our meetings are held the first Thursday of the month via Zoom, but will be moving to the first Tuesday of the month at Porsche of Boise once weather permits. Keep an eye out for our email announcements to see the most up to date details.

Our lives are not back to normal yet, but we are getting closer. Please note, we are still asking members to wear facemasks at events and to practice social distancing.

We would love for you to join us at any of our upcoming events. There will be an email announcement sent out for all of the events mentioned. If you are not receiving emails from us and you would like to, please send a request to communications@silversageporsche.com to be added to our list.

This club is run exclusively by enthusiastic volunteers and has been since 10/24/1966. I want to sincerely thank all the members that keep this club moving.

Remember, "It's not just the cars, it's the people."

Lindsey Robinson, President



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## **2020 SILVER SAGE SPIRIT AWARDS**

**Lindsey Robinson, Silver Sage President** 

Every year the President selects a member or members for the Silver Sage Spirit Awards. When I was thinking about who to give the award to this year, I just couldn't decide on just one person. The member's I chose have been integral to the club for many years.

Jim Parkinson and Dave Keim were selected for their service to the club running the Coffee and Porsches drives. They spent endless hours in their cars driving routes and planning fun, safe drives for us all. Coffee and Porsches is the most popular program the club offers according to the 2020 Survey. I am sure it was because of Jim and Dave's fun leadership.

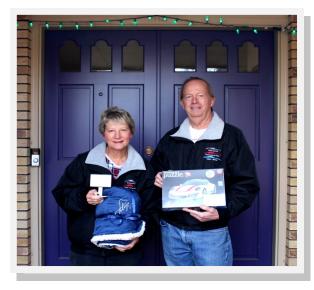




Vicki Pentecost was selected for helping me out and always have us "covered". When we were in the planning stages of several events, Vicki would be there offering advice, and always willing to

help in huge ways. She would ask if I had considered varying aspects of the event, or say let me check around. She has been an active member of Silver Sage for many years. During the shutdowns in 2020 Vicki and Bob figured out a creative way to get us together safely. Vicki and Bob have been the plan-

ners of our annual wine tour for many years as well. They lead the trip in a very inclusive manor making everyone feel welcome. Vicki is also one of our most welcoming members who never hesitates to welcome new members. I deeply appreciate Vicki and all the service she has given to the club.



Bob Pentecost is our member I can count to figure out the logistics in planning an event. He is a problem solver and the guy that can get it all figured out. He is also very patient and has helped me work through several issues with projects I was leading. Bob is the person who puts out the announcements about event registration, and keeps everything highly organized. A person running an event really works hand in hand with Bob to make their event successful. He is also always willing to offer a helping hand. He offers kind advice and is there to share a laugh as well.

These are four people that exemplify the Silver Sage Spirit. If you see them at an event please offer your congratulations.

**Lindsey Robinson / Vicki Pentecost** 

#### **Level of Activity**

The Silver Sage Region started the year off in normal fashion with our annual <u>New Member Dinner</u>. This is always well attended, and this year was no different, with 96 members in attendance. The dinner meeting is an opportunity to introduce the new members to the club and highlight our upcoming activities. The club covers the cost of the meal for new members to encourage attendance.

Another popular event early in the club's year is our monthly <u>Cruise-in</u>. The Cruise-in is a time to have a casual dinner on a weeknight with other Porsche enthusiasts at a local restaurant. The Cruise-in seems to attract new members because of the informality of come-and-go as you choose, with no reservations required. We were able to hold three of these before COVID-19 restrictions limited restaurant capacity, shutting this event down. Monthly participation runs between 20-40 attendees.



We were able to hold two <u>Tech Talks</u> early this year. These are always a popular way to spend a Saturday morning learning about our cars. The Lupo Motors Tech Talk covered the advantages of a ceramic coating for new and classic Porsches as well as a



market update from the results of the Scottsdale 2020 auto auctions. The Porsche of Boise Tech Talk included an overview of the 992 and the Taycan, as well as an auction for a ride in the Taycan, with proceeds going to our charity. We had about 40 participants attending each of these events.

At this point in the year, COVID-19 restrictions put a big damper on our planned activities. We still managed to hold a variety of activities, despite local guidance that changed during the year. We were able to hold some of our traditional events, although in many cases not in the same way, and we invented a few new ones.

A brand-new event we created to bring us back together under COVID-19 restrictions was the <u>Speed Social</u>. This event was designed to keep everyone socially distanced, yet we were close enough to have some great conversations. This event was held in a city park with 25 participants. All participants were

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instructed to arrive with facemasks on. Once people were at their marked pylon spot, masks could be removed to allow for better communication. Every couple had a spot to stand on, six feet from another couple and they would talk with the couple across the way. Every five minutes an air horn would sound, and we would rotate to go talk to a new couple. It was great to reconnect with other Silver Sage members. We were looking forward to more of these events, but the city had to go back to smaller gathering restrictions. (More details and photos are included in the Fall Sage Tick newsletter attachment.)

Our single <u>Autocross</u> was run very efficiently and was highly successful. We ran a full weekend event with 50 participants (limited by COVID-19 restrictions). The initial goals for the autocross involved an inperson driving instructor but we had to drop this concept and go to single driver. Creatively, the driver's meeting was held earlier in the week via Zoom for instruction and questions. The good news was drivers got a lot more runs than they anticipated. This event got rave reviews from participants and was held successfully upholding city, county and state guidelines for COVID-19. More autocrosses were planned for the fall, but had to be cancelled because of new city restrictions.

We held a successful <u>Coffee and Dirt</u> drive to Prairie, Idaho. This was a takeoff on our popular <u>Coffee and Porsches</u> events (Saturday morning drives during "driving season" in the local area that are finished by lunchtime) that had to be curtailed. This drive took participants in their off-road-worthy cars on an hour

and a half drive on unpaved roads into some beautiful country in Idaho. We ended the drive with an outdoor picnic at a member's property. Members were encouraged to enjoy the area and drive around at their leisure for their drive home. (More details and photos are included in the fall *Sage Tick* newsletter attachment.)

Our normal near-monthly tours in spring, summer, and fall, single- and multi-day events that would take us to various attractions in or close to the region's territory, had to be cancelled this year.



Knowing we couldn't hold our usual huge Oktoberfast car show event, a member suggested a <u>Virtual Car Show</u>. We asked each entrant to record a 30-second video clip introducing the car. Each member paid an entry fee that went to our chosen charity. All the video clips were put together perfectly for a great car show. Voting was done online by car class, but also some additional "virtual trophies" were awarded for best video location, funniest video, most creative and best action. This event was much

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fun to watch. We have a creative, fun group of people in our club.

We are having our <u>Annual Holiday Party and Membership Meeting</u> via Zoom this year. Members were given the option to pick up a "curbside" dinner and join the Zoom party or to fix their own meal. The Zoom party will have everyone gather in one Zoom "room" in the beginning, then members will split up in to separate "rooms" to visit in small groups. The members of the board of directors for 2021 will be introduced, and Silver Sage Member Appreciation Awards will be announced.

We use email, board of directors' meetings, and our web site to communicate with members about our activities. We surveyed members and discovered that our <u>Coffee and Porsches</u> drives (that we couldn't hold this year) is the favorite event. While most inperson activities have been halted indefinitely, Silver Sage has continued to hold virtual monthly board meetings via Zoom. The meetings are opened 30 minutes prior to the call to order to allow participants to socialize. All members are invited and encouraged to attend.

#### **Membership Growth**

Our club, like our city, is growing. The Silver Sage Region began January 2020, with 342 Primary Members and 190 Affiliate Members for a membership total of 532. As of October 2020, we currently have 364 Primary Members and 204 Affiliate Members for a membership total of 568. This is a net increase of 36

members over ten months, representing a growth rate of 6.7%. PCA let us know we are 5<sup>th</sup> in annual growth as well as 2<sup>nd</sup> in factored growth. Many of our new members are via dealer support, where the first year's PCA membership is paid for by Porsche of Boise with each new car sale.

Although COVID-19 has severely limited our club activities since March, we have had 195 primary members renew their membership along with 121 affiliate members. Our membership focus in 2020 has been to welcome new members with a President's welcome letter and quickly send them a free name tag. We put them on our club email list and recognize new members each month at our board meetings. Throughout this welcoming period, we also take the opportunity to solicit and engage affiliate members. We feel that this two-pronged approach helps to increase membership retention and overall engagement.





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We continue to engage members through our active Facebook presence and our quarterly newsletter and through email sharing details of upcoming events. This year, we also hosted the <u>virtual Oktoberfast</u> and to our delight, we had significant participation from both new and returning members. This December, we will also hold a virtual Holiday Party in which attendees can pick up a catered meal of their choosing and, in the comfort and safety of their home, enjoy dinner with Silver Sage friends.

#### **Community Activity**

The Silver Sage Region selects a different charity every year to be the recipient of our fundraising efforts. This year's member-nominated and board-selected charity was <u>The Third District Guardian ad Litem</u>. The goal of this charity is to recruit, train, and supervise unpaid volunteer Guardians who advocate for vulnerable children so they can thrive in safe, nurturing homes, and to serve as the voice of these children in protective cases processing through the court system.

This year was quite a challenge since so many of our fund-raising activities are usually held in person, but we did a little brainstorming and concocted a plan to do the whole money-raising activity online. We had two weeks to raise money by selling raffle tickets and by accepting monetary donations. We have a very generous club and raised over \$20,000 for our chosen charity. The Silver Sage Region will share more details on the success for the charity in our application for the PCA Public Service Award.

Our charity fundraising event is designed to help our local community. By holding this event we are raising awareness of the charity as well as raising much needed funds for them. The members of the Silver Sage Region really enjoy giving back to our community.

Our other community-oriented activity, <u>Adopt-a-Highway</u>, where we pick up litter from our section of an Idaho highway twice a year, has been curtailed this year by COVID-19 but will hopefully resume in 2021.

#### **Multi-Region Participation**

Without our annual multi-region Oktoberfast, our Beartooth Highway Drive was the only multi-region event we held. We sent information to the regions in Zone 6 and other nearby regions. We started our drive by meeting at a rest area just outside of Boise. It was fun to meet several couples who were new members. We had 37 participants, which included members from the Intermountain Region and the Pacific Northwest Region. We headed to West Yellowstone, picking up participants along the way. This was a great opportunity to meet up with members from our own region that are located hours away from the city of Boise where most of our activities occur.

The four-day, three-night trip provided the opportunity to drive the Beartooth Highway and the Chief Joseph Highway, both in Montana, and also to enjoying scenic Yellowstone National Park and Jackson Hole in Wyoming. Along the way, picnic tables were

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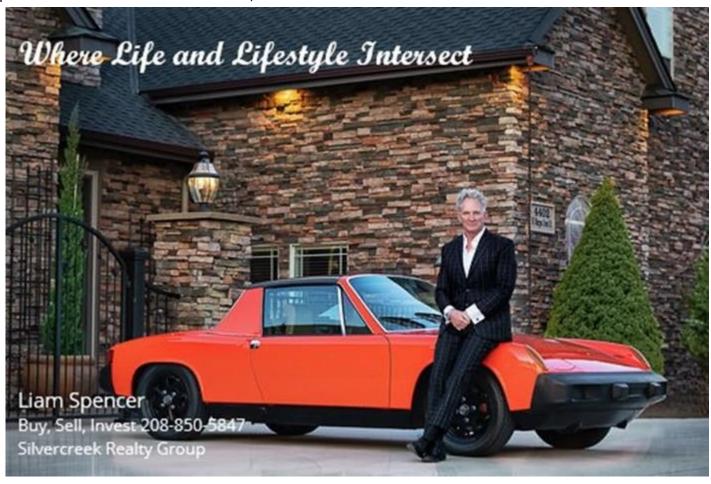
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upscaled as two members used a GT3 RS rear wing as their lunch table. Participants gathered for one carefully spaced group dinner where they participated in a Pack Rat tech quiz. The multi-region subsidy was used to host appetizers for the main dinner and purchase hand sanitizers and masks to protect members from exposure in following three different states' guidelines for COVID-19.

#### **Newsletter and Website Effectiveness**

We have a quarterly newsletter, the <u>Sage Tick</u>, that is sent out electronically to our membership. It is also posted on our website. Our newsletter, which used





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to be the primary means of communication with the membership about upcoming events, has been transformed into an archival document, describing past events and including member contributions of all kinds. The editor asks members for participation via emails. With limited driving and dining opportunities this year, our newsletter editor was forced to be creative for content. For example, the summer Sage Tick was a "retro newsletter" focusing on content and highlights when the region hosted the National Parade in Boise in 2002. In our fall publication, the editor asked people to submit only a picture of their license plate and then published a game asking people to identify whose car it was. This was a fun way to connect members since we were rarely able to get together in person this year.

Email is the main communication tool for upcoming events; there are over 700 people on the list, both within and outside the Silver Sage membership. Messages are sent about once per week with meeting and event details; links for event registration and payment are included as needed.

The Silver Sage web site showcases who we are as a region and provides the opportunity for new Porsche owners to join the club. It provides a current calendar of events, newsletters and photos as well as links to the national PCA.

Our Facebook page is extremely popular with instant sharing of photos, event information, and general chatter among PCA members. While all other communications are pushed to users, Facebook provides the back-and-forth engagement from members on what is new, what is hot and who's where.

#### **Summation**

Our region, like all in PCA, was challenged to figure out how to continue activities and involvement, but in a safe way to avoid spreading COVID-19. Our membership went above and beyond, planning events and having great discussions on how, and if, to hold events. Our membership really does care for each other and has been able to rise above the bleakness of the year to support our community charity and build some fond Porsche Club memories.





### **Auto-X**

**Bob Kunz** 



#### **Autocross April 2021**

It's time to get your cars ready for the first Autocross event of the year. Porsche of Boise is again sponsoring our two day-day event at Expo Idaho on April 24/25.

After a successful event last July (see the Sage Tick Article in the last edition) we will re-apply the modifications we used for the pandemic. At the time of this writing, we will be limited to 50 people inside



the fenced area but with a better view for spectators outside the fence. We have moved the course to have the paddock at the southeast corner and so the spectators will be able to use the main Expo lot to set up for a view of the finish area.

The new course is a two lap design and will present virtually all the autocross elements one would find at an event. It includes fixed radius turns, slalom transitions, variable radius turns, a 180 degrees box turn, two different slaloms and a lane change. And you will do some of them twice. It may sound complicat-

ed but it really is straight forward with some study and a walkthrough.

Our cars are built for street driving <u>and</u> tracking. Autocross is the easiest, least expensive way to see if your Porsche enthusiasm tends towards tracking your car. Autocross elements are directly related to actual real world driving. They provide a feel for your car and your capabilities when presented with street driving events. Be ready to make that quick lane change. Be prepared to know just how hard you can use that brake pedal and what it feels like when ABS kicks in. Do this all in a closed course in a safety environment. You'll come away from an Autocross event with a newfound appreciation of your car's capabilities.

We look forward to seeing you at the April event. Registration will close quickly so make sure you get a spot.





## **2020 CHARITY DRIVE RESULTS**

#### **Monika King**

2020 ended on a high note for the Silver Sage Region of the PCA when our club finished up the annual charity drive in December resulting in a total contribution to the 3rd District Guardian Ad Litem Program of \$20,500. Prior to the holidays, Paul and Lori Kaczmarek and Andrew and Monika King delivered these proceeds to the charity at their offices in Caldwell and discussed with their Executive Director, Christine Walker, the plan for use of these funds in 2021 to benefit western Idaho children who are in foster care. The monies we have raised will make a big difference for this local small non-profit organization and the children they serve. We raised money for



the charity via our first ever virtual Oktoberfast car show, through generous cash donations from our members and supporting businesses, and through an on-line raffle. Gary Cuddeford, Sid Cannon, and Bob Pentecost did a fantastic job with the Oktoberfast show. Porsche Boise, The Riverside Hotel, Telaya Winery, Big-O Tires Downtown, Chf Home Furnishings, Ernie Monroe Art, FireAuntStudios, Chandlers Restaurant, Walt Gammill, the Village at Meridian, and the Coach store all stepped up with contributions. Overall, we engaged over 100 primary and

affiliate SSPCA members in these activities benefitting the charity. Congratulations and thank you all for your generosity.

## The raffle winners were announced at our December on line board meeting and they are:

- · A Weekend In The Mountains Mary Monroe
- · \$1000 Certificate for Big-O Tires Blair Baertsch
- · Chandlers Epicurean Experience Ken Robinson
- · Coach Backpack & FireAuntStudios Scarf *Vanessa Hutchison*
- · Coach Purse & FireAuntStudios Scarf Denis Dunlop
- · Ernie Monroe Art Poster Walt Thode
- $\cdot$  Riverside Weekend and Telaya Wine Tasting -

#### **Lindsey Robinson**

• \$500 Village at Meridian Gift Card - *Laura Outlaw* Congratulations to these winners and to all who participated making the raffle a big success. Any questions, feedback, or suggestions on our club charity efforts can be directed to Monika King at superkrillin3@yahoo.com or by phone at (310) 991-5218.



## **Oktoberfast Virtual Car Show 2020**

#### **Vicki Pentecost**

Knowing we could not hold our usual huge Oktoberfast car show event due to Covid, we decided "Old Guys with Old Cars Rule" and Sid Cannon came up with the amazing idea to do a Virtual Car Show. The Oktoberfast virtual car show took the place of our annual in-person car show which has been held at the Village in Meridian for the past several years. As in the past, Porsche of Boise, The Village at Meridian and Simmons Fine Jewelry were key supporters of the event. Thank you to these sponsors for working to make this a success.

Members were solicited to create a short video and take a reference photo relating to their Porsche vehicle and submit them to the three member Oktoberfast team (Sid Cannon, Gary Cuddeford and Bob Pentecost) along with a small entry fee for our fundraising efforts. In total, the Oktoberfast virtual car show raised \$4,000 towards our charity, the 3rd District GAL Program.

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## **Oktoberfast Virtual Car Show 2020**

#### Vicki Pentecost

#### **2020 Virtual Oktoberfast Awards**

356 – Bob Denton, 1964 356C (Green), Silver Sage Region, Nampa ID

914 – Wade Nelson, 1970 914-6 GT (FLY Yellow), Silver Sage Region, Eagle ID

924 – Loren Stumbaugh, 1977 924 (Reseda Green), Silver Sage Region, Nampa ID

**Early air cooled 911/912** – Bruce Meyer, 1972 911S (Anthracite Grey), Southern California Region, Beverly Hills CA

Late air cooled 911 – Dave Keim, 1989 911 Carrera Targa (Guards Red), Silver Sage Region, Meridian ID

996, 997 – Klaus Huschke, 2006 911 (997) Carrera 4 (Atlas Grey Metallic), Inland Northwest Region, Spokane WA

991 (Tie) – Vicki Cannon, 2014 991 Turbo (Pure White), Silver Sage Region, Meridian ID

991 (Tie) - Andrew King, 2018 911 GT3 (Miami Blue), Silver Sage Region, Boise ID

992 - Blair Baertsch, 2020 911 (Carmine Red), Silver Sage Region, Boise ID

Boxster – Mark Prusynski, 2013 Boxster (Amaranth Red Metallic), Silver Sage Region, Boise ID

Cayman – Gary Roeder, 2015 981 Cayman S (Guards Red), Silver Sage Region, Boise ID

Cayenne, Macan, Panamera – Linda Prusynski, 2020 Macan (Mamba Green "PICKLES"), Silver Sage Region, Boise ID

Best of Show – Wade Nelson, 1970 914-6 (Yellow), Silver Sage Region, Eagle ID

Best Action Video – Gary Roeder, 2015 981 Cayman S (Guards Red), Silver Sage Region, Boise ID

Most Creative Video (Tie) - Vicki Cannon, 2014 991 Turbo (Grocery Getter), Silver Sage Region, Meridian ID

Most Creative Video (Tie) - Randy Bloom, (Miniature Oktoberfast), Silver Sage Region, Meridian ID

Funniest Video – Andrew King, 1989 930 Turbo (and Lego version), Silver Sage Region, Boise ID

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## **Oktoberfast Virtual Car Show 2020**

#### **Vicki Pentecost**

Best Video Location (Tie) - Denis Dunlop, 1981 911 (Bogus Basin Road), Silver Sage Region, Boise ID

Best Video Location (Tie) – Bob Pentecost, 1997 993 Carrera 4S (Boise Parking Garage), Silver Sage Region,
Boise ID

Long Distance Award – Bruce Meyer, 1972 911S (Anthracite Grey), Southern California Region, Beverly Hills

George Follmer's Favorite - Dave Keim, 1989 911 Carrera Targa (Guards Red), Silver Sage Region, Meridian ID

Silver Sage President's Favorite – Bob Denton, 1964 356C (Green), Silver Sage Region, Nampa ID

Porsche of Boise's Favorite - Gary Roeder, 2015 981 Cayman S (Guards Red), Silver Sage Region, Boise ID

"Dear Porsche Friends,
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**Bruce Meyer** 

Southern California Region, Beverly Hills CA





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## **NEW MEMBERS**



**Laura Outlaw** 

#### A warm welcome to all our new Silver Sage members!

We have been actively trying to determine a fun and safe New Member event. We will share information related to that event as soon as we have more details.

#### November & December 2020

Beverly Mountain	Charles Mitchell Christal Dickman		
Heather Crossley	Howard Matsumura	Jack Fleming	
Joe Rowett	John Kaiser	Laurie Alvardo	
Michael Bell	Mitch Lambert	Page Roos	
Sean Franke	Roy Bowman & Rosemary Zimbelman		

#### January – February 2021

Alex Reynolds	Anne Caldwell	Anthony Adinolfi
Brian Whipple	Brian O'Neill & Rachel Taylor	

#### Transfers

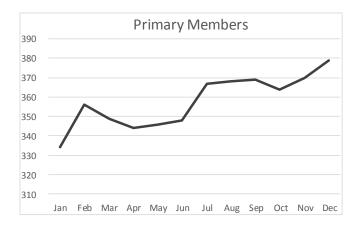
Allison Formal	David & Christine Raymond	David Diggs
Gregg & Sue Miley	Michael & Ruth Grabowski	

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## **MEMBERSHIP DATA**

*(continued)*Laura Outlaw









## Happy New Year

## "IN THE ZONE - JANUARY"

#### Mark Prusynski—PCA ZONE 6 Representative

#### Happy New Year!

Most of us were ready to say "good riddance" to 2020 and look forward to the New Year, but it didn't start well. We learned that the first President of Vancouver Island Region, Blair Cooper, passed away after a battle with cancer. I cope with sad news of someone's passing with fond memories of the good times. I'm sure I met Blair, since he and I were presidents of our respective regions at the same time, but I can't remember a funny story about him. I'll substitute a story about a President of the Canada West Region, John Macfarlane. Please don't fact-check me.

I met John at the 2010 Escape to Sun Peaks. Escapes were predecessors to Treffens and some included a golf "tournament", so I took my clubs in the Cayman. Our foursome consisted of me, John and two other Canadians. The course was very mountainous and we had seen bears several times over the weekend, usually from a safe distance. One par-three hole reguired a shot across a heavily wooded ravine. The other three golfers hit and were waiting for me. In the middle of my backswing they all yelled "BEAR"! I stopped in mid-swing, thinking that they were messing with me, but looked up to see a bear on the tee box in front of me. One of the Canadians told us to stand tall, yell and waive a club to scare the bear off. Instead, John jumped in the cart and was ready to leave without me. I asked for a longer club. Despite our efforts, the bear just stared at me.

A man came out of a nearby house, where a golden retriever was barking furiously, and said the bear had discovered a bee hive in his eave the night before and was coming back to finish off the honey. I asked if his dog would chase the bear and he replied, "not this one, but I've got one that will." He took the golden inside and released a Bernese Mountain Dog with a "get him." Of course, I was between the bear and the dog and the dog seemed ready to attack me. He must have caught the scent of the bear, because he stopped his attack on me, sniffed and took off after the bear. They ran into the ravine, the same ravine that we needed to cross to complete the round. It took me a long time to compose myself, but I managed to get the ball on the green. As I got back to the cart, John admitted that he was ready to abandon me because he knew he was the slowest in the group and we all know the joke about not needing to outrun the bear if you can just outrun someone else. It was a little spooky from there driving the cart down into the ravine, but the rest of the round was not at all memorable, just like most of my golf.

Treffen Scottsdale is still scheduled for early May and we may have a solid contingent from Zone 6. Linda and I are planning to drive her new Macan to French Lick, Indiana, in July for Parade. The first French Lick Parade was one of few we missed and it received rave reviews. We expect the same this year. Every region is planning our events for the year and hope that we are able to partake, including a trip to Sun Peaks.

Enjoy socially distant Valentine's Day greetings and we'll see you in the Zone.

## "IN THE ZONE - FEBRUARY"

#### Mark Prusynski—PCA ZONE 6 Representative

#### Zone 6 Winter Update

Just when I thought we weren't going to have a real winter in the Northwest, Boise received almost ten inches of snow in two days. That two-day snowfall ranks in the top ten for Boise. A few days later and



it's warmer than normal and I got the Boxster out a couple times.

Winter is planning time for PCA. Every February we have a National Staff Meeting and a National Board of Directors Meeting, followed by a meeting of the region presidents for each zone. A couple years ago we had the National Staff Meeting in Seattle and had a crippling snowstorm on the first day. This year it was supposed to be in Florida, but we had a Zoom meeting instead. I need more padding in that desk chair. Our Region Presidents' Meeting will also be virtual this year. It's more convenient in a lot of ways, but the best part of being involved in the leadership of PCA is getting out to meet our wonderful members. Last year our meeting was in beautiful Victoria BC just as COVID was taking off in the Seattle area. I never thought we'd see so much change over

the course of a year.

One thing I'd like to talk about at our Region Presidents' Meeting this year is how each of our ten regions have managed to hold events that comply with the COVID guidelines and ensure the members' safety as much as possible. Although PCA events were significantly reduced in 2020, your region leaders worked hard to hold safe events and none of those events resulted in a spread of the virus. PCA membership actually grew slightly in 2020, after a decrease during the first few months of the pandemic. We are planning a return to "normal" over the course of this year. There are several milestone region anniversaries in Zone 6 that need to be celebrated. I hope to attend those celebrations as well as some region events that we couldn't attend last year. Nationally, the plans are set for two Treffens and the Porsche Parade in French Lick, Indiana. I'm really looking forward to seeing you all out there.



## "WHY I TRACK MY PORSCHE"

#### **GARY ROEDER**

#### Why I Track my Porsche

Soon after her German delivery, Scarlett, my 2015 Cayman S, was introduced to the type of roads for which she was designed. Right after the break-in kilometers, we experienced driving on two great European tracks - the Nürburgring Nordschleife and Spa-Francorchamps. We then travelled in the Alps through passes with hundreds of alpine curves. Once back home in Boise, we knew that our committed, long-term relationship would involve many miles on paved roads without speed limits - mostly at our closest track, Utah's Miller Motorsports Park (now UMC). A great plus for learning at UMC is its inherent track safety – it's a wide track, FIA-compliant design, with safe run off areas that present little risk to cars going off track. After some 3 decades of being away from the track, I began (again) with instructors teaching me concepts such as the racing line, threshold braking, cornering speed, using slip-angle, over-

steer, understeer and weight transfer from shifting, braking or acceleration.

One of the benefits of tracking a Porsche is that the



car is mechanically capable of driving straight from home to the track with only the need to adjust tire pressures. However, once I decided that I wanted to further hone Scarlett's track performance, I changed to higher performance brake pads and fluid, and bought a dedicated set of rims for track tires (thus saving my road tires as wet weather rubber). There is plenty of advice from fellow Porsche enthusiasts on Planet-9 and Rennlist online forums, so I didn't need to figure this all out myself.

As my driving skills progress, I am better able to place the car where I want her to go. I am building skills to not only drive the car at speed at the proper apex, I am learning skills that translate into more enjoyable and safer driving in real world situations. When I exceed grip limits by dropping two wheels off at corner exit, I've not only lost lap time, but have learned the edge of cornering performance – a valuable skill needed to safely enjoy our Idaho mountains

roads. When I brake too late (or too early) at the end of the straight, I am learning just how to avoid that car



in front of me who's suddenly jammed on the brakes. When I've driven a lap in the rain (or snow!) I am reminded that the best way to make it around without a spin may not be the normal driving line.

In the end, it's all fun! It's not about the lap times, it's not how many cars I pass or how many pass me. It's about the full-throated song of the boxer flat-six in the straight, the g-forces in the corners, the joy of a visceral connection between Man and Machine. And when I climb out of Scarlett after a session, and the engine and brakes make those small satisfied

sounds while cooling down, I know...That is why I track my Porsche!



## **IN MEMORIAL**

#### **Article submitted by Vicki Pentecost**

Wilke joined Silver Sage Porsche Club in 1966 and carried a lifetime of cars, racing and friendships. He was our Newsletter Editor in 1967-1968,

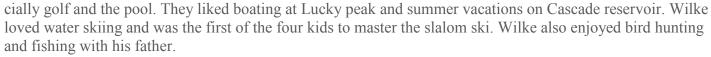
Wilke Elmar Myers III

Wilke Elmar Myers III, 76, of Boise, Idaho, passed away November 13, 2020, after a 10-day battle with COVID-19.

Wilke was born in Denver, Colorado, on August 18, 1944, to Wike Elmar Myers Jr. and Helen Autrey Myers.

Wilke was the oldest of four children and his brother Pat was born two years after. The family of four moved to Idaho when Dad was discharged from the Army after World War II and began a career traveling Idaho and the surrounding states working for Autrey Bros. Once in Boise, sister Martha and baby brother Tommy were born.

The Myers raised their four children in Boise's East End. They were long-time members of the Hillcrest Country Club and enjoyed all activities at the club, espe-



Wilke attended Roosevelt Elementary, East Junior High and he graduated from Boise High in 1962.

After high school, Wilke joined the Army and he later served as a radio technician in the Idaho National Guard before he was honorably discharged.

He attended Boise Junior College and studied finance and business.

Wilke's love for cars (probably started by his father) lasted his whole live. When he first joined the Southwest Idaho Sports Car Club around 1963, he drove a Volvo 544. In 1965, his father used his connections with a friend that owned the Ford dealership in Jerome, Idaho, and Wilke took delivery of the first Shelby Mustang GT's in the state of Idaho. He drove his powder blue Mustang in Autocrosses and hill climbs all over the state. He started to make a name for himself as a good driver and a person who wanted to be involved. Wilke spent most of his life being involved with SWISCC and held nearly every office on the board. When Doc Halverson started planning for the first Freezeout Hill Climb in 1964, Wilke was there to help. This started a life- long love for hill climbs. He was very proud of the fact that he was the only person to have run the hill all 56 years, being the hill master many of those years. Wilke ran and won several different classes at Freezeout. From stock to prepared to be modified, he was always a driver to be reckoned with.

Around 1966 he got his first Porsche — a 912. This started a lifelong love for Porsches and he would always have one in his stable. He was a charter member of the Silver Sage Region of the Porsche Club of America. While working as a salesman for Norm Bishop Porsche Audi, he got his beloved 1968 – 911 (The Grey Ghost) and quickly became the guy to beat in Porsche club events.

Wilke met and married Mary Dodd in 1969. Their daughter Amy Myers was born in 1971. Wilke and Mary were active in the sports car clubs, and raced in the mini-stock class at Meridian Speedway. They divorced when Amy was 3. Wilke always supported Amy and was extremely proud of her accomplishments in life. One



## **IN MEMORIAL**

(continued)

Article submitted by Vicki Pentecost

of his biggest joys was being able to get closer to Amy and his two grandsons.

Wilke met the love of his life Marcy Waite at the Meridian Speedway on the Fourth of July. They were married eight weeks later in August of 1985. Wilke and Marcy finished raising her three children Michael, Melissa and Trevor together. He was honored and proud to be called Dad, and be able to be Papa to the four grandchildren. Wilke and Marcy shared the love and passion for fast cars and fun times from the very beginning. Marcy (as all students of Wilke did) flourished in her ability to drive a race car. Wilke always loved teaching people the art of racing and especially Hill Climbing. It didn't matter how advanced you were, he was always open to share his knowledge and insight from decades of racing experience.

Wilke and Marcy operated a T-shirt print business and they owned an emission station. They mostly enjoyed taking the motor home, loading up the race car and going to all the Hillclimbs in the Northwest. They were always among the fastest drivers.

One of the highlights in retirement was going to the 100<sup>th</sup> running of the Indianapolis 500 with Loma Garmen and their wives. He and Loma have been friends since they joined the sports car club in the 60°.

Wilke had a strong work ethic, he valued family and he was very loyal. He was gifted with a wonderful sense of humor, humility, and always had a big brother smile. He was always willing to share his wisdom. He was able to make long-lasting friendships easily.

Wilke was a devoted and loving husband, father, brother and friend. He will be tremendously missed by all. Wilke is survived by his wife, Marcy, children Amy Scott, Michael (Katheryn) Waite, Melissa Waite (James), Trevor Waite, 6 grandchildren, and 1 great grandson.

His family would like to thank the many caring family members, friends, neighbors, church members and ICU staff at St. Luke's.

In lieu of flowers, please send donations to Idaho Food Bank or Idaho Humane Society.

A private memorial service will be held at 1:00 pm, on Saturday, December 5, 2020.



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#### **CALENDAR**

March 202	1	May 2021	
Mar. 4	Board Meeting	May 1	President's Mystery Drive
Mar. 18	Cruise-In	May 6	Board Meeting
April 2021		May 5-9	Spring Treffen
Apr. 1	Board Meeting	May 20	Cruise-In
Apr. 3	Coffee and Porsches		
Apr. 7	Phase 2 Porsche Parade Registration	Note: Silver Sage Board Meetings are <u>normally</u> on the first Thursday of the month, 6:30 PM via ZOOM until further notice	
Apr. 15	Cruise-In		
Apr. 17	Adopt-A-Highway		
Apr. 24	Auto-X		