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2026 UPCOMING EVENTS

JULY

SAT, 7/11..... SSPCA 60th Anniversary Celebration
S-W, 7/19-22..... Bend, Oregon Tour 2026
SAT, 7/25..... Breakfast Club Drive

AUGUST

SAT, 8/1 Coffee and Porsches, Porsche Boise
TUES, 8/4 Board Meeting, Porsche Boise
THURS, 8/6 ODO, Tupelo Honey Southern Kitchen
SAT, 8/29 New Members Picnic, Tully Park

SEPTEMBER

TUES, 9/1 Board Meeting, Porsche Boise
SAT, 9/5 Coffee and Porsches, Porsche Boise
THURS, 9/10 .. ODO, Andrade's Restaurante Mexicano
SAT, 9/12 Adopt-A-Highway
S/S, 9/19-20 Fall BrezelCross, Motorplex at the Mill
SUN, 9/27 Sun Valley Tour

OCTOBER

FRI, 10/2..... Oktoberfest Dinner
SAT, 10/3 Oktoberfest Coffee and Porsches
SAT, 10/3 Oktoberfest Wine Tour
SUN, 10/4 Oktoberfest Car Show, The Village
TUES, 10/6 Board Meeting, Porsche Boise
SAT, 10/24 Charity Dinner Fundraiser



→ Check the weekly SSPCA Happenings emails for details and updates

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



ANTHONY VIERRA
President

I hope you have all been enjoying our Summer drives and events. I want to thank everyone who was involved in making our 60th anniversary celebration a success, as with everything it's a team effort. As we cruise into the back half of the season there is a lot to look forward to. Oktoberfest is just around the corner and there is always great driving to be done in the fall. Oktoberfest is the kickoff of our Charity season and I hope you all will help out in supporting this year's Charity Life's Kitchen. I look forward to seeing everyone out and about enjoying our cars.

CHEERS,

-Anthony



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If you have an article you would like to share with others in the club, simply email it to sagetick@silversageporsche.com

TICK TALK

SUMMER 2026



MERCEDES VIERRA
Editor

Summer truly is my favorite time of year, from the warm weather, to drives with the family, to getting caught up on life during the school year. Long days and sunshine is where I am meant to be. I have also really enjoyed my time at our clubs outings, get-togethers and especially the diva events. I am happy to highlight these diva events in this issue and personally looking forward to more in the future.

I want to thank all those dedicated article contributors who take the time to send in their stories, expertise, feedback and creativity.

Keep sharing your fun times out and about in your cars with the club.

Keep sending in all your adventures out there on the road. Whether it is a few pages, to a paragraph or two, or just some notes or a quote on the event. It all makes a difference for our club's newsletter.

Luke, 3 ½ years old, may not be old enough to write yet, but I know he would love to share some of his stories about all his cars... all three million of his Hot Wheels.



- Mercedes



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4.0

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TECH TALK

PORSCHE LADIES ONLY

BY NANCY SOMMERWERCK

LADIES RULED ON SATURDAY, MARCH 21!! THE
INAUGURAL "LADIES ONLY TECH TALK" EVENT.





held at Porsche Boise, was a huge success with over 30 Silver Sage ladies attending. These ladies and the dealership's entire staff filled Porsche Boise's service bay for over an hour of conversation;



TOPIC: "ASK ANYTHING AND EVERYTHING ABOUT YOUR PORSCHE". NO SUCH THING AS A SILLY QUESTION.



This unique environment allowed the ladies to feel comfortable asking anything Porsche. The exceptional Porsche Boise service technicians and sales representatives patiently answered every question and provided expert insights and tips.



The event was followed by a buffet lunch provided by Porsche Boise and the dealership generously presented each attendee with a goodie bag of Porsche items! Thank you Porsche Boise for your support and participation!



DIVA DRIVE

PORSCHE LADIES ONLY

BY NANCY SOMMERWERCK



After the Tech Talk, nearly 25 Divas started their engines and took off on the 3.5-hour drive to Riggins, ID.



The weather was good and the conversation and laughter was even better. Once checked into the Salmon Rapid Lodge, everyone gathered for Happy Hour outside on the hotel patio with the Salmon River as a backdrop.

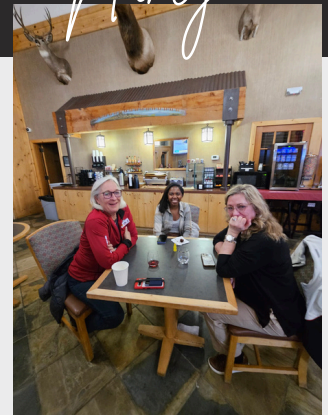


Dinner at a nearby restaurant followed, with a short walk back to the hotel for more socializing and fun times.



The next morning, the ladies enjoyed the hotel's breakfast then headed home; all excited to attend another "Diva Only" Tour and Overnight event in the near future and share more time with new and old friends.

Nancy



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APRIL

BY CHRIS ENNIS

Here we go! Another season of Porsches and Coffee has officially launched, and despite a brisk start, the energy was high. It was a very chilly morning for a cabriolet guy, but nothing a jacket and a seat heater couldn't fix.

There is a specific kind of magic to these driving events. Getting together with the club for conversation and some spirited driving is something I look forward to all winter. While the driving is easily my favorite part, I also love the ritual of grabbing a cup of coffee and "walking the line." Looking at everyone's cars is like walking through a field of wildflowers; each Porsche is unique in its own way and deeply special to its owner.

As is our tradition, we started the morning with coffee, donuts, and plenty of catching up. It was a full house with over 30 Porsches in attendance. After a quick safety meeting to go over the route, we fired up the engines and ventured out toward the desert south of town, making our way into Canyon County. Even with the rapid growth on the rural edges of town, we caught a break—the traffic remained light. The collective sound of Porsches roared west toward Kuna, and I think we're all aware of the heads that turn as our group rolls by.

This southern route features two of my favorite stretches of road in the area, Ten Mile Creek and Lake Shore Drive. They are exhilarating to drive on your own, but even more fun experiencing those curves within a pack of fellow enthusiasts.

Our destination was Mallard Park in Nampa, where our two driving groups reconvened. After stretching our legs—and a much-needed bathroom break—we took the scenic route in reverse to head home. It was a perfectly executed morning that left me energized and already counting down the days until next month's meetup. See you at the next one!

-Chris

MAY





BY LOREN STUMBAUGH

Up to Horseshoe Bend and Emmett then home.

It was a great day. It started off at Porsche Boise with a catered morning snack of personally curated bakery delights and some specially brewed coffee. After that, we meandered through some of Boise's most memorable areas before stopping in Horseshoe Bend for a quick stretch and shopping at a local establishment. From there, we traveled towards Emmett but along the way we took pleasure to stop and take in nature's beauty and one of man's victories over the waters of the great and mighty Payette River not far from where the earth provides heat and warmth to the geological wonders of natural hot springs. In Emmett, we drove a scenic route along the boundaries of the Motorplex at the Mill. We then took a quick detour and stopped for a moment at what probably is the greatest drag race track in all of the Treasure Valley, Firebird Raceway. From there, we traveled through some sprawling upper class rural neighborhoods that could have quite possibly graced the covers and pages of some of our regional architectural and real estate magazines. From there we headed home, but not before passing and quietly contemplating how another local racetrack, The Morgan Raceway, (home of the Snake River Karters), may someday provide the fundamental groundwork of a future Porsche factory race car driver.

-Loren

JUNE



THE MAN BEHIND THE CAMERA

Greg Myers

Hi I'm Greg, you may or may not know me. And apparently that is why I was asked to write this little article about myself. As an introvert that's going to be interesting as I don't really like talking about myself. If you don't know who I am I'll be the one with the camera in my face most of the time.



Yup, I'm the photographer for the club. What started out as some kid showing up to Silver Sage PCA events uninvited and taking pictures of cars to being an honorary member of the club even without a Porsche of my own. To get to this point in time we have to go back to where it all started and how my obsession with a car brand came from.



We all have that point and mine was at a hotel outdoor pool in Beaverton OR when I was in 6th grade on a Spring break trip with the family. I wasn't playing in the pool of course No, I was staring at a black 911 that was sitting in the parking lot just across from the pool. Eyes transfixed on the most gorgeous thing my young eyes had ever seen. I was enamored with the car and I needed to know everything about it.



From there it was an almost unhealthy need to always check out all the car magazines whenever I went shopping with my mom to find the latest article on Porsches. I definitely had a collection of Dupont Registry's kicking around the bedroom torn apart and Porsche ads cut out and plastered on my text books and in my lockers throughout the years. Other kids had jocks and celebs I had Porsches. Of course thumbing through Depont I knew what those Porsches cost and I had to figure out how I was best going to grow up to enjoy those gorgeous cars.



My brilliant high school plan was that I was going to enjoy those cars without having to pay for those cars and to do that I was going to be an automotive magazine writer. Brilliant plan and yet poorly executed. I found out that I enjoyed photography more than I did writing and plans changed. I ended up graduating college and moving to Boise to be closer to family and give it a go at my own

photography business and that did not pan out how I would have liked it to. It was just too early for the business model to work out. That's when I just started to be more of a hobbyist photographer and took pictures at whatever car show or event I could find. I naturally gravitated to the Porsche events of course because my obsession never waned. I was persistent and eventually going to all those club events I became friends with the members and they started inviting me to the events and as they say; the rest is history.

That's how we got to where we are now but wait there's more. How about a quick little question and answer section.



Of course the most important question is "what's your favorite Porsche?"



That's easy. The 964 and I'll take mine in the form of a RWB with smooth fenders and a ducktail. That for me is what I just find the most appealing to me.

What's your favorite Porsche movie? Oh that's gotta be "No Man's Land" for sure.

Of course the most common question I get is "Where can I find the pictures and videos?" I have business cards but I'm just notoriously bad at not having them with me when people ask me this. The easy answer is that I always post the pictures to the Silver Sage PCA Facebook page. I also have a link to them on the Silver Sage PCA website. If you're old school and like Googling for things you can always search for me using my handle Speed Matsuri. Now I need to get back to editing those pictures and videos.

-Greg



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The Trip of a Lifetime – Again?

Part 2

BY BRIAN WHIPPLE

After starting the tour with a couple of long drives between resorts, the next couple of trips were much shorter. First, we left the LeFay Dolomiti in Pinzolo, and headed northeast to the Bolzano area, to the amazing My Arbor Hotel. What a cool road!



On our first full day in this new location, there was an optional driving trip to yet more nearby mountain passes. It's kind of funny to me that they call these optional. There's no way I'd go on this trip with Porsches in these locations, and consider any sort of driving opportunity "optional!" The highlight of the day, and one of the absolute scenic highlights of the trip, was Gardena Pass. As I got closer, the views got better and better.

When I got to the next pass, with a beautiful, twisting ribbon of tarmac descending into the green valley below, I pulled over and grabbed my iPad. Such a great road! The further along I went, the less crowded it became, making it easier to have some driving fun in this amazing Porsche, while enjoying the unreal views all around me.



Such a dream to be driving through the Dolomites in Italy, top down in the Targa 4 GTS, enjoying the sunshine and incredible scenery. Wow, how did I get here? The next day we left the My Arbor, and had a short drive north to Austria, where we'd stay at another beautiful Alpine resort up on a hill overlooking a valley – the Interlpen Hotel, near Innsbruck. We had stayed at this one in 2022, when it was a rainy day, one of just two or three we had on the trip. We really wound up being quite fortunate with the weather, as the forecast before we left the USA was for continuous rain on almost the entire route! Thankfully it wasn't that way at all, and we had warm, beautiful weather, allowing us to enjoy time by the pools, and driving with the top down on the Porsche quite frequently.



On the morning of our final day there, I decided I had to just get one more great driving/photo opportunity in before our trip drew to a close. I looked on maps to see where the nearest noteworthy mountain passes might be, but they all seemed to be hours away. I didn't want to take all day, just a half day while Mrs. Whip slept in a bit. I asked Mark from Autobahn Adventures for any recommendation he could offer, and he said there was a route not too far from the resort – less than an hour, that was really good. I decided to get up early to go check it out. It wound up being quite awesome!



The road down the hill from the resort was incredible, with some fun driving bits, and incredible views. I started climbing up the mountain toward Hahntennjoch. And it just got better and better as I climbed, both in scenery and driving fun.



The best part of the drive that morning, was a road that headed east from the little village of Stanzach. Wow! This was one of the most fun roads I've ever driven, and the Porsche was well up to the challenge. A group of motorcyclists came up quickly behind me just as I turned onto the road. I thought about letting them past, since they seemed to be in a big hurry, but then I decided to see how well they could hang with the Porsche instead. They hung closely for a while, then I started to just rip through the corners. My four fat Pirellis, gripping the tarmac with everything they had, easily dispatched the bikes, which had tiny little contact patches gripping the road by comparison. It didn't take long until I wasn't seeing them in my mirrors at all.



The next day would be our last one in the Porsches, making the long (6.5 hour) drive back to Wiesbaden. I did my best to make it shorter by taking full advantage of the Autobahn, with its completely awesome lack of speed limits. Man I love the Autobahn! We'd already done 260 kph on our way to Switzerland, so I decided to be a bit more conservative on this drive, and kept it to a max of around 240.



We made it back to Wiesbaden, and sadly relinquished our amazing Porsche. We had so much fun in that beast, and made so many great memories! Just like in 2022, the overall trip was all we dreamed it would be, and more. And we were blessed to have Jared and Stacey along as well, taking photos and schlepping the luggage from place to place, since there's not much room for giant suitcases in a Porsche 911!

The trip of a lifetime – twice!

-Brian

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Charity PCA Subsidy	\$750.00
Christmas Party Income	\$7,060.22
Diva Drive Income	\$2,914.67
Membership Dues	\$10,072.20
Merchandise Sales	\$1,128.40
New Member Meeting	\$2,051.37
Oktoberfest Income	\$15,045.70
Sage Tick Ad Revenue	\$5,140.00
Spuds Income	\$5,123.33
Tour and Event Income	\$12,579.92
Zone 6 Income	\$3,782.54
TOTAL INCOME	\$92,708.53

EXPENSES

60 th Silver Sage Celebration	\$2,000.00
Auction Dinner Expense	\$5,539.89
Auto Cross Expense	\$31,368.08
Awards	\$224.46
Bank Fees	\$121.78
Charity Contributions	\$3,634.00
Christmas Party Expense	\$8,917.73
Diva Drive Expense	\$2,683.71
Email and Website	\$1,068.39
Legal Fees	\$99.90
Member Name Tags (Badges)	\$652.01
Merchandise Purchased to Resell	\$3,222.88
New Member Meeting Expense	\$2,667.86
Oktoberfest Expense	\$7,251.56
Office and Accounting	\$397.00
Postage and Delivery	\$244.00
President's Mystery Tour Expense	\$2,626.01
QuickBooks Payments Fees	\$95.39
Sage Tick Labor	\$5,850.00
Sage Tick Publishing Expense	\$2,762.78
Spuds Expense	\$660.74
Storage Rental	\$1,272.00
Tour and Event Expense	\$8,340.13
Zone 6 Expense	\$4,004.41
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$95,704.71

NET OPERATING INCOME -(2,996.18)

Interest On Bank Accounts \$200.29

TOTAL OTHER INCOME \$200.29

NET INCOME -(2,795.89)

Treasurer Note: \$2,000.00 of the -\$2,795.89 loss was a prepaid deposit expense for FY2026 60th Anniversary event.

As of December 31, 2025

BALANCE SHEET

ASSETS

WaFd Checking	\$2,027.00
WaFd Prem MM	\$20,182.97
TOTAL BANK ACCOUNTS	\$22,209.97
OTHER ASSETS	
Cash on Hand	\$0.00
Deposits	\$0.00
Undeposited Funds	\$0.00
TOTAL OTHER ASSETS	\$0.00
TOTAL ASSETS	\$22,209.97

LIABILITIES & EQUITY

LIABILITIES	
Accounts Payable	\$419.43
TOTAL ACCOUNTS PAYABLE	\$419.43
OTHER LIABILITIES	
Accounts Payable	\$0.00
TOTAL OTHER LIABILITIES	\$0.00
TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$419.43
EQUITY	
Opening Balance Equity	\$18,106.49
Retained Earnings	\$6,479.94
Net Revenue	-\$2,795.89
TOTAL EQUITY	\$21,790.54
TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY	\$22,209.97

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The popular Porsche show, Werks Reunion, is headed back to Monterey, CA on August 14, 2026, showcasing a breathtaking array of Porsches that are sure to excite Porsche enthusiasts! Porsche Club of America welcomes all Porsche clubs, owners, and enthusiasts, to join us for our 12th Werks Reunion Monterey. Expect to view spectacular Porsches, from rare classics to current models and everything in between. This year, we are celebrating the 50th Anniversary of the introduction of the 924 in 1976, as well as the series of transaxle Porsches, which will be the feature cars for Werks Reunion 2026.



More information: <https://www.werksreunion.com/monterey.cfm>



PORSCHE CLUB OF AMERICA

SUMMER BREZELCROSS



BY GARY ROEDER

Our Summer BrezelCross in June was a resounding good time for 60 drivers, including 20 novices. The weather was warm each day, and the action was hot on the course.

We enjoyed a full roster of experienced Silver Sagers as instructors for the large novice group.





On Saturday, Scott Maclean and Dave Hockett duelled for low time, with Scott edging in front for raw low time, and Dave pipping Scott on PAX (handicap) low time.



On Sunday, it was Brian Rowan who edged by Jay Johnson on his very last lap to secure both low raw and PAX low times. Andria Johnson continued her dominance as the low Porsche lady over the weekend. Shane Speakman improved on nearly every run on Saturday to secure low novice honors in his 2013 911 Carrera S. Matthew Arrington was the fastest novice on Sunday in his 2000 Boxster. Our autocross chair, Keith Hahn really enjoyed making his "slow" 914 go fast!



Our Club Season has one event weekend remaining September 19-20, and we hope that many more Silver Sagers will come out to enjoy performance Porsche driving at the Motorplex in Emmett!

-Gary





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Breakfast Club Part 2



Driven by Caffeine & Curves: Recapping the Silver Sage Breakfast Club Drive

BY CHRIS CORBIN

The Silver Sage Porsche Club's recent Breakfast Club drive delivered an incredible morning of crisp mountain air, raging whitewater, and spirited mountain driving. Meeting at 8:00 AM at the Cafe Capri off Gowen Road, members fueled up on hot premium brews before

**letting their engines
loose on one of
Idaho's most iconic
scenic loops.**

Leg 1: High Desert to Mountain Pine

Leaving the high desert plains behind, the caravan pointed their hoods toward Highway 21. The route tracked alongside Arrowrock and Lucky Peak, leading the group on a winding ascent up into Idaho City.

Along the way, drivers watched the local flora transform rapidly from sagebrush to towering Ponderosa pines. As one driver joked, the only thing moving faster than the scenery was the Porsches themselves.

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The club took a brief break just past Idaho City at the snowmobile parking lot, giving the cars a chance to cool down while members snapped photos against the beautiful mountain backdrop.



Leg 2: Carving Along the Payette River

After the quick stop, the convoy pushed deeper into the backcountry. The route connected through Lowman onto the Banks-Lowman Road (Highway 17), dropping down to meet Highway 55 alongside the roaring Payette River.

This stretch offered a true sensory overload. The road delivered perfectly cambered sweeps and tight apexes tailored for Porsche's legendary handling. Below the tarmac, the river was flowing at a rapid pace. Drivers shared the canyon with whitewater rafters, trading waves as both groups chased their own versions of high-speed adrenaline. It looked as if the rafters were having just as much fun as the drivers.

The Finish Line: Locking Horns Riverside Restaurant

The mountain descent concluded in Horseshoe Bend, with the club pulling into the Locking Horns Riverside Restaurant for a well-deserved lunch. Sitting right along the water, everyone enjoyed good conversation, shared stories, and great food. With lunch finished and social batteries fully recharged, the group split up and headed their separate ways—some taking the quick highway sprint back home,

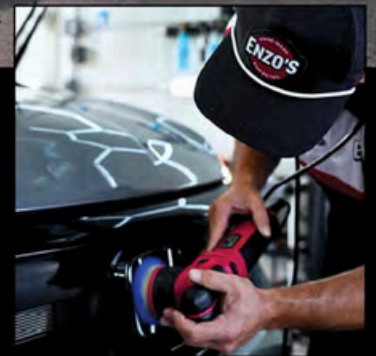
**while others carried
on to hunt down more
twisty pavement on
their own terms.**

A big thank you to Anthony Vierra for orchestrating another enjoyable event!

-Chris

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Drive Me Out to the Ballgame

BY MERCEDES VIERRA



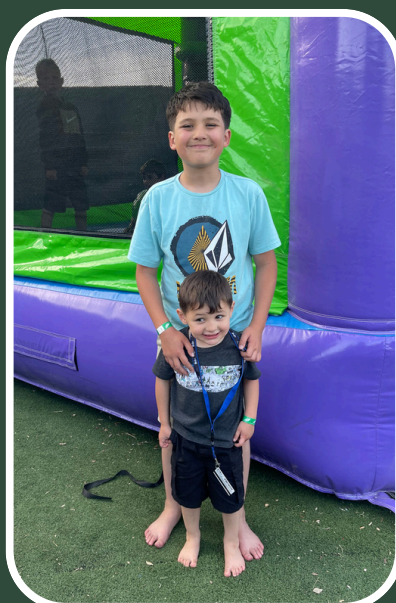
There aren't many Porsche Club events where our whole family gets to attend. Mostly because keeping Luke (3) and all the cars separate is a hard thing to do (for both Luke's and the cars' safety). The Boise Hawks baseball game was just the right fit. We sat in a separate section from the main stands, which allowed for nice conversations to flow and gates to keep the kids in one spot. Hotdogs and burgers were served, as those are mandatory for attending a baseball game.





Watching the players compete on the field while enjoying the warm weather and spending time with family and friends made the event even more enjoyable. The best part of our special section was definitely the bounce house. The kids could run back and forth between watching the game and burning off all their energy. A wonderful addition which allowed for the adults to relax for a minute and enjoy each others company.

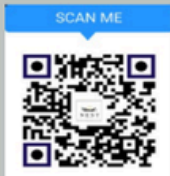
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SIP 'N' PAINT

I am new to the silver sage PCA. I attended the event as I like to paint and it's nice to sip a little bit to settle into the paint! I introduced myself to a gal named Lori. She was very nice and welcomed me to sit at the table with them. It was a good time!

-Denise Nichols

"What a fun idea! I had a blast!"

"I really didn't even know I could paint!"



"Really enjoyed the event and great instructor!"



"Why is there paint in your wine?"



"We should do these kinds of events more often!"

I've been in the habit of finding articles that I think might interest the Sage Tick readership, editing/formatting them and sending them in for Silver Sage to enjoy. - Walt

10 Things Porsche Needs to Do In 2026

From more manual transmission options to easier paths to getting limited edition models, these are 10 things Porsche needs to do in 2026.

By Joe Kucinski (from Rennlist)

Intro

Porsche had an interesting 2025 to say the least. On the motorsport side of things, they won a second consecutive 24 Hours of Daytona, on their way to claiming back-to-back IMSA titles. Porsche also claimed a Formula E World Championship title. There were also wins in DTM. But Porsche ended the year by announcing they were leaving the FIA World Endurance Championship series.

On the road car side of the house, they introduced the new 911 Carrera S, the [911 Spirit 70](#), the new 911 Turbo S, the [Cayenne EV](#), the Macan GTS EV, and the 911 GT3 90 F. A. Porsche. They also raised prices multiple times, realigned their entire EV strategy, saw sales in China plummet, and operating profits dropped an astounding 99 percent through the first three quarters. And the final gas-powered 718 models rolled off the line. Until Porsche announced they wouldn't be the last gas-powered 718 models after all. They also said goodbye to their CEO, [Oliver Blume](#), and design legend, [Grant Larson](#). So, yeah, it was an interesting 2025. What will 2026 bring?

The year is just starting, and nobody knows for certain what 2026 will hold for Porsche. But there are some things that we as Porsche enthusiasts can hope for. And that is what this list is all about. It is a list of ten things we think Porsche should do in 2026. Can they actually do all of these? Probably not. And some may not even be feasible. But we are enthusiasts, not company officers. We can't actually make any decisions, but we can make requests. And this is our list of 10 Porsche requests in 2026.

1. Build a Modern 944

Yes, I am still asking for this and will continue to do so until Porsche makes it happen. I would love to see a modern Porsche 944 model. Porsche could really use another sports car, and especially an entry-level one. The 718 EV is coming, but most enthusiasts don't care. The future 718 combustion models are exciting, but we don't know what they will be powered by exactly or how much they will cost. With Porsche raising prices every couple of months, don't expect them to be cheap. So, build us a 944 with a 4-cylinder engine up front. 275 horsepower will be plenty. Keep the weight and the price down by limiting the technology and features available. Give it a manual transmission. A well-balanced 'momentum car' from Porsche with 944 vibes would be a breath of fresh air.

2. Institute an Application System for Limited Edition Models

I am not sure what Porsche enthusiasts are more tired of. A steady stream of limited edition models they can't buy, or reading my articles complaining about limited edition models you can't buy. The fact is that Porsche limited edition models are usually fantastic cars. But they also usually go to the same people who never take them out of the garage. Some Rennlisters do drive their special cars, and that is great, but most owners don't. I bet that out of the 1,963 992 911 S/T models built that five years from now, more than 1,900 of them will still have fewer than 1,000 miles on them. Let's give drivers at least a shot of owning these instead of them all going to dealership favorites. For example, to buy the Ford Mustang GTD you had to submit an application. It included your Ford buying history but also social media connections, your plans for the car, and so on. It is not a perfect process by any means. But Ford at least tried to get these cars into the hands of people who were likely to drive them. I would love to see Porsche do something similar. When they release the 992 Speedster, open up an application process. Maybe a few more owners who care about the driving experience more than just ownership clout will get a chance to buy one.

3. Build Vehicles in America

I am not suggesting Porsche build the 911 here in the U.S. But why not the Macan and Cayenne? Audi might build an SUV based on the Scout platform in the new Scout plant in South Carolina. Could Porsche look to do something similar? Mercedes-Benz builds cars here, so does BMW. It might help Porsche rein in pricing.

4. Expand Manual Transmission Options

With the gasoline-powered 718 dead (for now) the 911 GT3 and 911 T are the only Porsche models you can get with a manual transmission. Technically, the 911 GT3 90 F. A. Porsche also comes with a manual, but good luck getting one. I personally think the PDK is amazing, and the manual transmission hype is a bit overblown at this point. However, there is no denying that a manual transmission offers a unique and fun experience. Giving the option of that experience to more buyers would be most welcomed in 2026.

5. Bring Back the Panamera Sport Turismo

This one is for me. I know the Porsche Panamera wagon (excuse me, Sport Turismo) didn't sell all that well. But it is such a cool car. I think it looks better than the Panamera sedan, and it is more practical, while still offering the same driving dynamics. You can get a Taycan in this body style, but not the Panamera. That is a real shame. A Panamera Sport Turismo GTS could be the perfect one-car solution for Porsche fans out there. The Cayenne is nice, but the Sport Turismo is so much better. Bring it back.

6. Build a Modern Cayenne Transsyberia

How about a modern Cayenne Transsyberia? Lexus offers the Overtrail trim on their GX and LX models. You get locking diffs, bigger all-terrain tires, and more underbody protection. Can we get a Cayenne like that? Give us something a bit beefier than what we can get today. The current Off-Road Package is nice, but how about something that looks and is more rugged?

7. Offer a 'Real' Heritage Design Interior

On the 911, Porsche already offers a Heritage design package for nearly \$14K. That package includes items like Pasha material, green numbers, and white needles for the digital display, etc. Why not take it further and offer a full heritage package? Ditch the digital stuff totally. Give us analog gauges (or mostly analog gauges), a key to start, a simple steering wheel, more physical buttons, etc. One of the reasons why I love the Spyder RS and GT4 RS so much is that they are newer cars with older interiors. Imagine a new 911 with 991 gauges and buttons.

8. Provide Mission X Update

It has been about two and a half years since the Porsche Mission X was first introduced at the Porsche Museum in June 2023. Since that time, we haven't heard much. At the time it was revealed, it was touted as an EV supercar. The EV part of that equation is in serious doubt right now. But was the project dropped completely? Will there be an ICE version instead? No matter what the current direction is, we would love at least a formal update from Porsche.

9. The 'E' in EV Should Be for Excitement

We want combustion power to stay as long as possible, and it seems that Porsche is finally realizing that. But EVs are not going away completely. So, Porsche needs to be sure the EVs they make are thrilling. The 'E' should be for excitement. They already make some very quick all-electric cars. But speed alone doesn't make a car fun. There is a reason why Porsche shifted away from EVs. They realized that customers are just not interested in all-electric Porsches. That might change if the cars were more thrilling. Look at the Hyundai IONIQ 5 N. It is a little scream machine. Virtual gears and sounds, drift mode, and more. It is one of the most enjoyable EVs you can buy. Surely Porsche can deliver something like that, right?

10. Return to Profitability

I am not the Porsche CFO. I knew that making the big EV push was going to be a mistake, but I don't know specifically how to get Porsche to previous profitability levels. But they need to. When they make healthy profits, we all get rewarded with excellent vehicles. Porsche will, of course, do whatever it takes to turn things around. They have people a lot smarter than me working on this. But they really need to make this happen and happen fast.





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CAN TOW STUFF

BY WALTER GAMMILL

The Silver Sage Glampers, that intrepid group of folks with trailers (and some without), gathered in early May at Carlson Ranch on the Salmon River for what has become an annual event. The Ranch is a manicured full-hookup RV park right on the Salmon River about 9 miles upstream of Riggins. After a great time at this spot last year, we decided to do it again. Early May weather in Riggins is great – mild with lots of green grass. A lot better than the last two times we tried McCall in May – it snowed both times!

CAMPING

To clarify, before the legal beagles get upset, this was not an official Silver Sage driving event – just a gathering of folks who like to do stuff with their RVs and happen to be Silver Sagers. So lighten up!

Gammills and Cuddefords arrived with their trailers hooked up to their respective Cayennes (I said Porsches tow stuff.) Cannons arrived in their Class A RV (you need one of those for all the extra amenities...) and the Carlsons with one of the bigger RV's you'll see. It was based on one of those tractors you see as part of an 18 wheeler. Talk about traveling in style!



Dunlops rented one of the dry cabins (Denis got tired of his 5th wheel – besides, he towed with a Ram pickup...) Sommerwercks joined us from Donnelly for a night in another one of the cabins – for some reason he left his Boxster home and drove down in his Jeep. A number of other folks, some new to this and some old hands, signed up to join us, but eventually bailed. Something about cruises or trips to South America – mundane stuff like that. Their loss.

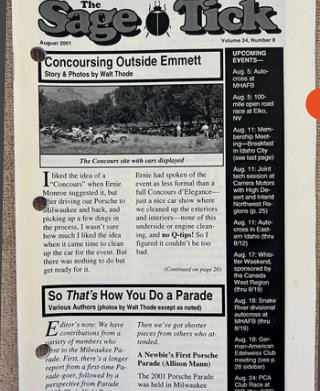
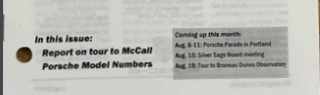


For the next three days and nights we enjoyed great company and shared meals. We hiked, sat around discussing mundane topics and otherwise, and admired the views of the Salmon. And, as has become the highlight of these trips, we gathered around the big firepit by the river and sang along as Sid Cannon entertained us with his endless repertoire of songs, all accompanied by his guitar. He is a born entertainer!



We will do this again – reservations open up in August, and I will be on it. If you're interested, watch for it.

-Watt



SAGE TICK RETROSPECTIVE

CURATED BY
WALT THODE

As Silver Sage closes another chapter, it's worth taking a look back at what our members were up to ten, twenty, thirty, forty, and even fifty years ago. The names and cars may have changed, but the energy, camaraderie, and Porsche passion have been the constant thread.

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2021 Gary Roeder wrote about his creation of a "wine-eleven," a Porsche 911 put together with wine corks. The creation appeared on the summer 2021 cover of the Sage Tick (see cover photo at left). During COVID downtime he cut out plywood backing in the shape of his first 911, chose wine corks from his favorite wineries, and fastened the corks to the backing to create an eight-foot likeness of the car. It may still be hanging in his living room.

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2016 Diane Renee McDonald wrote about President Paul Kaczmarek's President's Mystery Tour, which turned out to be a trip to John Day, Oregon. The road took us across the border where we got on U.S. Highway 26, which took us through Vale, and then headed northwest on a route most of us hadn't taken in years, to John Day, at the intersection of 26 and U.S. 395. The 27 cars in the group arrived at the "Squeeze In Restaurant and Deck" in John Day for lunch. On the way home we stopped at the Memorial of the Oregon Trail, just outside Prairie City, and its Covered Wagon display.

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2011 "Memorial Day weekend. BBB is cancelled due to weather. What to do?" Ernie Monroe's article described the alternative, a trip to Elko, Nevada. 21 cars met at the departure point, and Rex Chandler delivered sandwiches. Weather enroute was iffy, with sprinkles turning into what Ernie called "Purple Rain" (somehow in honor of Prince). An accompanying article by Vicki Pentecost focused on her main reason to take the trip, the casinos! She called her article "Snowballs, Poker, and Basque Food," which was a good summary.

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2006 In Larry Sandusky's article titled "A Cool Day by the Lake," he described the group of 13 Porsches heading north on 55 and stopping at Cougar Mountain Lodge for brunch. He noted that the owner of the lodge has both a bobcat and a lynx, but no cougar. The group headed north without incident and parked at Mark and Linda Prusynski's cabin, then took the short walk to a Payette Lake beach, where rides in both Mark's ski boat and Jack Keifer's cabin cruiser were available. A picnic followed, and after more cruising of the lake on a day with perfect weather, the group headed home.

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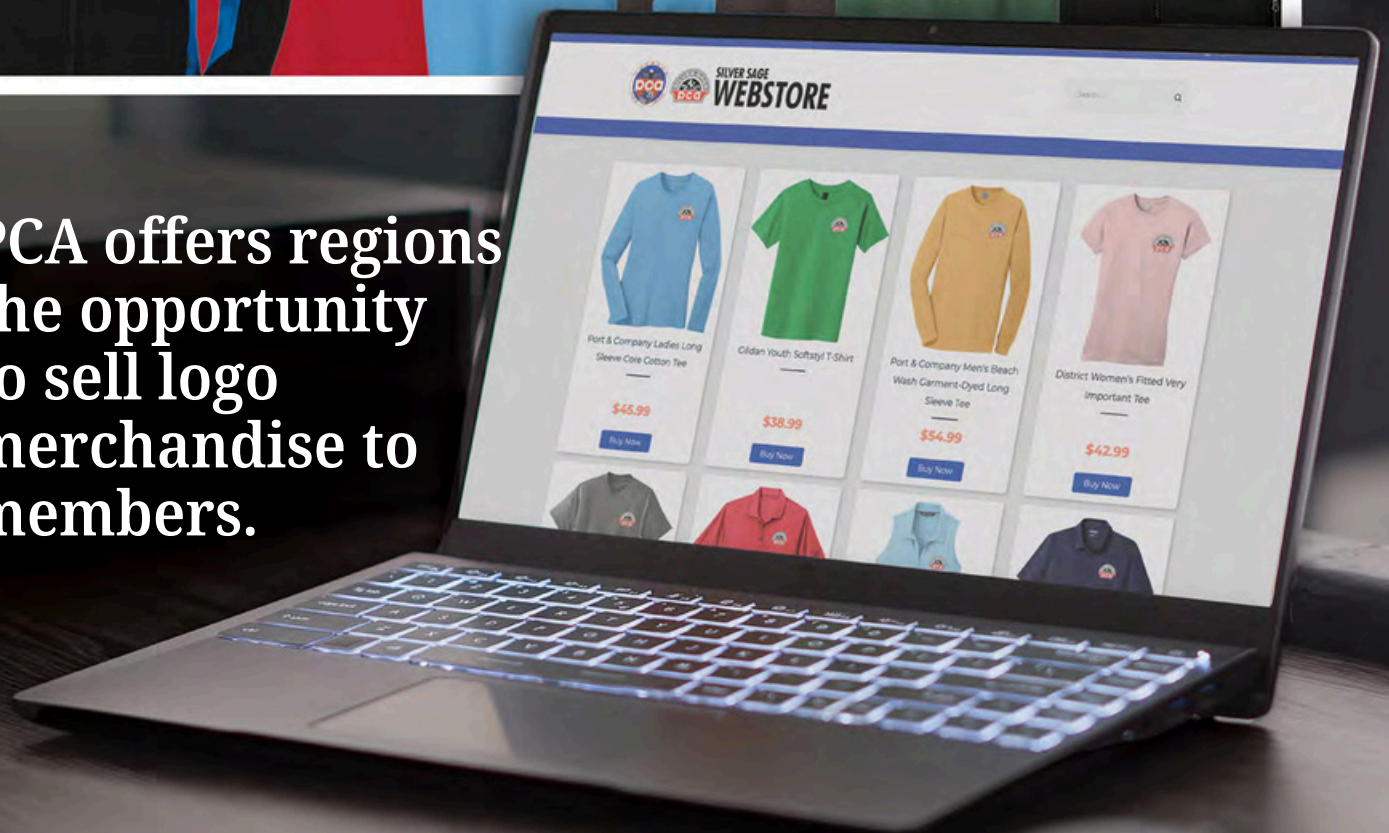
2001 Almost the whole August issue was taken up by a lengthy report about the Milwaukee Parade. Since it preceded the Boise Parade, a large contingent of members went to learn about the procedures and issues involved in putting on our parade the next summer. In addition, we held an event that was called "Concoursing outside Emmett," where we held our version of a Concours d'Elegance. This event, while not a full-blown Concours, gave us some experience in holding a formal "car show" event, a rarity for the club. It also morphed in following years with different titles and locations to become what we now call "Oktoberfest." Any member with anything thought to be worthy of inclusion in a general account of the history of the Silver Sage Region (1966-present) please send it to Walt Thode at walthode@gmail.com.



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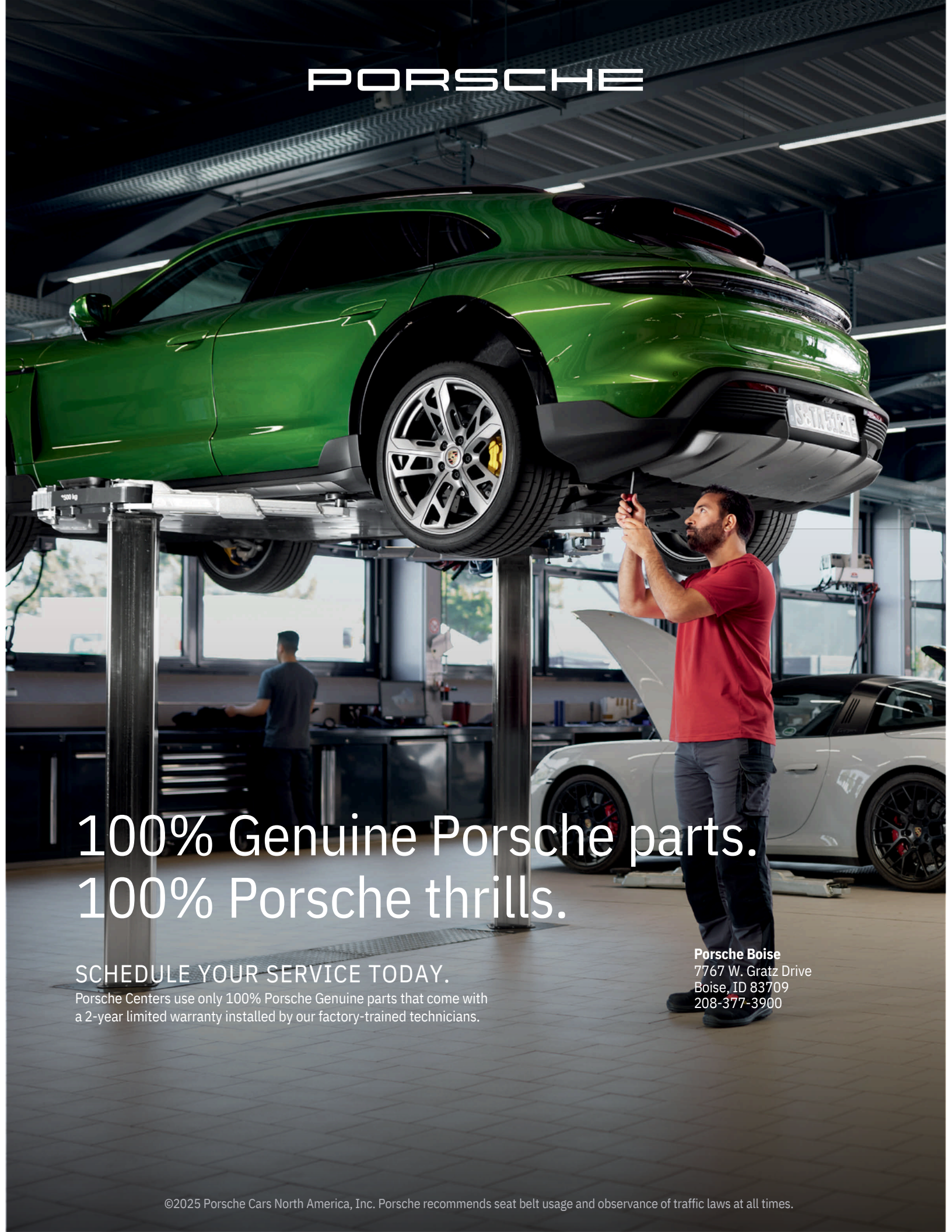
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