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MILES FROM NOWHERE! Well, not really! It's miles from somewhere, and it's up in Southeast Kansas, where it ceased operations in April, 1974. They call it Big Brutus!

A procession of Cimarron Region PCA members driving their Porsches recently ventured out into the open spaces to get an up close and personal view of the monstrosity.

After all that climbing and standing in awe of the behemoth, they traveled just a bit farther to dine at a restaurant that's been serving for over 80 years.

Read more in this *Cimarron Trail*.



Cover Photo: Kathy Hume

Thanks Kathy!

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Thank you, Bill Jacobi, for snapping this 914 in the autocross line at the 2016 Porsche Parade at Jay Peak, Vermont. Truer words were never spoken!

From The Editor

HEY YOU GUYS! Yes, men, I'm singling you out this month. The Cimarron Ladies have had a regular get-together for months now, partly because it seemed the Saturday morning Wild Fork thing was mainly attended by guys talking about driving, and racing, and tires, and oil, and all that "yucky" stuff.

Don't get me wrong. The ladies have also had an autocross class, and many compete with us guys on any given Sunday. So also do our better halves strap on their helmets and toss their Porsches around at Hallett. So I'm not casting any aspersions here. But men and women do have some differences, thank goodness! And sometimes we all need a bit of guy or gal time. Right?

BREAKFAST ANYONE? Just in case you don't know, there's a regularly scheduled breakfast for Cimarron Region members every Saturday at the Wild Fork Restaurant in Utica Square at 8:00 a.m. All members are invited. Subjects of conversation are varied, of course, with lots of Porsche talk

for sure. Aside from that, there is always a nice variety of automobiles to admire after breakfast.

Admittedly I don't make it as often as I would like, but when I go I always learn something. Sometimes it's even about Porsches! And one never knows what various models will be on hand, from the vintage to the modern, and everything in between.

Last Saturday was my first visit in quite a while, and even though many of the "regulars" were up in Vermont for the annual Porsche Parade, there were still over a dozen members present. I enjoyed seeing everyone, visiting, and viewing their Porsches.

If you've never checked it out, or if it's been a while, I want to extend an invitation for you to "come on down" to Utica Square any Saturday at 8 a.m.

It's a Porsche-tively excellent way to start your day!

As always, send your ideas, critiques and criticisms to me at cimnews@cox.net.

- Greg Petzet

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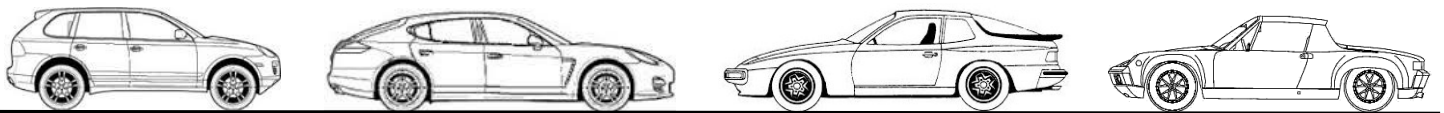
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together, and prepare your first issue for January 2017! It's rewarding! It's great exercise for the mind. And it's a much needed contribution to your fellow PCA members.

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President's Perspective

By Rod Nordstrom
CRPCA President

GREETINGS CIMARRON REGION MEMBERS. As you know, June 19-25 was PCA Parade week. This year Parade was held in Jay Peak, VT. Susan and I were joined by fellow Cimarron members, Dulcie and Bob Miller, Jean and Bill Jacobi, Elinor and Randy Kaplin, Georgia and George Paul, and Buz McAbery.



Due to the distance and each couple's agenda, we chose not to travel as a group, which allowed all the flexibility to visit friends and families along the route. On the way, Susan and I chose to make our trip to Jay Peak a destination tour and visit places along our route that we had not been to previously.

We departed Tulsa early Wednesday, June 15, headed for Springfield, IL, to visit the Abraham Lincoln Museum. For obvious comfort reasons, we drove the Panamera. The Porsche got excellent fuel mileage, and with its 22 gallon capacity, we made it to Springfield on less than one tank! The Lincoln Museum exhibits and programs were well done and informative, as they used high tech visuals to complement the historical displays. As history buffs, we were given a real feel for the cultural and political climate of that era. Surprisingly things have not necessarily changed that much!

After a brief stop to tour the Notre Dame campus in South Bend, IN, we were on to Cleveland, OH and the Rock & Roll Hall of Fame. It was an opportunity to reconnect with our inner 60s selves. What an amazing collection of visual and audio archives representing our music and cultural history! A mere half day tour does not do it justice. We spent the night in Cleveland, which by the way, was hosting Game 6 of the NBA Championship. Needless to say, downtown Cleveland was overrun with fans, and to their delight, The Cavs won.

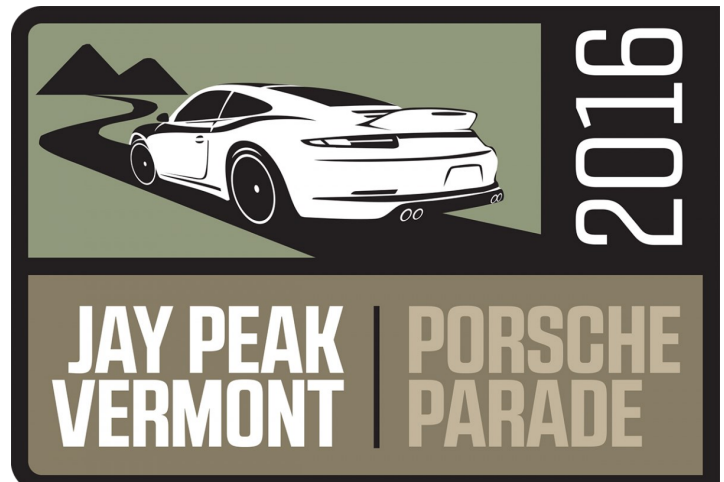
Next morning we shuffled off to Buffalo, NY, for an overnight rest. Having never been to any place in New York other than Manhattan, Buffalo was a different kind of treat, as it had great architecture with a hip city vibe downtown.

Next up was Fort Ticonderoga and even more U.S. history. Although we were late getting to the fort, and had limited time to tour the grounds and take in the displays, the setting on Lake Champlain was quite

breathhtaking.

The last stop before getting to Jay Peak was an overnight stay in Middlebury, VT, home of Middlebury College. The college is situated in a classic, picturesque New England village filled with B & Bs. At this juncture we hooked up with Jean and Bill Jacobi for the final leg into Jay Peak, and PCA Parade registration.

After traveling nearly 1600 miles through 8 states, we arrived Parade on Sunday afternoon. This was Susan's second Parade (Monterrey) and my first. If you have not yet made a PCA Parade, I suggest you put it on your bucket list. There is truly something for everyone in the family, not just car stuff. Jay Peak is an 8 year old resort with the latest accommodations appealing to both Summer and Winter visitors. In addition to



skiing and skating season, the resort offers numerous Spring and Summer activities including an indoor water park, golf, hiking and biking.

UPON OUR ARRIVAL, Parade registration was our mission. The next order of business was business, the PCA Board meeting, which was attended by PCA officers, executive committee, and region presidents. The agenda included the usual financial reports and various committee updates. Too much information was covered in a short time to include here, but I will endeavor to post updates on measures that are awaiting PCA executive committee approval. These include updates to Autocross, Tour, and DE guidelines. It is clear PCA is tightening up these guidelines with an emphasis on safety. Our Cimarron Region and others have provided feedback to National on these matters.

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President's Perspective

(conclusion)

PCA also provided significant amounts of analytical and member profile data that should be helpful with Cimarron Region member/sponsor recruitment and marketing efforts. Once I receive the presentation package from National, I will make distribution to CRPCA chairs.

We also discussed future action required to complete the Winter board meeting that was suspended last February due to rule changes affecting the ability to vote by proxy. You may recall PCA could not hold Board of Directors voting by proxy, and subsequently moved to set up an electronic conference call voting process whereby region Presidents log in and cast votes via teleconference. On June 12, a vote was scheduled, unfortunately only 93 of the required 96 logged in, thus requiring the meeting to again be postponed until sometime after Parade.

Following the BOD Meeting, the Parade Welcome Party was held on the hotel grounds. It was a great opportunity to see old friends from our own Zone 5, and meet new friends from other zones. The Zone 5 reception hosted by Lynn Friedman (Zone 5 Rep,) was again another opportunity to see old friends from the region. Later that evening the President's Reception was held in the Parade Pavilion. The only requirement was to wear your favorite Winter hat. Check the CRPCA website to see our entry. It was fun seeing creativity in headgear!

As I mentioned earlier, there are so many activities at Parade it is not possible to list them all here. So take some time to look at the PCA site to get a feel for what goes on during Parade week. Here are some highlights. Parade Autocross took place on Wednesday and Thursday. Rain on Wednesday did not seem to deter drivers, with some of the class winners turning in their best times in the rain. Our own Randy Kaplin placed 2nd in class, driving his 996 Twin Turbo Techart car. CONGRATS, RANDY!

The Jay Peak area provided the perfect backdrop for driving tours - including "On the Border," along the Canadian border, Lake Champlain driving tour, or a cruise on the lake. There was also a tour to the Ben & Jerry's factory. No matter which of the many tours you took, you were treated to excellent mountain roads with spectacular scenery and plenty of hills and curves. Susan and I also did the Gimmick Rally on Thursday. The rally required a stop and photographs of 10 covered bridges, plus 6 optional for extra points.

The objective of the rally is to complete the assignment in the least amount of miles. The rally was not only a test of navigation skills, but also marital harmony. Next year Susan wants to include a conflict counselor in the car. All the bridges were built in the 1800s, and most are still functioning spans along packed gravel roads. We were allowed to use traditional maps or any technology available to complete the course. Since this was our first (and perhaps last) rally, our distance of 108 miles was well off the winning distance of 80 miles. Of 168 starting cars all but 22 returned for check in. It was great fun and will do it again. Just not sure who will be co-pilot next time.

The Autocross banquet Friday night was an endless stream of awards - kids awards from art to RC racing. What a bunch of hams -- they were obviously having a great time. Driving distance award went to the Alaska Region with the winner driving over 4,000 miles. Awards for Enthusiast of the Year went to Mike Holtzclaw from Alaska Region, and Family of the Year was the Townsend family from Northern New Jersey Region. Finally the Autocross awards. In addition to Randy finishing 2nd in his class, the Bailey family from our nearby Wichita Region also placed in their class.

Our Cimarron group shot several photos. We will get them collected and posted on our website when we return, so keep an eye out for them. Also visit the PCA Parade site for more Parade details and photos.

On the home front, several of us took the drive to Big Brutus on Saturday, June 11th, followed by dinner at Chicken Annie's in Pittsburg, KS. Weather was perfect and Big Brutus lived up to its name. What an impressive piece of machinery. Our next event is Movie Night at Philbrook on July 8. Join us for the classic "To Catch a Thief." See the Cimarron website for details, and be sure to RSVP to Steve Canada, scanada@cox.net. The next autocross is July 10th at 8:00 a.m. at Corporate Woods. Kathy Hume is hosting the ladies event at her home on July 16th. Guys you are on your own that night! Finally, don't forget Cimarron Sizzler Drivers Ed on August 6 at Hallett Motor Racing Circuit. Orlando and Joy have done another great job organizing an encore to the successful Mayfast DE. Registration is open, so sign up now.

Susan and I look forward to seeing everyone upon our return to Tulsa. Happy Independence Day!

-Rod



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Membership Update

From Rick Hardmeyer, Cimarron Region Membership Chair
Report as of June 30, 2016

Welcome New Members!

Mario Bonilla - Owasso, OK - '94 968

Tony Crocker - Tulsa, OK - '14 Cayman

Lloyd McPherson - Owasso, OK - '06 911

Andrew Morsman - Jenks, OK - '75 914

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Porsche Club Outing, July 8

Philbrook Films On The Lawn presents:

Cary Grant & Grace Kelly

In Alfred Hitchcock's

T O C A T C H A T H I E F

GRACE KELLY DRIVING a 1955 Sunbeam-Talbot Alpine Sports MK 1 Roadster! That's enough of a reason to join some of your fellow Cimarron members for this classic Hitchcock thriller, on the lawn under the stars at the Philbrook Museum, 2727 S. Rockford Rd, Tulsa, Friday, July 8.

Bring your picnic basket and your blanket. Food trucks and concessions will also be on hand for your must-have movie snacks.

The North garden gate will open at 7:30 p.m., and the film will begin about 9:00. Bike parking is plentiful and encouraged. Space for other vehicles is quite limited. Please respect Philbrook's nearby residents, and take care to leave plenty of access to driveways and streets in the Museum's vicinity.

Due to parking space, and safety of all, Philbrook limits the show to 1,000 guests. Click the following link to purchase tickets online:

<http://my.philbrook.org/single/SelectSeating.aspx?p=3718>

In the event of rain, the film will be cancelled.



Alfred Hitchcock's

To Catch A Thief

Philbrook Museum Lawn
2727 S. Rockford Rd.

Friday, July 8

Gates open: 7:30 p.m.

Show starts: 9:00 p.m.

Please RSVP

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Ladies Corner

CLUB NEWS OF SPECIAL INTEREST TO THE LADIES OF THE CIMARRON REGION PCA

PCA Ladies Margarita Night July 16

From Kathy Hume, CRPCA Ladies Liaison

HELLO LADIES!!!! We had a great turnout for the June 4 luncheon. After our meal, we all went outside, enjoyed a glass (or two) of wine, and basked in the beautiful weather. There was no business on our agenda this time. We'll save that for later in the year.

We did, however, decide to change the location of our next ladies get together, and "spice" things up a bit!! We'll have the PCA Ladies Margarita Night at my house, Saturday, July 16. I will fire up the margarita machine, and let the good times commence! To go along with our selected beverage, we'll have tacos, beans, rice, and all the fixins. Oh, and lots of dips and chips. Everyone can bring their favorite dips and chips. My husband, Dirk, will even heat up our pool if necessary, so bring your suits and take that kind of dip!

Plans are to gather starting at 5 p.m. and eat about 7. Stay as long as you like, or until the margarita

machine runs dry.

Our home is located at 4417 S. Retana, Broken Arrow, 74011.

RSVP to Kathy Hume at 918.636.4156, or by email at loves2read12@cox.net.

As the event nears, I'll send another email to find out what you're bringing!

Kathy



Lady Autocrossers: Kathy Hume, above, Beverly Carlile & Joy Jones, bottom



Back row: Dulcie Miller, Becky McFall, Jennifer Fugate, Kathy Hume - Front row: Kyrá Allert, Candace Hume, Donna Goswick, Susan Nordstrom, Joy Jones, Marilou Hines



Drive The Inaugural DE!

Cimarron Sizzler

Hallett Motor
Racing Circuit
Saturday, August 6

Due to the overwhelming success of our Mayfast Driver's Education event,
And the fact some of you just can't get enough track time,
Orlando Dumalag, DE Chair, and Joy Jones, Registrar, invite you back to the track for
The first **Cimarron Sizzler** at Hallett. One day only, August 6!

Go to www.clubregistration.net for complete information
Or contact Joy Jones, Registrar, at cimarronpca.events@gmail.com

This event will fill up quickly. **Sign up today!**



Calling All Members

"IT'S NOT JUST THE CARS, it's the people!" We say it all the time. So in keeping with that ideal, *The Cimarron Trail* would like to highlight members and their Porsches. We would especially like to hear from our newer members, so we can get to know you better. Each month, when available, we'll publish capsules of

your Porsche experiences. Depending upon responses, features may be tagged: New Member Profile, Member Profile, or Cimarron Region Volunteers Series. Please submit your information along with a photo or photos. If you prefer, we will schedule a time to meet you and shoot a picture or two to display with your profile. Send as much information as you would like, to cimnews@cox.net. We've **still** not heard from any of you lately. Come on, send it in! We want to get to know you!

Hellooooo! Is there anybody out there?

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Dirk and Kathy Hume are swallowed up by Big Brutus. If a Porsche measures 5 cubic yards, Brutus would hold almost 20 of them!

MEMBERS DROVE 11 PORSCHEs to West Mineral, KS, June 11, to see Big Brutus, the largest remaining electric shovel in the world. It's an attraction!

Upon arriving, you'll find a Visitors Center, a rustic museum, and gift shop. Comfort facilities are available with hot showers for both visitors and campers alike. There is primitive camping as well as RV spaces, 10 water/electrical hook-ups, and a dump station. Picnic tables dot the grounds, and a shelter is there for gatherings of all kinds. And much more! Visit www.bigbrutus.org for more information.

According to attraction materials, *"Miles before you reach this retired giant -- you can see it on the horizon . . . Standing beside it makes one aware of how fragile he or she is."* Big Brutus *"is not just a symbol of the past, but an eternal tribute to the min-*

ing heritage of Southeast Kansas and to the miners all across this nation who toiled to support their families."

Big Brutus did not dig coal! The huge bucket removed the *overburden* (dirt and rocks covering the coal seams.) Men using huge coal "strippers" then moved in on the exposed coal.

Bucyrus Erie Model 1850B
 16 stories tall (160 feet)
 11 million pounds
 150 foot boom
 90 cu. Yd. dipper capacity (150 tons)
 .22 MPH maximum speed
 \$6.5 million (cost in 1962)

photos & more > > >



 Special Thanks to All Our Photographers:
Kira Canada-Allert, Steve Canada, Kathy Hume, Drew Thomas



Clockwise from top left: Ronda Johnson, Ashley Leake, Kathy Hume, Susan Nordstrom, & Becky McFall with Big Brutus; 11 Porsches dwarfed by Big Brutus; Joe Hill at the controls; Steve behind the camera and everyone else ready to eat; Douglas and John McDermott alongside Drew and Brian Thomas



Big Brutus/Chicken Annie's (conclusion)

AFTER AMPLE TIME to marvel, stare in awe, climb, and explore, the Porschesters motored about another half hour or so to Chicken Annie's in Pittsburg, KS.

In 1934, Ann Pilcher began cooking chicken out of her own kitchen after a mining accident disabled her husband, Charlie. She would prepare meals for the miners, and on Saturdays the family would move the furniture out of the living room so as to accommodate

the diners. Business continued to grow, and in 1972, the restaurant moved to its present location. What began in 1934 continues today, with Annie's third generation Grandson, Lonnie, and family operating the eatery.

Attendees reported having a big time overall, and some good chicken at Annie's.



Clockwise from top left: Dirk Hume, Bill Jacobi, Drew & Brian Thomas tour Brutus' inner workings; Mark Ingram & Dirk Hume succumb to Kathy's request for a photo; Rod Nordstrom & Bill Jacobi rummaging through the spare parts; Kathy, Dirk, & Mark accentuate the size of the edifice!



News - Scores - Schedule

Reported by Mike Fugate - CRPCA Autocross Chair

June 12 - Official Event #3

Pos.	Name	Auto	Best Time
1)	Wendell Karr-Ake	Boxster	52.212
2)	Gary Bernard	Cayman	52.881
3)	Jason Tollison	911	52.896
4)	Carl Hughes	911	54.247
5)	Joe Hill	Boxster	54.634
6)	Jeff Metcalf	Boxster	55.043
7)	Randy Kaplin	911	55.137
8)	Orlando Dumalag	911	55.654
9)	Mike Fugate	914	56.068
10)	Jennifer Fugate	Cayman	56.862
11)	Rick Hardmeyer	911	58.742
12)	Cliff Fisch	914	59.208
13)	Dirk Hume	Boxster	59.549
14)	Bill Jacobi	911	59.623
15)	Kent Proctor	Boxster	62.500
16)	Bill Cammuso	944	63.052
17)	Paul Johnson	Boxster	64.191
18)	Kathy Hume	Macan	70.234

June 26 - Official Event #4

Pos.	Name	Auto	Best Time
1)	Wendell Karr-Ake	Boxster	55.315
2)	Gary Bernard	Cayman	56.974
3)	Mike Fugate	Cayman	57.377
4)	Jason Tollison	911	57.685
5)	Eddie Hall	911	57.718
6)	Joe Hill	Boxster	58.368
7)	Beverly Carlile	Boxster	58.618
8)	Brian Thomas	968	59.003
9)	Jeff Metcalf	Boxster	59.456
10)	Dan Arthrell	911	60.426
11)	Dirk Hume	Boxster	61.036
12)	Cliff Fisch	914	61.193
13)	Chris Hines	911	62.370
14)	Greg Petzet	911	62.542
15)	Rick Hardmeyer	911	63.524
16)	Kent Proctor	Boxster	64.073
17)	Joy Jones	Boxster	65.695
18)	Scot Williams	"Other"	66.217
19)	Kathy Hume	Macan	69.708



Joe Hill gets the "go" sign from Cliff Fisch. Gary Bernard at the timing table.

Pictures at an (Autocross) Exhibition



June 26: The sun dominated the morning, and accentuated the pastel Porsches present. Considering some of our “regulars” were on their way back from Porsche Parade, 1500+ miles away, 19 Porsches was an excellent turnout. Yellow and orange shown brightly, thanks to Jeff Metcalf, Gary Bernard, Brian Thomas, Joy Jones, and the slaloming Wendell Karr-Ake. A full spectrum of color was represented for this official Cimarron Region Autocross event, with drivers accumulating points for the season long championship.



Sla-la-loming Wendell Karr-Ake

More Autocross Pictures



After the course is set, Chief Driving Instructor, Gary Bernard, conducts a drivers meeting, touching on points of safety, maneuver particulars, and autocross rules. He then leads a course walk, which is followed by a helmet-less drive-through, in order for drivers to familiarize themselves with the course. Drivers are then broken down into two groups. Group 1 drivers line up and get 6 attempts to record their best times,



while Group 2 "works" the track with radios, reporting infractions and re-setting misplaced or downed cones. After a short break, the two groups trade off and complete the session.

Photos: Middle: Rick Hardmeyer waits on his turn to drive through, then later approaches the finish. Left: Joe Hill carves into a turn while Wendell Karr-Ake waits at the starting line.

2016 Schedule

P=Practice, **C=Counting**

M=Make up

New Time: 8:00 a.m.

July **10 (C)**
24 (C)

August **7 (C)**

21 (C)

September **18 (C)**

October **9 (C)**

23 (M)

November **6 (M)**

20 (M)



Cimarron Region Autocross is held on the parking lot west of Corporate Woods office complex, 4500 S. 129 E. Ave, Tulsa. Course set-up begins at **8:00 a.m.**, followed by a drivers meeting, course walk, and reduced speed drive-through. Each participant then gets 4-6 chances to post their best time. Sessions which count toward the season long championship are \$10; practice sessions are free. Event is open to members (at least 18 years of age) with a valid driver license. Helmets required, loaners available.

Around The Bend

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Saturdays-Breakfast at The Wild Fork-Utica Square- 8 a.m.

Good food and lively conversation to start the day.

8-July-Philbrook Movies on the Lawn-"To Catch a Thief"

Watch for details on this casual outdoor event.

10-July-Autocross at Corporate Woods-8:30 a.m. **(Counting)**

You have to try autocross at least once! You'll love it!

11-July-Board Meeting-Jackie Cooper Imports-6:30 p.m.

All members are welcome! Volunteers appreciated!

16-July-Ladies Night-Margaritaville at Kathy Hume's home

See complete details in this issues' Ladies Corner!

24-July-Autocross at Corporate Woods-8:30 a.m. **(Counting)**

Driving your Porsche through the cones is major fun!

Down The Road

a u g u s t

and beyond

Saturdays-Breakfast at The Wild Fork-Utica Square- 8 a.m.

Good food and lively conversation to start the day.

6-August-Cimarron Sizzler at Hallett Auto Racing Circuit

DE style event for experienced solo and novice drivers!

August ?-Grand Lake Dam Tour-Possible details to come.

30-September thru 2-October-OKtoberfest Club Race at

Hallett Motor Racing Circuit-Details upcoming.

9-October-Picnic Drive to Devil's Den State Park, Arkansas

10 thru 14-November-PCA Palooza #12, Eureka Springs, AR

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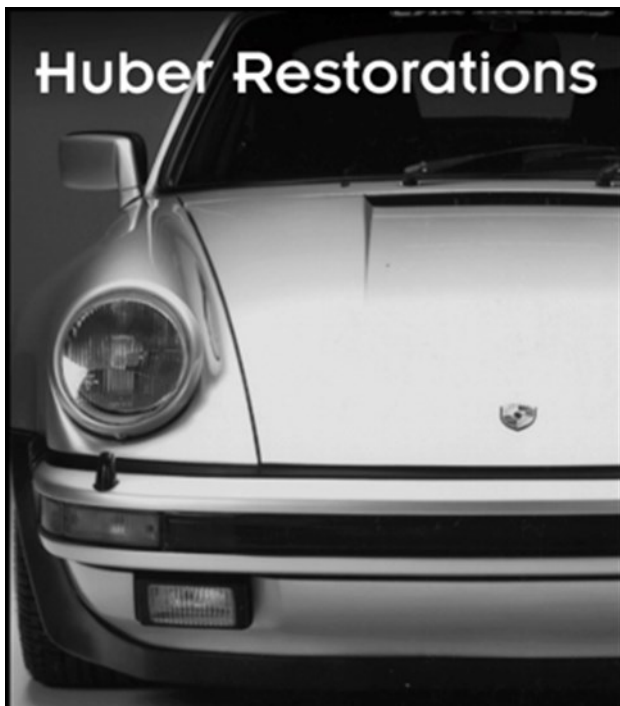
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