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From the President

November 2023

Wow, fall has gone by so fast and **winter** is just days away! I hope your Thanksgiving was a good one and Christmas holiday plans are coming together.

A new board was approved at the November meeting, and we welcome a new director and a familiar one. **Beth Rogers** is replacing Matt MacFadden and Charlie Hagen fills in for Paula Zimmer. Not to worry, as **Matt** is taking on the autocross chair and **Paula** the activity chair position. Thanks to everyone for stepping up and helping the club!

As you have likely heard by now, we have secured the ballroom at the **MSU University Club** for our winter dinner. On **January 27th**, we will enjoy the larger venue with round tables. This should make it easier to move around and mingle with fellow Porsche enthusiasts. Details on the website and Facebook or just go to <http://msreg.com/MSRwinter24> to register.

During our December meeting, the board will **elect officers**. Good news, as the current officers agreed to continue for a second year! I look forward to using our experience to take the club to the **next level!**

Comments and feedback can be sent to our e-mail at Motorstadt.pca@gmail.com or just keep up to date on <http://www.MST.PCA.org> or the Facebook group page [PCA Motor-Stadt Region](#).

I hope to see you at the winter dinner!

Steve Lee

2023 Motor-Stadt Officers & Board of Directors

Steve Lee — President

**Joe Lavender —
Vice President & Insurance Chair**

Nathan Traxler — Secretary

Mark Haas — Treasurer

**James Yen —
Social Media & Advertising Chair**

Paula Zimmer — *Madness* Editor

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**Board Members —
Don Dickmann
Ken Jones
Matt MacFadden
Piotr Pawlak
Pat Senters
Terrill Whitney**

If you have any questions or comments contact the board at:

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All Board meetings are held on the second Tuesday of each month at Spagnuolo's restaurant in Okemos beginning at 6:30 p.m. All club members are invited.

2023 Board Meeting Dates

January 10	February 7	March 14	April 11
May 9	June 13	July 11	August 8
September 12	October 10	November 14	December 12



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Membership News

Motor-Stadt Region Membership as of November 1, 2023:

Primary	191
Affiliate	88
Life	0
Total	279
PCA Juniors	15

PCA National Club Membership as of November 1, 2023:

Primary	104,529
Affiliate	54,821
Life	23
Total	159,373

Porsche Club of America is the largest single-marque car club in the world.

New PCA/Motor-Stadt Region Members & Their Cars

Michael Hughes, Jackson, 1981 Porsche 911 SC Targa

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If you need alternate registration or have questions, please send email RSVP with Subject: Winter Dinner RSVP to motorstadt.pca@gmail.com

January 27, 2024
5:00pm to 10:00pm

University Club
Michigan State University
3435 Forest Road, Lansing, MI 48910

Cocktail Attire Recommended

You are invited to attend our annual winter dinner on Saturday, January 27, from 5:00pm to 10:00pm. Our new larger venue location will fit over 90 attendees!

Each dinner ticket purchased per-person includes:
appetizer, non-alcoholic drink, dinner & dessert
Cash bar available from 5:00pm to 9:00pm.

Menu

- Salad served to attendees at tables with bakery fresh rolls and butter
 - Buffet-style meal with three choices of entrees:
Maple Atlantic Salmon, Chicken Teriyaki, and Flank Steak,
plus a Vegetarian meal option
 - Side dishes include a starch and vegetable
- Choice of Dessert: Back Forest Torte, NY Cheesecake, or Lemon Cake
 - Coffee, Tea, Milk and Soft Drinks included

Monthly Club Meeting

You are invited to join the monthly “Porsche lineup” and welcomed to attend! The club holds an informal meeting of members the second Tuesday of each month at 6:30 p.m. at Spagnuolo’s Restaurant in Okemos.



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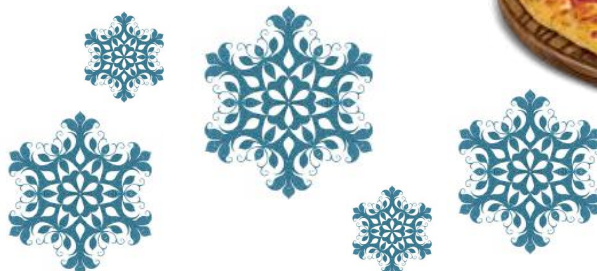
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NEXT MEETING DECEMBER 12



Enjoy a drink and pizza
on the club during
regular meetings





Events Calendar for Motor-Stadt Region PCA

January 27

Winter Dinner at MSU University Club (see page 9 for details)

NOTE: If an event has been canceled or added to the calendar, Members will be notified by the Board via email blasts, on our Web Page, Facebook Page, or in this publication.

PHOTOS REQUESTED FOR USE ON OUR WEBSITE AND FACEBOOK PAGE

Our Motor-Stadt Region website and club Facebook page will be updating their banner images for 2024! If you would like to contribute a favorite photo of your Porsche, image from a Porsche event or drive to be included in a photo montage, please email James Yen at motorstadt.pca@gmail.com for details.



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Keep celebrating! Do you have photos or a story to share?
Thank you to all participants, and congratulations, again, to
Motor-Stadt Region for 50 fabulous years and counting!



“It’s not just the cars,
it’s the people.”

2023 Rennsport Dragon Rally, North Carolina

By Joe Lavender

Photo credits: Joe Lavender and Killboy.com



Here is a small write-up about the Rennsport Dragon Rally that Ashley and I attended in October.

This past October, Ashley and I attended our 5th Rennsport Dragon Rally. It is always headquartered at the Fontana Dam & Resort in the middle of the Smoky Mountains in North Carolina. This fall there were 219 Porsches in attendance. All makes and models, from early air-cooled, Panameras, Macans, 911s, mid-engines, and even the latest RS GT cars.

Over the years we have attended, it has become somewhat of a family reunion for us. We have made so many lasting friendships from all over the country. Of course, the premise of this event is all about driving! The rally consists of three full days of driving through the back mountain roads in Tennessee, North Carolina, Georgia, and South Carolina. The scenery is amazing with high elevation views of the mountains and the valleys with streams and waterfalls.

Depending on what group you decide you drive with determines how much of that scenery you can take in! This particular rally had thirteen different drive groups from extreme to touring. So, needless to say, if you are in the extreme group, you are focusing on the road and driving rather than the beautiful scenery. However, if a group gets stuck behind traffic (mostly Harleys :P), you have a chance to roll the windows down, or top, and enjoy the fresh mountain air and views. So, if you are serious about wanting to improve your driving abilities, extend your social circles, or just want a short vacation, we highly recommend it. We have already signed up for next year's event in June.

Joe Lavender

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2023 Rennsport Dragon Rally, North Carolina

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**PCA Motor-Stadt Region
Board Minutes November 14th, 2023**

6:30 PM - Spagnuolo's Restaurant (Second Tuesday of the Month)

Present:

President: Steve Lee	Board Member: Don Dickmann
Secretary: Nathan Traxler	Board Member: Terrill Whitney
Board Member: Paula Zimmer	Board Member: Piotr Pawlak
Board Member: James Yen	

0 Additional members in attendance 0 Guests in attendance

Call to Order – President Steve called the meeting to order at 6:34 PM.

Approval of Agenda – A motion to approve the agenda for the November 14th meeting was made. Approved unanimously (Moved D. Dickmann / Seconded T. Whitney).

Meeting Minutes – The October 10th board meeting minutes were previously approved via E-mail.

Membership Report – Steve delivered the membership report. The club's current membership is 191 primaries, 88 affiliates (279 total) + 15 juniors.

Treasurer's Report – Steve delivered the treasurer's report on Mark's behalf. The club has \$6,880.43 in checking and \$7,969.60 in the investment account for a total of \$14,850.03.

Advertising – Steve delivered the advertising report. James has sent advertising invoices to Munks and Porsche Okemos for 2024.

Insurance – Steve delivered the insurance report. No moving activities.

Newsletter – Paula delivered the newsletter report. Last month's newsletter was published.

Web Page and Social Media – Steve delivered the webpage and social media report. Paula suggested we update the Facebook and Website banners with updated design for 2024. A request for photos to be included in a collage will be published in the November Newsletter.

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**PCA Motor-Stadt Region
Board Minutes November 14th, 2023**

6:30 PM - Spagnuolo's Restaurant (Second Tuesday of the Month)

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Committee Reports / Activities:

- Driving Tour (October 14th) – Steve reported on the Driving Tour. The drive was a success, and the destination will be considered again for future drives.
- Winter Dinner (January 27th) – *See new business topic below.*

Old Business:

- Business cards for officers – Topic has been put on hold until the 2024 board has been confirmed.
- Region Redbook – Steve reported that the data gathering process for the region Redbook is 90% complete.
- Equipment/Storage – will be addressed in 2024 following the year-end budget review.

New Business:

- 2024 Board Members / Officer Elections - Beth Roger and Charlie Haggren are interested in being part of the 2024 board. Paula Zimmer and Matt MacFadden have decided to step down as board members and will be replaced one-for-one by Beth and Charlie.
- Winter Dinner – A \$1,000 deposit has been put down to utilize the University Club of Michigan State University as the venue for the Winter Dinner on January 27th, 2024. Steve and Mark will discuss the amount the club will contribute to the event. The dress code, menu, and financial commitment from the club will be discussed in the club's December board meeting. A speaker has not been decided upon yet.
- By-Law Review – Nothing to report.

Adjournment - Meeting adjourned at 7:15 (Moved N. Traxler / Seconded P. Zimmer) approved unanimously.

Submitted by N. Traxler,
Secretary



From the Editor

November 2023

Suddenly, November has driven past like a 2024 Cayenne Turbo: I heard the approach of that fantastic engine by its distinctive rumble and growl, but unfortunately, only saw it for a flash of a second as it passed by. Many apologies for the delayed publication of our November *Madness* edition. My adventures with Tubbs, my 2023 Porsche Macan, have continued, and I think time-travel may be occurring at unexpected intervals. Don't worry, Tubbs will not become a DeLorean anytime soon. Besides, it is a rare mile moment for me to exceed 88mph!

November was the road sign indicating the time is now to reflect on the year and share gratitude and thoughts of thankfulness. 2023 has had significant Porsche-related milestone anniversaries and our Motor-Stadt Region Porsche club has done bonus laps of effort to celebrate and share our 50th club year together. I am very grateful to have participated in this special year with you!

December is now here. Whether you have your Porsche beauty all cozy with a battery tender and all tucked-in for the upcoming winter, or if you have recently installed your winter tires to embrace the snow and cold to come, my wish for each of you is to do it all with gusto and joy in every driven mile.

Our annual winter dinner is all-set for January 27, 2024, and I cannot think of a better way to begin the new year ahead with our Motor-Stadt community. The MSU University Club venue has ample parking and room for over 90 attendees! Please register in the Motorsport Reg link on page 8, see our website or Facebook pages, or email the club for help or to ask any questions. Let's continue to celebrate together into 2024!

Prost,

Paula "Sonny" Zimmer and Tubbs (not a DeLorean)

P.S. **Tuesday, December 12, at 6:30p.m.** is our last board meeting at Spagnuolo's for 2023. I welcome you to please join us to have a slice and raise a glass with your board members, and toast to a wonderful year!