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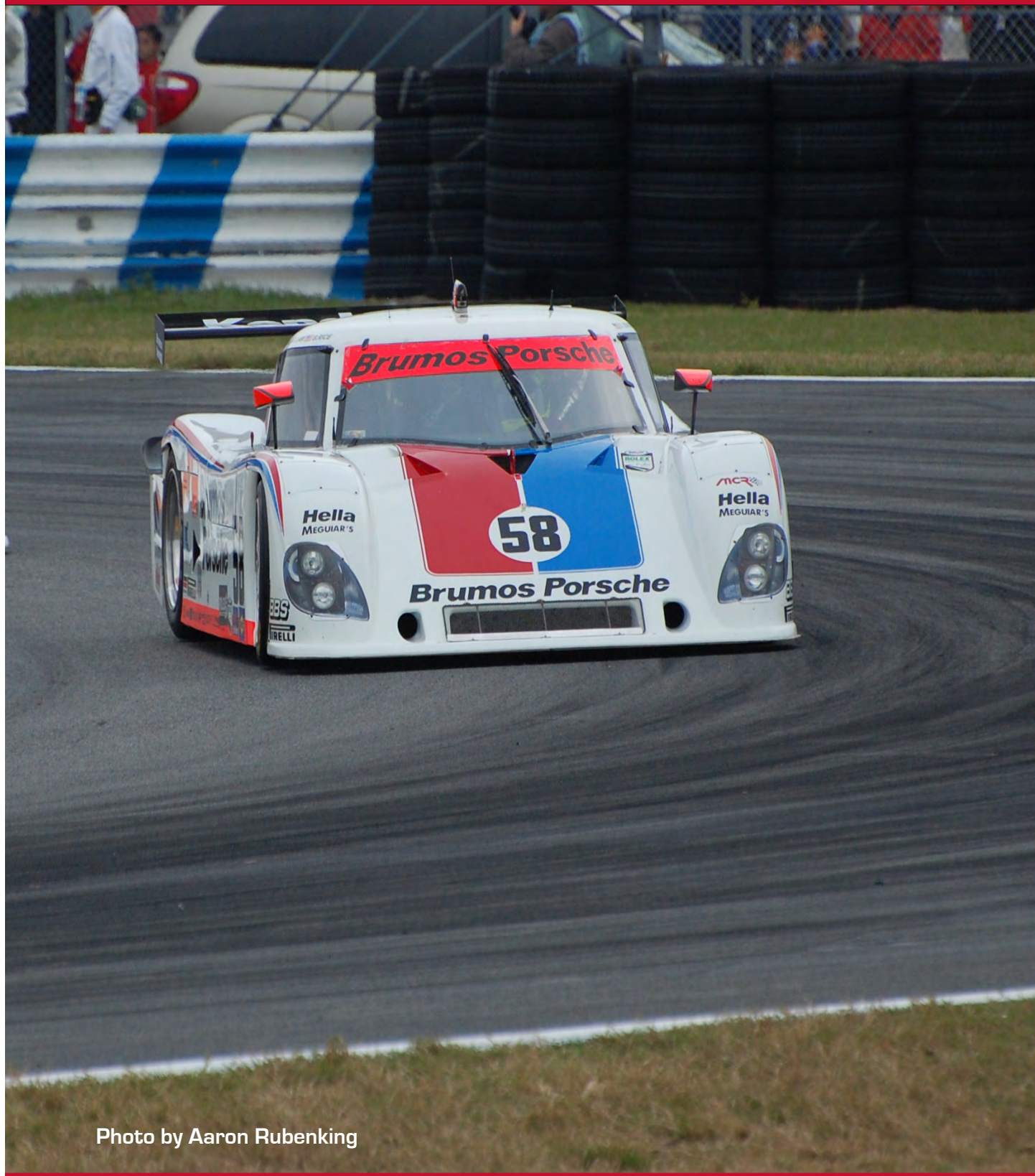


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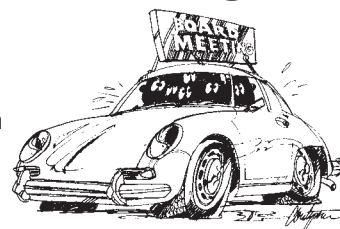


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Sean Reardon, President

## Die Anmerkung von Sean

What is my goal for the Kansas City Region in 2009? To make sure everyone in our region has a chance to have some fun. Actually, I want everyone to have **a lot** of fun. Now unfortunately, having fun seems to be socially unacceptable at the moment. As a child of the 70's with six older brothers and sisters, I was exposed to the television and movie culture of that era. *Earthquake*, *The Towering Inferno*, *Airport '77* and all other possible disasters dominated the movie theaters. Jimmy Carter, stagflation, and really crappy fashion and architectural designs cap off what was by many historic accounts a pretty lousy decade. My point? Well, first of all, history repeats itself. More importantly however, we allow ourselves to very easily be guided by social voices that want us to wallow in misery. What does this accomplish? Nothing.

So, myself and all of us on the KCRPCA Board are having none of that. Jan Pierce, our new social VP, has already put in long hours planning upcoming social events. Chris McIntyre, Al Hess, and Bob Wayman are in the process of organizing three highly anticipated Club Race and DE weekends at Heartland Park Topeka. Also, look for a new twist to the Ozark Weekend in May. Neill Flood will have plenty of great fun drives on tap. This year's Porsche Parade is only a day's journey to Keystone, Colorado, so there will be a large contingent of Kansas City Region members making the trek. And to cap it off, lurking around the corner is the fiftieth anniversary of the Kansas City Region PCA in 2010.

2009 will be a fun year in the Porsche Club!

—scr



Aaron Rubenking, Editor  
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## From the Editors

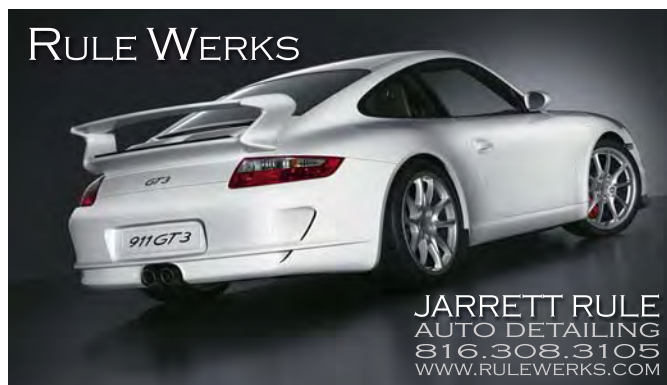
Hello everyone! January has been an extremely busy month for Aaron and I. Aaron has been busy with work, school, and playing guitar in the community jazz band. I have been busy with work, school, and clinicals. And as a couple, we have been busy with Porsche events. We recently watched 12 hours of the Rolex 24 Hours of Daytona. Our families thought we were crazy and had some strange obsession when we didn't surface from Aaron's basement for an entire day. I must say that it took incredible endurance and stamina on our parts to sit on our butts for such a long period of time. Kudos to us, right?! We finally were able to reappear reporting that Porsche had swept the race. We also really enjoyed seeing and talking with everybody at Changing of the Guard.

We would also like to congratulate our new Club President, Sean Reardon. We are excited for a new year to begin and everything that comes with it. Also in the area of new things, we would like to thank our new advertisor, Rule Werks, for advertising in our Newsletter. Go ahead and give them a call when you need to blow that winter grime off your car.

Aaron and I are thoroughly looking forward to seeing everybody again at the upcoming wine tasting, St. Pat's pub night, and Mardi Gras casino night.

See you there!

—Aaron & Haley



# Membership

By Doug Pierce, KCRPCA Membership Chair & Zone 10 Rep

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# Results from Rolex 24 at Daytona

Article Provided by Jill Beck PCA National Newsletter Committee Chair

On the 40th anniversary of his father's victory at the Rolex 24 Hours at Daytona, David Donohue of Malvern, Penn. drove a gripping last hour of the 2009 sports car classic to pass, and then hold off, former Formula 1 champion and NASCAR star Juan Pablo Montoya to score an overall win for him and his teammates Antonio Garcia (Madrid, Spain), Darren Law, and Buddy Rice (both Phoenix, Ariz.) in the Brumos Porsche Riley prototype at Daytona International Speedway.

It was the closest finish in the 47-year history of the Rolex 24, with Donohue edging Montoya by 17-hundredths of a second. In fact, with four cars finishing within eight seconds of the leader, this year's finish was hard to beat. The Brumos Racing team Porsche Riley of Joao Barbosa (Porto, Portugal)/Hurley Haywood (Ponte Verda Beach, Fla.)/JC France (Daytona Beach, Fla.)/Terry Borcheller (Vero Beach, Fla.) finished third after contesting the race late in the event.

Porsche's perfect day was completed when the TRG Porsche 911 GT3 Cup racer piloted by Andy Lally (Dacula, Ga.)/Patrick Long (Bellair, Fla.)/Joerg Bergmeister (Langenfeld, Germany)/Justin Marks (Rockland, Calif.)/RJ Valentine (Braintree, Mass.) won the GT class of the Rolex 24 by a lap over TRG Porsche teammates Ted Ballou (Corona Del Mar, Calif.)/Emmanuel Collard (Paris, France)/Tim George, Jr. (New York, NY)/Richard Lietz (Ybbsitz, Austria)/Spencer Pumpelly (Suwanee, Ga.). Porsche also took third in GT, with the Wright Motorsports Porsche 911 GT3 Cup car of Sascha Maassen (Aachen, Germany)/Phillip Martien (Finksburg, Maryland)/Patrick Pilet (Le Chesnay, France)/BJ Zacharias (Cincinnati, Ohio).

The Brumos Porsche team win was significant for many reasons, including:

- First overall win for Porsche since 2003 (The Racer's Group Porsche 911 GT3 RS), and the first overall win for Brumos Racing since 1978 (Porsche 935).
- First win for a Porsche entered in the overall class since 1995 (Kremer – Porsche K8).
- First win for the Porsche 911-based 3.99-liter Grand-Am race engine.
- Brumos Racing's first Daytona Prototype win since 2003 (Mont Tremblant) Porsche prototypes led 500 of the 735 laps.

"This was a great team effort, which started last winter when we did more than 3,000 hours of testing, lots of creative problem-solving by the Brumos crew, and hard work by Porsche to improve our chances to win races overall," said an elated Donohue, who scored his first overall 24-hour win.

"We were rock-solid when we got here, and we never touched the car once it rolled off the trailer. From fastest in practice in the winter test to qualifying on the pole for the race, we were set for a good event, and my teammates did the rest. This was really great," said Donohue.

The Crown Royal Penske Porsche Riley driven by Timo Bernhard (Germany)/Romain Dumas (France)/Ryan Briscoe (Australia) led much of the early part of the race, including the overnight hours, until the transmission broke as the sun came up on Sunday. The Penske Racing crew replaced the gearbox but lost 15 laps in the process, and ended up finishing sixth overall.

In the GT class, the Farnbacher Loles Racing Porsche 911 GT3 Cup cars were also fast, leading the class for many hours until mechanical ills beset them, especially the #86 Farnbacher/Lux/Marsh/Roush racer, which finished fifth, and the #87 Henzler/Keen/Werner/Westbrook Porsche, which finished eighth.

TRG team owner Kevin Buckler, who has an overall win and a class win at Daytona to his credit, said this GT victory was as rewarding as his overall victory in 2003. "This effort from all the guys at the shop, the drivers, and our partners make this very sweet. The Porsches ran great all weekend, and it was a great win. It's nice to have people working with you that are both talented and personable," said Buckler.





## St. Pat's Pub Night

**Saturday, March 14th**

By Jan Pierce, Vice President—Social Activities

Come celebrate St. Patrick's on Saturday, March 14 with your KCRPCA friends at J. Murphy's Irish Pub and Grille in Shawnee, Kansas.

We have reserved a private room for the entire evening. Dinner will be at 6:30 p.m. and the live music begins at 8:00 p.m.

You can order anything you wish from the complete menu including bangers and mash, corned beef and cabbage, fish and chips, Irish stew or shepherd's pie.

For those less adventurous, sandwiches, salads and burgers are available.

This event will have separate checks with gratuity included.

A live band will begin at 8:00 p.m. for those who wish to stay after dinner for some Irish beverages.

J. Murphy's Irish Pub and Grille is at 22730 Midland Drive, Shawnee, Kansas (yes, there is life that far west!)

This promises to be a great casual pub night everyone can enjoy!

—Jan

## Wine Tasting at J. Alexander's

**Sunday, March 1st**

By Jan Pierce, Vice President—Social Activities

Back again by popular demand is our wine tasting event! Mark your calendars for Sunday, March 1, from 3:00 to 5:00 p.m.

We will be enjoying appetizers and a wine tasting at J. Alexander's, located at 11471 Metcalf in Overland Park, Kansas

For only \$20 per person, you will be able to sample different wines and appetizers. This has been a very popular event in the past, so get your reservations in early.

If you would like to extend the conversation, J. Alexander's has reserved a large table for those of us who would like to stay for dinner.

J. Alexander's has consistently good food and a variety of items on the menu including burgers, salads, ribs, steaks and seafood.

Send your check to "KCRPCA" for a receipt by February 23, in care of:

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I hope to see you there.

—Jan

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# Changing of the Guard

By Haley Hoelscher, Der Sportwagen Co-Editor



I should say first that if you did not attend Changing of the Guard, you missed a fun and memorable night. Held at Fiorella's Jack Stack Barbeque, the food was excellent and the conversation better. After some social time with friends and eating of the great food, the passing of the torch began. Our past-president Greg Wright gave a nice speech as he passed the official PCA presidents' helmet down to Sean Reardon (and yes, we all required him wear it). Another tradition of Changing of the Guard is the passing on of the Ron Kitchen Award. This award is given in honor of a passed race enthusiast and is presented to a deserving racer each year. This year, it was awarded to Chris Blazer. Chris is a regular at Club Racing events and is currently building his own spec car. This was another wonderful Kansas City Region sponsored event. We hope to see you next time! For photos of this great event please log on to [www.kcrpca.org](http://www.kcrpca.org).

—Haley

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# Mardi Gras Casino Night

Article by Neill Flood, KCRPCA Executive Vice President



Although a vast majority of people celebrate Mardi Gras in New Orleans, we've decided to have our own version of this fun event in Kansas! Please join us on Saturday, February 21<sup>st</sup> at 6:00 pm for a Mardi Gras Casino Night. This event will be hosted by ImagineAuto. They are located at 8344 Melrose Drive, Lenexa, KS 66214. To satisfy our hunger, the food will be done "potluck" style where everyone attending will bring a food item. Additionally, beverages will be done BYOB (Bring Your Own Beverage). After we have had an enjoyable potluck meal together, the real fun will start when the "funny money" is passed out. Then, a variety of casino equipment available for our gambling desires (with games such a Blackjack, Roulette and Poker) which will be staffed by professionals will be rolled out. Admission to this event will be \$10 per person and an RSVP is **required** by February 13th to ensure the appropriate amount of gambling equipment is available. Checks can be made out and sent to:

Jim Phillips, Treasurer  
6409 Maple Drive  
Mission, KS 66202

To RSVP, please contact Dawn Flood at 913-424-8864. Dawn will also ask you what potluck food item you are planning on bringing so have it in mind when you call. Also, don't hesitate to bring your beads and other fun Mardi Gras items to the party!

—Neill

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# Porsche Parade 2009

## Keystone, Colorado—What's it all about

### Part Three

By Doug Pierce, KCRPCA Membership Chair & Zone 10 Rep



Another in the group of major competitions to be held at Parade, Keystone Colorado, Parade, June 29 thru July 4, this year, is the TSD Rally. TSD stands for Time Speed Distance (some think it's Trauma Stress Disorientation, but it's not). The TSD Rally is all about the three components – manage your Speed to travel the prescribed Distance in order to arrive at the calculated Time. This year the TSD Rally will be held on Wednesday, July 1, traversing the scenic roads in and around Keystone.

Anyone registered for Parade is eligible to compete in the TSD Rally as driver or navigator, assuming the driver has a valid full drivers license and meets the general eligibility requirements outlined in the Parade Competition Rules (PCR). The full PCR's are available on-line at [www.pca.org](http://www.pca.org). The rally team does not necessarily mean husband and wife, wife and husband, or any other family combination. In some instances it's better to pair up with a complete stranger – fewer heated arguments and divorces. The entered Porsche must be street legal (no race cars) and pass a technical inspection that checks things such as tire condition, lights and signals, brake function, and similar safety related items.

For those new or relatively new to TSD Rallying, a Rally School is held prior to the event where basic rally concepts and techniques are covered. You will need to refer to your detailed Parade schedule included with materials received at registration in Keystone to find it.

Times and locations of the Rally School can and do change at the last minute, so keep track of this sometimes moving target on schedule monitors and bulletin postings throughout the Parade areas. If you miss the Rally School, you may be in trouble (this is the voice of experience here).

There are 4 official rally classifications: Equipped, Navigational, Unequipped Plus, and Unequipped. The 5th unofficial classification, in which I excel, is Unprepared (Jezzzz, they moved the Rally School location and we missed it). The Unequipped classification allows only simple time pieces, the car speedometer and odometer, paper, pencils, clipboards, and similar non-automated devices to help you keep track of your time, speed, and distance. Unequipped Plus allows for factory built-in computers that can read out average speed. Navigational class allows the addition of maps, prepared charts and tables, slide rules (slide rules? I've got one, but have long ago forgotten how to use it), non-programmable calculators, and factory GPS/Nav systems. Equipped basically allows any rally aid you can imagine including non-factory GPS, computers, laser guidance systems, heat seeking missiles, etc. - everything but 2-way radios and cell phones which are not allowed in any classification. In fact, leave your cell phone in your room for the TSD Rally. If you are found with a cell phone, you're disqualified. In the unofficial Unprepared classification, which is my personal favorite, you don't even have a clue.

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At the beginning of the Rally, arrive early to get yourself oriented, you are given the route instructions (typically in a language uninterruptible by normal humans, at least by me – the one who missed Rally School). You have a few minutes to look through the very detailed instructions before you have to get in line for your scheduled start time. Don't miss your assigned start (the one thing I did actually accomplish) as that becomes the basis for all of your timing through the route. There are many check points along the route where you must stop, check-in, and prepare for the next leg. Check point workers will log your entry and exit times for use in calculating your overall competition standing. Typically the TSD Rally runs 3 to 4 hours. You will be allowed at most of the check points to unload the excess coffee you had at breakfast, but be quick about it, this is a timed event. At the end there are usually refreshments, to get your blood sugar back up.

If the TSD Rally seems to be overly complicated for you, the Keystone Parade also offers a Gimmick Rally. No timing involved, no speeds to maintain, no distances to calculate. Just a drive through the mountains typically answering sometimes obscure questions about the scenery you're passing including things like road sign wording, colors of whatever, number of something, etc. A more low pressure excursion.

Keystone Parade TSD and Gimmick Rally information is available on the official 2009 Parade website at [www.porscheparade2009.com](http://www.porscheparade2009.com).

Entry in a TSD Rally is something that can really hone your competitive skills, the Gimmick Rally can be just fun. If you're at Parade, my suggestion is to participate in at least one of the rallies, possibly both, if for no other reason than to see the beautiful Colorado landscape.

—Doug



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# Getting to Know . . . Karl Wilen

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**DS:** Ron, why do you participate in the KCRPCA?

**Karl:** Because I love listening to Al Hess start political debates!

**DS:** What Porsche do you currently drive?

**Karl:** 1986 Garnett Red 951 Track Rat. Everyone recognizes it from the rear. :)

**DS:** What book(s) are you reading currently?

**Karl:** *Gracie Jiu Jitsu by Grand Master Helio Gracie.*

**DS:** What is your favorite vacation destination?

**Karl:** .Anywhere that involves hunting.

**DS:** Have you ever attended a Porsche Parade?

**Karl:** No, I have not had the pleasure yet. When they have Porsche Parade Kansas City though, I'm all over it. I'll park in the back row.

**DS:** Tell us about the most memorable Porsche experience you've had.

**Karl:** I am afraid I must plead the 5th!

**DS:** What's your favorite movie of all time?

**Karl:** No particular favorite that I can think of.

**DS:** Of the Porsches you've owned, which one is your favorite and why?

**Karl:** I'm still on the first one. I won't give it up until the Pumpkin passes me on the track. Gotta have goals Bob, gotta have goals. I'd better start looking for another car. . .

**DS:** If you won the lottery, what is the first thing you would buy?

**Karl:** I would pay off all student loans and the mortgage first. . then if there was any money left over, I'm all over a 997 GT3 RSR....and that big 5 car hauler us track guys keep talking about. There is a reason I don't play the lottery until it gets over 272 million. . . I don't want to waste my luck on only a million bucks.

**DS:** What's your dream job?

**Karl:** If I knew, I'd be doing it!

**DS:** Favorite slogan/saying.

**Karl:** "Indeed"

**DS:** What is your favorite KCRPCA event and why?

**Karl:** Anything that involves a track, though I enjoy all the social gatherings as well. . . where we can talk about. . . getting on the track

**DS:** If I had all the money in the world, THE car in my garage would be . . .

**Karl:** Without question, a 997 GT3 RSR

**DS:** Where do you take your Porsche for service?

**Karl:** Only my own soft, sensuous hands touch my car with a wrench.

**DS:** For my last meal on earth, I'd request . . .

**Karl:** If I know I am going out, I'm doing something else besides thinking about eating!



## Calendar of Events

See [www.kcrpca.org](http://www.kcrpca.org) for updated information about upcoming events.

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## Open House at The Wayman's

**Saturday, March 28th**

By Bob Wayman KCRPCA Vice President of Driving Activities



I know it doesn't seem possible (as it is 20 degrees outside with 30 MPH winds while I write this) but there are only 8 short weeks until the Second Annual Falcon Ridge Raceway Runoffs and Open House held at the Wayman's on Saturday, March 28th. Bob has been updating his skills and is prepared challenge anyone to some action on the track with his record holding 935 which is now fully decked out in its new livery (guess what color!).

Suzanne is busy planning to top last year's Six Meat Seven Cheese Lasagna with some exotic fare guaranteed to satisfy every gastronomic fantasy. Together with munchies brought by the crowd, no one will go home hungry or without a few hours of great conversation and drink with fellow KCRPCA members. Gary Lezak is promising fine weather so perhaps a few stogies will be burned on the patio as well (Cindy – take note!)

So, get the date (Saturday March 28th 4PM) into your Outlook calendars and on your Blackberry's. Watch this space for more details in the March issue of Der Sportwagen.

See You There!

—Bob



PCA ZONE 10 CALENDAR

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FEBRUARY 2009

7	Easy TDS Rally	Red River
7	Model Car Show	Great Plains
14	Brunch	Dakota
15	Radio Controlled Car Race	Dakota
21	Dinner at Parkers Smokehouse	Great Plains
28	Out of the Corkscrew Social	Great Plains
21	Mardi Gras Casino Night	Kansas City

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