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Martha Vail, newsletter@rmrporscheclub.com

Spring has definitely sprung, and this issue is all about getting excited about the 2008 driving season. Both RMR and AMR have lots of great events in April and May, and these will be great opportunities to test and tune all those modifications you've been tinkering with this winter.

I am looking forward to putting the top down, my helmet on, and aiming to spare the lives of as many cones as possible at the April 6 Autocross!

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FROM THE BOARD

John Mackin, Membership Chair

Greeting fellow Porschefiles,

Well, things are definitely underway for 2008. We have started the year off with a bang at Eiskhana in January and Dinner and a Movie in February. There are some great pictures of Eiskhana on the web, so check them out. But these are just whetting our appetite for the spring events.

The annual Autocross School and Autocross are scheduled for April 5th and 6th at Bandimere Raceway. This is our first Challenge Series event of the year. The following week we have the Spring Tour and Rally which always promises to be a fun event.

This year it will include both a Time/Speed/Distance rally as well as a gimmick portion. If you have not been to a rally before you are encouraged to come out and enjoy the Colorado countryside in your Porsche. Hopefully the weather will cooperate.

At the April Membership Meeting, Kathy Fricke, Parade Chair, will update us on preparations for the 2009 Porsche Parade which will be held in Keystone. Parade 2009 will run from June 28th to July 4th. If you have not been to a Parade before, this will be a great opportunity to see the great national event without leaving the state. The Parade is a huge undertaking for RMR and AMR and we will need plenty of volunteers to make it come off in a fine manner. Come to the meeting and hear what is planned.

Dave Marshall of Eurosport Automotive was kind enough to host the January tech session where he and Randy Hoch helped make us smarter about Pre-Purchase Inspections and the inner workings of a 915 transmission. Also we just held a tech inspector training session, Also hosted by Dave Marshall where we reviewed the new requirements for seat restraints for track events. For those of you with non-stock seats it would probably be wise to review the new requirements prior to the first pre-tech session.

Of course the big news about tracks is that the final approval for High Plains Raceway has been granted and CAMA has purchased the land for the track. Planning is moving ahead rapidly. We hope to start moving dirt soon; however we are still in need of contributions to get our funding where we need it to be to build a decent facility. So far the contributions from RMR have lagged behind that of most of the other clubs. So if you intend on using the track, your contributions are needed.

2008 marks the 50th Anniversary of the Rocky Mountain Region, Porsche Club of America. Watch for announcements of upcoming events to celebrate this special year.





EVENT CALENDAR

April

Thursday	4/3	Membership Meeting
Saturday	4/5	Autocross School
Sunday	4/6	Autocross
Saturday	4/12	Spring Tour and Rally cs
Saturday	4/26	Swap Meet
Monday	4/28	May Board Meeting

May

Thursday	5/1	Membership Meeting
Sunday	5/4	AMR Autocross cs
Wednesday	5/7	Pretech La Junta DE
Sat/Sun	5/10-11	AMR Sand Dunes Tour
Sat/Sun	5/17-18	AMR La Junta DE cs
Wednesday	5/28	Pretech Pueblo DE

June

Monday	6/2	June Board Meeting
Thursday	6/5	Membership Meeting
Sat/Sun	6/7-8	AMR Pueblo DE cs
Sunday	6/8	Concours d'Elegance cs
Sunday	6/15	Ladies Day
Monday	6/30	July Board Meeting

Board meetings are open to club members

For the most up to date event schedule, check out our
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AUTOCROSS WEEKEND 2008

Autocross School - Saturday, April 5

RMR Challenge Series Autocross – Sunday, April 6

Registration is now open (Go to www.rmrporscheclub.com)

Whether you are new to autocross, want a little early season seat time or are an experienced veteran and want to start out the season with some Challenge Series points, this is the event for you!



Learn the basic skills in the Saturday Autocross School where you will get many runs through a slalom, many runs through a mini-course and lots of loops around a skid pad, all with coaching by RMR's excellent instructors. Then apply your newly acquired skills in Sunday's event.

The school will be limited to 65 participants. Be sure to pre-register.
The Sunday RMR Autocross is the first Challenge Series event of 2008. You can attend either event or get a discounted entry fee if you sign up for both.

Entry Fees: \$45 for Saturday's Autocross School
\$35 for Sunday's Autocross
\$65 for both days

Location: Bandimere Speedway upper Lot. (West at the Morrison Rd exit from C470. Then, take the first right (north) on Rooney Road to Bandimere entrance.)



You must arrive in time to register prior to registration closing at 8:30 AM each day. If you are not checked in prior to registration closing, you will not be allowed to participate.

Non-Porsches may attend, but only Porsches will qualify for Challenge Series points. Cayennes are the only SUV allowed. No other truck/SUV will be allowed to run. Convertibles are allowed.

Saturday – Autocross School

6:30 - 9:00 Courses setup
7:00 Site open for participants
7:30 Registration/Check-in – All participants
8:30 Registration closes
8:30 - 9:30 Top-tech opens
9:00 Instructor Meeting
9:25 Top-tech closes
9:30 Mandatory drivers' meeting
10:00 School starts
11:30 Lunch break
12:30 Afternoon session
3:30 School complete
School course teardown and setup Autocross

Sunday – Challenge Series Autocross

7:00 Site open for participants
7:30 Registration/Check-in all participants
8:30 Registration closes
8:30 – 9:15 Top-tech
9:15 Mandatory drivers' meeting
10:00 First car off
12:00 Lunch break
1:00 Cars back on course

You will need a Snell 2000 or Snell 2005 certified helmet. You will need to bring snacks, lunch and non-alcoholic refreshments. There will be no concessions available at Bandimere.

You do not need to have your car pre-tech'ed. There will be top tech at the event each day. You must empty your car of all loose items (mats, bags, cans, empty glove box, empty door pockets), make your battery is secure, have no significant leaks, have firm brakes, etc. Consider bringing a tire gauge and a small 12V compressor or air tank to adjust your tire air pressure.

There is a lot of work to setup and teardown autocross events. If you can assist with these tasks please contact Randy Stout. Volunteers will also be "selected" on the days of the events.

Event Chair: Randy Stout 970-482-2268 restout@mesanetworks.net





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MEMBERSHIP MESSAGE

John Mackin, Membership Chair

Greetings All,

Congratulations! If you are reading this you have successfully navigated the new online membership renewal process. We look forward to this system greatly improving our region's administration.

Well, the spring season is upon us and time to get those Porsches fired up and on the road. I'm looking forward to a little top-down driving myself.

Welcome to all our new members. We have a great season planned. The Autocross School/Autocross and Spring Rally kick off the driving season. We hope you will join us at the upcoming events.

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Yes, come on down and experience an exciting weekend at the La Junta race track. It will be here before you know it. We can almost assure you that we will have an assortment of small game running around for your amusement. In the past some of us have had the opportunity to nail a few rabbits, snakes, or lizards. We just need to keep a close watch and eventually something will pop out in front of your car. There is something there for everybody.

The plentiful supply of RMR and AMR instructors will tell you DO NOT BRAKE! JUST KEEP DRIVING! No worries, though; we don't give the squishees to the folks in the concessions trailer. You need to remember to bring your own. The La Junta race track is considered non-technical. If you have never had your car out on the track it is great track to start on. If you have driven this track many times, it is fun to see if you can beat the 60 second lap time. Some have, most have not! It is truly a very fun track. You will have is a big grin and lots of stories at the end of the day.

So, start now. Get those cars prepped. By the end of April you should be ready to get them tech inspected at your local shop. Or you can pay \$20 at the track. (Thanks for your donation toward beer-thirty!) Trailered cars can be tech inspected trackside before the event officially starts at no charge. Just don't be late!

Register at www.motorsportreg.com

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 2 day driver, \$175 / co-driver, \$155
 1 day driver, \$145 / co-driver, \$130
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John Vandervalk of Majesty Photo (www.majestyphoto.com) will be at La Junta to do some professional shots of you driving your car at the track. He will do some awesome stuff and his fee is reasonable! He just did a spread for EXPN. See some of his work at http://www.newschoolers.com/web/content/news/news_id/1966





You are cordially invited to the Mad Hatter's Tea Party, also known as Ladies Day 2008. On June 15, get out your best bonnet, tam or fez, (and your helmet, too!) for what promises not to be your average Sunday drive. This is a great first-time-at-the-track experience for women drivers, so sign up your wife, lady friend, daughter or boss!

Chairs Janet Wright (ayrbagg@aol.com) and Martha Vail (marthavail@gmail.com) are actively seeking, if not actually conscripting, volunteers for the day. We also encourage driving instructors who are interested in helping us out to save the date. Registration information will be posted on the RMR website soon, and will be published in the May newsletter.



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RMR-PCA INSTRUCTORS' INSIGHTS

A monthly column designed to promote a better understanding of issues related to driving and car preparation for Driver Education Events

GEAR SELECTION ON THE TRACK



Alan Fritze, RMR-PCA Chief Driving Instructor

Gear selection is important to maintain smoothness through the corners while driving in our RMR/PCA DE events at the track. Most drivers instinctively downshift into a lower gear to attain maximum acceleration exiting a turn. However, using the next higher gear may allow the vehicle to negotiate the corner at a higher speed without upsetting the balance of the car through the turn.

Don't be fooled by the "seat of the pants" feeling of acceleration and watching the needle on the tachometer touching the redline as you exit a corner. Many of us have learned through experience on the track, sometimes it is best to stay in a higher gear through a corner

and let the mid-range torque of the engine accelerate the vehicle through the corner in a smooth and expeditious manner.

After putting together consistent lap times in a particular car with a well balanced suspension setup, the driver should try altering gear selection to see if their lap times could be improved by leaving the car in a higher gear through selected corners. Often times a car will be able to "pull" a higher gear through a corner with the benefit of better stability; resulting in better overall lap times.

Scientifically speaking, the driver needs to practice entering the corner at a higher speed (greater momentum) and maintain an engine speed in the mid-range torque band which will allow the car sufficient acceleration capability while exiting the corner to achieve an overall reduction in the time required through the corner.

The way to identify a corner which may be a candidate for improvement is fairly straightforward. If a driver is shifting in the middle or even shortly after exiting a corner, an improvement may be possible by staying in a higher gear through the turn. Also, if a downshift to a lower gear is upsetting the car while entering the corner; using a higher gear may alleviate the tendency for the car to scrub off speed or spin in a corner. In my experience, using a higher gear will always make the car feel more stable in a corner. Therefore, I recommend it for all skill levels of drivers; especially in the advanced learning mode, trying to find a way to reduce our lap times at DE events.

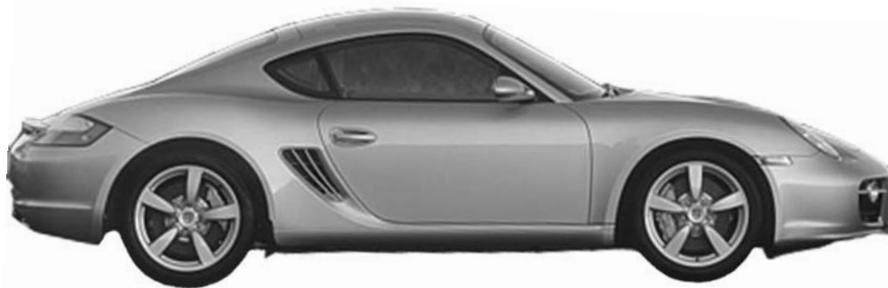
For example, Turn 1 at Pueblo can be daunting for many drivers. While riding around with many students, I have found the majority of them downshifting and braking excessively through this turn, losing momentum and upsetting the balance of the car. Then, the driver tries to accelerate as hard as possible in the short straight section prior to Turn 2 to regain the momentum which has been forever lost.





Of course, we all know how diabolical Turn 1 can be. After the banking ends, the track flattens out reducing the amount of cornering force available just before the apex of the turn. If the car is unstable at this point, it will be difficult to keep the car from spinning. The solution is to remain in a higher gear, keep the revs up and drive through the apex of the turn in a nice stable and safe manner. It is better to err on the safe side in the exit region of Turn 1 or any other turn for that matter. This is a high speed corner which has a reputation for spitting cars off the track with great regularity.

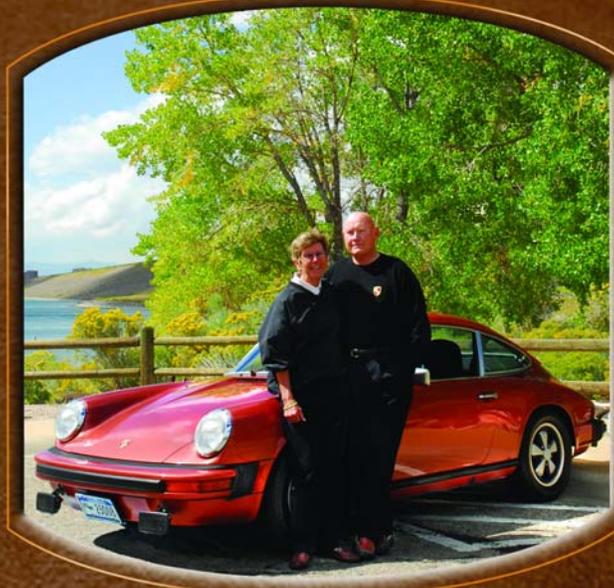
Later model Porsches are particularly suitable for this method of negotiating turns on the track. Factory street cars (and factory race cars) have been designed with nice “flat” torque curves which allow a driver to use a higher gear through a corner with more than adequate acceleration while exiting a corner. Increased engine displacement has allowed these cars to maintain brilliant performance, meet emission standards and most incredibly, making them easier to drive over the last twenty years. Now if I could just afford a new one! Well, you can’t have everything.



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54th Porsche Parade
Keystone

Kathy Fricke, Parade Chair

Rocky Mountain and Alpine Mountain are two very enthusiastic PCA regions. We will be joining together, once again, to host the 2009 Colorado Porsche Parade at the beautiful Keystone Resort in Summit County. Our Parade dates are June 29 - July 4, 2009.

The National Porsche Parade is the premier convention for Porsche Club members from all over the world. The Parade consists of six days packed full of competitive and social events, seminars, activities for children and much camaraderie. Besides PCA entrants, representatives from the Porsche factory in Stuttgart and Porsche Cars North America also attend. Of course, we could not orchestrate such a huge production without the support of both national and regional sponsors, who also will have representatives present.

The Parade week has four major competitive events:

For the Concours, we are fortunate to have the experience of both regional and national PCA members to chair this event. From the regions, Tom Scott and Frank Barrett will be working with Judy Hendrickson from New Hampshire, Prescott Kelly from Connecticut, and Paul Gilbreath from Florida. Concours is a display of Porsches, and in our case on a golf course setting, where the entrants' cars are judged on cleanliness and originality. We are also going to have a Porsche Paddock. This will give any registered entrant, not wanting to enter their prized possession in the judged competition, the opportunity to show off his/her Porsche in a display only atmosphere. The Concours and Paddock, along with a display of historic Porsches, will take place at the Keystone Ranch Golf Course.

Region member Lee Sammons will chair the time-speed-distance Rally. This will take place over some of the most breathtaking scenic public roads in Summit County and the surrounding area.

The Autocross is a single car timed slalom-like event in a paved parking lot. Graeme Weston-Lewis, now from California, is the chair. Region members Alan Fritze and Jeff Mitchell will be supporting him, and they promise that, though it may be on a smaller lot area, it will be one of the most challenging courses they have designed to date.

The Tech Quiz is a written test challenging the entrant's knowledge of Porsche technology and history. Ed and Jan Mayo from Texas, supported by Ken Provasi from our regions, will again chair the Quiz.

Our Special Events Parade teams are also scheduling additional events. These will include: Technical Seminars, chaired by Dave and Bette Seeland, Gimmick Rally and Art Show by Jim and Dona Sorensen, Golf tournament by Chris Lennon, Regional Tours by Ron Martinez, Welcome Tent/Car Wash by Don and Judy





Reese, and 5K-Walk/Run by Andy Forberg and Peggy Englert. Not to forget the Kids Events, chaired by Linda Bachrach, Janet Ledesma of Florida, and Eleanor Bobbitt from Virginia. These are just a few events that will help to round out the Parade week.

I have not even scratched the surface as to the entire Parade Support Chair Group. I will save those very deserving folks for another article.

Volunteer workers, chaired by Tamela Cash, will be a large part of the success of the Colorado Parade, and we will need your assistance. If you are asked to assist, please say yes! The way to really be a part of the Parade and your real ticket to the show is to register for the Parade. Our 2009 Parade registration date will be announced on July 3, 2008 at the closing of the Parade/Convention in Charlotte, North Carolina this summer. Our Parade website chairs Scott Rogers and Craig Lord will have our site ready for your viewing on July 4, 2008, with more information on our 2009 Colorado Parade.

Your enthusiastic team of 2009 Colorado Parade Committee chairs are working on their specific event/support plans as I am writing this article. Their greatest wish, and mine, is for your support, so join us and get that special High Country Spirit.



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SCHEDULE

Event Registration begins at 8:00am

Mandatory Driver's Meeting at 8:30am

First Car off at 9:01am

Time will be allotted for lunch to be purchased en route

Entry fee \$40 per car

Pre-registration online is encouraged through the Club website. Go to www.rmrporscheclub.com, click on RMR Event Registration then continue to Online Registration and MotorsportReg.com. If you prefer, registration can be accomplished at the start location of the event. Please print out the 2008 Autocross/Rally Registration Form from the RMR website and have it filled out prior to registration in order to speed up the process. (Note: We do not accept credit cards at registration the day of the event. Cash or check is gladly accepted.)

Be sure to read the "Rally General Rules" on the website (Info - General Event Registration – Event Registration Rules – Word or pdf) and the "Eine Kleine Rallyeschul", written by Lee Sammons, RMR/PCA Past President (Info - Rally Instructions, etc.) prior to the event to avoid unnecessary conflicts between Driver and Navigator during the rally!

You can drive any make of vehicle that you choose, but you'll have more fun in a Porsche!

We need volunteers to help at registration, checkpoints, etc. for the event. Please keep in mind that you can earn one Challenge Series point by working the event.

EVENT CHAIRPERSONS:

Bruce Waddle, 303-772-8178, bw.waddle@comcast.net and **Alan Fritze**, 303-697-8101, afritze22@yahoo.com





2ND ANNUAL ROTARY CHARITY CAR SHOW & CONCOURS D' ELEGANCE SUNDAY, MAY 25, 2008

The Commerce City Rotary Club is sponsoring its 2nd Annual Charity Car Show and Concours d'Elegance and invites all makes and models to participate. This event is scheduled for Sunday, May 25, 2008 at Mile High Racing and Entertainment "The Dog Track" located at 6200 Dahlia Street in Commerce City. Vehicle placement and on-site registration will take place between 7:00 a.m. and 8:30 a.m. The show is open to spectators from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. with trophies and ribbon awards at 1:30 pm.



This event is one of a kind, since all vehicles from antique to classic, rods to sports, custom cars and trucks, motorcycles mild and wild, low riders and of course trikes are welcome. We invite car clubs to register; the club with the most vehicles in the show will receive recognition along with a Wall Plaque. All entries are only \$10 and each vehicle receives a souvenir window card and dash plaque; these are collector items. Vehicles in the Concours will be judged in their respective class with 1st, 2nd and 3rd place awards presented. Five areas of overall Peoples Choice will also be presented with plaques as well as Best of Show. This year a special *Car Corral* will be added, where you will be able to make an offer on a car or show your car to sell as well.

The proceeds from the 2008 event will again benefit the Commerce City Rotary World Community Service (WCS) Children of the Christmas Island Project. Last year the charity car show judged over 90 vehicles and netted almost \$6,000 for the WCS project.

Christmas Island is part of the Republic of Kiribati, an atoll located in the Central Pacific 1200 miles south of Hawaii at the intersection of the International Date Line and the Equator. Inhabitants of the island lack many things that we take for granted such as basic medical facilities, safe drinking water and basic educational materials including books, paper, pencils or chalk to teach children.

Commerce City Rotary has made a commitment to secure educational supplies and materials for the schools, plus safe water and medical needs for Kiritimati (Christmas) Island's 7,000 residents. In 2007, Commerce City Rotary provided over \$600,000 worth of much needed medical equipment and supplies to the island's bare five-room hospital and three village clinics, a septic tank pumper truck, water project supplies and much needed education computers and materials.

The Club is now working in conjunction with the Suva East Club in Fiji to bring Rotary to the country, plus Bio-sand filter technology and bio-energy stove project production to the island. In addition, the Rotary is setting up four Visiting Doctor Clinics for dental, vision, pediatrics and OB-GYN.

How can you help make this event successful? Be a sponsor or a vendor. Enter your car, either to be judged, shown, or in the Car Corral for \$10. And bring your family or friends for a mere \$5 admission. To register or receive more information contact Tom Schrah @ 720-273-3057, tom@abtbody.com, or George & Sharon Maybee @ 303-655-9831, gkmaybe@aol.com.





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THE INSPECTOR IS COMING...

Cecil Morris, Tech Inspection Chair



Eurosport Automotive, in Arvada, the spotless shop of Dave Marshall was the site of the 2008 RMR Tech Inspector Training. Randy Hoch ably instructed a dozen or more RMR volunteers in the finer points of the fine art of tech inspection. Each student was provided with a copy of the RMR tech inspection manual, written by Alan Ruff and David Rossiter, with an update by our Pres, Susan Bucknam. Susan also clarified the new regulations concerning restraint systems.

Many thanks to Dave and Andrea Marshall, Randy Hoch and President Bucknam!

Photo: Bruce Waddle





HIGH PLAINS RACEWAY CAMPAIGN UPDATE

Charlie Thompson, CAMA Manager

After all of the excitement of January with USR approval and the land purchase, I expected a calmer February but it was quite the opposite. There are so many irons in the fire and little things requiring attention.

The marketing committee sent out another great mailer announcing the USR & land purchase. The YouTube videos on the website have created a lot of excitement. Many thanks to Andy About (PCA) and Paul Leonard (SCCA) for the authentic videos they have each created. Watch the website for the availability of a game version. Harry & Greg Mathews (RMVR-CECA), Rome Chelsi (CECA) along with many others conducted a very successful fundraising dinner last weekend. It is exciting to see that the energy around the track project is growing daily!

The design team has been especially busy. The horizontal design of the track is now complete and the computer calculations for the vertical design are about to be finalized. Grading and construction drawings are anticipated to be complete in three weeks and next week we anticipate having enough details to start portions of the construction bid process. The bids will give us a badly needed final budget. My best estimate today is that we need \$2.8 million to start construction and another half million for a few of the desperately desired amenities. The detailed budget will be released to the website as soon as it is approved.

Which brings me to the heart of what NEEDS to be happening. The thermometer is currently at \$2.3 million. This represents \$900,000 in loan commitments and \$511,000 in contributions. While these numbers are commendable, they represent the efforts of only a portion of the active membership of the Clubs. I have talked to so many people considering the loan program or planning to buy a brick that state that they just have not got around to sending it in! Well, we are all drivers who procrastinate till the week before the event to get the car ready. NOW is the window of opportunity to get ready! If we are prepared to start construction but are short on money, we could miss a lot of green flag opportunities. Now is the time to send your contribution in!

Your board of directors, your CAMA representative, and many volunteers and advisors have nearly completed their task to make HPR a reality. Now it is up to the club members. The future of racing in Colorado is in your hands. As Harry Mathews stated at the fundraiser, You have to *Pay if you want to Play* and the survival of the amateur clubs rests primarily in their ability to control their own future. Even with tracks in Pueblo, Hastings and LaJunta how will the clubs survive if they can't generate enough drivers and workers to those locations to conduct events? All motorsports clubs are reporting large drops in participation levels. The Denver area is the major population center of Colorado and the future of our sport relies on having an area facility to draw new members and keep the old ones active. We at CAMA hope that some of the other proposed track projects are also successful, as they will only enhance that growth.

Inscribe your brick today and keep HPR on track!





APRIL TECH QUIZ

Win valuable prizes (!) by taking the RMR Tech Quiz 2008, Round Two. Send your answers by April 15 to: newsletter@rmrporscheclub.com

The top finishers in the March competition were Mike Quigley, Rob Bernard, and Alan Fritze.

1. The first 356 coupes built in Gmund had the shape of their body panels checked on a:
 - a. Aluminum buck
 - b. Cast iron buck
 - c. Plastic buck
 - d. Wooden buck
2. The bodies for the first German Porsches (356's built in Zuffenhausen) were made by Reutter. True or False
3. In 1987, the 911 Carrera acquired a new transmission, what was the Type number?
 - a. 915
 - b. 996
 - c. G50
 - d. None of the above
4. Since the 1985 model year the 911 Cabriolet offered which feature?
 - a. Roll bar
 - b. Expanded rear seating
 - c. Electric actuation for its convertible top
 - d. Glass rear window
5. The four-cylinder engine of the 912 weighed 600 pounds less than the six-cylinder engine of the 911. True or False
6. Porsche 911 engines for the 1974 model year were redesigned to use which one of the following:
 - a. Hirth roller bearings
 - b. Bosch K-Jetronic fuel injection
 - c. 24 valves
 - d. Water cooling
7. The last air-cooled Porsche off the line was a red 964. True or False
8. The 912E had what kind of disc rotors?
 - a. Vented
 - b. Drilled
 - c. Solid
 - d. None of the above
9. Five studs retaining each wheel denoted that a 914 was a:
 - a. 914 2.0-liter
 - b. 914/6
 - c. 914S
 - d. None of the above
10. As Porsche closed out its 944 production in 1990/1991, a turbo version of the 944 _____ was produced.
 - a. 944S2
 - b. 944S
 - c. Cabriolet
 - d. None of the above
11. The last air-cooled Porsche off the line was a red 964. True or False
12. Because of the crown-shaped pistons on the European engines, the 924 was the only Porsche, apart from the 911 Turbo that needed:
 - a. A wastegate
 - b. DME
 - c. Premium gasoline
 - d. All of the above
13. In developing the 928 32-valve engine, Porsche used a _____ to drive the inlet valve overhead camshaft off of the exhaust valve camshaft.
 - a. Cogged rubber belt
 - b. Simple gear drive
 - c. Single roller chain
 - d. None of the above
14. The oil capacity for the 1981 Porsche 928 is:
 - a. 7.9 quarts
 - b. 10.2 quarts
 - c. 6.0 quarts
 - d. None of the above
15. The Cd value (coefficient of drag) for a Boxster S is:
 - a. 0.25
 - b. 0.35
 - c. 0.40
 - d. 0.32





PORTRAIT OF A PATRON: STEVE WRIGHT

My love affair with Porsches started 14 years ago. Sitting there in the front yard on my 40th birthday was a beautiful 1980 Euro 911SC with a big black bow on the roof. It was a gift from my wife Janet. That same car still sits in my garage- now with number 473 on it, and minus quite a few of the original creature comforts. We've had a few other Porsches since then-but 473 is still my favorite ride. It gets abused on a regular basis.

We joined PCA while still living in Texas, and joined RMR when we moved to the Denver area in 1997. I went to my first DE at the Stapleton track (just before it closed for good) and I was hooked. I couldn't believe you could drive that fast legally. Neither could my instructor as I found myself spinning wildly off the track on the first lap. I can still hear Marv shouting something about "both feet in" as the world seemed to be turning all around us.



After surviving that little adventure, I took the high performance driving thing a bit more seriously. I spent a lot of time at different DE's, autocrosses and on tours. It was not long before I was tapped to run my first event-a DE at Second Creek with Bill Lamb as co-chair. It's a lot of work-but also a very rewarding experience. Speaking of rewarding experiences, I joined the instructor corps in 2000, and have had great fun and just a few terrifying experiences out there. Oh, how I wish there was a brake pedal on the right side sometimes!

At one of the RMR Christmas parties, Janet was talking with Randy Hoch and had this bright idea that we should somehow document the previous driving season in a video.

We enlisted the help of Tamela Cash, and Wee Hour Productions was born. 2008 will be our 6th Dinner and a Movie-if we don't kill each other first. All it takes is a few hundred hours of work and an abundant supply of wine. Any takers out there?

I started club racing a few years ago. The SC has officially crossed the line and finds itself on a trailer to events instead of being driven on its own. I actually miss the run what you bring way of doing things, but when you cut that first hole in the dash to fit in the roll cage, there is no turning back.

I have truly enjoyed the new friendships and camaraderie that is all a part of the PCA "experience", and I look forward to continuing that for years to come.

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ATTENTION CAR NUMBER HOLDERS: PAST, PRESENT AND FUTURE

Norma Nada, Keeper of Car Numbers

Yup, that time has come again and as another driving season is upon us, the car number listing continues to get longer, requests are rolling in and maintaining the list has become quite the duty, but a fun one at that too. Therefore, in order to help keep car numbers from getting stale, you must participate in at least one RMR/AMR driving (autocross time trial or track) event every two years to maintain your car number. (Reminder: two years of non-participation of one's car number in a driving event renders a car number stale.) When the car number becomes stale from lack of use during the 2006 and 2007 driving seasons, the number becomes available in 2008 to the first person requesting that number. If you have not participated in an RMR/AMR driving events for at least a couple of years, your number could have been reassigned. Please check with me before entering an event, especially if you are holding a one or two-digit number as these are popular requests and the first to get assigned.

Your car number is like a license plate, one per car. You cannot use your car number on more than one car during the driving event season. Next year you can transfer your car number from one car to another. You can also change your car number before your FIRST driving event for the season. Be kind and refrain from hogging numbers; if you have no intention of using your other car number, please let me know so it can become available to someone else.

Requests for car numbers for the 2008 driving season are now being received. New members/drivers, if you have a favorite car number, please contact me to see if it is available. Otherwise I (or the event registrar) will assign a number to you for your first driving event with RMR/AMR, which will be your car number for the remainder of this season.

Keep in mind that even though your car may have permanent numbering on it from participating in the events of another club (e.g. PCA Club Racing, RMVR, SCCA, etc.), you may NOT be entitled to use that same number for our driving events. Please check with me prior to entering an event and I will check your number against the list and, when possible, will assign you that number or a similar number.

Also, RMR/AMR is strongly discouraging the use of shoe polish on car windows (especially putting numbers on the rear quarter windows) as they become just too difficult to read when the car is at speed. Light contact tape (also known as painter's tape) in blue and/or white will be provided (found in the club's equipment van/trailer) to those cars not having magnetic or permanent car numbers. One can also purchase this tape from any Home Depot, Lowe's, etc. This tape has been found not to damage the paint on our Porsches.

When you order magnetic or permanent numbers for your car, remember timing personnel request that car numbers have the following specifications:

Large and readable from afar

(at least 9 inches in height and proportioned stroke)





Placed on both doors



Of a contrasting color
(For example, white numbers on black or dark-colored cars; black numbers on white or light-colored cars)

Simple looking



The graphics around car numbers are pretty and dress up a car, BUT the number becomes a blur, blending into the graphics, when the car is at speed. The car numbers are to be on the car at all times during an autocross/track driving event. Hard-to-read car numbers on the car means you may not be able to take the green flag to enter the course/track. Remember, during timed runs, if timing cannot read your car number, you get no time!

Timing is generally about 200 feet, if not farther, away from the track and located on the straightaway. Your car will be going at a higher rate of speed than when turning a corner. Fancy graphics surrounding car numbers become a blur as they pass the timing station.

During the practice sessions, corner stations are to call in to the control station the car involved in a track incident — going off-track, spinning, etc. Distances between corners are generally of some distance, and if the corner station cannot read your car number, they cannot properly call in the situation and identify the car by its car number.

If you have any questions or would like to request/change a car number, please contact me by e-mail (sloporsche@aol.com), call (303-740-7600-w or 303-699-9360-h), or drop me a note at 6320 So. Gibraltar Circle, Centennial, CO 80016.

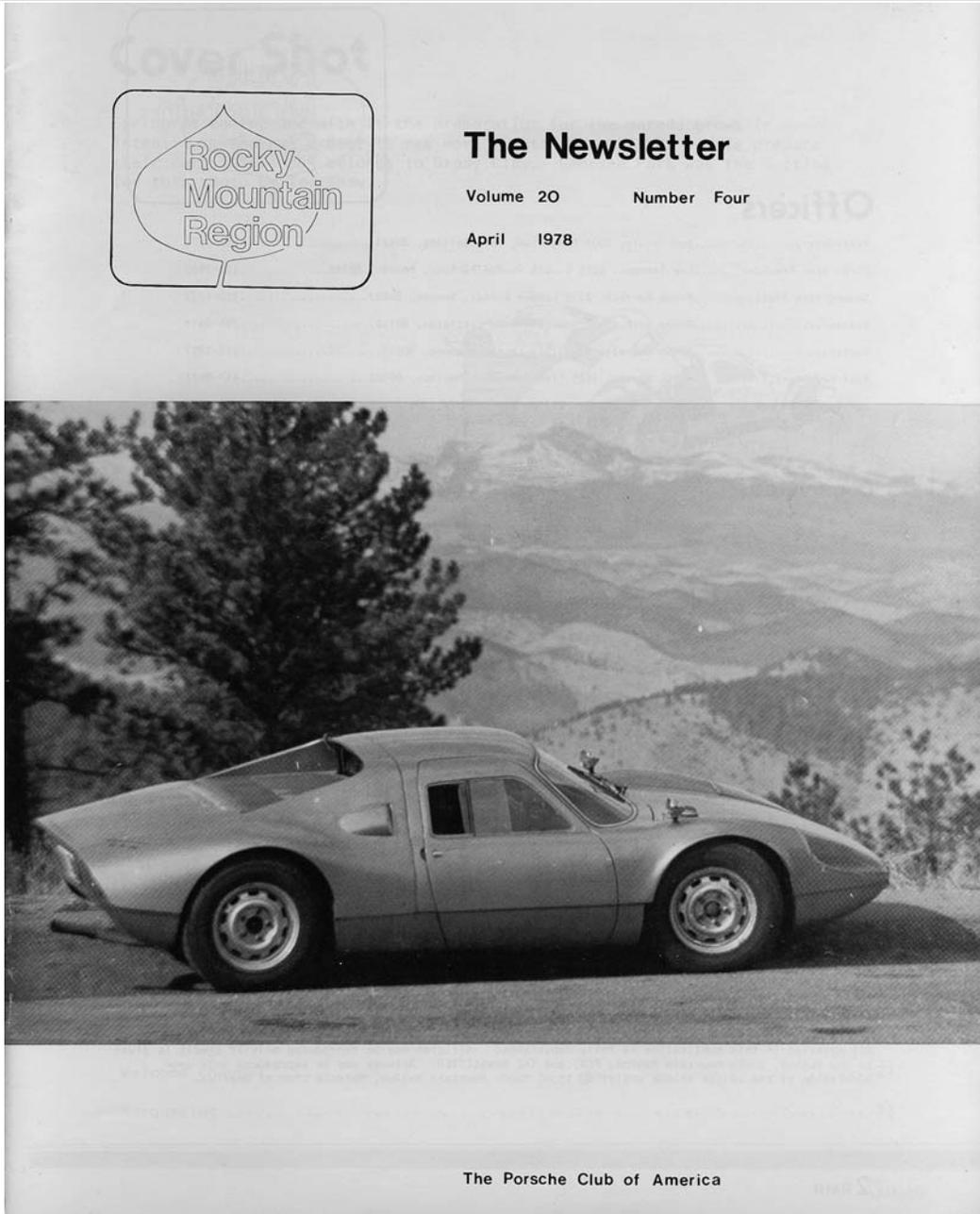
Thank you and see you at an event soon!

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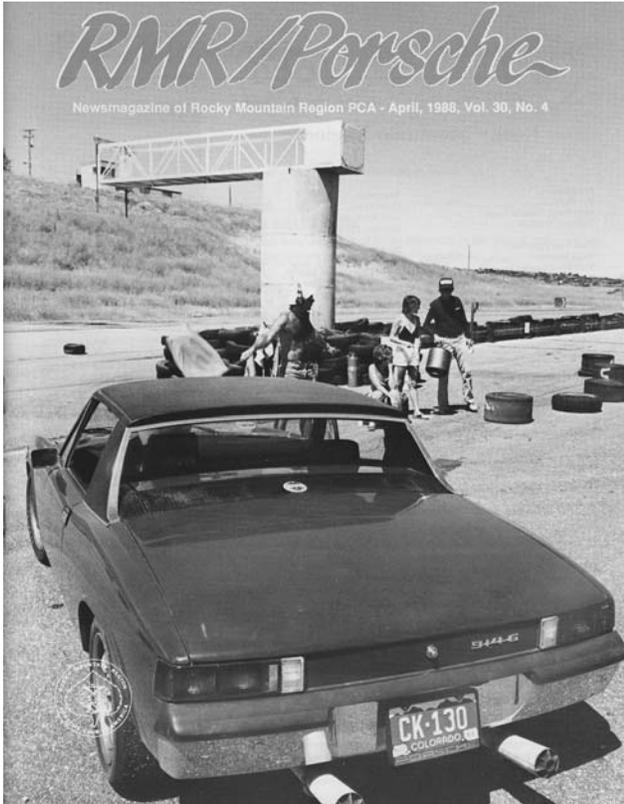


30 YEARS AGO
The April 1978 cover featured a rare 904
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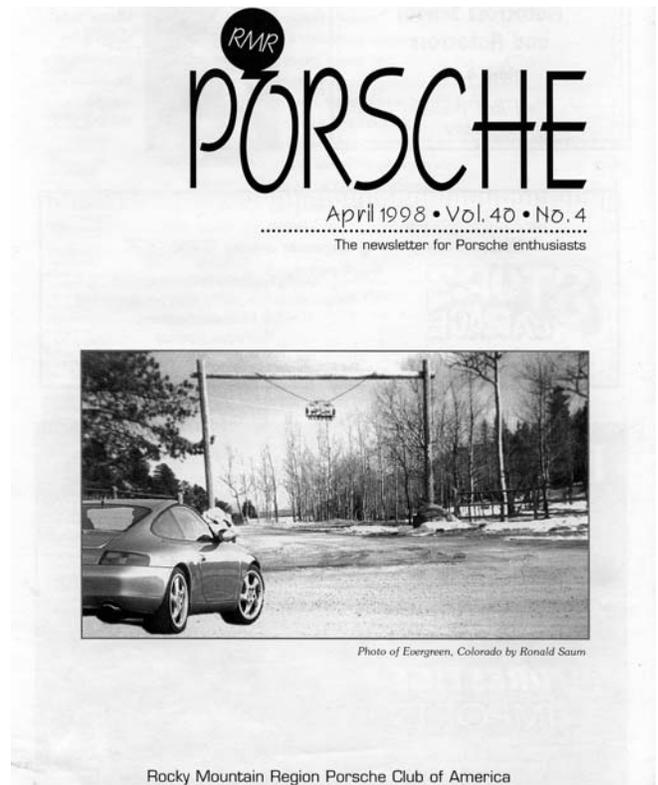


REARVIEW



20 YEARS AGO
Remember CDR?
Photo: Frank Barret

10 YEARS AGO
Spring is not here until your
Porsche is in gear!
Photo: Ronald Saum





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AMR SAND DUNES TOUR MAY 10-11, 2008



Due to popular demand, we are bringing back the very popular Sand Dunes Tour in 2008! This event has sold out quickly when we have run it in the past, so you are encouraged to sign up early to avoid disappointment.

Registration will be open from March 25th to April 10th, 2008, or until sold out (which could be sooner). This tour filled up very quickly last time we ran it, and space is limited, so sign up early to avoid disappointment.

Register online at pcaalpine.motorsportreg.com and don't forget to make your lodging arrangements!

Saturday, May 10th - breakfast and lunch are included with your registration, along with a very scenic drive to Great Sand Dunes. In the evening, we'll have a group dinner (dinner cost not included in registration).

Sunday, May 11th - we are organizing an off-road tour in the park, followed by time to explore this spectacular park, and/or just relax (with the river at the base of the dunes, it's like a day at the beach). Head home whenever you like.

Registration is \$80 per person. Remember this includes breakfast AND lunch on Saturday, the off-road tour on Sunday, and other goodies.

Lodging arrangements should be made directly with the Great Sand Dunes Lodge at 719-378-2900. Your reservations will be accepted after March 25th. Mention you're with the Porsche Club. Rate is expected to be \$89. We have reserved the entire lodge, but it only has 10 rooms, so it will fill up quickly.

We also have two rooms reserved at the nearby (less than a mile) Great Sand Dunes Oasis. Rate there is also expected to be \$89 per room. Great for two couples who would like a "place of their own". Call Mike to reserve at 719-378-2222 (again, not before March 25th), and mention you're with the Porsche Club.

If both of these spots fill up, a very nice overflow option is the Fort Garland Motor Inn (about 20 mi from the Dunes). We have not made specific plans, but contact them at 719-379-2880 if our two "preferred" locations fill up.

Questions? Send them to cjlennon@comcast.net.





MEMBER ADS

Classified ads are free to RMR/PCA members. Ads must be for items personally owned by the RMR member. No commercial ads. Ads for nonmembers are \$10 for 1 month. Ads must be 150 words or less. Deadline for classified ad submission is the 10th for the next month's issue. Unless otherwise notified, ads will run for two issues. E-mail your ad to: newsletter@rmrporscheclub.com

For Sale: Wheels and Tires from 2003 Boxster. These were the optional (\$2,920) Light Alloy Carrera Wheels: 2 Front 18 X 7.5 ET50 w/ 225/40 Michelin Pilot Sport tires, 25% tread left plus 2 brand new unmounted 225/40 MPS and 2 Rear 18 X 9 ET52 w/ 265/35 MPS tires, 50% tread left. Wheels are in almost new condition. Photos available by email. \$2,000 OBO. Bruce at bw.waddle@comcast.net or 303-772-8178 (April)

For Sale: 2007 Audi RS4. Daytona Grey/Black Interior. 13,500 miles. Only option is Sunroof Delete. 3M Clear Bra. No mods. No paintwork. No Surprises. \$60,900. Email josephbank@comcast.net (April)

For Sale: Brand new, never ridden Strida folding bike. it is an amazing piece of equipment and would make a great pit run about. it folds or unfolds in 10 seconds and is easy to ride and weighs about 19 lbs.. This bike will accommodate a rider up to 6' 2" and 225 lbs. it retails for around \$800. You can see it on www.strida.us. The color is Porsche silver and I'm asking \$500. William Harsh at bailey913@aol.com or 970-420-9885 (April)

For Sale: 1983 911SC; Well maintained. Good daily driver or project car. Black/black. Upgraded tensioners and tie rods; new brake pads; pop-off valve. 175,000 miles. \$8900 OBO. Call 303-744-4743 (W); 303-674-6143 (H). (March)

For Sale: 2004 Audi Allroad 2.7T. 62000 miles, Tiptronic. New all-season tires on stock 17" rims, 1 year old snow tires on aftermarket 16" alloy rims. Full service completed 11/07, timing belt service 1/07 (good for another 70k miles). Must sell. \$19,000 OBO. Call Graeme 970- 481-7824. (March)

For Sale: 1972 Porsche 911 T, Original Owner purchased from Brumos Porsche in Jacksonville Fl. It was a pace car for the 1972 Daytona 250 mile Finale race. Gulf Oil sponsored the race and had the Porsche factory paid two cars, one Gulf Oil Racing Orange and the other Gulf Oil Racing Blue. Mine is the Orange one and after all the body modification work done it was repainted with the factory paint color code. The car is now a 911 "S" RSR body style; a complete work description completed to the body and engine can be seen on a Web Site: www.porsche911man.com along with some pictures of it or call 303-816-6635. (March)

For Sale: Original seats from my 1987 Carrera Coupe. I took them out to replace them with sport seats. The seats are Silver Gray in color. The driver's seat is a 4 way electric and in full working condition. The passenger seat is non electric. The passenger seat shows little to no wear. The driver's seat shows wear on out side bolster. Both for \$300.00. For pictures by e-mail or additional information please contact Roy Lange at (303) 838-2028 or roy.lange@cna.com. (March)

For Sale: 1997 BMW 740i, silver on silver, 198k, highway miles mostly, maintained by Murray Mtrs. \$6500 or best offer. This is wonderful driver, I decided to upgrade to the 01 740i, because I like the body style better than the newer ones, and 2001 was the last of this body style. This '97 is a beautiful car, a pleasure to drive. \$6500, all offers considered. Ed Blewett-cp 303 886 6871, or eblewett@comcast.net for photos. (March)

For Sale: 1970 914-6 #9140432321 factory green met. GT-5 PCA or Vintage Racing. Car built on original 914-6 owned 10 yrs, steel flares, RMVR log, engine w/ 4 races (1st in class all, fastest 2.0 Porsche, vintage raced only). 10K VDO tach, S instruments, large front cooler, fuel cell, cage, corbeau seat, 906 spec. Matching number 2.0 engine by AJRS, 46 webers, twin plug distributor, custom trans with quaiife, S brakes, vented rear brakes, brake bias, headers with phase 9 mufflers, 2 sets 7/8 Fuchs. Glass top/hood/trunk. Incredible/forgiving handling with poly/pin bearing suspension, weltmeister front bar and torsion bars, Koni sport over springs rear,+ more. Care was given to reproduce a factory GT with the best possible mechanicals available. Ready for the season. \$38,000 OBO. cafegh@aol.com for pics, specs. 970-260-9655. (March)





25TH EXOTIC SPORTS CAR SHOW AND CONCOURS D'ELEGANCE JUNE 8, 2008

Tom Scott

This is Daniel. He and many like him are what the Concours d'Elegance is all about! The Exotic Sports Car Show and Concours d'Elegance gives us an opportunity to help the 800 special needs children, ages six weeks to five years, that are served by Cerebral Palsy of Colorado. Our goal for this special year, the Concours 25th anniversary and RMR's 50th, is to raise \$125,000 for this very worthy program and these very special children.



Photo: Cerebral Palsey of Colorado

This year's event is Sunday, June 8th, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Arapahoe Community College, 5900 South Santa Fe Drive, Littleton, Colorado. We expect to have over 400 of the most beautiful, historical, exotic and classic sports cars from the Denver area. Many are rarely seen or driven and are brought out only for this grand event.

There are five ways you can support our fundraising:

Come out and enjoy the fabulous array of Porsches, Jaguars, Ferraris, Corvettes, Mercedes Benz, BMWs, Lotus, Maseratis, as well as a long list of other marques. Log on to the Cerebral Palsy's website at www.cpc.org you will find a coupon offering a \$1.00 discount on the \$10.00 spectator entrance contribution.

Volunteer to help us on the day of the show. The exotic car clubs in Denver join together to host and run this show so that more of the income can be provided to help these children. Just send me an email, tomlynns@aol.com or call, 303-819-0101, if you have a few hours to help registration, park cars, help judging and scoring, or work at the entrance gate.

Bring your special cars out to be judged or on display. This year we are changing our procedure and you can register directly using the Cerebral Palsy of Colorado web site at www.cpc.org, click on Exotic Sports Car Show, then retrieve the form to register your car on the following page. This is an RMR/AMR Challenge Series Event.

Donate a little extra. An additional \$10 per registration would bring in more than \$400 extra from our club. Of course, even if you don't register a car you can write a separate check to Cerebral Palsy of Colorado, 801 Yosemite St., Denver, CO 80230, Attn: Sandy Mariani.

If your company would like to participate as a Corporate Sponsor at levels ranging from \$500 to \$25,000 contact Sandy at 303-691-9339 X 1162 or smarini@cpc.org for more information.

To date the show has raised approximately \$800,000 for Cerebral Palsy, a tremendous feat! And we'd like it to be even better for the 25th anniversary! More cars! More people! And, of course, more money to support these special children! Children like Daniel. It really is about the children. Won't you help to commemorate our silver anniversary?

If you have any questions, please call me at (303) 819-0101 or email tomlynns@aol.com.





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