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The Passenger Seat

DEBRA STONER
NEWSLETTER EDITOR

I've made the same road trip for over 50 years—several times a year—to visit my parents. Last week's drive was no different: audiobook on, cruise control set, and the familiar miles rolling by.

What was different was spending four full days in a Memory Care Unit with my mom. During the visit, the TV stayed tuned (pretty much permanently) to Hallmark's "Christmas in July" marathon. It brought back so many fond memories of real Christmases past—when extended family gathered, laughter echoed, and traditions mattered.

Of course, not all trips have been smooth sleigh rides. We've driven through more than a few snowstorms and downpours over the years. One icy trip in particular had our car sliding imperceptibly—and even Mike, who rarely gets rattled, was apprehensive. I've since noticed how much his time on track has transformed his daily driving. The skills he's picked up—smooth inputs, awareness, and car control—show up every time we hit the road. And I feel very safe when he's at the wheel.

This month's issue highlights several ways you, too, can sharpen your driving skills—not just for the track, but for real-world conditions. Be sure to check out articles on Autocross, Maria's Message, Tire Rack Street Survival, and our fall HPDE, which even includes a "Driver Lite" option for those curious but not quite ready to go full throttle.

Until next time, stay safe—and maybe don't wait until December to enjoy a little Christmas spirit.



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MORPCA - Social Activities **By Melinda & Frank Todaro**

MORPCA members gathered at Executive Storage Estates for the June Third Thursday on Saturday, June 21st, for the ESE Third Annual Open house. Garage owners opened their doors showcasing their car collections and garage projects. Members parked their cars and took a tour of Color Fast Automotive shop across the street. Food trucks were on hand and a band played till 9pm.



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By
Mike Stoner
MORPCA Vice President

Autocross Pavement Wanted

For those of you who don't know, autocross is a timed motorsport event normally held in a large, paved surface with a course defined by cones (pylons). Only one car runs at a time and the focus is on car control, precision driving by avoiding knocking over cones to achieve the lowest time net of any cone penalties. Autocross is a fantastic way to learn more about your car's handling characteristics and car control without damaging the car. Speeds rarely exceed 50 mph, and crashes are all but impossible. MORPCA and PCA has a long history of autocross competitions including the IRAC (Inter Regional Autocross Competition) series where regions would compete against one another at a hosted location. It was quite popular and very competitive.

So, why haven't we offered any autocross events recently? To host an autocross we need a large, paved surface with few obstacles such as light poles, potholes, curbs and parking blocks such as an airfield or parking lot. The problem is that property owners see very little upside to renting us their parking lot. They fear liability (we have a \$10 million liability policy from PCA for all of our "moving car" events). They fear that we could damage their property with tire marks (sometimes) or hit something (almost never). Lastly, we typically have not paid a great deal of money to rent pavement, so the financial upside is small to the owner.

This issue is common to all regions as well as SCCA and other car clubs. But that doesn't mean that MORPCA has a solution. Yet.

I've written this article purposely to make you aware of a need we have for a 3-5 acre paved site to be used for autocross. Perhaps you know of a place or know someone who owns property or know of an abandoned factory, mall or school lot that might fit the bill.

Further, MORPCA has recently been instructing teenagers in a defensive driving and car control clinic organized by Maria's Message program that the Maria Tiberi Foundation and 10TV has been sponsoring. We have held these clinics at the Safe-lite AutoGlass HQ parking lot. There's a possibility, which we are exploring, of being able to hold autocross events at this parking lot but it is not assured. We also hope to host Tire Rack Street Survival at this location. Both Maria's and TRSS are meant to provide licensed driver teenagers with the tools they need to be better drivers on the street. If you know of any teenagers who have recently earned their driver's license, either of these programs would be very educational and fun. Check out the article on page 19 this month to learn more about them.

So, keep your eyes open for a 3-5 acre paved site and let me (vicepresident@morpca.org) or Kevin Hennessy (driving.events@morpca.org) know if you have any contacts or thoughts that might help us.

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Drive and Dine

By Jose Isern

Two remaining Drive and Dines for 2025

The next D&D event will be to Mid-Ohio for Parade Laps for Charity during the Fall HPDE on Sunday, August 30th.

We will close of the season on Oct. 12th with a Drive and Dine to Hocking Hills.

Here are some pictures from the July 13th Drive and Dine to the Packard Museum drive had 44 people in 24 cars driving from Shawnee Hills to Dayton. OVRPCA held a great event with lots of participation.

Big thanks to Bob Long for proposing and coordinating MOR's involvement.



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MORPCA End of Summer 3-day HPDE (w camping) August 29 / August 31

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- **Thursday** night after 5pm, registration plus load in and set up camp.
- **Friday** Lapping day for solo advanced drivers who have been signed off for open passing. Plenty on track time on the new Pavement. **DE Lite** program, this is a first-time driver program designed to give you a taste of a track weekend. It includes a classroom, car tech, one session with an instructor driving, and one session with instructor in the right seat. (signups will be limited and pending approval).
- **Track walk** Friday afternoon, highlighting the changes in the track pavement and the reference points on the new surface.
- **Saturday and Sunday** will be our traditional

instructed and solo run groups. As always we will provide plenty of track time. Typically 4 to 5 run groups per day depending on scheduling and track operations.

- **Depart Sunday late afternoon** leaving plenty of time to celebrate Labor Day on Monday.

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Jen Reynolds
Secretary

MORPCA Business Meeting Minutes for July 14, 2025

Meeting called to order by Mike Stoner, Vice President, at 6:30 p.m.

Attendees: Steve Eisenbrown*, Mike Stoner*, Debra Stoner*, Vicki Kilbourne*, Doug Kilbourne, Linda Grossglass*, Hal Grossglass, Kevin Hennessy*, Akash Vaswani, Jose Isern, Dave Stetson*, Stephanie Bahr, Frank Todaro*, Jennifer Reynolds*

* Indicates voting member

President's Report from Steve Eisenbrown, President - No news to report from PCA National. An update regarding member nametags will be ready to be published in DOS. Dave Stetson shared that he and Stephanie Bahr attended PCA Parade in Oklahoma City, OK. Other MORPCA members included Past President Chip Henderson and Past Membership Chair Connor Henderson, who works at the National PCA office, both of whom were promoting PCA Club Race. The 2026 PCA Parade will be held in Lake Placid, NY and 2027 will be held in Boise, ID. Dave advised the group to be very aware and mindful of risks related to AI when writing and discussing MORPCA membership information.

Treasurer's Report by Vicki Kilbourne, Treasurer - Vicki reported that she is transferring information to her new system. Discussion involved using Quick Books for the club's finances, currently \$99/month. One of the pros of the monthly program is that future club Treasurers will be able to access club financial records. Debra Stoner motioned that the board approve the recommendation to use Quick Books, which Dave seconded. With all in favor and none opposed, the motion passed.

Advertising by Akash Vaswani, Chairperson - Akash reported that advertisers are receiving the invoices and he is working with Debra to make adjustments as needed to ads published in DOS.

Membership by Linda Grossglass, Chairperson - Linda reported there were six new members and three members transferred out for a total of 1148 members. Discussion included recognizing there are differences between when PCA and MORPCA records lapsed members. Lapses and renewals may affect members' anniversary dates and their receipt of DOS.

Newsletter by Debra Stoner, Editor - Debra thanks all members who submitted information to DOS. If you have a topic or idea for a submission and want Debra to cover it in a future issue, please share with Debra. Great job on another full newsletter.

Communication by Kevin Hennessy, Chairperson - Kevin shared an overview of "Email 101" with the board of all the various reports that are run so that MORPCA members receive their club email announcements. There are up to 5000 email addresses used for some of his email blasts, depending on the topic. Some email blasts may have a reply to opt out or unsubscribe. If any member wishes to update an email address, re-subscribe, or transfers from another region, Kevin can help.

Social Activities by Frank and Melinda Todaro - Frank reported the June 21st event went well with 96 people registered. He is reviewing what went well and what to adjust for next year's event (discussion including adding a golf cart to help transport people

between parking and the venue). The July 24th event will be held at Performance Luxury Sport in partnership with BMWCCA and the August 21st event will be at Horsepower Farms. Additional event planning continues for Oktoberfest at HP Farms on September 14th and a September Third Thursday at Rife's Autobody. Frank noted that 2025 event prices are \$7.50 in advance and \$10 in person.

Concours/P2O by Mat Allison, Chairperson - Mat couldn't attend due to a prior meeting but is all ready for the MORPCA car show as part of the Arthritis Foundation event in Dublin.

Driving Events by Kevin Hennessy and Mike Stoner, Co-Chairpersons - **HPDE** - Kevin reported the Spring HPDE fell short in participation and the fees for Mid-Ohio Sports Car Course increased. Consensus maintains that HPDE on a Mother's Day weekend is less than ideal. MORPCA and NNJRPCA agreed in advance to split 50/50 any proceeds or shortfall; a shortfall of \$11,446.33 was calculated. Kevin proposed MOR sending payment to NNJR to cover the club's portion. Steve motioned to write a check to NNJR for \$5723.17, which Frank seconded. All approved and the motion passed. NNJR will decide if they will continue to co-host in 2026. Frank reported the Fall HPDE has 60 participants registered. He met with Byers to plan out the weekend events.

Drives and Dine - Jose reported that July's Packard Museum drive had 44 people in 24 cars driving from Shawnee Hills to Dayton. OVRPCA held a great event with lots of participation. Big thanks to Bob Long for proposing and coordinating MOR's involvement. The next D&D event will be to Mid-Ohio for Parade Laps for Charity during the Fall HPDE on Sunday, August 30th. A final D&D is planned for a drive to Hocking Hills.

Great Drives Finger Lakes - Mike Stoner has registration for 44 people in 22 cars. One NORPCA member is attending. Everything is confirmed and ready for a great drive.

Maria's Message - Kevin The Channel 10 supported event is going well with MOR's coaching support and a strong turnout of young drivers, particularly female drivers. Andy Welter requests more coaches and volunteers to help with the events, to be held August 16 and September 27. If you have an interest in coaching, contact Kevin or Andy. No experience necessary and training provided.

Safety by Chip Henderson, Chairperson - No report.

Charity - Mike Stoner, Chairperson - The D&D to Mid-Ohio Sports Car Course to partake in Parade Laps during the Fall HPDE. Money raised will be donated to Cancer Support Communities.

Old Business - No report.

New Business - Dave reported that new guidebooks for club officers are available. In addition, Dave commented about submitting content to PCA's publication, Panarama, as other regions are creating content and getting photos and captions published. There was discussion about finding pavement for reviving MOR's Autocross. Other clubs struggle with the same issue.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:16 p.m.



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We partnered with a Swedish designer for .fbx renderings—essential for aligning our vision. These were converted at Auto Research Center into engineering files for CFD testing. The outcome? Downforce on par with a 991.2 GT3 RS. Upright headlights created drag, so we added a roof-mounted wing and flush glass to improve rear aero—borrowing a page from Subaru’s STI playbook. Function drove every decision.

To correct scaling issues, we turned to Online Resources for a high-res 3D scan of the chassis and body panels. This scan enabled precise fabrication, including a GT-style stepped roof

formed from 19-gauge steel using the cutting-edge Figur G15 machine. Deleting the sunroof gave us a clean slate—but fabrication setbacks were already pushing us past our original timeline.

As components poured in—transmission from Australia, quarters from the Netherlands, hood inserts from Germany, and aero from Poland—Porsche Columbus managed logistics and even handled outstanding recalls. But bodywork became the biggest bottleneck.

Local shops fell short, so the Reaper went to Paint Solutions in Lexington, KY, a Keeneland Concours winner. There, undercoating removal turned into a monster job: 700 pounds of dry ice and countless hours. Chemical dips weren’t viable, but this alternative has cost us weeks. And time is running out.



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—Chip Richardson
MORPCA Member
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Driving skill takes time and practice to develop, and that is one reason why teen drivers have such a high accident rate. As sensible as a given teen may (or may not) be, it takes a while to build the expertise to drive safely, especially when confronted with emergencies.

That is where MORPCA's support of Tire Rack Street Survival (TRSS), and Maria's Message come in. You may be familiar with Street Survival, since 2003, it has trained over 30,000 students become more safe and responsible drivers. The school is a 1 day event, consisting of classroom and hands on driving exercises. This isn't your typical parallel parking, and "what does a yellow light mean" kind of class, it focuses on defensive driving, having a safe attitude, and hands on practice in car handling, emergency braking, and skid recovery.

The hands on portion of the class is set up in parking lots with courses marked by traffic cones, very similar to an autocross course. The course has slaloms, handling sections, acceleration / braking zones, and a skidpad. All driving is done with an experienced car coach in the passenger seat, giving coaching, feedback, and encouragement to the student.

Street Survival receives funding support from Tire Rack as the title sponsor, and schools are hosted by local chapters of the PCA, BMWCCA, and SCCA car clubs. Local chapters volunteer to host the events, sourcing the venue, the recruiting and training the coaches, and marketing the event to attract students. TRSS national supplies the curriculum, handles sign up of students, and compensates the local club for the expenses of putting on the event.

Maria's Message is another teen driving safety organization that has the same format as Street Survival but is an abbreviated half day course. Maria's Message is a charity that was founded by Dom Tiberi (10TV Sports) and his family after the death of their daughter Maria in a distracted driving crash. This organization also funds the installation of advanced driving simulators across

Ohio. Maria's Message was using Mid Ohio's teen driving school coaches for the school, but last year they partnered with Street Survival national to handle the instruction. Safelite AutoGlass is a supporter of Maria's Message and has provided the classroom and pavement facilities to host the schools at their Dublin HQ just off I270.

Maria's Message handles the venue, insurance, and the sign up and recruiting of students. TRSS national supplies the classroom instruction, and MORPCA and Buckeye BMWCCA supply the in-car instruction from their ranks of experienced TRSS coaches.

MORPCA has an established history of hosting TRSS events, but has had challenges finding venues with suitable pavement and classroom facilities for the schools. However, the partnership with Maria's Message has helped the venue issue. In addition to assisting with 3 Maria's Message events last year, the club hosted our own Street Survival event at the Safelite HQ.

By the time of this publication, MORPCA driving coaches will have assisted with two Maria's Message schools, with a third planned for August 16. We are also hosting our own Tire Rack Street Survival on Saturday Sept 27th.

If you are interested coaching either Maria's Message, or Street Survival, contact andy.welter@gmail.com. For student signups, all Street Survival schools are listed at

<https://streetsurvival.org/register/>, with our school being the only one currently listed for Ohio.

Maria's Message events can be signed up by going to <https://mariasmessage.org>, this will redirect to an article on 10TV's site, and once signup is active for the August event, you can find the link there.





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Pit Stop Updates: Who's New, Who's Moving, Who's Celebrating



JULY 2025 ANNIVERSARIES

50 YEARS

C. Steve Yazo & Martha Shaw, 46 years

40 YEARS

Kathleen A. Rigg, 40 years

Philip & Amy La Pointe, 31

30 YEARS

Mark T. Baranoski & Emily L. Eby, 30 years

Jason & Stephanie Brua, 27

Gregory W. & Janice Adams, 24

Jeffrey A. Dupler, 23

Derek M. Strong, 23

Stephen & Elayne Gunder, 23

Geoffrey L. & Daryl Hulme, 22

Nicholas & Lani Davakis, 22

Jonathan Turner, 21

Jeff & Lorie Copeland, 21

20 YEARS

Bryan & Kris Dunlap, 20

Donald G. Astorian, 19

Pete & Steve Schaeffer, 17

John R. & Susan C. Fearon, 16

Michael K. & Shelly Myers, 14

Roberta M. & Jan Allan Nowak, 14

Joseph A. & Linda Igel, 13

Kenneth J. & Gail Goodrum, 13

Jeffrey Skokal, 11

Robert & Brandi Huffman, 11

Timothy Schiff, 11

10 YEARS

Cy & Linda Wolske, 10

William & Angela Fetter, 9

Pat & Susan Blake, 9

Roger & Linda Blackwell, 9

Don Hill, 8

William Notz, 8

Mitch & Denise Morrison, 7

Timothy Clement, 7

Steven Conkle, 7

Jim & Gwen Cady, 7

Terrance Barnes, 6

Ken Quick, 6

Kathleen Campbell, 6

Timothy Hecker, 6

NEW MEMBERS

Bobb L. Alloway, Marysville

Tim Gargasz, Powell

Steve Huller, Westerville

Scott M. Lydick, Bucyrus

John D. Mahon, Jr., Columbus

John Stuart, Plain City

TRANSFERS OUT

Jaqueline A. Bergdahl, to Ohio Valley (OHV)

Eric O'Brien, to Palmetto (PAL)

Tim Preece, to Carolinas (CAR)

C A L E N D A R O F E V E N T S

UPCOMING EVENTS		
DATE	START	EVENT
Thu Jul 24		Great DRIVES - July 23/27
		Finger Lakes, NY
Thu Jul 24	5:30 PM	4th Thursday (w/ BMW CCA)
		Performance Luxury Sport 750 Colemans Crossing Blvd, Marysville, OH 43040
Mon Aug 11	6:30 PM	Business Meeting
		Tentative Rusty Bucket Restaurant and Tavern, Easton
Sat Aug 16		Maria's Message (TRSS)
		Safelite AutoGlass 7400 Safelite Way, Columbus, OH 43235
Thu Aug 21	5:30 PM	3rd Thursday
		Horsepower Farms 4301 Home Road, Powell, OH 43065
Fri Aug 29		Fall HPDE @ MOSCC Aug 29/31
		Mid-Ohio Sports Car Course, 7721 Steam Corners Rd, Lexington, OH 44904
Mon Sep 8	6:30 PM	Business Meeting
		Tentative Rusty Bucket Restaurant and Tavern, Easton
Sun Sep 14	12:00 PM	Oktoberfest
		Horsepower Farms 4301 Home Rd, Powell, OH 43065, United States
Thu Sep 18	5:30 PM	3rd Thursday
		Rife's Autobody 2300 Cardigan Ave, Columbus, OH 43215, United States
Sun Oct 12	9:00 AM	Drive & Dine
		Hocking Hills State Park 19852 SR-64 S, Logan, OH 43138,
Mon Oct 13	6:30 PM	Business Meeting
		Tentative Rusty Bucket Restaurant and Tavern, Easton
Thu Oct 16	5:30 PM	3rd Thursday
		TBD
Mon Nov 10	6:30 PM	Business Meeting
		Tentative Rusty Bucket Restaurant and Tavern, Easton
Mon Dec 8	6:30 PM	Business Meeting
		Tentative Rusty Bucket Restaurant and Tavern, Easton

Event planning for the 2025 calendar subject to change.
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