

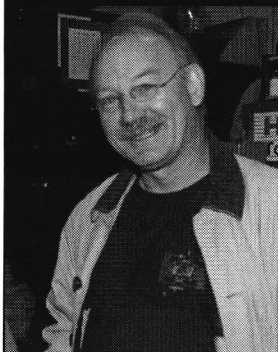
Auspuff Roar

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PRESIDENT'S LETTER

Michael Heilmann



Kurt Vonnegut called Indianapolis home because he had uncles and aunts and "tons of cousins there". The late author often said that people needed more cousins in life. In fact, he thought it would be a great idea to assign people cousins so that they could have someone to rely on when they went to another city. The 356 Internet communities have given me a lot of 356 "cousins". You know, folks that you really don't know, but you talk to them online and they give you valuable information about an obscure part. At a West Coast Swap meet the organizers suggested 356 folks list their 356 Talk user names on their name tags. It gives you a chance to put a face to a name. It's always great to finally meet people that you kind of already know. Hey Pete, "This is

Mike; he bought that old wheel from you!"

In a few weeks, the East Coast Holiday will be here and you will have an opportunity to share the fellowship of the National 356 community in Boyne Country. As skiers, our family loves "Up North". Summer is even better in Northwest Michigan. The

great smell of the woods and the sunny glare on the lakes is what we wait all winter for. Imagine motoring past Deer Lake on the way to a well planned Holiday event. The ECH Committee is finishing two years preparation for this five star event. I guarantee you that you will meet many long lost shirt tale 356 "cousins" at the 2007 ECH. IF you are on the fence of whether or not to go, hit the default button, which is break out the debit card and GO!

Before you hit the highway, be sure to go to the Detailing Seminar at Munk's Motors. Chris Braden is hosting the "Devil is in the Details" June event at his Waterford Facility that will feature the Concours Gurus explain how to Wax on and Wax off. Hint: It has nothing to do with Karate. It is a must attend session. I have always felt a well detailed car ran better and was more trouble free.

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My son is shopping for his first car. I am flabbergasted on how many odometers on local used cars have hit 200 thousand miles and the cars still look pretty good. "She starts right up" the seller said. A spin around the block quickly reminds one of the fact that there is no free automotive lunch. Parts wear out and tires suffer from old age. A trip to the 2007 ECH should be preceded by a tech inspection by one of our loyal advertisers. Kick the tires, change the oil, flush the brake system and join the cavalcade of 356 that are heading to Boyne Highlands in Harbor Springs in late June. There are probably more valuable cars than a 356. There are certainly faster cars than a 356, but a drive Up North in your own 356 will allow you to live the

Porsche Advertising theme of 1964:

"...delivers more sheer driving pleasure than anything else on wheels."

See you at the East Coast Holiday

MIKE

East Coast Holiday Information and contents April/ May 1, 2007

In this issue of Auspuff we are dedicating most of the contents to cover information concerning our coming East Coast Holiday June 26 to July 1, 2007. The schedule of events can be found in our website or in the 356 Registry Magazine.

In this issue we have included work schedules to once more plea for worker volunteers, with information and reservation instructions for special events at the holiday. A form for some special Holiday merchandise for pre-Holiday ordering is provided for Gruppe members to reserve these special items.

Please mark June 7 on your Calendar to attend the Holiday orientation meeting as announced in this issue.

On The Cover

Sebastian Gaeta fits the top to Gottfried's Cabriolet after the car received full body and paint work. With the help of Bill Rohrer, Bill Toburen and Dan Mazur, the car went back together over two weekends. See story on page 10.



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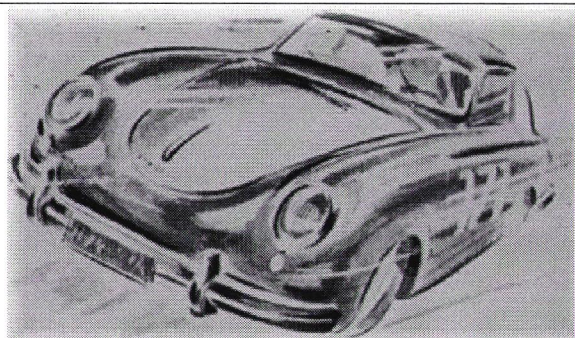
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EDITOR'S LETTER



DICK BEECHER

This is kind of a special issue of the Auspuff as we do not have the usual articles and event reports. We dedicate most of the contents to information regarding our forthcoming Holiday,

Our Holiday is an important event for all of us as we work toward making it the best Holiday ever.

However. Also of great importance in this issue we announce some changes that will be coming for our publication.

Twelve years ago Sebastian Gaeta took over as Editor and publisher of the Motor Cities Gruppe Newsletter. At that time, that's exactly what this communication was

called.

After all those years of hard work and dedication Sebastian will soon be taking a well-deserved break. Over those twelve years I think we will all agree the improvements have been many and outstanding. When Sebastian took over the newsletter, he felt that the

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publication needed a name, and the Gruppe voted “yes” on Vic Skirmants’ suggestion of “Auspuff Roar”. It remains that to this day. Continuous improvements have been made over the years. A number of years ago Sebastian was assisted by his great friend, the exceptionally talented Gottfried Hough, to produce what is one of the best newsletters in the Registry. Gottfried’s legacy in his photography and influence lives on with us in the Auspuff.

A few years ago this author was asked to help with the Auspuff as Sebastian’s “assistant”. It was around the time of our Holiday party. When I looked at the year end issue distributed that evening I had been promoted from assistant to Editor with out even producing one article. Being concerned with my role I was assured by Sebastian to just follow up on articles, collect material, photos, write an Editor’s letter

and send it all to him. And that’s just what I did. It didn’t seem that I was doing that much to develop the publication, however Sebastian assured me that it was of assistance to him. He then, each issue, “did his magic” with all the stuff I sent him and resulted in a completed publication. His computer skills and talent have always amazed me. In addition to the Editor and Publisher functions, Sebastian was usually the planner and host of many of the past spring tours.

So, although we will miss Sebastian’s skills and hard work, he is well deserving of a rest for a while. We will still be able to read his column in the Registry on 356 related E-Bay items. The next time you see Sebastian thank him for his hard work.

It is also my pleasure to announce that the talented Dan Christie will be taking over the Publisher function. We look forward to Dan’s artistic abilities in future issues of the Auspuff Roar. We will

see much of Dan’s artistic skills in his development of the Holiday event logos for the East Coast Holiday.

For the time being I will continue on as the Editor and as always will be looking for some help. Keep those articles, pictures, and stories coming, my mailbox is always open.

2007 East Coast Holiday Special Merchandise

A selection of special items has been developed specifically for the 2007 Holiday. These high quality items are being offered to Gruppe members for pre-Holiday ordering. They are now being produced so pictures of the items are not yet available. We predict that they will go fast so put your order in now. The full color cloisonné event badges are offered individually or in a boxed set and are certain to become a collector's item. Send your orders now to reserve your selection for pick up at the Holiday.

Sales Order

356 East Coast Holiday 2007

Goodie Store Items

Customer:

Name: _____

Address: _____

City, St, Zip: _____

Phone: _____

Quantity	Description	Packaging	Unit Price	Line Total
	Double Old Fashion Glasses with Blue Holiday logo	Set of 4	\$ 20.00	
	Wine Glasses with twisted stem & Blue Holiday logo	Set of 4	35.00	
	Soft Cooler (12 pack size) - Black with White Holiday logo	Set of 1	25.00	
	Coffee Mug - Black with White Holiday logo	Set of 4	25.00	
	Golf Size Umbrella - Black/Pewter with Black Holiday logo	Set of 1	35.00	
	Hat - Stone with black sandwich rim; 356 car on front; 356 HOLIDAY 2007 on back	Set of 1	25.00	
	Apron 22"x30" adjustable neck strap; full color Holiday logo; 100% cotton with wrinkle-resistant finish and 2 pockets	Set of 1	35.00	
	Label Pin with full color Holiday logo	Set of 1	5.00	
	Car badges - set of 5	Set of 5	165.00	
	Car badge - full color cloisonné Holiday logo	Set of 1	35.00	
	Car badge - full color cloisonné Mackinac logo	Set of 1	35.00	
	Car badge - full color cloisonné Gymkhana logo	Set of 1	35.00	
	Car badge - full color cloisonné Wine Tour logo	Set of 1	35.00	
	Car badge - full color cloisonné Hill Climb logo	Set of 1	35.00	
	Key fob with full color Holiday logo	Set of 1	6.00	
	Patches - full color with each logo	Set of 5	25.00	
	Polo shirt with full color Holiday logo	Set of 1	45.00	
	Windbreakers - Navy blue nylon with full color Holiday logo	Set of 1	35.00	

Orders will be available for pick-up at the 356 Holiday Goodie Store, otherwise please note on

this order form if you need a different type of delivery.

Make checks or money-order payable to: 356 Motor Cities Gruppe

Return order form with check or money-order to:

Nancy Count

3563 Oakleaf Drive

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Subtotal

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MOTOR CITIES GRUPPE 2006 CALENDAR

June 2	Board Meeting	September 7-9	Watkins Glen
June 9	356 Tech @ Munks "The Devil is in the Details (detailing tech session)"	September 16	Drive your Porsche Day (Dr. Porsche's B'Day on September 18th)
June 8, 9	Stoddards Toy/Literature & Swap Meet		National Drive your Porsche Day is Sunday September 16th
June 23, 24	Bay Harbor Concurs Show	September TBD	Fall Color Tour (Tom Hudson & Dave Preston)
June 26 – July 1st	2007 East Coats Holiday – Boyne Highlands		
June 30 – July 1st	Mid Ohio		
July 1-5	Porsche PCNA Parade – San Diego	October 6	Board Meeting (plan for 2008 election)
August 5	Meadowbrook Concurs Car Show	November 1-4	Rennsport Reunion III – Daytona Beach
August 12	Skirmants Annual Club Picnic		
August 12	Board Meeting (before picnic)	December 1	Board Meeting
August 13-18	Woodward Dream Cruise Week	December 9	Christmas Party – Canterbury Village
August 16	Dream Cruise Evening Gathering @ the Petersons		

356 East Coast Holiday 2007 Fashion Show

If you have a passion for fashion join us for brunch in beautiful Harbor Springs.

Several of the top clothing boutiques in Harbor Springs have organized a fashion show exclusively for Porsche Holiday attendees on Thursday June 28th. The event will be hosted by Stafford's Pier Restaurant beginning at 10:30am in the Pointer Room overlooking Little Traverse Bay and the historic Harbor Springs yacht basin. A brunch will be served at 11:00am and the show will conclude by 12:15pm. The menu includes chicken salad with cantaloupe, breads, dessert and a non-alcoholic beverage. The cost is \$20 per person and there will be a cash bar for those who would like to enjoy a cocktail. Please reserve your spot early as 50 attendees are required and space is limited.

Make checks payable to: 356 Motor Cities Gruppe

Send checks to and attendee information to: Mary Hinz, 210 E. Main Street, Harbor Springs, MI 49740

Please include the Names of the individuals in your party:

The Devil's in the Details



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Pre-registration is NOT required. For more info or to have your car featured, email:

devil@munks.com

This clinic is for the Porsche owner who DRIVES the car (although you will see some great garage queens)

To all of the **356 Motor Cities Gruppe** members:

Are you planning on attending **OUR** Holiday event at Boyne Highlands this summer?
June 26 – July 1

If so, we call upon you to volunteer to help. Our Holiday has been over two years in the planning stage. Now we are getting close to the time to put on the best Holiday ever. We need helpers for: the following activities:

Registration: (6 people per shift.) (3 hr. shifts)
Tue 11-2, 2-5 & 5-8
Wed 8-11, 11-2, 2-5 & 5-8
Thur 8-11, 11-2, 2-5 & 5-8
(Fri 8- 11, 11-2. After-see Registrar)
(1 person, only if registrants not arrived)

Hospitality: (1 person per shift) (2-3 hr. shifts)
Tue 4-6, & 6-8 pm
Wed 8-11, filled, 2-5, 5-7 & 7-9
Thur 8-11, 11-2, filled, 5-7 & 7-9
Fri 8-11, 11-2, 2-5, 5-7 & 7-9
Sat 8-11, filled, 2-5, 5-7 & 7-9
Sun 8-12 am

The Goodie Store set-up, Tue 8 am- 3 pm Sell, 4-6 pm
(2 people per shift) Wed Sell 10-12 am, & 4-6 pm
Thur Sell 10-12 am, & 4-6 pm
Fri Sell 10-12 am, 1-4 & 4-6
(2-3 hr. shifts) Sat Sell 2-4 pm
Sun Sell 8- 10 am

Hill Climb Thur 8-12 12-4 4-8 (or done)
15 people per shift-4 hr. shifts

Gymkhana Thur 8-12 12-4 4-8 (or done)
15 people per shift-4 hr. shifts

Concours Sat. 8-11am (15 people) (8-complete)

Note that shifts are scheduled so that member volunteers will have time to enjoy the Holiday events.
Please-consider what you feel you can contribute in time. It is not necessary to select a specific event. Just advise that your willing to work any event and we will fit you in where needed Be sure to consider and advise of the events that you will attend so assignments will not conflict with your participation

Contact: Lanita Dunham- Work Schedule coordinator, @ Ph 810-225-6126 or E-mail to: taylorlundunham@sbcglobal.net Or send your list to Lanita Dunham, 12277 Jacoby Rd., Milford, MI 48380 **ASAP.**

(You'll get an attractive worker t-shirt for your time) (Let me know what size)!!

Thanks for all responses!

Classifieds

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The Anna & Ludwig Hogh Memorial Scholarship Fund at Albion College

In memory of Gottfried, the Motor Cities Gruppe has donated \$1,000 to the Anna & Ludwig Hogh Memorial Scholarship Fund at Albion College (Gottfried's parents).

If you desire to personally contribute, make out your check to "Albion College", noting the above Scholarship Fund and send to Gottfried's sister, Mrs. Inge Baumgartner, 411 Darrow Street, Albion, Michigan 49224.

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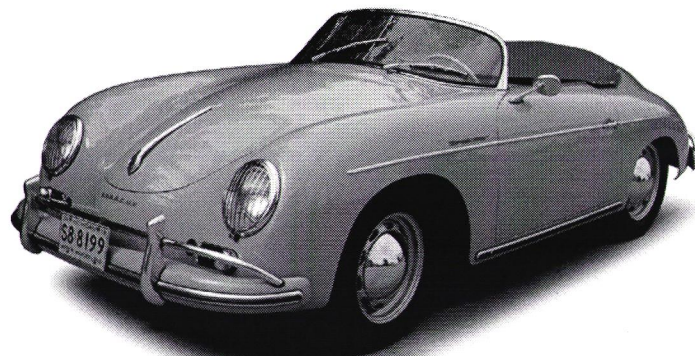
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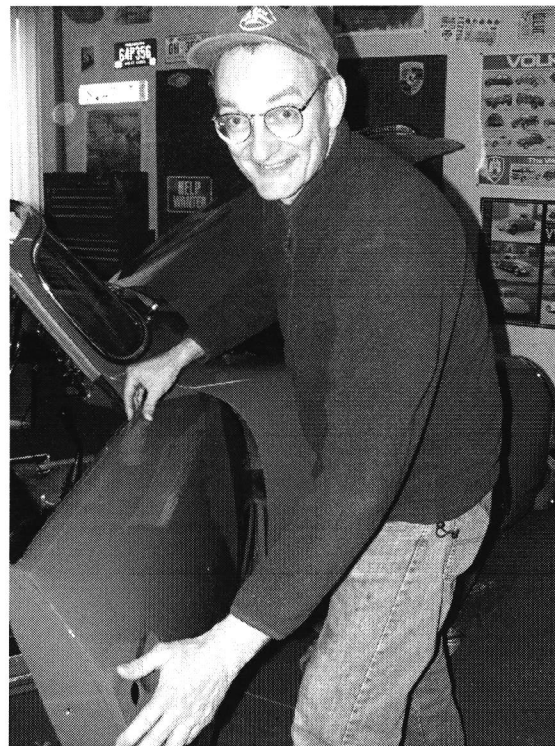
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Puttin' One Back Together!

Story and Photos by Dan Mazur

With the east coast holiday coming early this year, and in our own backyard, the Motor City Gruppe are pitching in to help each other get their cars looking the best for the event. And so it was that four gruppe converged on the Auto Union Garage in Willis to reassemble Sebastian Gaeta's '64 Cabriolet after a stunning red repaint. Bill Toburen lead the way with some much needed experience in hanging doors and assembling hardware. From use of body tape to protect the finish to understanding which parts to assemble first, Toby's vast experience with 356 and hot rodding really paid off. And when we got stuck, Bill Rorer was on hand with his fabulous Aetna



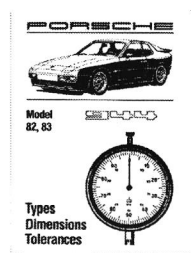
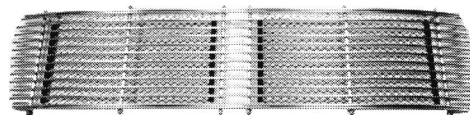
Blue 63 Super Cabriolet to provide a real life reference. His engineers eye and bag of tricks helped us to glide through some challenging tasks. This was the authors first experience in working on a freshly painted 356 and the extra care needed was apparent. For starters watches, belt buckles and Bling were checked at the door and I had to keep reminding myself not to stuff tools in my back pocket. We spent the better part of 8 hours to hang two doors, install the door trim and glass, fit the sill trim, install the top and interior trim and make a run to Willis' famous Pickle Barrel for lunch. Some of our discoveries and rediscoveries along the way included the following tid bits; The window regulator gets placed inside the door before the vent window and frame are reinstalled. Put the window crank on before the door handle to avoid interference. Check the door handle operation before refitting the door panel. If it fails to work it could be the cables hitting the inside sheet metal as the handle is opened. A little bit of lubricant in the door handle mechanism can bring back the crisp return snap that fades after 40 years. Yes, there are two fuzzy strips per door. Don't forget the one on the outside beneath the rubber trim. We were surprised to discover the door hinge cover sheet metal is stamped with the chassis number on the back side...add one more item to the list for number matching. For a short while we were transformed back in time 40 years to experience a bit of what it must have been like to work on the factory assembly team. It was a very fun day with lots of camaraderie and in the end Sebastian was smiling widely as he drove the fresh cabriolet home, top down in near perfect spring weather. I think that's why they call us a Gruppe!

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