



Porsche Club of America

LINCOLN TRAIL

IT'S NOT JUST THE CARS — IT'S THE PEOPLE

FEBRUARY 2024

Happy Valentine's Day to the Lincoln Trail PCA Members! 2024 is going to be a great year for our region. As many of you know, as of January 1, I have taken the reins from Jim Petruska and will be the new President of our Region. I am passionate about our region, and we have many new adventures planned for this year.

I have come to know Jim Petruska and appreciate his tireless efforts on behalf of the club. Keeping the club together in challenging times, including a global pandemic, was no small feat. I hope that all of you will join me for the "Jim Petruska Appreciation Dinner" on Saturday, March 23rd at Rob Dobs (5:30-9:00PM) at 801 N. Hershey Rd in Bloomington, IL. The Lincoln Trail PCA is covering this cost with appetizers, choice of 3 entrees and dessert. [RSVP on the website](#) or sending an email to lincolntrailpca@gmail.com

I also want to apologize for the delay in getting this newsletter out to the region. I have been working with Stacey Reed (Social Media Chair and Webmaster) and Jeff Trower (VP) on redoing the website and social media messaging. The website needed an overhaul; Stacey has done an amazing job redesigning our website and this will only get better with time. Please provide any feedback to lincolntrailpca@gmail.com.

We are also changing the registration process for the majority of club events using clubregistration.net this year. Utilizing Clubregistration offers the opportunity for the region to see who has sent an RSVP, as well as those registering to see who else is attending, streamlined attendance, and allows the appropriate PCA paperwork to be signed and organized and the option to pay online. PCA is pushing for this new registration process, and this will also help our events on social media platforms.

As many of us are getting our cars ready for a drive, John Henderson has put together a great Tech Session on Saturday, March 9, at Kauth & Mayeur (10:00AM – 12:00PM at 1710 W Detweiller Drive, Peoria, IL 61615). Learn from a Paint Maintenance Professional from Detail Peoria "Why, When, and How" to maintain your vehicle's outer beauty. Topics Include: Surface Maintenance Products: Best Old/New products, Stone chips – New vs old repair methods, Ceramic coatings – What are they really & do I need it? Coffee and doughnuts provided at the start and lunch provided at noon, courtesy of Kauth & Mayeur.

Please join us on April 13 for Cars and Coffee and enjoy the extensive car collection of Alan Strong. Alan has an impressive car collection that spans five buildings; his cars have taken him to the Tonight Show with Jay Leno and the Pebble Beach Concours. The Lincoln Trail PCA membership is covering the cost for this event. **THIS IS A MEMBERS ONLY EVENT.**

As I close this February update, please know that your board and President are working on some amazing events for our region in 2024. Route 66, Cars and Coffee, Dinners, Oktoberfest, and the Christmas Party are currently being planned; please continue to review the events page for updates. If you have an event for consideration or would like to volunteer, please reach out to me at president@ltr.pca.org.

Remember, it's not just the cars...it's the people!

Al Gietl – President

PCA Lincoln Trail Region Apparel Store

To get ready for our club season and show your Lincoln Trail Region affiliation, check out the Lincoln Trail Region PCA Webstore. Choose from men's and women's styles of tee shirts, polos and jackets in several colors. There are also a couple of style of hats currently available. Styles and selection will change depending on styles offered through the PCA . [Click here to check out the Lincoln Trail Region Apparel Store.](#)



Social Media

Please follow us on social media. There is a members Facebook group. [Click this link](#) or search on Lincoln Trail Region Porsche Club Group, once you request to join you will be asked to fill out a few questions identifying you as a member of the Lincoln Trial PCA.

Visit our website to see more information about upcoming events and register at www.ltr.pca.org.

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