

Item: Fast Lane #15 in 2022 Petergram (#109 since 2020)

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**From:** Peter Sontag writing from Steubenville, Ohio and back in

Oldsmar, Florida

To: Our Fast Lane Travel Customer Family and Friends at home

in Australia, Canada, Europe, Iceland, New Zealand,

Singapore, South Africa and in the USA!

**Subject: Fast Lane Classifieds and European Travel Update** 

I. NEW Petergram Feature: Classified. A couple months ago Bob Armes (Bob and Linda are 13-trips Alumni and charter members of the Fast Lane Travel Family), visited our office on 127 Forest Lakes Boulevard in Oldsmar, Florida, and made the following suggestion: "Why not add a Classifieds section to the Petergram? There are already informal transactions occurring within the Fast Lane Family. For example, I was looking for a Cayenne and John Russell had one for sale. So, I bought it and am very happy with it." My Comment: Thank you, Bob, great suggestion. Over the years as travel companions, we have forged many long-term relationships and have become the Fast Lane Travel Family. To many of us, our Porsches are like members of the family, and it



only makes sense to pass these heirlooms on to other Fast Lane PORSCHE Family members. Well now you can list, buy-sell-trade Porsche related cars, parts, and memorabilia. I'll feature the Classified in the section before my "Final Thoughts."

Furthermore, one of our Fast Lane Travel team members is Robert Malke, who has been on our trips as a customer, has become one of our drive guides and is our key **Brand Ambassador**. He, like me, was also born in Austria and is fluent in German. He attends the various car shows on our behalf. His "car knowledge" is unparalleled. Robert is also the owner of **Gulfstream Motorsports** and is a licensed Florida independent automobile dealer, automotive consultant, and <u>professional automobile appraiser</u>. For example, he testifies in court in insurance dispute cases.

With over 40 years' experience, Robert has bought and sold many contemporary, classic, and vintage cars including Porsches. His specialty is air cooled 911's and 356's. He travels to all the key events in the United States, such as Amelia Island and Pebble Beach Concours', Scottsdale Collector Car Week and SEMA. Robert also hosts a live weekly automotive and music radio show titled **Nostalgic Radio and Cars** with notable guests such a Jay Leno, Wayne Carini, John Oates, and Nick Mason to name a few. When you get a chance, please visit Robert's websites: <a href="https://www.gulfstreammotorsports.com">www.gulfstreammotorsports.com</a> and <a href="https://www.nostalgicradioandcars.com">www.nostalgicradioandcars.com</a>.

So, if you have anything that you would like to offer to the Fast Lane Travel Family and Friends, please go to **IV. Fast Lane Classifieds.** 

# II. What's Happening in Europe?

**A.** The **PCA Spring TREFFEN to Stuttgart** is ready to go at the end of this month.



**Everybody is driving the PORSCHE of their choice** on the Autobahn and in the Alps! I'm flying to Stuttgart on April 30<sup>th</sup> to get everything ready for the groups' arrival. We are fortunate to have

been able to secure, a rare these days, **tour** of the **PORSCHE Factory** plus also guided tours of the **PORSCHE** and

**MERCEDES Museums**. In my previous Petergrams I had mentioned the challenges we faced this year due to the pandemic and the ripple effect of reduced or stopped car production, plus various hotels temporary closures. Furthermore, the traditional Frühlingsfest after two years has re-opened but the beer tents are still closed by the City of Stuttgart. We'll miss that raucous party, but I have replaced it with a fun evening at the legendary Stuttgarter Stäffele with a special treat. Once we depart from Stuttgart we'll be heading east initially and then turn south on the wonderful A-7, straight nospeed-limit, Autobahn to the Alps., we'll have lunch at pristine scenic Forggenlake with magnificent Castle **Neuschwanstein** as a backdrop. After lunch, we will be heading into the Austrian Alps for some exciting high mountain pass driving. This year we have reserved a magnificent 5-star Chateau in Bavaria at the foothills of the **Austrian Alps**. It'll be a wonderful experience. Once on the trip, I will keep a daily log so



you can enjoy our wonderful Original PCA TREFFEN in Stuttgart vicariously. It's not too late to still join – but you need to say YES NOW. We



can accommodate three more couples

**B.** The **Twelve Alpine Passes PORSCHE Fest** is also going to be tons of **Alpine fun driving.** Switzerland has lifted all previous COVID-related constraints, including their mask mandate. We are finalizing all reservations as we speak and have added a couple of special features. Our first hotel in the Alps is the elegant (should be a 6-Star) Hotel Interalpen. We were able to book another night (all of Europe is sold out) for us. More in the next Petergram.

- C. The Fast Lane Alpine Adventure is finally back after a 2-year restrictions necessary absence. More good news: Thomas Höeferlin, despite his move to Tallahassee, has been able to re-join Fast Lane's employment on a part-time basis. He has been instrumental in developing, organizing and finalizing a number of our 2022 European PORSCHE Fest Tours. We are also planning to have him conduct his very special Alpine Adventure PORSCHE Fest from Tue. Sep. 20<sup>th</sup> to Sat. Oct. 1<sup>st</sup> 2022. We have also enhanced the trip with a new stay at a castle in Switzerland and some additional exciting routing.
- **D. Possible: Colorado PORSCHE Fest Rocky Mountain High.** Dear Fast Lane Family and Friends based on calls we have received I am putting out a **feeler** <u>if we get enough interest.</u> In order to conduct this trip, I need 10 couples ideally 14. This would be the 4<sup>th</sup> time we are conducting this popular tour. But we need, as with all tours a <u>minimum participation</u>. If you are interested: **PLEASE shoot me an e-mail** no obligation for the moment **YES**, we'd like to come if ten or more couples sign up. Allyn, our Agency Manager, is able to get us Colorado hotel space from **Sat. Jul. 9<sup>th</sup> to Mon. Jul. 18<sup>th</sup> 2022.** This would be the 4<sup>th</sup> time we are we are conducting this truly fabulous trip during THE best time of the year. Our included features, as always, are the awesome <u>Gateway Canyons Resort</u>; the <u>Ritz Carlton</u> at Bachelor's Gulch; the Cherokee Mountain Resort and the Air Force Academy.

	2022 Fast Lane PORSCHE Trips in Current Planning V-109							
Code	From	Date	То	Date	PORSCHE Tour	Highlight	pp Dble	
STR	Mon	2-May	Sat	7-May	PCA Spring PORSCHE TREFFEN in Stuttgart	Ready to take off!	\$	5,998
TAP	Tue	31-May	Thu	9-Jun	Twelve Alpine Passes PORSCHE Fest	LAST CALL	\$	12,998
LEM	Sun	5-Jun	Mon	13-Jun	The 90th 24-Hours of Le Mans Luxury Tour	Pit Pass, "50-yard line"	\$	20,000
COL	Sat	9-Jul	Mon	18-Jul	POSSIBLE: Colorado Rocky Mountain High	4th time - need 10 couples	\$	12,468
FTR	Sun	11-Sep	Sat	17-Sep	Original PCA Fall PORSCHE TREFFEN Stuttgart	Factory & Museum	\$	6,498
CAR	Tue	20-Sep	Thu	29-Sep	USA Carolinas Fall Colors - Tail of the Dragon	Filling Up NOW!	\$	11,998
FAA	Tue	20-Sep	Sat	1-Oct	Fast Lane Alpine Adventure (incl. a little Italy)	BACK after 2 Years!!	\$	16,898
AUS	Wed	21-Sep	Sat	1-Oct	Come Home to two Peters' Austria	NEW Luxury Experience	in design	
TPF	Mon	3-Oct	Sat	15-Oct	Tuscany PORSCHE Fest & Interalpen	SOLD OUT	SOLD OUT	
TPF2	Wed	12-Oct	Sun	23-Oct	Tuscany PORSCHE Fest & Interalpen #2	Almost SOLD OUT	\$	15,498
RWW	Sat	29-Oct	Tue	8-Nov	USA Romantic Wild West - fabulous sunsets	DON'T MISS ths TOUR	\$	11,998
XMS	Fri	2-Dec	Mon	12-Dec	Stuttgart X-Mas Market & Cruise to Vienna/Budapest	10 Christmas Markets	fron	\$5,200

III. Fast Lane Classifieds: Let's see if there is anyone looking for a car or is interested in selling a car or anything else? For example, on the domestic trips we occasionally get requests for car rentals. I wouldn't be surprised if anyone joining us on the Carolinas PORSCHE Fest might look for a PORSCHE and be happy to compensate the owner. For example, I have lent my 2003 red PORSCHE 911, 6-speed, sunroof coupe, already several times to various customers on our Colorado, Carolinas and Romantic Wild West PORSCHE Tours. In fact, some folks, who have visited Florida, have enjoyed that car driving around the State (a/c works nicely).

1983 Porsche 911Targa. Collectors Special! Body good and straight, Interior nice. Minor mods: Sparco steering wheel, aftermarket stereo, factory Fuchs 6 & 7" painted black rims, lowered, larger sway bars, front and rear factory Carrera spoilers, aftermarket fiberglass rear bumper and valance panel, SS free flow exhaust, mechanically sound and a great running and handling car in good driver condition. Has factory AC, missing compressor and brackets. Books, records and service work dating back to 2001. Includes original Monroney sticker (Window Sticker). Original color - Pewter, now repainted Porsche Mexico Blue, Miami Blue, Riviera Blue or Ford Grabber Blue or just Smurf Blue, your call...Shiny! Always garaged. The mileage is high, but service records back to 1993. Sold as is! SEE PICS! Clear title. Asking \$45K Website Link: http://gulfstreammotorsports.com/vehicle/1983-porsche-911-targa/ Call: +1 727 541 1741

**1984 Porsche 944 3 spoke steering wheel.** Black Leather with extended hub in good condition. May fit other years. Asking \$500. **Call +1 727-541-1741.** 

# IV. My Final Thoughts: Submitted by Alumni Ralph Sica – thank you

# **ADULT**

A person who has stopped growing at both ends And is now growing in the middle.

## **BEAUTY PARLOR**

A place where women curl up and dye.

# **CHICKENS**

The only animals you eat before they are born and after they are dead.

# COMMITTEE

A body that keeps minutes and wastes hours.

### DUST

Mud with the juice squeezed out.

# **EGOTIST**

Someone who is usually me-deep in conversation.

# **HANDKERCHIEF**

Cold Storage.

#### INFLATION

Cutting money in half without damaging the paper.

### MOSQUITO

An insect that makes you like flies better.

#### RAISIN

A grape with a sunburn.

### SECRET

Something you tell to one person at a time.

#### SKELETON

A bunch of bones with the person scraped off.

#### TOOTHACHE

The pain that drives you to extraction.

### <u>TOMORROW</u>

One of the greatest labor saving devices of today.

# YAWN

An honest opinion openly expressed.

# **WRINKLES**

Something other people have, similar to my character lines.

Please stay safe, healthy, and look forward to the great times we will have together again on the MANY fabulous **PORSCHE tours in 2022**. Please register for one of our **USA PORSCHE Tours** – we realty should get out now and have some fun!



All the best to you, Peter