



Item: Fast Lane #18 in 2022 Petergram (#113 since 2020)
Date: **Saturday, April 30th 2022**
From: Peter Sontag writing from LH 0403 on the way to **FRA** and connecting to **STR** on LH 1028
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: **The 2022 PCA Spring PORSCHE Treffen has started!**

PCA Spring TREFFEN Summary: All Hotels, Chalets, Restaurants are under contract and confirmed. Most importantly we are getting a rare, guided, tour in English (tours, of course, are normally in German and another dozen languages) of the **PORSCHE Factory and Museum**. Not only that, but we'll be crossing the **Alps into Austria**. Thomas has organized a coffee, strudel and pit stop after lunch at the renowned **Interalpen Hotel** – another rare treat! We are a small but fun group of 13 participants. Even better, **we are all driving new model PORSCHEs!** I am leading the group to the Alps in a Panamera, followed by six 911's and a Macan. Perfect! We have a very special person on this TREFFEN: **Louise Swartzwald**. In 1976, on the then first newly resurrected PCA TREFFEN (after a 14-year hiatus), we were fortunate to have her as a participant. After her TREFFEN experience, Louise wrote an article about the **1976 PCA TREFFEN** which was published on p. 20 in the **December 1976 PORSCHE PANORAMA Magazine**. Louise is planning to write another article, 47 years later, on our current 2022 **PCA PORSCHE TREFFEN**. I hope that the **PORSCHE PANORAMA Magazine** will publish it again. I guess we'll have to be on our best behavior. This year we will be conducting our 200th PORSCHE trip.



Here is a sample of our first driving day next week:

WEDNESDAY, May 4th –
We drive the best, least
traffic, no-speed limit
Autobahn, and cross the
Alps (~420 kms)

From **7:00 am Breakfast** is served at the Hotel's **Zeppelino dining room**.
8:30 am Check out of the **Hotel Graf Zeppelin** – if you have **large luggage**, you may leave it at the hotel storage – we're only gone for one night.

9:00 am We depart from The Graf Zeppelin Hotel in Stuttgart, in our PORSCHEs to Bavaria on the **Autobahn**. We'll see renowned **Castle Neuschwanstein** from a distance for a photo

opportunity (it's currently closed). Approx. **12:30 pm Lunch** on a lakeside terrace in Füssen on beautiful Lake Forggensee. After lunch we drive through a scenic Austrian Mountain Pass, with a breathtaking view of the **Zugspitze** to the legendary **Interalpen Hotel in Austria** for coffee and strudel. We then head back into Germany on beautiful country and mountain roads.

5:00 pm Check into our beautiful Bavarian Alpine Mountain Hotel.

6:30 pm Dinner Rustic Dining Room – wonderful cuisine. Tonight, you'll get a good night's rest in the Alps.





A. Fast Lane Travel Update: Based on current inquiries and registrations, THE most popular European trips are the PCA Fall **TREFFEN** and **Tuscany #2**. If you are planning to come on the **PCA Fall TREFFEN** in **Stuttgart**, you should sign up **NOW** please! Thank you.

B. The annual **Twelve Alpine Passes** is **SOLD OUT**. We can get PORSCHEs, but the hotels in Switzerland have no more space available. Thomas has done an outstanding job enhancing this awesome experience by extending the drive in **Austria** to Innsbruck, plus **Switzerland** now includes the renowned town of **St. Moritz**. It gets better every time we conduct this trip. Passo dello Stelvio and eleven more passes, here we come.

2022 Fast Lane PORSCHE Trips in Current Planning V-113						
From	Date	To	Date	PORSCHE Tour	Highlight	pp Dble
Mon	2-May	Sat	7-May	PCA SpringPORSCHE TREFFEN in Stuttgart	DEPARTED for Stuttgart	operating
Tue	31-May	Thu	9-Jun	Twelve Alpine Passes PORSCHE Fest	Awesome Alpine Driving	\$ 12,998
Sun	5-Jun	Mon	13-Jun	The 90th 24-Hours of Le Mans Luxury Tour	Pit Pass, "50-yard line"	\$ 18,498
Sun	11-Sep	Sat	17-Sep	Original PCA Fall PORSCHE TREFFEN Stuttgart	Factory & Museum	\$ 6,498
Tue	20-Sep	Thu	29-Sep	USA Carolinas Fall Colors - Tail of the Dragon	six spaces still available	\$ 11,998
Tue	20-Sep	Sat	1-Oct	Alpine Adventure: Beautiful Switzerland & Italy	details announced shortly	\$ 15,698
Wed	21-Sep	Sat	1-Oct	Come Home to two Peters' Austria	Moved to May/June 2023	2023
Mon	3-Oct	Sat	15-Oct	Tuscany PORSCHE Fest & Interlpen #1	SOLD OUT	SOLD OUT
Wed	12-Oct	Sun	23-Oct	Tuscany PORSCHE Fest & Interlpen #2	Register ASAP, selling out	\$ 15,498
Sat	29-Oct	Tue	8-Nov	Romantic Wild West - THE best of the USA	Don't miss out on this trip	\$ 11,998
Note: due to the doubled gas prices in Europe we may have to add a modest gas surcharge						

C. Coming Home with two Peters to Austria: We were compelled to **move this trip to 2023** since European Hotels in Tirol, Steiermark and Vienna, Austria are sold out for the balance of 2022. The demand for travel, understandably, has gone off the charts. We've been busy with the preparations for the Spring TREFFEN and haven't had a minute to focus on finishing the 2023 schedule. Thomas, Catherine, and I will be working on it and publishing it very soon.

D. The **TUSCANY PORSCHE Fest #2** is still available. I have reserved our favorite Tuscan estate overlooking the Montalcino Valley. From our dining terrace you can see the renowned luxurious **Ferragamo Golf Course** . . . and, yes, you have the time, and we have the privilege for you to enjoy an optional round at Ferragamo. If you are an equestrian our estate has horses available for you. Of course, a pool, tennis court, a soccer field and hiking trails are yours to enjoy. This is by far THE most popular of our European trips each year. We haven't been there since 2019 for obvious reasons and they are ready with the wine tasting, cooking class and open arms.

E. Our **US PORSCHE Fest** trips are a very attractive option for you if Europe is not in the cards for you this year. So, bring your own PORCHE, Corvette, '62 Cadillac, Lexus or whatever, to our superbly planned and organized **Carolinas** and **Romantic Wild West** tours. We conduct both US trips in THE most desirable time of the year in each location. The **Fall Colors of the Carolinas**. If you cannot bring your own car, we will assist you to rent one from PORSCHE Drive Atlanta or the Phoenix PORSCHE Dealer. Please check out these links: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=coKJcwb0nII> or this one <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=z8tGOBhxkdQ>

I. **My Final Thoughts:**

Two 90-year-old guys, Leo and Frank, had been friends all of their lives. When it was clear that Leo was dying, Frank visited him every day.

One day Frank said, "Leo, we both loved playing baseball and we played all through high school. Please do me one favor: when you get to heaven, somehow you must let me know if there's baseball there.

"Leo looked up at Frank from his deathbed and said, "Frank you've been my best friend for many years. If it's at all possible, I'll find a way to do this for you."

Shortly after that, Leo passed away.

A few nights later, Frank was awakened from a sound sleep by a blinding flash of white light and a voice calling out to him, "Frank...Frank"

"Who is it?" asked Frank sitting up suddenly. "Who is it?"

"Leo. it's me, Leo."

"You're not Leo. Leo you just died."

"I'm telling you it's me, Leo," insisted the voice.

"Leo! Where are you?"

"In Heaven," replied Leo. "I have some really good news and a little bad news."

"Tell me the good news first," said Frank.

"The good news," Leo said, "is that there's baseball in heaven. Better yet, all of our old buddies who died before us are here too. Better than that, we're all young again. Better still, it's always springtime, and it never rains or snows. And best of all, we can play baseball all we want, and we never get tired."

"That's fantastic," said Frank. "It's beyond my wildest dreams! So, what's the bad news?"

"You're pitching Tuesday."

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 really should get out now and have some fun!

All the best to you, Peter

