



**Item:** Fast Lane News #264 in 2025 (Issue # 12 since 2020). On March 22nd, 2025. I'm writing from our offices in beautiful Oldsmar, Florida along the shores of Tampa Bay & the **Gulf of America**

**To:** Our Fast Lane Travel Family in Australia, Canada, Dubai, Europe, Iceland, Israel, Japan, New Zealand, Singapore, South Africa and in the USA!



**Subjects:** AUDI cuts; Trip of the Week: The 12 Alpine Passes; My Final Thoughts: 1<sup>st</sup> Date; More of my happy memories.

**I. Audi to Cut 7,500 Jobs by 2029; Flattens Management Structure, WSJ by [Adam Whittaker](#)  
Automaker looking to achieve savings of €1 billion annually.**

Audi said the job cuts form part of its efforts to improve productivity, speed and flexibility. Audi said it will cut 7,500 jobs by 2029 following discussions with the works council as it looks to improve its future competitiveness. The luxury car manufacturer—which is part of the [Volkswagen Group](#)—said Monday that the job cuts form part of its efforts to improve productivity, speed and flexibility as Audi refocuses its portfolio and reduces bureaucracy.

Audi said the measures will help it achieve medium-term savings of more than 1 billion euros (\$1.08 billion) annually. “Economic conditions are becoming increasingly tougher, competitive pressure and political uncertainties are presenting the company with immense challenges,” Audi said. In light of the challenges, Audi and the works council have agreed to what they call socially responsible job cuts. They also agreed to extend the company’s job protection plan until the end of 2033.

Audi said it is flattening its management structure to three levels and is examining where digitalization can help reduce workloads. The car maker employs more than 87,000 people worldwide, with 54,000 in Germany.

**Fast Lane Good News:** we are planning a Germany trip starting in Munich for the **AUDI Club of America**, **Tuesday, September 16<sup>th</sup> – Sunday,**

**September 21<sup>st</sup>, 2025, plus an extension to the Italian Lake District: Lake Como, Lugano and Maggiore. Crank up those R8s.**

## **II. Trip of the Week: The 12 Alpine Passes . . . also known as . . . the Adrenaline Adventure 😊**

**Monday, June 16<sup>th</sup> - Wednesday June 25<sup>th</sup>, 2025**

This Fast Lane one-of-a-kind trip has an interesting background. About 20 years ago I got a phone call from Singapore's Chief Executive of the Singapore CPA Association, who told me that his group wanted to drive the highest mountain passes in Porsches in Europe. So, we went to work, and Thomas laid out a tour that met their desires. In fact, when you add up all the elevations of the 12 Alpine Passes, the cumulative elevations up to higher than 29,026 ft, which is the elevation of Mt. Everest. Not to worry, the highest pass we're crossing is the renowned **Passo dello Stelvio** at 9,045 ft. from Italy to Switzerland. My favorite - in Austria is the **Hahntennjoch Pass** at 6,214 ft. The lowest we'll be crossing is the **Brenner Pass** at 4,095.

So, if you are ready to elevate your driving experience to unparalleled heights? Fast Lane Travel invites you to join us on the **2025 Twelve Alpine Passes Tour** - a journey that promises fabulous driving, awesome scenery, luxurious 5-star hotels, and breathtaking vistas. Don't forget superb local cuisine and libations.

### **Tour Highlights:**

- **Exhilarating Drives:** Navigate twelve of the most spectacular Alpine passes, including the Hahntennjoch, Furka, Susten, Grimsel, Gerlos, and the iconic Grossglockner. Experience the thrill of conquering challenging curves, hairpin turns, and dramatic elevations.
- **Luxury Accommodations:** Relax in handpicked, luxurious hotels nestled amidst stunning mountain landscapes and serene Alpine lakes. Each stay offers a unique blend of comfort and local charm, ensuring you rejuvenate in style after each day's adventure.
- **Culinary Delights:** Savor delightful meals that showcase



regional flavors. In the evenings, unwind as the beer and wine flow, offering the perfect opportunity to reflect on the day's journey and bond with fellow travelers.

- **Cultural Exploration:** Beyond the thrill of the drive, immerse yourself in the rich cultures of Germany, Austria, Italy, Liechtenstein, and Switzerland. Explore picturesque villages, historic landmarks, and the enchanting Black Forest region.

### Tour Details:

- **Dates:** June 16 – June 25, 2025
- **Starting/Ending Point:** Stuttgart, Germany
- **Pricing:** \$12,998 per person, based on double occupancy

### Secure Your Spot Today:

Spaces for this exclusive tour are limited and fill up quickly. To ensure you don't miss out on this once-in-a-lifetime experience, reserve your spot now. A deposit of \$5,000 per couple/\$2,000 per single is required to confirm your reservation.

### Contact Us:

For more information or to make a reservation, please visit our website at <https://fastlanetravel.com/2025-adrenaline-adventure/> or contact us directly at:

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Don't miss this opportunity to drive through some of the world's most scenic routes on a Porsche, surrounded by fellow enthusiasts.

Please join us for the 2025 Twelve Alpine Passes Tour and create memories that will last a lifetime.

\*Fast Lane Travel, Inc. is a leader in luxury Porsche driving vacations, offering unparalleled experiences in Europe and the USA.



**III. My Final Thoughts – 1<sup>st</sup> Date:** Last week I had a call from one of my Porsche Buddies and, inevitably, at this stage in our lives, the topic of grandchildren came up. How time flies. He mentioned that his granddaughter was going out on her first date. So, trying to be helpful and understanding, I shared with him the “**Ten Rules for Dating My Daughter**” which I got years ago from a good and caring friend.

### **Ten Simple Rules for Dating My Daughter**

**Rule One:** If you pull into my driveway and honk, you'd better be delivering a package, because you're sure not picking anything up.

**Rule Two:** You do not touch my daughter in front of me. You may glance at her, as long as you do not peer at anything below her neck. If you cannot keep your eyes or hands off of my daughter's body, I will remove them.

**Rule Three:** I am aware that it is considered fashionable for boys of your age to wear their trousers so loosely that they appear to be falling off their hips. Please don't take this as an insult, but you and all of your friends are complete idiots. Still, I want to be fair and open-minded about this issue, so I propose this compromise: You may come to the door with your underwear showing and your pants ten sizes too big, and I will not object. However, in order to ensure that your clothes do not, in fact, come off during the course of your date with my daughter, I will take my electric nail gun and fasten your trousers securely in place to your waist.

**Rule Four:** I'm sure you've been told that in today's world, sex without utilizing a "barrier method" of some kind can kill you. Let me elaborate: When it comes to sex, I am the barrier, and I will kill you.

**Rule Five:** In order for us to get to know each other, we should talk about sports, politics, and other issues of the day. Please do not do this. The only information I require from you is an indication of when you expect to have my daughter safely back at my house, and the only word I need from you on this subject is "early."

**Rule Six:** I have no doubt you are a popular fellow, with many opportunities to date other girls. This is fine with me as long as it is okay with my daughter. Otherwise, once you have gone out with my little girl, you will continue to date no one but her until she is finished with you. If you make her cry, I will make you cry.

**Rule Seven:** As you stand in my front hallway, waiting for my daughter to appear, and more than an hour goes by, do not sigh and fidget. If you want to be on time for the movie, you should not be dating. My daughter is putting

on her makeup, a process that can take longer than painting the Golden Gate Bridge. Instead of just standing there, why don't you do something useful, like changing the oil in my car?

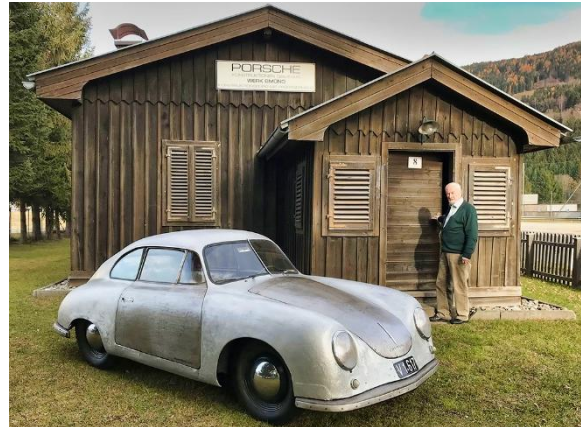
**Rule Eight:** The following places are not appropriate for a date with my daughter: Places where there are beds, sofas, or anything softer than a wooden stool. Places where there are no parents, policemen, or nuns within 20/20 eyesight. Places where there is darkness. Places where there is dancing, holding hands, or happiness. Places where the ambient temperature is warm enough to induce my daughter to wear shorts, tank tops, midriff T-shirts, or anything other than overalls, a sweater, and a goose-down parka zipped up to her throat. Movies with strong romantic or sexual themes are to be avoided; movies which feature chain saws are okay. Hockey games are okay. Old folk's homes are better.

**Rule Nine:** Do not lie to me. I may appear to be a pot-bellied, balding, middle-aged, dim-witted has-been. But on issues relating to my daughter, I am the all-knowing, merciless god of your universe. If I ask you where you are going and with whom, you have one chance to tell me the truth, the whole truth and nothing but the truth. I have a shotgun, a shovel, and five acres behind the house. Do not trifle with me.

**Rule Ten:** Be afraid. Be very afraid. It takes very little for me to mistake the sound of your car in the driveway for a chopper coming in over a rice paddy outside of Hanoi. When my Agent Orange starts acting up, the voices in my head frequently tell me to clean the guns as I wait for you to bring my daughter home. As soon as you pull into the driveway you should exit your car with both hands in plain sight. Speak the perimeter password, announce in a clear voice that you have brought my daughter home safely and early, then return to your car - there is no need for you to come inside. The camouflaged face at the window is mine.



#### IV. SOME MORE OF MY HAPPY MEMORIES









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***On your path to success, remember to always look forward with optimism. May you achieve your goals and find joy. We truly appreciate your business and can't wait to see you on tour!***

***Cheers- Peter***





