



LIFE in the FAST LANE™ #32 & issue #284 on Saturday, August 9th, 2025. I am writing from my family vacation in the Hamptons, NY. To: Our Fast Lane Travel Family in Australia, Canada, Dubai, all of Europe, Iceland, Israel, Japan, New Zealand, and the USA!



Subjects: I need a little family time in the Hamptons; Preview of our 1st Porsche trip in 2026 **plan ahead to join our fun and renowned** March 2026 Snowbird Rally in Florida; My FINAL THOUGHTS: Newspaper Headlines and Fond Memories' Pictures.

- I. **Relaxing in the Hamptons, Long Island, NY:** Like many families, we are spread out geographically but very close emotionally, of course. My daughter, Alicia, rents a house each August in this beautiful vacation spot on the eastern part of Long Island, NY, known as the Hamptons. My granddaughter, Billie, and grandson, Lukas, and I have a chance to do fun stuff together, like detailing our cars, play pool or air hockey, and making



plans for more trips together like the two weeks we spent in Austria in 2023 re-tracing OPA's (that's Austrian endearment for grandfather) childhood and early years before I came to the US at age 17.

Front row: Julie, Billie and David; standing: Alicia and Lukas

II. The timely, relaxing and fun: Fast Lane Flamingo Rally in FLORIDA: Saturday, March 14th to Friday, March 20th, 2026 Sarasota, Sebring, Space Coast, Mt. Dora & St. Augustine.

In 2021, after the then COVID had cooped us up all winter, we all suffered from the dreaded cabin fever. I had a call from Bill McAllister who urged me: "Peter, Marla and I need to get out! Why don't you plan a Florida trip where we can drive our own cars, meet up with our Fast Lane Friends and get back into life?" In German we say: "gesagt, getan!" (translated: "you said it, it's done"). My team and I created the first "snowbird" Porsche trip. I'm also happy to report that we also had Lexus, Mustang and a Corvette on that great Florida trip.

Now, five years later, once again we are getting requests for a short US trip that gets us out of the inevitable "winter blahs" and reminds us of how much fun we can have together in Florida.

SATURDAY, Mar. 14th 2026:

Early arrival in Sarasota, FL at Sarasota Ritz-Carlton

6:00 pm **Early Arrival Dinner:** Meet in the bar inside the Waterfront Restaurant "Jack Dusty"

SUNDAY, Mar. 15th 2026:

Regular arrival in Sarasota, FL

7:00 am **Breakfast** Ritz-Carlton

Early Arrivals: Free day to explore Sarasota.

Noon **Lunch: ON YOUR OWN** Perhaps check out the legendary Columbia on St. Armands Circle

5:45 pm Meet in the Lobby for Shuttle

6:00 pm Shuttle to the Ritz-Carlton Beach

Club

6:15 pm **Cocktails:** The Beach Club – Sunset Terrace

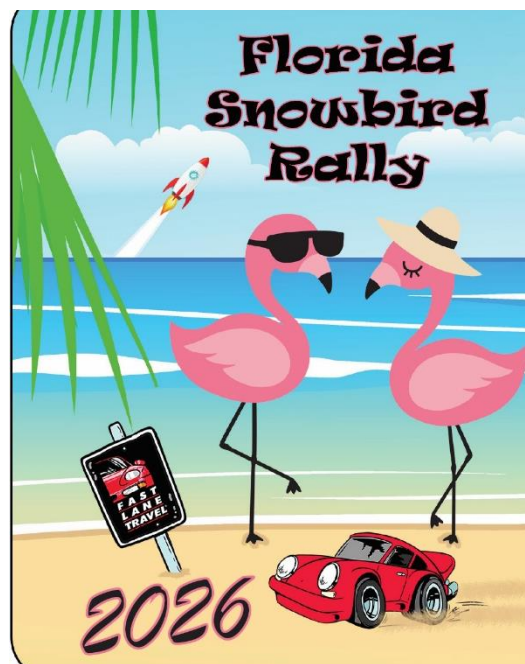
7:00 pm **Dinner:** The Beach Club – Sunset Terrace – sunset is guaranteed.

MONDAY, Mar. 16th 2026: Drive to Orlando (~177 mi)

from 7:00 am **Breakfast** at the Ritz-Carlton Jack Dusty

9:30 am **Luggage Van** Departs for Orlando

10:00 am CHECK OUT and depart in our PORSCHEs.



12:00 pm **Lunch:** Cowpoke's Watering Hole
~3:30 pm Arrive Hyatt Grand Cypress
One Grand Cypress Boulevard
Orlando, FL 32836
Tel: (407) 239 1234
(Bring your bathing suit – pool is awesome)
5:30 pm **Cocktails:** Meet at the Lakehouse in the hotel.
6:30 pm **Dinner:** Lakehouse Restaurant

TUESDAY, Mar. 17th St. Patrick's Day

Drive to Space Center & Daytona (~130 mi)
from 7:00 am **Breakfast** at the Grand Hyatt Lakehouse
9:30 am **Luggage Van** Departs for Daytona
10:00 am CHECK OUT and depart in our PORSCHEs.
~11:00 am Arr. Kennedy Space Center for a guided tour
1:00 pm LEAVE for Lunch Destination
1:30 pm **Lunch: Dixie Crossroads - (321) 268-5000**
1475 Garden St, Titusville, FL 32796
Drive on the Beach in Daytona!
~4:00 pm Arrive the **Shores Resort & Spa**
2637 S Atlantic Avenue
Daytona Beach Shores, FL 32118
Tel: (386) 767 7350
Call for SPA Treatments TEL (386) 322-7232
4:30 pm **CARS WASHED:** We'll try to get all done in time.
6:30 pm **Cocktails:** Poolside Bar
7:00 pm **Dinner:** Azure, Shores Resort & Spa

WEDNESDAY, Mar. 18th Drive to Daytona Speedway Museum (~10 mi)

from 7:00 am **Breakfast** is served in the Hotel
10:30 am Depart in our PORSCHEs for the Daytona
Speedway Museum
noon **Lunch: ON YOUR OWN**
FREE AFTERNOON
6:30 pm **Cocktails:** Poolside Bar
7:00 pm **Dinner:** Azure, Shores Resort & Spa



THURSDAY, Mar. 19th Drive to Mt. Dora & St. Augustine (~160 mi)

Enjoy our hilarious PHOTO RALLY!
from 7:00 am **Breakfast** is served at the Hotel
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10:00 am **Our Luggage Van** Departs for St. Augustine
10:00 am Depart in our PORSCHEs for **Mt. Dora**
Yacht Club: 351 W. 4th Avenue, Mt. Dora
12:30 pm **Lunch:** across the street from the Club

Restaurant: Pisces Rising
3:00 pm **Depart for the Ocala National Forest**
~5:30 pm Arrive **Casa Monica**
95 Cordova Street
St. Augustine, FL 32084
Tel: (904) 827 1888
Call for SPA Treatments TEL (904) 819-6115
6:45 pm **Cocktails: Columbia Restaurant**
3-block walk to the Columbia Restaurant.
(dress casual & warm)
7:30 pm **Dinner: Columbia Restaurant**

FRIDAY, Mar. 20th St. Augustine Sight Seeing / Shopping
from 7:00 am **Breakfast** is served in the Casa Monica
9:00 am **CARS WASHED**
9:45 am **Trolley Tour** of St. Augustine
Noon **Lunch: ON YOUR OWN**
FREE AFTERNOON
6:00 pm **Cocktails: Lobby Bar**
7:00 pm **RALLY Dinner: Costa Brava**

SUNDAY, Mar. 22nd – Depart for Home.
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from 7:00 am **Breakfast** is served at **Casa Monica**

The **Snowbird Flamingo Rally** will sell out fast – please send us an email at info@fastlanetravel.com that you're in. As always, like all of our US trips: great drives, premium gas and walkie-talkies are included. Plus, of course, you'll enjoy reserved parking, superb accommodation, delightful cuisine, cocktail parties, and the Fast Lane Travel panache.

In 2021 the trip cost was \$6,998 per person – I'm estimating, given the quotes we are getting from the Hotels now 5 years later, I'm forecasting that we'll come in around \$7,998.00, and change, per person. Also, gas today is 58% higher than on the last trip. Still great value given all the features and inclusions. Trust me, you'll be ready to get away by January 2026, and as always, the photo rally will be a hoot!

III. My Final Thoughts . . . And that's why we love Newspapers – actual headlines:

Man Kills Self Before Shooting Wife and Daughter

Editorial Room asked who wrote this headline. It took three readings before the editor realized that what he was reading was impossible. They put in a correction the next day.

Something Went Wrong in Jet Crash

Ya think?

Police Begin Campaign to Run Down Jay Walkers

Maybe going a bit too far?

Panda Mating Fails, Veterinarian Takes Over

What a guy!

Miners Refuse to Work After Death

What good-for-nothing lazy s.o.b's.

War Dims Hope For Peace

I can see where it might have that effect.

I Strike Isn't Settled Quickly It May Last A While

Again: Ya think?

Cold Wave Linked to Temperature

Who would have thought?

Red Tape Holds Up New Bridges

Is there something stronger than Duct Tape?

New Study of Obesity Looks for Larger Test Group

Shouldn't be that hard to find.

Local Highschool Dropouts Cut in Half

Chainsaw massacre again?

Typhoon Rips Through Cemetery. Hundreds Dead

Did I read this right?

Breathing Oxygen Linked to Staying Alive

Truly newsworthy!

Federal Agents Raid Gun Shop Find Weapons

Did somebody really write this?

IV. More of my very fond memories!













Please stay healthy and happy.
I'm looking forward to the great
times we will have together
again on one of the fabulous
PORSCHE tours we are
planning for 2026. I can't wait to
get back to **Tuscany in
October**. All the very best to
you, **Peter**

