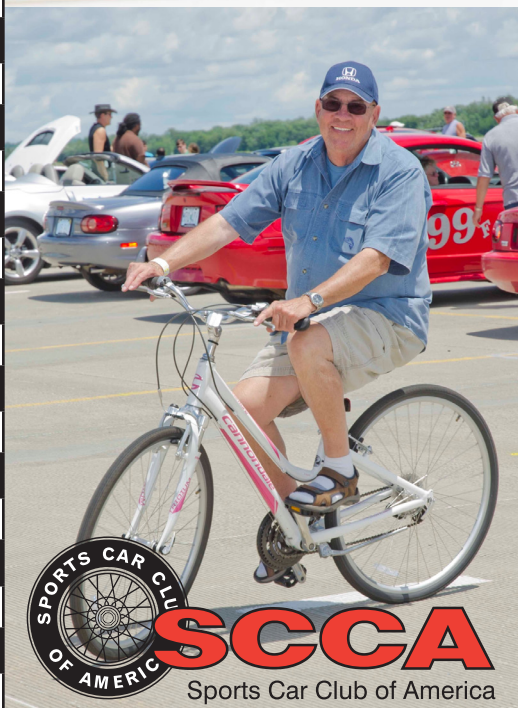




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July 28 ..... Event 8 Solo ..... MCC - Independence  
 August 11 ..... Event 9 Solo ..... MCC - Independence  
 September 15 ..... Event 10 Solo ..... MCC - Independence  
 September 29 ..... Event 11 Solo ..... MCC - Independence  
 October 27 ..... Event 12 Solo ..... MCC - Independence  
 MCC - Metropolitan Community College, Blue River - Independence, MO  
 HPT - Heartland Park - Topeka, KS

### NATIONALS FOR SOLO

September 3-6 - Lincoln, NE

### RALLYCROSS

July 13 - Norman Property, Hillsdale Lake, KS  
 August 4 - Norman Property, Hillsdale Lake, KS  
 November 3 - Holsworth Property, Garnett, KS

### NATIONALS FOR RALLYCROSS

October 4-6 - Tulsa, OK

### CLUB RACING

August 3-4 Majors Showcase/ Gateway, St. Louis, MO  
 Double National  
 October 19-20 Double Regional Gateway, St. Louis, MO

### RUNOFFS

September 16-22 - Road America, Elkhart Lake, WI

### ROAD RALLY

November 9-10 - Lawrence, KS

*KCRSCCA General Meetings start at 7:30 pm on the  
 first Tuesday of each month at the American Legion Post  
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Dates and locations may change, check the website for updated information

## A Few Words From Joe:



Over the next several months, we are going to overhaul the current Kansas City Region website. Along with the Website, we plan to make changes to our Kansas City Region Facebook page as well. I will be working with Kyle Rohde and Doug Patterson on these changes, and if you have any suggestions about the website... please send to me and we will take them under consideration.

Joe Tasler,  
KCRSCCA Regional Executive

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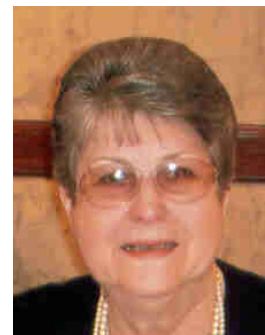
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## YAKETY YAK . . . .

Dear Mom:

Alex Spencer Serrano graduated from Topeka West High School recently as a commended Merit Scholar and National Hispanic Scholar. He will attend Kansas State in the fall. Alex is the son of Emily and Carlos Serrano and the proud grandparents are Brian and Bonnie Haupt.



Charlie and Mom Williams, their granddaughter Anna Ruckman and her friend Matt Mosakowski attended the Art of the Car Concourse at the Kansas City Art Institute on Sunday, June 23rd. This was the seventh annual event with more than 200 beautiful autos on display, many were from private collections. This event was a fundraiser for the Art Institute's scholarship fund. We saw many KCR members, both present and former. Bill & Dodie Rinke with their LotusSuper7, Dr. Ken & Susan Deitchman had their Mini Cooper and Stephen & Bibie Morris had their Allard. We also saw Glen Shepard and his son, Kyle (from San Francisco), John Hale, Mike Gamble, Steve Cousins, Ann Purucker, Steve & Merry Nafus (from Enid, OK), Dick Carlson, Tom Stevens and Ben Munday. This was Charlie & Mom's first visit to this car show but it certainly won't be our last. It was fabulous!

Charlie E. Williams, 16 year old son of Keith & Cheryl left Sunday to attend the Stanford University Law Conference on their campus near San Francisco, CA. Lead America is hosting this conference for invited high school students and it will last 10 days. Charlie is staying in a dorm on campus and he will participate in a mock trial where he will be one of the lawyers. They will give him a 100 page booklet about the case to help him prepare. He will receive 2 college credits for attending this conference and it will be taught by Stanford professors. The students will also take three field trips while there, one to the Golden Gate Bridge, one to Pier 39 where they will have dinner and they also will go to an actual courtroom to sit in on a case in progress. Charlie is the grandson of Charlie & Norma Williams and he will be a junior this year at Blue Valley High School.

## DON'T LOOK BACK . . . .

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Austin McDaniel - (14)  
s of Chris Frensley
- 4 Tara (Berger) Coryell
- 5 John Byram  
Darren Crozier  
Stephen Scott  
Joan Trozzolo
- 6 Bill Johnson (the older one)  
Joseph Schulte Jr (Joe)
- 7 Aaron Hargis  
Gregory Edward Walker
- 8 Jim Cote Sr  
Ashley Helbert  
Terry Ozment
- 9 Vicki Charlesworth  
William Correll  
Eleanor Harris  
Hayden Smith -  
grs of Charlie & Sharlene  
Bob Qualkinbush  
Brad Smith
- 10 Jim Schroeder
- 11 Emir Murphy  
Adam Riegle  
Cindy Whitney
- 13 Anna Ruckman  
grd of Charlie & Norma Williams
- 14 Daniel S Voyles
- 17 Britt Brown  
Barbara Shepard
- 18 Michael Balsbough  
Komai Singh Choong  
Jim Eisinger  
Williams Garrett Shenkner
- 19 Justin Pritchard  
Henry Williams - (9)  
s of Keith & Cheryl
- 20 Troy Hamm  
Chris Kern
- 21 John Rodriguez - (14)  
grs of Vern & Sue Kinney  
Brett Whitney
- 22 Dennis Ameigh  
Conner Hurshman  
Terri Lovelace
- 23 Andrew Ward
- 24 John Seehaas
- 26 Frank Finks



- 26 Nicolas Hammann
- 27 Ritchie Bell  
Greg Heuer  
Dan McConnell  
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Susan Peter
- 28 Chuck Davis
- 29 Donna di Natale
- 30 Tyler McWilliams  
Tristan Wilson
- 31 McKenna Johnson - (10)  
d of Stephen & Brenda  
Matthew Miller  
Drew Sorrell

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We invite all Car Club enthusiasts to join us in the Car Club Corral this August 16-17, and participate in the on-track parade before Saturday's GRAND-AM Rolex Sports Car Series race. This Special Offer also includes a ticket and a paddock pass for the races on Saturday, August 17. To attend the GRAND-AM practice sessions on Friday, admission is free and the paddock pass is an additional \$15.

**\$75**

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- Exclusive access to Car Corral on Friday and Saturday
- Saturday GA Ticket (\$60 value)
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- On track parade laps Saturday (schedule permitting)

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MARY KAY

# TIMING AND SCORING

Boy did they have challenges at the last two events. The following is a description of this brave group by their fearless leader, an awesome volunteer.

So what is "Timing and Scoring" other than those folks in the truck who shout "Shut the door! Shut the door!" whenever you try to ask a question? I like to think of T&S as the central nervous system of an autocross event. We communicate information from one area of the event to all the others. T&S also keeps track of everything that's going on and helps to ensure everyone in attendance has a safe and fun event.

T&S consists of three job specialties: Announcer, Data Entry and Recorder/Control. These workers are housed in the timing trailer (we've got A/C!) where they have a clear view of the entire course and can concentrate on recording car numbers, times, penalties, and also communicating with Course, Grid, Start, Safety and the competitors out in Grid via the PA system.



*No, this is not the Three Stooges!*

Announcer is the guy on the mic. In addition to the PA speakers, we also broadcast the Announcer over low-powered FM radio at 106.1. The announcer's #1 job is to make sure competitors know what is going on. Calling out times and, especially, penalties, is the lifeblood of announcing. The announcer has a computer screen to help him let competitors know about intra-class rankings, overall rankings, and also run-over-run improvements. Announcers can bring local flavor to the event by talking about competitors-new car parts, new cars, tire status, among other things. All of these bits of information help raise the competition and "fun" factor for every one. Announcing is a great job for you outgoing types.

Data Entry is the "computer guy". When you pull up and stop in front of the trailer for a thumbs-up, it's often the Data Entry worker who gives it. Data Entry is probably the lowest stress job in the Truck. Times are automatically entered into the computer by the timing equipment so Data Entry only has to correctly enter car and class information and any penalties that are called in from the Course. Kansas City Region's timing software is pretty straight forward, so workers at this position don't need to be computer gurus. If you've got a level head, OJT is available!



*Howard Duncan, VP of solo operations at the National Office.*

Recorder/Control is most likely the single job in any given heat that has the most responsibility. It is really two jobs in one, Recorder and Control. Recorder is a manual log of the times and penalties, basically the stone-age version of the Data Entry position. Recorders also help Data Entry keep a sharp eye on the timer itself looking for false starts or finishes and reacting appropriately. The Control position is the "boss" of the heat. As the central hub for radio communication, it is Control's responsibility to do radio checks before heats, handle radio calls to/from Course, instruct the Starter when to hold or resume starts, inform Grid of rerun needs, and request the





*Jared Langenfeld*

assistance or attention of Safety Stewards or Event Chairs. A good Control worker can singlehandedly improve the flow and efficiency of a heat. Workers for Recorder/Control need to be experienced autocrossers who have a feel for how a successful heat is run, be an assertive and clear communicator, and have the ability to focus on the task at hand for the entire duration of a heat.

Timing and Scoring is a great work assignment. You've got a chair in a shady, air-conditioned trailer. There is no running around and you're the first to know how everyone else is driving. It's also tough to beat the view from in there! To paraphrase Uncle Ben, though, "With great perks come great responsibilities". There's rarely any downtime in the Truck and it can get hectic, but few things are more satisfying than having a smooth heat with no re-runs and knowing you've helped put a smile on the face of everyone who drove that heat.

If you are interested in T&S, PM me on MokaMotorsports or find me at an event. I'm normally in a "signal yellow" T-shirt and floppy hat!

*Dan Wheeler, Chief of T&S*



*Control, Control, who's at Control!?!*

## **HAVE YOU SIGNED UP FOR THE MIDIV RACES AT HEARTLAND PARK, TOPEKA, KS ON JULY 20, 21, 2013?**

Kansas Region looks forward to welcoming you to Topeka and Heartland Park, the past site of the Solo Nationals.  
KS Region SCCA TireRack Midwest Divisional Solo by R&S and SPS

**Friday July 19 – Sunday July 21, 2013**

Heartland Park South Paddock Area, Topeka, KS  
Registration closes: July 17, 2013 11:59 PM CDT

## **2013 TIRE RACK SCCA SOLO NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS**

**Tuesday, September 3 - Friday, September 6, 2013**

Lincoln Air Park - Natl Championship, Lincoln, NE

Are you going to Nationals this year? Early registration (almost 1/2 price) ends 08/9/2013 - 11:59pm CDT  
Online entry is NOT available after August 23, 2013.

After August 24, 2013 all entries must be scanned or faxed to [Drowland@scca.com](mailto:Drowland@scca.com)

# MOTORSPORTS PHOTOGRAPHY

Our own illustrious photographer, J. Doug Patterson, is our guest author on this subject. Of course the photograph is of Mark Hill, one of our fastest drivers.

Here's the first one:

I've always enjoyed photography, but over the past five years, I've really been enjoying motorsports photography. I'd like to share with you over the coming few issues of Checkpoint some lessons I've learned, and some techniques I've picked up from others, and dispel some myths and misconceptions.

**Myth #1: Better cameras make better photos:** During the first year or so of photographing races as credentialed media, I spent so much of my time having lens and camera envy. Once I started looking at the images I was crafting, and those of my fellow photos, I realized that, as so often is the case, the tools are nowhere near as important as the crafter using them. I'm not going to say that gear doesn't matter, but it doesn't matter as much as the photographer. The rules of composition are the same whether you're using a \$6000 camera with a \$12000 lens, or whether you're using the camera on your cell phone.

**Technique #1: The Rule of Thirds:** One of the most fundamental rules (perhaps guideline would be better) in composition is the Rule of Thirds. If you imagine slicing your frame into thirds both vertically and horizontally, the focus of your image should be near one of the four intersection points. If you're photographing a moving car, position the car along one of the lines so that the majority of the free space in the frame is ahead of the car. This will help pull the eyes of the viewer into the frame instead of out of it. Once you're comfortable with composing images using this rule, you can experiment with breaking it and trying other types of composition schemes. Keep in mind, though, it is rarely a good thing to have the focus of your image in the dead center of the frame. In next month's issue, we'll look at panning shots, and dispelling the myth that you need lightning fast shutter speeds to photograph motorsports.





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<b>July 2</b>	<b>5 - 8 pm</b>	<b>Car Show at ALP parking lot, featuring solo and road race cars</b>
<b>July 2</b>	<b>6 pm</b>	<b>Solo Advisory Committee Meeting, ALP Auxiliary Room</b>
<b>July 2</b>	<b>8 pm</b>	<b>General Meeting, ALP</b>
<b>July 13</b>		<b>Rally Cross Event - 24850 W. 247th Street, Paola, KS 66071</b>
<b>July 16</b>	<b>7:30 pm</b>	<b>Road Race Meeting, ALP</b>
<b>July 20/21</b>		<b>MiDiv Solo event, Heartland Park, Topeka, KS.</b>
<b>July 28</b>		<b>Solo Event #8 - MCC</b>
<b>July 30</b>	<b>7:00 pm</b>	<b>KCR Board of Directors meeting, ALP</b>
<b>Aug 6</b>	<b>7:30 pm</b>	<b>Solo Advisory Committee Meeting, ALP Auxiliary Room</b>
<b>Aug 6</b>	<b>8 pm</b>	<b>General Meeting, ALP</b>

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