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A Message From The Editor;

The special bonus edition of TPC published following last year's record-breaking PCS International Meet in Hudson, Ohio was supposed to be *a one-time* proposition. But when Webmaster Paul Steinberg generously opened the Website's coffers so we could do another one, Brady Smith and I couldn't resist. So here it is. This issue is also unique in that it was essentially compiled by just one person. **Gregg Merksamer** provided *all* the text and nearly all of the photos in this comprehensive report on the 2012 PCS International Meet held in Daytona Beach, Florida in late June. Kudos, too, to meet co-chairs Bill Wright and Richard Vyse for making it all happen.

Tony Karsnia took our cover photo of Ken Elliott's 1966 Superior Cadillac hightop ambulance against a typically Florida backdrop of waving palms. Gregg took our centerstretch photo of the pro cars lapping the Daytona Speedway oval. Phil Rishel took the photo on our back cover of his 1996 S&S Cadillac limo on America's most famous beach. Darren Bedford and Phil laboriously hand-carved *The Professional Car Society* in the sand – only to see it washed away a few hours later by the incoming Atlantic tide. Enjoy. - **Walt McCall**

A MESSAGE

FROM THE FRIENDS OF THE PROFESSIONAL CAR SOCIETY WEBSITE

The Friends of the Professional Car Society Website was founded in March 2009 with the specific goal of being an independent helping hand to the Professional Car Society. Another goal was to increase the knowledge base by bringing together both Professional Car Society members and nonmembers with the common aim of preserving professional cars. Once the Website was up and running, it became clear that fundraising would be necessary to provide funds for the expenses. Any excess funds would be presented to the Professional Car Society in the form of grants to further benefit the membership, such as by paying for bonus editions of the magazine. Donations received the year the Website was launched allowed the Friends of the Professional Car Society to advertise in the magazine, which resulted in gaining additional financial supporters for the Website. This additional support was returned to the Professional Car Society membership by "The Friends" providing a grant to pay the entire cost of printing and distribution of issue 135 (1st Quarter 2010), and a Special Souvenir Issue covering the 2011 International Meet. The Website has become extremely popular with both PCS members and nonmember guests, both of whom believe in supporting its worthwhile goals. To this end, both the Professional Car Society members and guests have donated enough money that **we are once again able to provide a grant to fund this special issue of *The Professional Car* featuring the 2012 Professional Car Society International Meet.** I wish to thank all of the supporters of the Friends of the Professional Car Society Website for helping to make this special edition possible. It is our goal to provide funding for future editions in the coming years. I would also like to thank the members of the Website Administration Committee that provide assistance in the functions of the Website.

On behalf of the entire team, I thank you for your continuing support,

Paul Steinberg

President

Professional Car Society
and Senior Administrator

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