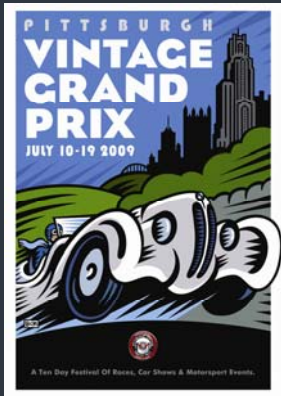


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# PITTSBURGH VINTAGE GRAND PRIX

JULY 18-19, 2009



The Pittsburgh Vintage Grand Prix is pleased to announce that the 2009 Marque of the Year is BMW. The Allegheny Chapter of the BMW Car Club of America has responded with tremendous enthusiasm, and proudly invite you to join us for the country's most unique BMW celebration of 2009!

#### WAYS TO PARTICIPATE

BMW will be celebrated throughout the 10 days of PVGP festivities. If you want to race, enter the **BeaveRun event July 11-12**. We are also planning **marque races in Schenley Park July 18-19**. If you want to be a part of a spectacular show in the heart of the PVGP festival, register your BMW for the **Marque of the Year Car Show July 17-19**. More information about these events and many others is available at [www.pvgp.org](http://www.pvgp.org).



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## TAKING IT TO THE STREETS...PVGP 2009!

February 2009

Dear Friends,

It is hard to believe it has been six months since PVGP '08. By now you have heard all the glowing reports about the best event on the racing calendar. You may not have heard that the VSCCA raised over \$70,000 for the event, which helped the PVGP association donate a record \$171,000 to its charities, the Allegheny Valley School and the Autism Society of Pittsburgh. This would not have been possible without you, our drivers; the generosity of our sponsors, and of course the hard work of Molly and Barb.

The 2009 Schenley Park event is July 18-19— with little more than six months until PVGP 2009, it's time to put us on your schedule, send in your application, and prepare your car. We have many new and exciting ideas to continue to improve your experience.

This year's featured marque is BMW, and we are looking for an active field of qualified pre-1966 BMWs for a featured marque race. I have been in discussion with a number of single-marque clubs that have proposed dedi-

cated marque races as well as west-coast racing clubs regarding their participation at Schenley Park.

Our PVGP roundel program is entering its third year and has been very successful. It's a great way to go the extra mile for the charities and makes a very nice memento for your garage wall at season's end. Contact Molly for more information about this unique opportunity.

Enclosed please find your 2009 PVGP entry form. It is also available for download on the PVGP, VSCCA, and D.L. George Coachworks websites.

I look forward to seeing you once again in Pittsburgh in July, meanwhile we will work to provide you with the best experience in vintage motor racing. On behalf of the many people assisted by your participation and sponsorship, thank you!

See you in Pittsburgh!

All the best,

David George

VSCCA PVGP Event Chair

## PITTSBURGH VINTAGE GRAND PRIX HOST HOTELS

THE WYNDHAM HOTEL,  
PITTSBURGH UNIVERSITY  
PLACE

3454 Forbes Avenue  
Pittsburgh, PA 15213  
412-683-2040

Once again, the Wyndham is the official host hotel of the PVGP, located minutes from Schenley Park. A free shuttle will be running to the pit /paddock as well as other points around the event. The Wyndham is offering special 2008 PVGP pricing at \$140 per night for any PVGP visitor from July 17th through July 20th.

To book one of the specially reserved rooms, call 412-683-2040 and ask for the Pittsburgh Vintage Grand Prix package. Special parking is available to rigs and trailers up to 37 feet in a lot behind the hotel at the rate of \$60 for all three days. Please direct inquiries to Paul Warmus of Reft Parking, 412-621-5020.

GREENTREE RADISSON  
101 Radisson Drive  
Pittsburgh, PA 15205  
800-333-3333

Located 15 minutes from Schenley Park, the Greentree Radisson offers a special PVGP rate for July 18-19 of \$99 per night (use code PRIX09), as well as free parking for rigs and trailers.

## JOIN THE VSCCA!

This is the 26<sup>th</sup> consecutive year that the VSCCA has sanctioned the Pittsburgh Vintage Grand Prix in Schenley Park. PVGP is one of the few events on the VSCCA calendar that is open to non-members, and there are many non-members who participate year after year. Beyond PVGP, the VSCCA maintains a full and varied schedule of events that include track events, rallies, hill-climbs, tours, and social events—and we would like to see you there! VSCCA was founded in 1958, and with a membership over 1000 strong, is the oldest vintage/historic club in the US dedicated to the preservation and



use of rare and unusual sports and racing cars. Indicate on your entry form that you are interested in becoming a member. The drivers' committee will observe your driving during the event, and with their endorsement, we will apply the additional \$50 for your non-VSCCA PVGP entry to your new VSCCA membership.

## DRIVERS' RECEPTION 2009

We're working hard to make PVGP 2009 another great weekend for our drivers, both on and off the track! The Friday night driver's reception will take place at the fantastic Heinz History Center, which features a wonderful sports museum that includes a PVGP exhibit. As always, dress is "pit casual." For more information about the History Center, visit their website at [www.HeinzHistoryCenter.org](http://www.HeinzHistoryCenter.org).



There are still sponsorship opportunities available for the reception—help us create one of the highlights of the race weekend!

## INTRODUCING...THE VSCCA TRIPLE CROWN



For the 2009 season, the VSCCA has introduced a Triple Crown! Drivers are challenged to participate in three signature events on the VSCCA calendar. The first jewel is a track event—the newly-established New Jersey Vintage Grand Prix Festival, May 29-31. The second is a street

race—the Pittsburgh Vintage Grand Prix, July 18-19. The third jewel is a hillclimb, and the most historic event on the VSCCA calendar—the Mount Equinox Hillclimb, near Manchester, Vermont, August 22-23. Drivers who participate in all three of these marvelous events will receive a beautiful limited-edition gold-plated grille badge, and special honors for their achievement at the end-of-year VSCCA banquet! for more information, contact Dina Patton, [dinapatton@comcast.net](mailto:dinapatton@comcast.net).

## EMERGENCY MEDICAL REQUIREMENTS



In 2009 the "Medical Information Carrier System" will again be required for all PVGP race participants. It's simply a small datasheet that you fill out and insert into a plastic sleeve that sticks on

the back of your helmet. In an emergency the information is readily available for responding personnel to access. Technical inspectors will check helmets for them and drivers without them will not be allowed to race. Visit <http://www.meds.org/mcyclehelmet.php> or call 724-295-1988 for more information, and to purchase.



## THE GRAND PRIX WINNERS: OUR CHARITIES!

The **VSCCA** is strictly an amateur racing group, with an emphasis on history and car preservation. The Pittsburgh Vintage Grand Prix is one of the highlights of their busy racing calendar.

The lion's share of each car's entry fee is donated to the PVGP charities, but the club is

committed to making an even greater contribution. As a result, we have initiated a "sponsorship" program for drivers to raise additional funds for the cause.

If you choose to sponsor a PVGP driver, you contribute directly to the PVGP charities. Your name and logo will appear

on race roundels worn proudly by your sponsored car, and will be listed with your car and driver in both the race program and on the event website.

Additional sponsorship options are available; if you would like to learn more about other ways you can participate, please contact Molly Higgins at 610-593-7423.

### PITTSBURGH VINTAGE GRAND PRIX

#### 2009 CAR SPONSORSHIP

Name of Company or Individual \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Driver and car you're sponsoring \_\_\_\_\_

Sponsorship amount (minimum \$300) \_\_\_\_\_

Contact person for logo art for roundel \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Contact E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

*Note: Files can be sent to [pvgp@DLGeorgeCoachworksLtd.com](mailto:pvgp@DLGeorgeCoachworksLtd.com)*

*Please return this form with payment to*  
**VSCCA/Pittsburgh Vintage Grand Prix, c/o D.L. George Coachworks, Ltd.**

*Many thanks for your generosity!*

*Please make checks payable to "Pittsburgh Vintage Grand Prix Association".  
 Pittsburgh Vintage Grand Prix Association is a registered 501 (c) (3) non-profit organization,  
 and your contribution is tax-deductible.*

**The Allegheny Valley School** operates over 100 facilities in Pennsylvania to provide residential and therapeutic programs for children and adults with mental retardation and developmental disabilities. Many residents also face physical disabilities and medical complications. In addition to providing personalized care, the school provides creative and recreational programs, community outings, and vocational training to help these people and their families enjoy life at its fullest. Visit them on the Web at [www.av.s.net](http://www.av.s.net).

**The Autism Society of Pittsburgh** is a network of volunteers, parents, and professionals providing advocacy programs, counseling, and referral services to families affected by autism. It is a current and valuable resource for the complicated legal, educational, and medical challenges Autism presents. It provides training to teachers and therapists, and obtains grant funding for research programs. The society operates entirely on privately donated funds. Visit them online at [www.autismsocietyppgh.org](http://www.autismsocietyppgh.org)



*PVGP Ambassadors  
 Anita and Brandon*