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## Road America Next Venue For Subaru Road Racing Team

*- Drivers and Crew Eager to Capitalize on Performance Potential in Subaru WRX STI*

Phoenixville, PA, Jun 21, 2012 - Subaru Road Racing Team (SRRT) drivers Andrew Aquilante (AJ) and Bret Spaude look with enthusiasm to the second half of the GRAND-AM Continental Tire Sports Car Championship racing season as they travel to round six; hosted on the famed Road America track, located north of Milwaukee and near Elkhart Lake, Wis.

A third place finish at Miami, a win at New Jersey, and a run as high as second place at Mid-Ohio have given Aquilante and Spaude a quiet confidence mainly grounded in expectations of their #35 SRRT WRX STI around the 4.048-mile race course this weekend.

"Road America is a very fast track with long straights that seem to stretch to the horizons, plus breathtaking downhill runs into a heavy braking," said Joe Aquilante, owner of Phoenix Performance in Phoenixville, Pa., which prepares the team's Subaru WRX STI racecars. "The all-wheel-drive capability from our Subaru will give AJ and Bret a lot of 'dig' coming out of the turns."

As has been the case all season, team driver Bret Spaude, of Bushnell, Fla., will qualify the Subaru at Road America, and race until it is time to slot teammate Andrew Aquilante, of Chester Springs, Pa., into the cockpit for the charge to the checkered flag.

"We have momentum, confidence, and determination in our Subaru WRX STI and ongoing race preparations by each of our team members," added Joe Aquilante. "Our race starts have been strong and we want to continue to show that consistency."

James Han, motorsports marketing manager for Subaru of America, Inc. said, "SRRT's efforts and preparations haven't always played out in race results, but our car's performance is highly consistent and accessible. Our all-wheel drive WRX STI is a great foil to the rear-wheel drive-based eight-cylinder cars which make up the bulk of the Grand Sport field. We'll approach the balance of this season determined to make good on the performance that our Subaru shows in qualifying."

Practice for Road America, will be on Thursday, June 21, with Bret Spaude qualifying the Subaru at 10:15am (CT). The two-and-a-half hour race takes the green flag Friday at 6:15pm (CT).

Sponsors for SRRT include Subaru Of America, Inc., Subaru Tecnica International (STI), Subaru Performance Tuning (SPT), Hawk Brakes, Ron Davis Racing Radiators, Automotive Racing products, VAC Motorsports, Rockland Standard Gear, Ecutek, Lista, Rotary Lifts, Cusco, Carbonetic, Hella, and Perrin.

## About SRRT Phoenix LLC

SRRT Phoenix LLC represents the Subaru of America Inc. road racing effort in the 10-round GRAND-AM Continental Tire Sports Car Challenge series and is owned and managed by Joe Aquilante of Phoenix Performance, LLC. The team's 32,000 sq. ft. facility is in Phoenixville, Pa., 40 miles west of Philadelphia, Pa. Team drivers Andrew Aquilante and Bret Spaude race a Subaru WRX STI in the Grand Sport class.

For more information about the team and the cars, call Joe Aquilante at 610-482-0141. Fans can visit the team's website at [www.srrtphoenix.com](http://www.srrtphoenix.com) and the Phoenix Performance website at [www.phoenixperformance.net](http://www.phoenixperformance.net)

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