

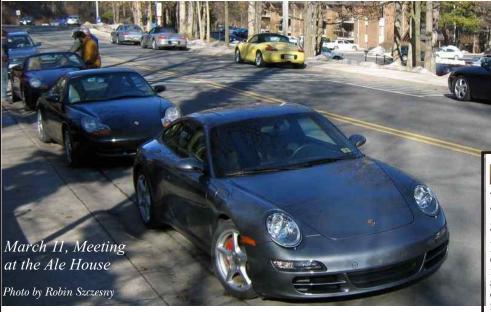


### **April 2007**



# KEYNOTES

# PORSCHE CLUB OF AMERICA KEYSTONE REGION



# CONVOY TO THE 2007 PORSCHE-ONLY SWAP MEET, APRIL 28TH --- by Bill Simon III

Hey Keystoners! The time is approaching for the annual giant Porsche-only Swap Meet in Hershey, Pa. This year, it's a week later, on April 28th, so perhaps we'll get a warmer and rain-free day for the big swap.

Here are the details. For those who live in the general Centre County area (or who would be passing through State College enroute to Hershey), we'll gather as usual at the State College Holiday Inn Express for the proverbial "complimentary breakfast" (thank you, Mike), then convoy all the Porsches down Rte. 322 to Hershey. Plan to meet at the HIExpress between 7:30 and 8:15 AM (depending on how much brekkie you want) on Saturday, April 28th. Then, at about 8:15-8:30, we'll gather up the Porsches and convoy down to the Swap Meet together, probably arriving about 10:00 AM in Hershey. After that, you can shop or browse to your heart's content, or just gaze at the hundreds of Porsches that will be there.

Holiday Inn Express is located just off Rte. 322 (AKA Rte. 220, and future Interstate-99) in State College at the Toftrees/Woodycrest exit in the Williamsburg Square motel complex. Also, look for Olive Garden or Outback Steak House, and you're at the Express.

If the State College area is out of your way, then...... we'll see you in Hershey. The Swap Meet is in the huge HersheyPark parking lot, between the amusement park and the Giant Center (arena) at the intersection of Pa. Rte. 39 and HersheyPark Blvd. More specifics may be found at: http://www.cpa-pca.org/

For head-count and planning purposes, if you plan to join up at the HI Express convoy to Hershey, please give a call to Bill Simon (814.235.1356) or drop him a quick e-mail at billiii@psu.edu. That way, we'll know who's coming.

Hope to see all of you for the Convoy or at Hershey. Remember: There IS something there you need to buy. You just might not know it yet.

#### **UP TO SPEED**

Judy Sears

The snow is melting and Fred and I are getting ready to go to the track down at Virginia International Raceway near Danville, Virginia. Of course Fred had to climb up on a ladder and chip the 4 or so inches of ice off the top of the trailer! I am assured that the weather is much warmer down there. I just hope we don't take the rain that's predicted here with us. The first event of the season is always very exciting. We have been looking forward to it since last fall. More on how things go next newsletter.

We had our second board meeting of the year on March 11. We had quite a crowd for the actual meeting with more folks joining us for the social time and dinner. I believe we ended up with close to 30 people! Remember you are all invited to all the meetings as well as our events. We are always looking for new ideas and help to carry out our plans.

Our next board meeting and dinner will be May 5 at The Ross Club in Williamsport, PA. Howard Williams and Wayne McPheron are setting up the arrangements for us. I hear that The Ross Club is quite nice and I am looking forward to checking it out. More information is elsewhere in this newsletter. Be sure to get your reservation in as we need to let them know how many to expect.

Check out our revised website. It is up-todate and looking good thanks to Eric Swendrowski. You will find a calendar of our events and can view the current newsletter as well as past ones.

Everyone think SPRING and get those Porsches out on the roads.

'Till Next Time

### Carrera 4'um

EMAIL ADDRESSES: I will repeat my request that you contact me with your current email address for our membership database. I had only five responses. Over the past two months I have experienced about the same number of non-deliverable attempts to communicate with members due to addresses that are no longer valid. Please include "Keystone Email Address" in your subject line to help make it through the spam filters.

MEMBERSHIP: Our latest membership total is 81 members and 71 affiliate/family members; if not our highest total ever it's real close. As Toni Duchi used to say "Almost a hundred." Our newest members are Harvard and Jennie McCardle from Lewistown and Dorene Bowman-Gramlich and her father Bill from Ambler. Two members, Tim Reffner and Michael Wolfe, are reported as Non-Renewals; hope they will renew soon so they will not miss our newsletter or Panorama.

ANNIVERSARIES: Brian and Debra Howe, John and Rita Simbeck, Doug and Janette Stewart, and Dave and Nancy Neufer are celebrating 10 years with PCA. Harry and George Benham and Andy and Cari Gustafson have reached the 5-year mark.

SAFETY: Last weekend (our first DE outing of the year) brought some interesting weather swings (50 F temperature changes) including rain, sun, wind, and snow. As we returned from Virginia International Raceway we were greeted by rain and then snow as we crossed the state line back into Pennsylvania. Fortunately I had not removed the snow tires from the truck for the trip; we encountered much visible evidence of how treacherous the roads were becoming. Pulling a 24-foot trailer in the conditions of Monday (March 19th) was to say the least a challenge. Thankfully we had snow tires, four wheel drive, and electric trailer brakes. The road over the mountain at Warriors Mark and along Route 550 from there to our house proved to be a significant usage of all the driving skills I had learned over the years. Hopefully that's the last of the winter

## Our May 5th Board meeting will be held at the Ross Club,

201 W. 4th St, Williamsport, PA. 570.326.2896

The Ross Club is a private dining club located at the Southwest corner of West 4th St and William. Named after William Ross, founder of Williamsport, the Club has served as a private dining and meeting place for over 100 years.

Its newly redecorated interior, combined with its century-old and established presence, surrounds us with a charming atmosphere in which to enjoy each other, fine food and bit of business.

Ensconced in the best of "established old Williamsport", we'll enjoy each other's company in quietude afforded only in a private club or residence. The dress code is "smart casual" and denim is not allowed.

Regardless of which out-of-town direction you approach the Club; you'll be on RT 180. Traveling from West to East, you'll take the Hepburn St. Exit BUT KEEP RIGHT at the bottom of the ramp and go onto Via Bella, then Left at William (Perkins). Traveling from East to West, you'll take the Basin St. Exit, straight at light at bottom of exit, onto Via Bella to Right at William (Perkins). There is on-street parking on William and a private lot on the West side of William in which Ross Club diners may park. On-street parking is also available. The Club may be entered from William or 4th. Its main entrance is off of 4th, across from the Gennetti Hotel. (Gennetti is a good landmark as its red neon letters are a beacon.) See www.pca.org/key for a link to a map of the area. I'll need a count of attendees one week in advance so as to ensure seating. Although I'll be out-of-town, you will be able to call Linda Avery a day or two before the meeting if you need to make any changes. I've arranged for separate checks and off-the-menu ordering. Everything is good; I'm especially fond of the beef, crab cakes, and catch-of-the day. I've heard the scallops, duck and lamb are also quite good. Linda and staff will spoil you! Call me should you have any questions.

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Best Regards, Howard



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#### PCA KEYSTONE REGION BOARD MEETING

Sunday, March 11, 2007 at the Ale House

PRESENT: Judy and Fred Sears, Eric and Karon Swendrowski, Butch and Becky Thompson, Susanne Howe, Bill Simon, Bob and Gwen Cornell, Tom Skibinski, Mike and Robin Szczesny, Howard and Barbara Williams, Steve and Morgan Olsen, Dave and Tina Dix, Jay and Grace Claster, Dave and Elaine Shuckers, and new members Dave Durrwachter, Carol Brown and Harve and Jenny McCardle,

MINUTES FROM THE PREVIOUS MEETING: approved

TREASURER'S REPORT: Jay Claster, our resident stand-up comedian, eventually reported that our current balance is \$1759.69.

PRESIDENT'S REMARKS: Judy reported that she and Fred attended the Zone 2 meeting in Hagerstown, MD on Feb. 10th, 2007. She shared with us that the PCA Escape for next summer in Florida has been cancelled. The Pocono Region has volunteered to plan a PCA Escape for the end of September to be held at the Mt. Laurel Resort and Spa.

Vu Nguyen, PCA Executive Director, and Ellen Beck, the new national historian, also attended the meeting. She will have DVD's available and would like Porsche Club memorabilia sent to her.

#### COMMITTEE REPORTS

MEMBERSHIP: Fred Sears reported that, as of today, we have 78 members. Nationally, PCA is at approximately 60,000 members.

GOODIE STORE: Mike and Robin Szczesny reported that they will be picking up some new items for the Goodie Store at the Hershey Swap Meet.

NEWSLETTER: Eric Swendrowski thanked everyone for volunteering articles for the newsletter. The annual newletter contest is coming up and Eric will decide on two past issues to submit. There was a suggestion to do articles profiling our vendors in future newletters. Eric will be sending out invoices to our advertisers in the near future.

WEB MASTER: Eric has been working on improving our website. Bill Simon's son, Bill !V, has volunteered to work for us as our web master. He and Eric will contact each other and exchange ideas.

SAFETY: Fred Sears reported on insurance issues and reminded us to make sure that we check with our insurance carriers before participating in any Porsche event involving moving vehicles.

#### OLD BUSINESS:

10TH ANNIVERSARY PICNIC: Bill Simon is continuing to explore possibilities for our anniversary picnic and gimick rally. He's suggesting a late May or early June date.

KEYSTONE CRUISE: Eric and Karon Swendrowski reported that they will wait to finalize the date for their Cruise until they hear what the final decision is for the Pocono PCA Escape.

ANNUAL HOLIDAY DINNER: Bill Simon reported that our dinner this year will be on December 1st at the Nittany Lion Inn's Faculty Lounge. We've already invited Prescott Kelly and Jim Becker and are planning on also inviting Manny Alban and Vu Nguyen.

ENDLESS MOUNTAIN TOUR: Howard and Barbara Williams reported that they, along with Wayne and Barbara McPheron, will host the 2nd Annual Endless Mountain Tour planned for Aug. 11th.

RALLIES: Judy asked for volunteers to plan a rally for this year. Ken and Marcy Davis had shown interest and will be contacted to see if they would like to plan one.

TECH SESSIONS: Fred Sears has spoken to John Simbeck at Gemini and has a tentative date later in the season, possibly August, in mind.

Mike Szczesny has spoken to Eric Dash at Black Walnut who is interested in hosting a clinic on detailing and exterior finish restoration using our own cars. In addition, Eric will supply a barbecue style lunch. Possible dates are Apr. 22nd or June 9th. Mike will check with Eric and see what will work for him and his staff.

New club member Tom Murrin is in the process of arranging a Tech Session for Oct. or Nov. at Predator Performance in Dubois.

FUTURE BOARD MEETINGS: Howard and Barbara Williams and Wayne and Barbara McPheron will be hosting our May 5th Board Meeting at the Ross Club in Williamsport. The meeting will begin at 4:00 followed by dinner. We may also hold other Board Meetings at our upcoming events, such as Tech Sessions, depending on when they are scheduled.

TECHTACTICS: Fred and Judy Sears reported on attending the 25th Annual Techtactics in Danbury, CT and what an enjoyable time they had.

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

Bill Simon reminded the group that Jerry Seinfeld, comedian and Porsche driver, will be appearing at Eisenhower on Apr. 27th.

Judy reported that the State College Spikes baseball team will be holding a Classic Car Night on Wed, Aug. 29th. If anyone is interested in attending, contact Judy for the details.

ADJOURNMENT: Stimulating car conversation and a delicious dinner followed adjournment.

Respectfully submitted, Gwen Cornell, Secretary

# We're selling our 2005 911 coupe.

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#### **UP COMING EVENTS**

28 April 2007: Porsche-Only Swap Meet, Hershey, PA. (Meet for breakfast at Holiday Inn Express, State

College, and convoy to Hershey.)

**5 May:** Meeting at the Ross Club, Williamsport, PA

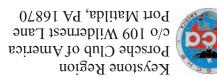
**2 June:** Keystone Region 10th Anniversary Celebration

16 June: Bellefonte Car Show and Cruise, in the streets of Bellefonte, PA.

1-5 July: 2007 Porsche Parade, San Diego, Calif.

14-15 July: Pittsburgh Vintage Grand Prix and all-makes Car Show, Schenley Park, Pittsburgh, PA.

28 July (?): State College "Last Cruise" car show and cruise. Pa. Military Museum grounds, Boalsburg, PA.



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Mark your calendar now!! Keystone Region will be celebrating our 10th anniversary in June. Come to the Anniversary Picnic and Rallye at Bald Eagle State Park, between Lock Haven and Howard, on Saturday, June 2nd. Further details in next Key Notes.

Our Website has been updated!
For current information on the Keystone Region,
calendar of events, newsletters, and more,
please visit www.pca.org/key