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KEYNOTES

PORSCHE CLUB OF AMERICA KEYSTONE REGION



photo by Eric Swendrowski

10th Anniversary Celebration June 2

UP TO SPEED

Judy Sears

Keystone Region is now officially 10 years old! We celebrated in high style at Bald Eagle State Park on June 2 with a picnic and rally. Bill Simon (with the competent help of Susanne Howe) planned and executed a really nice day. The rally went through beautiful countryside and the questions were entertaining. The barbeque by Clem's was delicious and the piece de resistance was the cake with our Keystone Region logo done in color on the frosting. Not only did it look good but it was delicious too. A spectacular thunderstorm held off until we were through eating and just cleaning up. It was a super day. Thanks, Bill and Susanne. I received notice from the national office of a questionnaire for the 2007 PCA Member Survey that is being mailed to 3,000 members and emailed to 4,500 additional members on a purely random basis. I just want to advise you that if you do receive one it is legitimate and please do fill it out and return it.

The Zone 2 presidents had a conference call a while back and the plans for the Escape into History put on by Potomac Region were announced. The dates are October 11-14 in Fairfax County, VA (near DC). Look for more information in Panorama. Fred and I had a good time at Watkins Glen. Fred got in at least one run each day. It was cold (winter coats again) but the sun was out most of the time. Just some rain on Sunday but Fred got a run in before it came. One of these days we will have a track event with good weather!

We will be leaving the end of June for our cross-country drive to Porsche Parade in San Diego, CA. I will report on our adventures later.

'Till Next Time

BELLEFONTE CRUISE -- JUNE 16th

The big car show and Bellefonte Cruise will be held this year on June 16th, in the streets of Bellefonte. It's a full day of fun for all the family -- hundreds of cars (and motorcycles) of all ages and makes displayed throughout the streets of downtown Historic Bellefonte. Full details and the registration form are at the Cruise's website: <http://www.bellefontecruise.org/>. You can also register on-site that morning.

For Porsche Club members --- some of us will be displaying our Porsches in the "Import" classes, and it's important to arrive in Bellefonte together, to assure parking as a group. If you're planning to attend, give Bill Simon a call (814.235.1356) before Friday, June 15th, and we'll coordinate a meeting point at around 9:00 AM on the 16th. Come on out and show your Porsche! Once we get parked and dust off the cars, there's plenty to do during the event and plenty of food available.

More questions?? Have a look at the website, or call Bill above.

Carrera 4'um - Fred Sears, Membership Chair

On May 31st we were up to 84 members; on June 1st we had dropped to 79 members with five members not renewing. Christopher Hauser, Jim Holtzman (sold his car but can still continue his membership), Sarwat Hussain, Matthew Knight, and John Soult - Please don't leave us. An interesting observation, when I tried to send renewal reminders, was that two of the five emails were returned - either changed email addresses or carriers and I have no way of correcting if I do not hear from you. As noted last newsletter Dave Dix had assured me he was renewing and he did so.

New members last month included Doug Johnson, Michael O'Neill, and Christopher Stahl. Another new member who will show up in our June listing is Tom Tamberelli (he bought Jim Holtzman's car). Incidentally Tom is getting right into our activities, both he and his young son, also Tom, attended our 10th anniversary picnic and rally. Neat way to begin a PCA membership. Anniversaries this month include Bill Simon with 31 years and Eric Dash (the host of our detailing clinic on June 10th) with 9 years. If Christopher Hauser and Joe Holtzman renew they will be celebrating 5 years and 10 years. Judy and I will be driving to San Diego the end of this month for our 13th Parade. Our Canary will get its second cross-country trip in 15 months. We'll be at over 21K miles by our return. More on that trip next month.

KEYSTONE CELEBRATES 10th BIRTHDAY!!

-- article and photos by Bill Simon III

If you weren't there, you missed a day of fun! With the assistance of four PCA family members whose ages barely added up to 10, your Keystone Region celebrated the founding and chartering of the region in June 1997, ten years ago. (Young Jaxon Cohen, at the ripe old age of seven weeks, made his PCA debut for the event.)



The event was headquartered at Pavilion #5 at Bald Eagle State Park, near Howard in Centre County. After everyone arrived, organizer and rallymaster Bill Simon held a short drivers' meeting and got the rallyers on the road through and around Bald Eagle Valley for a little while. It was a straightforward rallye with simple directions. Scoring was based on answering some "Make Ya Think" trivia questions, the answers to which appeared along the rallye route, occasionally at the unlikeliest locations.



Winning the coveted first place in the rallye were our Region President and Membership Chairman, Judy and Fred Sears. Second place went to new members Harv and Ginny McCardle from Lewistown. Coming in third was the "pick-up team" of Eric Swendrowski and Brian Cohen, whose respective spouses (...spice?) were tending to several of those very junior PCA family members (pictures elsewhere in this issue). Top three winners were awarded the coveted first-, second-, and third-place ribbons, plus a bottle of Oregon Hill wine and their choice of shirt from the Keystone Region Goodie Store.

After the completion of the rallye, everyone enjoyed a catered picnic lunch from Clem's Famous Bar-B-Q of Port Matilda, Pa. Lots of ribs, chicken, cole slaw, beans, and smashed potatoes, with plenty of leftovers to take home. (Special thanks to region Treasurer Jay Claster and Grace for delivering all

the BarBQ and amenities when Clem's couldn't.) Dessert was a custom-decorated and delicious birthday cake from Wegman's of State College.



At the end of the afternoon, the skies opened up with a mega-gully-washer, which conveniently cleaned all the bugs and road dust off the lovely collection of Porsches, while we all watched from the covered pavilion. Once again, we showed that "It isn't the cars, it's the people." If you missed this event, come on out to some of the many other upcoming events throughout the summer and fall. We guarantee you'll have fun!

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The Search

On a cold day, Bill said: "You'd be a better fisherman if you knew where the fish were".

With that memory in mind I headed to the Porsche Swap Meet in Hershey. I was accompanied by my buddy Jim. As a side note, Jim is a prospective Keystone member. He claims his membership is delayed by his inability to get clear title to the 911 SC in his garage. He is one of two 911 SC owners in the hills around Lawrenceville. So give him some heat about membership if you see him. Get the name of the other guy and rope him into PCA as well.

Anyway, off to Hershey with tools, car stands, jack, and lots of optimism on a fine April day. Money ready and knees weak, Jim and I took my A4, based on the lack of spring fluids in my modest Porsche (slacker be me).

So all of you astute Porsche traders have lots of advice for me. What would have helped is an in depth discussion of those strategies at our many Keystone events. But with work, kid's sports, parental duties, loving my wife, and a longing for a healthy sleep quotient I missed all Keystone Events since my family's arrival in 2005. (Sure I'm a slacker, but a rational slacker.)

So there we are sizing up the opportunities in the "for sale" corral at Hershey. Jim delaying his search for 911 SC parts follows and checks my assessment. It is really a hunt. No license required, but a PCA membership helps.

Twelve minutes tell me there are five SCs and a sweet red Carrera (Randy Kilmer can tell that story). I stand by a finely understated, well preserved, 1978 911 SC with a pleasant gentleman owner. Waiting my time, and thinking if there is any good coffee around, I notice the man who has had a cell phone stuck to his head. It all goes bad as the owner turns toward me. In steps cell man, hands the owner a big wad of cash for the car and shuts off his cell phone.

The guy pays cash for the car I lusted for with out driving, starting, or sitting in the car. Not that I blame him. That car was the best SC for sale by a long way. (Not to say I didn't have strong emotions for Randy's Carrera) Me, I helped Jim with parts, found some coffee, and planned our attack on the ACCA museum. My wife Cary calls to tell me Andrew had the winning RBI in extra inning in his Little League Game. Missing that game made the cost of pursuing my next Porsche jump like the Dow Jones Industrial Average.

I'll keep reporting back on my quest as long as the Keystone folks keep my identity secret. The way things are I need every advantage I can get. And don't ask Jim in Lawrenceville any questions, just get his membership.



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UP COMING EVENTS

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

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

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

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

Late summer: GEMINI TECH SESSION TBA

Aug. 4th: 2nd Annual Endless Mountains Cruise

Sept. 7,8,9: Watkins Glen Vintage Races

Oct. 12: PREDATOR PERFORMANCE TECH SESSION

Oct. (?): Keystone Canyon Cruise

Dec. 1: Holiday Party

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