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# KEYNOTES

PORSCHE CLUB OF AMERICA KEYSTONE REGION



## PREDATOR PERFORMANCE TOUR

APRIL 12, 2008  
10:00 AM



The date has been set for our spring tour of the Predator Performance facility in DuBois, PA. Predator Performance is an auto fabrication shop that does restoration, painting, race car building and prep, including engine dyno testing on their chassis dyno. They did the original fabrication work on the new Beck 904.

Last November the Keystone Region toured their facility, but many members couldn't make it because of the inclimate weather. So, we're doing it again.

Directions to their shop at 2572 Oklahoma/Salem Rd., DuBois are: I-80 west to exit 101, turn right and follow this road through 2 lights, take a left on Scribner Ave. and follow through 2 more lights to Maple. Take a right on maple and then a quick left (about 100 yds.) on Oklahoma/Salem. Predator is about 1 mile on the left. In case you get lost the phone # is 814-372-5430.

I am personally very interested in this tour because I won the door prize at the Holiday party that entitles me to one session on the chassis dyno. I'm taking the 912, and this dyno session will be part of the tour. Incidentally, they will have time for 2 or 3 more sessions at \$100 ea. (if enough interest, maybe a group rate) if anyone is interested.

As another point of interest, we may make this tour as a joint event with Allegheny Region. I'm sure that a group will caravan from State College, and please let me know if you plan to attend, so that Predator will have some idea of group size. You can e-mail me at bob912@ptd.net.

Bob Cornell

## Up To Speed

Judy Sears

We had our annual Planning/Board Meeting on Sunday, January 13th.. The four of us who showed up had a great time and I think we have some interesting events coming up in 2008. Remember all of you are welcome at our Board Meetings. We encourage everyone to attend so you can get your two cents worth in and see how things get done. We are an informal group. The more the merrier! Our next meeting will be March 9 at the American Ale House and Grill in Tofrees in State College at 3pm with dinner to follow. Right now it looks like we will have tours, a picnic, tech sessions, a dyno demonstration (on Bob Cornell's 912) at Predator Performance in Dubois, and a report on Jim and Felice Haggerty's adventures at the Targa Newfoundland as well as some other neat events. Let me know if you have a suggestion for a meeting and we will try to work it in. Let's make our 11th year a real success.

Fred and I plan to attend Zone 1's Tech Tactics at Farnbacher Loles in Danbury, CT on March 1. It is a really well run event and the facilities at Farnbacher are awesome. If you are interested you can find information on the Zone 1 website.

'Till Next Time

## Carrera 4'um

Fred Sears  
Membership:

As of the beginning of this year we were at 79 members and 67 affiliate members. We have one new member, Erick Koski of Towanda. We continue to have a number of non-renewals - the latest are: Phillip Cavanagh, Richard Bevan, Tom Cali, John Preston, and Chris Thatcher. I hope to receive notice of their renewal soon. We did get a notice that Mark and Suzie Cloud had renewed.

Safety:

For those of you participating in Driver Education events I want to remind you that new requirements for restraint systems are in place for PCA beginning the first of this year. Harnesses must be current as shown by the dated tags on the harnesses and greater attention will be given during safety inspections as to their proper installation. Harnesses with non-race seats will no longer be allowed and four point harnesses (no sub-strap) are not permitted. If you have any questions please give me a call to discuss. I'll share with you my experiences in upgrading my harnesses to 2013 expiration and the trials and tribulations of removing and reinstalling my Recaro race seats for the harness change. I have now installed snap-in brackets so I will not have to remove the seats again.

**HOLIDAY PARTY A BIG SUCCESS!**

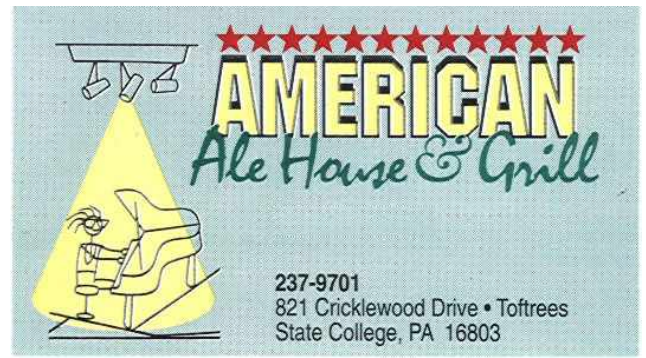
--- by Bill Simon III

Christmas, Hannukah, and all that other stuff has come and gone, and so has our annual Keystone Region Holiday Bash! Forty-plus of the faithful gathered on December 1st at the lovely Nittany Lion Inn on the Penn State campus to celebrate the holidays, our club, our cars, and the forthcoming end of the year and beginning of a new one. It's fair to say that a good time was definitely had by all.

The Nittany Lion Inn can be relied upon to provide excellent victuals and a super venue for the Porsche Club to get together. We were particularly pleased to have with us our National PCA President Prescott Kelly with his wife Pam. He was kind enough to share with us some PCA matters from the national viewpoint, particularly that future national Porsche Parades won't be only five days any more. The 2008 Parade in Charlotte, NC, will be a six-day affair. Zone 2 PCA Representative Jim Becker and his wife Margie also joined us, and he gave us a current update on Zone 2 and other PCA happenings. Nominating Committee Chairman Eric and President Judy announced the new 2008 slate of officers and board members. (See elsewhere in this issue.)

The social hour was an excellent time for a few of our newer members to get to know the rest of the Keystone Region, and to find out what we all know, that....."It's not the cars, it's the people!" We didn't have a formal program, just a few door prizes for the holiday season from some of our members, sponsors, and advertisers. Be sure to patronize and thank our door prize providers: Dix Honda (thanks, Dave); Gemini Motors (thanks, John and Rita); The American Ale House and Grille (thanks, Scott, Linda, and Tommy); Toftrees Resort and Country Club (thanks, Mike); State College Holiday Inn Express (thanks again, Mike); Oregon Hill Winery (thanks, Eric and Karon); Jack Harper Young Men's Shop (thanks, Brian); European Imports (in Woolrich) (thanks, Doug); Predator Performance (in Dubois) (thanks, Jeff), and particularly Sun Motors near Harrisburg (our closest dealer).

For those who couldn't make it to the year-end bash, be sure to check the Key Notes calendar of events, and come on out and join your fellow PCAers in some of the many events we have each year. See you all in 2008!!



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**Election Results**

Eric Swendroski reported the election results for next year. The officers for 2008 are President - Judy Sears, Vice President – Mike Szczesny, Secretary – Gwen Cornell, Treasurer – Bob Cornell and Members at Large – Howard Williams and Wayne McPheron.

Respectfully submitted,  
Gwen Cornell, Secretary

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## PCA KEYSTONE REGION BOARD MEETING

Sunday, January 13, 2008 at Judy and Fred Sears

PRESENT: Judy and Fred Sears, Bob and Gwen Cornell

TREASURER'S REPORT: Current balance of \$2334.17

PRESIDENT'S REMARKS: Judy reported that she and Fred will be attending the Tectactics in Danbury, CT again this year on March 1st.

John Yetter, Porsche Sales Manager of Sun Motors in Mechanicsburg, has notified Judy that on March 8th, they will be having an Open House to celebrate their new Porsche facility (with test track) on 48 acres in the Mechanicburg area.

COMMITTEE REPORTS AND OLD BUSINESS were skipped because of our small member turnout.

NEW BUSINESS: 2008 ACTIVITIES

### PREDATOR PERFORMANCE / CAR DYNO

Bob Cornell will be calling Jeff Towns at Predator Performance to set up a date for a tech session using their Chassis Dyno. Possible dates are April 5th, 12th or May 24th.

### JIM AND FELICE HAGERTY AT TARGA NEWFOUNDLAND

Judy will be talking to the Hagerty's about sharing their stories and pictures from this past fall's Targa Newfoundland adventure.

### PORSCHE PICNIC

Possible dates of June 7th or 14th were discussed. Last summer's picnic was such a success that we're asking Bill Simon to be in charge of it again this year.

### ANNUAL HOLIDAY DINNER

We're tentatively looking at December 6th for this year's Holiday Dinner. We discussed inviting Manny Albin and Jim and Margy Becker. We're asking Mike Szczesny, with all his many connections in the restaurant world of State College, to be in charge of the dinner.

### ENDLESS MOUNTAINS CRUISE

We need to talk to the Williams' and the McPhersons' to see if they are interested in putting together their 3rd Annual Endless Cruise.

### KEYSTONE CANYON CRUISE

We also need to talk to Eric and Karon Swendroski to see if they are interested in doing their cruise in mid-September, possibly the 13th, or early October - 4th, 11th or 25th.

### GEMINI SESSION

Fred is arranging a tech session with John Simbeck. No date has been selected.

### FUTURE BOARD MEETINGS

March 9th – Ale House

April 5th, 12th or May 24th – Predator Performance

Porsche Picnic – June 7th or 14th

Endless Mountains Cruise – August?

Keystone Canyon Cruise – September/October

### NEWSLETTER

Our Newsletter Editor, Eric Swendroski, has requested that any articles for the Newsletter be submitted to him by the 18th of the month. Make sure if you are in charge of an event that you do a pre-event article and a post-event article, with photos if possible. Also, anytime you attend any Porsche activity of any kind, please write about it so that the whole club can enjoy your experience.

Respectfully submitted,  
Gwen Cornell, Secretary

# GEMINI

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**For Sale:** 2 zone one gift certificates that are good for certain events in 2008. They are each good for \$100 off an entry fee for the Porsche Clash PCA club race and also for \$100 off the entry fee for the 48 Hours at the Glen DE. They are available for \$50 each. Bob Cornell, 15 Fairway Drive, Selinsgrove, PA 17870 570-884-7000. bob912@ptd.net

## **UP COMING EVENTS**

Our next meeting will be at The American Ale House and Grill on March 9 at 3PM with dinner to follow (dutch treat). Everyone is welcome.

April 12th – Predator Performance

Porsche Picnic – June 7th or 14th

Endless Mountains Cruise – August?

Keystone Canyon Cruise – September/October

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