



**July 2008**



# KEYNOTES

**PORSCHE CLUB OF AMERICA KEYSTONE REGION**



## **23rd Annual Last Cruise**

The time is drawing near for Keystone PCA to rally together for the Youth Services Bureau and have a fun filled day at the 23rd Annual Last Cruise on Saturday July 26th at the Mount Nittany Middle School in State College.

As a follow up to last month's article, I hope many of us have marked our calendars and pre-registration (only \$8.00) is available through the 18th. Registration the day of the event is only \$10.00 and is from 7:00am – Noon. We will have a designated area for the PCA, so no matter when you arrive hooking up with the group will be easy.

Remember, we are also holding a silent auction with all proceeds benefiting the Youth Services Bureau, so if you have anything to donate (or know someone that does) that we can turn into \$\$\$ let us know & we'll put together a silent auction sheet for it.

Special thanks to following for already donating some great auction items: member Bill Hoag; the Texas Roadhouse; the Outback steakhouse; & Toftrees Golf.

### RECAP:

What: 23rd Annual Last cruise car show

Where: at the Mount Nittany Middle School, 656 Brandywine Drive, Boalsburg Pa.

Registration: 7:00am – 12:00 Noon (or in advance up to the 18th)

Activities: will include, Judging from 11:00 – 4:00, Awards from 4:00 – 5:30, a "Last Cruise" from 6:00 – 8:00 in Downtown State College.

In addition following the day's festivities there is also the "Best of the Best" car show in Downtown State College from 6:00 – 9:00pm as well.

Hope to see you all there!

Robin & Mike Szczesny. [mikes@shanercorp.com](mailto:mikes@shanercorp.com)



### **CAR & MOTORCYCLE SHOW**

**SATURDAY, JULY 26, 2008**

**Mount Nittany Middle School**

**STATE COLLEGE, PA**



## **UP TO SPEED**

Judy Sears

As I write this I should be packing for Porsche Parade in Charlotte, NC. We leave tomorrow and the suitcases are sitting empty. Oh, well, only so much will fit into the Cayman S anyhow. As long as we have our driving helmet for autocross we should be okay.

For those of you who missed our picnic/rally you really missed a great day. The company was super, the rally beautiful and lots of fun and the food was yummy. Many thanks go to Bill Simon and Suzanne Howe for planning and carrying out the day. Now we are officially 11 years old!

The next event on our calendar (unless you're going to Parade) is the State College Annual Last Cruise on Saturday, July 26 at Mount Nittany Middle School, 656 Brandywine Drive, Boalsburg, PA. We are planning a silent auction to benefit the Youth Services Bureau of State College and we need you all to rally together to help. Mike and Robin Szczesny are in charge and have already gathered up some neat prizes. You can contact Mike at [mikes@shanercorp.com](mailto:mikes@shanercorp.com) I hope everyone has saved the date and will come support our effort to out-fundraise all the other car clubs. It promises to be a fun day.

Fred and I spent last weekend at Watkins Glen track again. This time the weather was MUCH better. We had a bit of rain on Saturday but Fred got in over 300 track miles and came out of track withdrawal quite nicely. The Glen is a beautiful location. If you ever have a chance to visit don't miss it.

Next time a report on Porsche Parade!

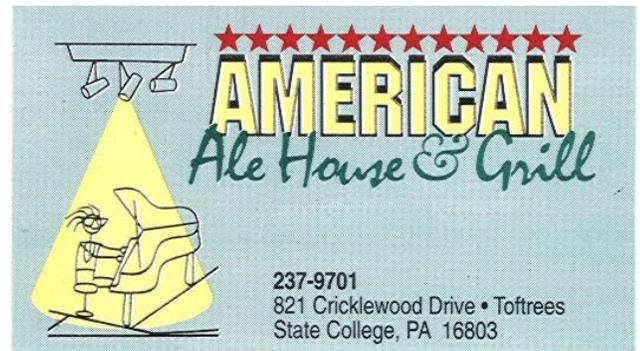
## 2008 PORSCHE CLASH

-Bob Cornell

Once again, Gwen and I were volunteer workers for the PCA races at Watkins Glen, May 30-June 1. Friday morning we saddled up the Boxster and headed for the Glen. The first stop was Rainbow Cove Motel, right on Seneca Lake, where we met Dave Durrwachter and our friends, the Mills, from Upper Canada Region. Then it was lunch and off to the track. We spent the rest of Friday meeting old friends, checking things out, making our mandatory visit to the bar at the Seneca Lodge, and attending the worker's party at the Falls Motel.

Saturday and Sunday Gwen worked in timing and scoring, while Dave and I worked the grid on Saturday and pit safety on Sunday. Pit safety was my first lead position and I assembled a team from three PCA regions. I guess we did OK since there were no major problems and we got a "Good job" from the PCA race officials.

After the track closed on Saturday, we managed one more visit to the Seneca Lodge and then to the awards dinner. Our table at the dinner was filled with PCAers from Central New York, Niagara, Upper Canada and Keystone regions-all our friends. Sunday's races ran smoothly and after they were over, we made plans to meet these same people at the Pittsburgh Vintage in July and the Zippo Vintage at the Glen in September. Hugs all around and off to Selinsgrove. Remember, it's all about the people.



## Carrera 4'um

- Fred Sears, Membership and Safety

For those of you who couldn't make our Picnic on June 7th, you missed a great rally, good food, and the usual Porsche camaraderie. Bill Simon did another great annual picnic.

There were two non-renewals reported: Michael O'Neil and Christopher Stahl. Hope to see your names as renewals next month. Received a request for membership information from the new owner of a 996 40th Anniversary 911; will look forward to listing him as a new member for next month.

No specific safety messages for this month beyond please drive safely and sanely. Reserve your driving the Porsche like it should be for autocross and the track. Join us for our next event.

## Keystone PCA back at Predator

- Photos and Article by Mike and Robin Szczesny

Predator Performance in Dubois held their first annual open house this past Sunday in conjunction with an impromptu car show for those in attendance wishing to show off their ride.

Since Robin & I missed the two prior opportunities to visit their shop, and heard so many great reviews from fellow Keystoners – we did not want to miss this chance. What an awesome facility they have there!

Upon arrival, they had a designated parking area to display your car (if desired) which fluctuated between 60 – 75 cars throughout the day. Everyone was greeted by the owner & his family as they were graciously grilling hot dogs & providing beverages to all in attendance. The shop was wide open for a walking tour & many of the special projects featured descriptions of what was being done.

Of special interest to us were the two Beck 904 bodies, along with two replica Speedsters that were being fitted with electric motors!

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## Targa Newfoundland 2006

- Jim Haggerty

And the winner of Targa Newfoundland 2006 is....Felice Haggerty!

Well, after the cheering and hugging and photos had gone on for several minutes, we knew this was a bigger deal than the door prizes previously won that evening.

So probably the story should start at the beginning. We're fairly new to the world of Porsche and racing. We bought a 911 on Ebay in 2005 and drove it some, but mostly worked on it through winter and spring 2006. Got a PCA membership and thought some good exposure would be to volunteer at nearby Watkins Glen during the PCA club races. That Saturday in June was cold, windy, a little wet and not too pleasant outdoors. At days end we were hungry and cold and talk of diner kept us in the mix. During dinner the Targa Newfoundland 5x 7 cards on each table were a curiosity to everyone at our table. What is Targa? We all decided probably just a way for a sharp vendor to get a short list of racer customers. I guess our table must have had all race volunteers and no racers. The racers knew!! The man who came to our table to get Felice was a "James Bond" looking guy. Dark suit, silver hair, tall. After a hug he escorted her up to the podium. Felice, in her jeans and yard coat still cold from the day was a little shocked. When the photos started, Robert Giannou (Bond) leaned over and whispered "do you know what you have won"? Felice responded "Not a clue". He replied "keep smiling and I'll see you after dinner".

After the racing awards ended, Robert, who is the founder and President of Targa Newfoundland, tried to explain Targa to two non-racers. First, the venue- it's going to require a trip to "the Rock"- Newfoundland, the eastern most Canadian Province. It's as far east as you can get in North America. Second, it's held annually in September. It began in 2001 and the event runs for 6 days. Third, it's a Rally event with lots of categories to accommodate a large range of cars and people. And the most important thing to know is that this trip will change your life. You'd be foolish to miss it. Do you have a car? Great, several folks run 911's. Now all you need to do is register. Then, get yourself to "the Rock" and that's no small feat.

Next month we'll tell you about the trip.



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**Cham Easy Porsche Squeegees' - only 4 left!** \$15.00  
(Compare at \$30.00 & up)

**Glass carafe & two wine glasses etched with "Porsche" - 2 sets** only at \$30.00 a set. Make great gifts & work especially well with Oregon Hill wines!

**Gold rimmed Porsche mugs** - a must have - only 5 left at \$15.00 These are really nice mugs.

**Carbon fiber look Porsche roller ball pen** - only 1 - \$15.00

**German Eagle Flags** - two left - \$15.00 each

**Valve stem caps with Porsche logo** - only one set left \$15.00

Bargain of the season:

**White terry cloth Porsche logo Robes** - all XL & are awesome - only four of these left at \$50.00 each.  
To good to believe, shop anywhere else & they are sold for \$125.00 & up!

Contact Mike Szczesny or drop by the next event to get your goodies!

**For Sale:** 1 zone one gift certificate that is good for certain events in 2008. 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. Available for \$50. Bob Cornell, 15 Fairway Drive, Selinsgrove, PA 17870  
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## **UP COMING EVENTS**

19 & 20 July -- Pittsburgh Vintage Grand Prix, Schenley Park, Pittsburgh, Pa.

26 July -- State College "Last Cruise" car show, with special Porsche parking. Mt. Nittany Middle School, Boalsburg, Pa.

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