



September 2008

# KEYNOTES

PORSCHE CLUB OF AMERICA KEYSTONE REGION



## Keystone Canyon Cruise - October 25th!

With Fall being just around the corner, it's time to get ready for our annual Keystone Canyon Cruise. This years tour will begin at European Imports (570-769-1626) located on route 150 between Avis and Woolrich at 9:00 a.m. The cruise will start at 10:00 a.m. The tour will include a stop at the Grand Canyon of Pennsylvania at Leonard Harrison State Park 4797 Route 660 Wellsboro, lunch at Antlers Inn, Restaurant & Sports Bar 3591 Route 6 Wellsboro, and will conclude with a visit to the Oregon Hill Winery 840 Oregon Hill Road, Morris, PA.

Great roads, fantastic scenery, cool cars, and most importantly, the wonderful people of our club, combine to make this an exceptional event year after year. We hope you'll join us!

Please R.S.V.P. by mail, phone or email to:

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See you at the cruise!



2007 Keystone Canyon Cruise

## KEYSTONE PICNIC AND RALLYE A BIG SUCCESS!

--- Photo and article by Bill Simon III

Keystoners gathered on a warm and windy day at Bald Eagle State Park on June 7th for our 2008 region picnic and novelty road rallye. The rallyers gathered shortly after noon, and got a short briefing from evil rallymaster Bill Simon (Note: all rallymasters are, by definition, evil) before wending their ways throughout Centre and Clinton counties, looking for answers to trivial questions

After totalling up all the scores, the fabulous prizes (from the Keystone Goodie Store) and wine (from Oregon Hill Winery) were awarded to:

1st Place: Dan and Anita Crust, very ably assisted by 5th grade honor student and 1st class navigator Cherish Crust. There were 50 questions, and they (she?) got all of them 100% right!!

2nd Place: Dan Durrwachter and Carol Brown

3rd Place: Jim and Dewayne Stuck

The picnic was catered by the famous Clem's Bar-B-Q, located in Port Matilda, and a good time was had by all.



## Keystone PCA raises funds for the Centre County Youth Services Bureau

Member Dave Dix suggested that we challenge the other car clubs to a fundraiser during the 23rd Annual Last cruise car show in Boalsburg on July 26, 2008. He and Mike Szczesny solicited donors, and collected \$317.00 for the charity. Thank you to everyone involved!



## Targa Newfoundland- Stage II - Felice and Jim Haggerty

So, We've won a free entry to Targa Newfoundland, an annual 6 day rally event around the Newfoundland Province of Canada. Can we do it? We have a car but it's a stock 1983 911- no rollcage, no race seats or harnesses. We need someone to watch our golden Retrievers! But who for 2 weeks? Drive the car, trailer the car? What about overnight accommodations? WOW! So much to consider. And do you remember from our previous article that we have never raced and don't have any clue what we are preparing for? Helmets? Why would we need helmets? How fast will we be driving? We got on Targanewfoundland.com to find some of the answers. We called the Targa registrar and got additional answers. We contacted a friend who is a native of Nova Scotia's very Eastern Tip. She told us "Yes, it's a long trip



to my hometown, and then you'll need to take the 15 hour ferry trip across the North Atlantic ocean and drive another 1 1/2 hours to St. Johns where the rally really starts". We also got a cram session on what a Rally course might be like from Judy and Fred Sears. WHEW! I should mention here that Felice dislikes the passenger seat on journeys over one hour. We decided to trailer the car to minimize possible mechanical problems during the trip. That was a good decision. We split the trip into 3 days. First day's travel took us to Maine, the second to the Ferry in Nova Scotia, and the last leg was the Ferry trip (glad someone else drove this) and then our drive to St Johns, Newfoundland. Good thing we had time to sleep on the ferry- staying rested turned out to be



a big plus for the whole adventure. The Ferry is a cruise ship that carries automobiles. We booked our spot along with our motels for the Rally in a package offered through Targa Newfoundland. It worked out well. The Ferry leaves at 3pm and arrives at 6am. We slept in our little stateroom and ate in the dining hall cafeteria. It was adequate, not fancy. The cars and trailers are lashed to the steel decks below. We saw some whales and got sleep on calm seas.

Lots of Targa competitors and cars are on that Ferry. Friendly folks. Cool cars. Stories Abound. Adrenalin starting to run for return competitors. Perhaps some nervousness for those of us still unsure of where we were going, or what we were doing. We tried to glean all we could from each discussion. Many of the racers are repeat visits to Targa. About 50% are new. We found our hotel in St Johns without incident by late morning and unloaded the 911. We met more racers, saw more cars and went to the ice hockey arena to register. Yep, we made it! We decided afterward that this three day excursion was the easy part. You probably knew that.

Next month we'll prepare for the 6 day Rally event and then do it! BTW, we were meant to go. Felice refused unless we could find someone who would stay in our home for two weeks with two dogs. Living in a county with sparse population doesn't offer many choices. We found a woman who told us later this was the best two weeks vacation (unique in it's own way) and she can't wait to dog/house sit for us again in the future. She did such an excellent job, the dogs tried to go home with her!!!!

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The following members have agreed to serve in 2009 if elected:

President - Bob Cornell

Vice President - Randy Kilmer

Secretary - Bill Simon

Treasurer - Gwen Cornell

Member at Large - Karon Swendrowski

Member at Large - Janette Stewart

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## Swigart Museum Tour

-Fred Sears, tour leader

On Saturday, October 11th, we will have a tour to the Swigart Antique Auto Museum. The tour will start in State College around noon and take a scenic route to the museum. The museum visit will last about two hours (that's about all the senses will absorb without overload). For those who wish to do so we will then visit a local eatery (Dutch treat) for an early supper. Cost for the tour including museum admission is \$5/person. Please let me know if you plan to attend by October 4th so arrangements can be made with the museum. More details in next month's newsletter.



## POCONO REGION PCA PICNIC

- Photo and Article by Bob Cornell

Recently I received an e-mail from Andrew Moore, the president of Pocono Region, with an invitation for Gwen and I to attend their region picnic. This may seem unusual, but Andrew and I are friends and we know many of the members because we've attended at least six of their Octoberfest events. We knew we'd have a great time because Pocono is an active region full of old friends. So we fired up the Boxster and went to Andrew's home in Stroudsburg for the day.

The short version of this story is that we were not disappointed. Andrew is a chef and restaurant owner so the food, both lunch and dinner, was excellent. There were about twenty Porsches, three Ferraris, and one Corvette, plus other assorted cars. A pretty good turnout for a day with the occasional torrential thunder shower. We were entertained by some unusual games. The first was remote control power boat racing in the pool. My execution of the "bump draft" technique allowed me to capture second place in this event. The downside was that I had to apologize to nearly everyone for losing the final to a Ferrari driver. We then went to the croquet enduro. Here we had to hit our ball around a devious course with a pit stop and driver change at the half way mark. Gwen started us off pretty well, but I discovered that croquet is harder that it looks, and brought us in dead last. I think I had a defective mallet!

After dinner we had to head for home. Too bad because the party was still going strong. There was lots of talk about meeting again at Octoberfest and The Glen for the Vintage. As I always say, it's the people that make PCA great.

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## **UP COMING EVENTS**

Oct. 11 - Swigart Museum tour. Contact Fred Sears ( 814)238-1105

Oct. 25 - Keystone Canyon Cruise. R.S.V.P. to Karon Swendrowski (570) 353 2711 or Karonax@epix.net

Dec. ? - Keystone Holiday Party.

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