

# KEYNOTES

PORSCHE CLUB OF AMERICA KEYSTONE REGION



**March 2012**

## *Cars and Coffee*

- *Gwen Cornell*

IT'S TIME FOR KEYSTONE CARS AND COFFEE !!!

Winter (what little we had) is almost over and it's time to dust off the Porsches and reconnect with all our Keystone friends. Please join us at RESTLESS OAKS RESTAURANT just off Rt. 220 at the McElhattan exit SATURDAY, MARCH 31ST at 10:00 am.

As usual, we're in the private room on the right when you come in the door. PLEASE EMAIL OR PHONE ME (GWEN CORNELL) BY MONDAY, MARCH 26TH IF YOU ARE COMING SO THAT I CAN GIVE THE RESTAURANT A HEADS-UP AS TO HOW MANY OF US WILL BE THERE.

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## *Presidents Column*

- *Dan Crust*

In Springtime, wrote Tennyson, a young man's fancy turns to love. A not-so-young man? If I am any example, cars. Among the oldest manifestations of my car-guy disease is the 1970 Mercury Cougar occupying the spot of honor in the Garage-Mahal. My first car in high school, a similar model, got away, but I acquired this one a few years later and almost thirty years on she's still with me. After languishing with brake issues for a couple years, while I focused on building the garage and on Porsche-related fun, she's back on the road with new brakes, although a long list of maintenance and repairs awaits further attention.

Driving the Cougar again reminds me of how far cars have come in the intervening years. As a fairly sporty car (same chassis as a Ford Mustang) the car was well-regarded for handling back in the day, but requires a mental shift when hopping behind the wheel compared to any modern car. Big steering wheel with a big dead spot, relative wallowing through the corners, really front-heavy, good old American V8 but hard to put the power down. Pass everything but a gas station, but great nostalgic fun.

Meanwhile, although the mild winter has allowed for an unusual amount of salt-free roads, we'll really start cranking up the club calendar now. I hope we'll see a lot of you at the Cars and Coffee breakfast on the 31st, and there'll be many more events to come.



36th annual Central PA PCA Porsche-Only

# SWAP meet

## & people's choice concours



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- and Porsche cars.....more Porsches in one place at one time than anywhere else on the planet – *including Stuttgart.*

**2012 PORSCHE-ONLY SWAP MEET -- APRIL 21st**

*-Bill Simon III*

This year's giant Porsche-Only Swap Meet will be held on Saturday, April 21st, in Hershey, Pa. The event runs all day and is put on by our neighbors to the south, the Central Pennsylvania Region of PCA, and has been held for years on parking lots at the HersheyPark Amusement Park and the Giant Center (sports arena) in Hershey. If you've never been to this event, you'll find it to be absolutely amazing. Entire (running and non-running) Porsches will be available for sale, as well as every Porsche part, T-shirt, book, magazine, cleaning product, model car, or whatever else you think you need (and probably don't need) for your P-car, usually at very good prices. It is virtually impossible to browse the many vendors' booths and not find something you've been looking for. Directions: (Note: this is a different venue than in previous years!!)

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If you're in or passing through the State College area: A local State College group of members will be gathering at the Country Inn and Suites hotel to convoy together to Hershey. Gather up at the Inn, and enjoy their complimentary full hot breakfast (Thank You, Mike Szczesny!) from about 7:30 thru 8:15 AM on Saturday, April 21st. Around 8:15, we'll depart, in formation, for the convoy drive to Hershey. Country Inn and Suites is at 1357 East College Avenue (814.234.6000, if you're lost). Take the East College Ave. exit from I-99/US-220/US-322, aka the Mt. Nittany Expressway, which runs along the east side of State College and the Penn State campus. Exiting the highways, turn west on East College Ave, toward downtown State College, and the Country Inn will be on your right within about a half mile. It's set back from the road, but look for W.R. Hickey's beer distributor, and you're there.

If you're coming from the eastern portion of the Keystone Region: A group of Keystoners from your side of the Region will be gathering at the Susquehanna Valley mall Parking lot-near Friendly's, about 8:30 AM. The mall is on Rt. 15 in Selinsgrove.

Logistics: So we know whom to wait for, if you're planning to join up at the Country Inn and Suites, please drop Bill Simon a quick e-note at [bsimon911@gmail.com](mailto:bsimon911@gmail.com) or give him a quick call at 814.235.1356.

More Logistics: If you're coming from the eastern areas of the Keystone Region, please drop Bob Cornell a quick e-note at [bob912@ptd.net](mailto:bob912@ptd.net) or give him a quick call at 570.884.7000 to let him know to wait for you.

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**UP COMING EVENTS**

- 31 March --- Cars and Coffee, Restless oaks restaurant, McElhattan, Pa.
- 21 April --- Central Pa. Porsche-Only Swap Meet, Hershey, Pa. Convoys from State College and Selinsgrove.
- 16 June --- Bellefonte Cruise car show, in the streets of downtown Bellefonte
- 8-14 July --- 2012 Porsche Parade, Salt Lake City, Utah (Registration starts on 27 March)
- 21 & 22 July --- Pittsburgh Vintage Grand Prix, Schenley Park, Pittsburgh, Pa.
- 28 July --- Last Cruise car show, Pa. Military Museum, Boalsburg, Pa.

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