

KEYNOTES

PORSCHE CLUB OF AMERICA KEYSTONE REGION



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CARS AND COFFEE -- STATE COLLEGE, November 5th

--- by Bill Simon III

Hey Keystoners! Owing to the overwhelming popularity of our "Cars and Coffee" get-togethers in the past several years in State College, Williamsport, and Lock Haven, your Keystone Region will be having another one of these popular events over toward the western end of our region -- in State College this time, on Saturday morning, 5 November. State College should be reasonably civilized that weekend, as it's a bye weekend for the Nittany Lions, and the usual 110,000 crazy fans won't be here to clog up the streets and restaurants.

Here are the details: Gather up around 10:00 AM, November 5th, at the Eat 'n' Park, just off North Atherton Street in State College. It's at the south end of the large shopping mall on North Atherton St., about 2 miles north of the PSU campus and dominated by Wal-Mart, and is pretty hard to miss. If, along North Atherton, you see the MacDonald's, then the Eat 'n' Park is just behind it. [I know, you're thinking ---- "Eeeeww, an Eat 'n' Park?" But this one is quite nice, and we've had delightful and very well-attended "Cars and Coffee" events there last couple years. Seems almost new, though I know it isn't, and it's very nicely appointed and maintained, and provides excellent service.]

They'll have their breakfast buffet going until 11:00 AM, and we can also order breakfast or lunch off the menu, if the buffet is not for you. Look for us in the reserved section at the back of the restaurant, past the buffet and beyond all the other seating areas.

Directions: (1) If you're from the State College area, this is by the North Atherton Street Wal-Mart (not the one near the Nittany Mall). (2) If you're not from the S.C. area, and coming in on Interstate-99 or US Rte.322, get off the Nittany Expressway (which is I-99, US-322, and US-220) at the Toftrees/Woodycrest exit. Turn away from Toftrees onto Waddle Road. Pass Olive Garden, the Outback Steak House, the Holiday Inn Express, and the Texas Roadhouse, all on your left. Go straight thru about 3-4 traffic lights to a T-intersection. Go right at the T (Vairo Blvd.), and Eat 'n' Park is hard to miss on your right. For the necessary photo op, park all your Porsches together. (If you get close, but are navigationally challenged, the phone no. at the restaurant is: 814.231.8559.)

Just to be safe, give Bill a quick RSVP by e-mail (bsimon911@gmail.com) or phone (814.235.1356) to assure that we have enough space in the restaurant.

Come on out and start your weekend with your Porsche friends and lotsa Porsche talk. You'll still be home in time for Saturday afternoon football on TV! And.... Drive Your Porsche!!! (As we proved 2 years ago, they don't rust or shrink in the rain....)

Presidents Column

- Dan Crust

As I sit down to belatedly finish my column for this newsletter, I unfortunately write in the hours after the tragic death of Dan Wheldon in the IndyCar race in Las Vegas. For those of us who love racing, and Porsche is certainly as intimately associated as any marque with the sport, the tremendous improvements in safety in recent decades have all but removed the specter of death from the competition, but it will never be completely safe. Our hearts go out to his family, especially his wife and young children. Ironically, Dan had been running a limited schedule this year (including his second Indy 500 win) while serving as the primary tester of next year's IndyCar chassis, which

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includes improvements intended to prevent the type of accident that cost him his life.

Your local Region has put on a full slate of fun events this year, with more yet to come. We have our final Cars and Coffee breakfast of the year up next in State College. We will be having a board meeting before year end as well. Stay tuned to this space and your e-mail for time and location. I know, a 'bored' meeting, but actually we don't have a lot of business to conduct...and then we eat. That is actually what keeps me coming to them!

You will also find a ballot enclosed for our officers for next year. Please take a moment to return it so we can continue to bring fun activities to the club. And if you would like to pitch in and help, we are always happy to have folks step up and help. See you down the road.

Another Home Run

- Bob Cornell

As many of you know, every fall a few of us take a little driving tour to take in the fall scenery.

This year three Keystone region families, Gwen and I, the Stucks and the Durrwachters (and also our friends the Porters with their orange Mustang convertible)

headed to up-state New York for a little top down touring and fall color. This may have been a terrible summer weather wise, but for a couple of days it couldn't have been nicer and we ran for two and a half days with the tops off.

We lunched in Skaneateles and were in Cooperstown in time for dinner. Our motel was at the foot of Otsego Lake which was too beautiful to describe. The literates among you will recognize Otsego as James Fenimore Cooper's "Glimmerglass". During the day we visited the Farmer's Museum and the Baseball Hall of Fame and Museum. Looking at pictures of Mickey Mantle always makes me feel about 12 years old-and it always feels good. In the late afternoon, before dinner, we had cocktails in lawn chairs at the lake's edge. It really couldn't have been any better. In fact, Jim Stuck commented that I lived up to my nick name of Good Weather Bob.

On the way home we stopped in Norwich to visit the Northeast Classic Car Museum. None of us had ever heard of it before, but believe me, this is a must see. There are about 160 American cars (this translates to no Porsches) dating from the turn of the century through the sixties. It is a great display of the best American classics and the cars you grew up with-or wished you had.

Anyway, another wonderful Porsche (and Mustang) trip. I've enclosed a pic of us mugging for the camera at the entrance to the Farmer's Museum. And you know, I hate being right all the time, but it really is all about the people.



KEYSTONE REGION POST-HOLIDAY PARTY

Attention: Keystone Region members!!

Mark your calendars NOW for January 14th, 2012!!

After the holiday hustle and bustle have quieted down, be sure to come to the annual Keystone Region post-Holiday bash. It's again at the Nittany Lion Inn on the Penn State campus. Get together with Keystone members and celebrate the beginning of a new Porsche year. See next issue of Key Notes for details.

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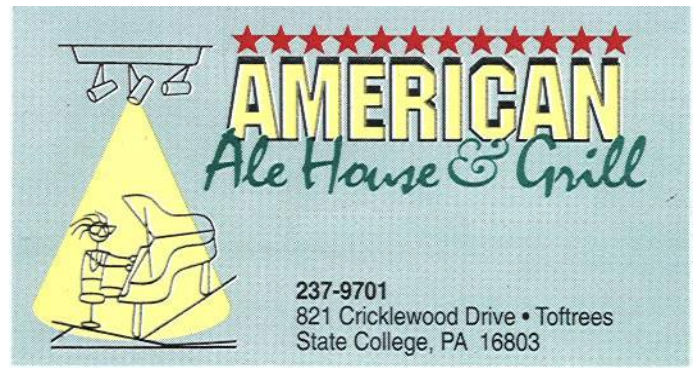
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2011 State College last Cruise

Well the 2011 State College last Cruise was a success on virtually all levels. For those of you that missed it, the day was sunny, warm and our Keystone PCA had a reserved area near some much appreciated shade. There were approximately 180 cars & 20 Motorcycles in attendance and the Lady Lions & Nittany Lion were there to visit with the Kids from the Big Brother / Big Sister program & fans alike. We had about 8 Porsches in attendance throughout the day with some new cars & faces as numerous new "Porsche friends" stopped by to say hello too. I believe we may get a few new members from this event, which is always welcome.

As for the various Import classes:

John Simbeck took home an award for his always immaculate Mercedes 190 16 valve. He just added some (factory correct) 5 – spoke wheels that were stunning to say the least!

Another Mercedes victory and award was had by Charlie Faris for his AMG Mercedes. I actually think his car gets nicer every year, wow – what a pristine example!

I was fortunate once again to knock the dust of my 1986 911 Cabriolet and win an award. A great feeling given the spectrum of cars in attendance.

On a proud note the Keystone PCA raised over \$1,400. for Youth Services Bureau through the Clubs donation & individual contributions!

Andrea Boyles, CEO of YSB was most appreciative of our efforts & support! In fact the entire event rose just over \$16,000. What a great day and way to do that. Not a day goes by where Andrea (amongst her myriad of other roles and responsibilities within the organization) does not worry about money, staffing and the Kids and their families.

As you may know, YSB offers fourteen distinct programs. Ranging from prevention services up through treatment services, and working with new parents and their babies up through late teens moving out on their own, YSB strives to give every child the best hope for a happy & healthy life. While the majority of their programs operate in Centre County, they also have an office in Lewistown where we operate Big Brothers Big Sister programming for Mifflin and Juniata counties. In addition, they serve 23 counties through group homes.



Needless to say Andrea's heart, dedication & ambition is tireless, and we are proud to help her & YSB as our charity of focus again this year.

So if you missed the Cruise this year, please watch your newsletter so you can put it on the agenda for next year. Truly a good time is always had by all!

Mike Szczesny
 Vice president, Keystone PCA

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UP COMING EVENTS

5 November - 10:00 AM - Noon Keystone Region "Cars & Coffee", Eat 'n' Park Restaurant, State College
 14 January 2012 -- Annual Keystone Region Post-Holiday dinner and party, Nittany Lion Inn, State College

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