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February

Thursday the 1st - Board Meeting at Mountain Mike's in Los Gatos.

Saturday the 10th - It is so fantastical that it borders on the unbelievable... but it's true. The Glathes are hosting another soup night in their home in south San Jose. Breakout the crockpot recipes and get ready for this long running event. Check out the ad on page 6..



The Boinkin' Bunnies do a star turn at the gift exchange. See the story on page 17.

March

Thursday the 1st - Board Meeting at Mountain Mike's in Los Gatos.

Friday the 9th - It's time for another Newcomer's Ice Breaker. Come out and find out what LPR is all about. See the ad on page 10..

Saturday the 10th - Jim & Jen Bryant serve up the carbs at Pasta Night. Watch for the ad in the March POST.

Saturday the 17th - Why is that beer green? Because it's St. patrick's Day! Watch for the ad in next month's POST.

Sunday the 18th - Another LPR autocross season at Marina starts. More info in the March issue.

Saturday the 24th - Tony & Kris Vanacore lead LPR on the Hit the Trail Tour to Morgan Hill and beyond. See the ad on page 15.



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Cover Photo:..... The revellers gather for the annual Gift Exchange at the home of Ken & June Iles.

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As your new President I survived the LPR Board meeting held on January 4th at Mountain Mike's. However, it was a long meeting.....lasted over two hours. When Bob Morgan was President he was able to get us through the agenda in about an hour; with the Board's help I know that I'll get more efficient. At the beginning of the meeting I did say that it could take us 2.5 hours because there were a lot of items that needed to be discussed and voted upon.

Our major disappointment is the 2007 Autocross schedule; apparently the "Marina" site has become very popular with other groups (they probably heard about all the fun we were having out there). Therefore, LPR didn't get all the dates requested and we had to give up June 3rd as it was in direct conflict with the LPR Swap Meet at Parts Heaven. The Swap Meet is one of the major events for LPR; it is very well attended by other PCA Regions and generates a lot of revenue for LPR.

On a brighter note, CDS (California Driving School) is trying very hard to put things back together and get some high-speed DE (Drivers Education) events for this year.

On February 10th there is a Good Time Gathering, it's Soup Night at the Glathe's. If you want to have some great soups and have a lots of fun then join us. Also, there are lots of activities planned for March; the first Tour of the year, the first Autocross, Newcomers Social, Pasta Night at the Bryant's and more. Just check the LPR calendar and then mark your calendar.

Hope to see you at as many events that you can participate in.

Bye for now, Ed

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Yum, Soup Night is a comin', it's an epicure's delight!

Saturday, February 10 at 6 P.M.

Don't miss out on this classic event at the longest running GTG venue in LPR history. Bill & Lorraine Glathe are experts at staging a good time and this year will be no exception.

We'll need seven or eight soups, plus appetizers, salads and desserts.

Please RSVP to Bill or Lorraine by Thursday, February 8th at 408-268-7251 and advise our hosts as to the dish that you will bring. The cost will be \$10.00 per person.

Directions: Take 880 or Almaden Expressway to Camden Avenue, then turn south on Oakcrest, between Meridian and Almaden. The Glathe's residence is a the end of Oakcrest at 1282 Littman Drive.



Kevin Bennett, Editor



Do you enjoy reading the basically black and white POST that you receive in the mail, or do you prefer reading the issue, in full color, online? It is a conundrum for me, as I do both, extensively, and both recognize and appreciate the respective advantages of the two media. While the color version that is found online is by far a superior viewing experience, the hard copy is much more convenient for those who don't spend their days sitting in front of a computer, and it is also a powerful membership recruitment tool, especially for Santa Clara County.

If you take a look at the club's annual financial statement on page 12, you will see that the Prieta POST had income of about \$5500 and expenses of \$10,500, generating a \$5000 loss for the year. The board of directors would not be acting responsibly if they did not undertake an evaluation of the necessity of continuing this ongoing drain of the club's resources and it presents them with a dilemma.

Finding a printer who will produce the hard copy of the POST for a lower cost does not seem viable. The price per issue that we are paying now is not likely to be beaten by another local printer, and the low price is reflected in the quality of the printing (I have compared recent issues to those of 15 years ago and the older issue's printing superiority is evident).

Since lowering the printing cost does not seem a possible avenue for diminishing the POST's cost, it leaves the club with the choice of increasing the revenue stream that supports the POST or dispensing with the printing entirely by just going with the online version. This second option seems to be the line of least resistance and has been adopted by other Zone 7 regions (Golden Gate Region has just joined the stampede by electing to stop printing the Nugget) and it seems to increasingly be the *de rigueur* choice of addressing this problem by other regions in Zone 7.

At the January board meeting, I brought up the subject of increasing advertising revenue for the POST and the subject engendered a lengthy debate. I mentioned that the ad rates had not been increased for over fifteen years until the 10% increase that occurred last year and I recommended another increase this year. The consensus of the board was that the rates should not be increased again, but we should look for other ways to increase ad revenue.

I am writing this column on the morning following the board meeting and I am regretting not being more aggressive about a rate increase. Since the concern about another increase was over losing advertisers, it seems to me that it is worth the risk of raising the revenue stream to see if we can continue to print the POST. If the increase in rates doesn't increase the revenue, due to loss of advertisers, the POST still has that *de rigueur* option of an online-only version.

The result of the board's discussion was the appointment of Bill Highley as advertising manager for the Prieta POST. Bill and I are planning on working closely together to see if we can come up with some ways to increase the revenue stream to keep the

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POST in print. Fortunately, Bill and I enjoy each other's company and I can see the main problem in this working relationship will be reining in Bill's enthusiasm.

Another option that needs to be considered is that, as the POST is an asset for the entire club, should we commit to supporting it through a conscious decision to increase revenue at events to help subsidize its publication? As an example, the autocross program lost \$1000 last year. Granted, they purchased new timing equipment which engendered the loss, but there is a debate within the AX community about whether they should raise the daily fee from \$30 to \$35. I doubt that they are including this concern in their discussion, but should the autocross series be generating funds to help support the publication of the POST? Should the club raise the tour fee from \$5 per car per day, to \$10 to help subsidize POST printing? After all, the POST publicizes and reports on all these events and more...

Finally, and here's the real rub, is the POST being singled out as an undue burden unfairly just because it is such a large expense? A quick reference to the financial report will show income from PCA National of about \$4700. This subsidy, it is my understanding, is provided to the regions to support their newsletters. This would seem to cut the POST deficit to about three hundred bucks.

I've asked some questions and would appreciate some input. It's your club and your POST. This issue seems to call for constituent input, so call, write, email, or buttonhole either me or a board member and let us know what you think. But in the meantime...

We lost a long term advertiser with Jerry Connolly's retirement plans, but added a new one with Pascal Anastasi; a business attorney and LPR member. If any of you readers out there have or know a business that might benefit from advertising in the POST, give Bill Highley a call at 408-267-6877 and put the new ad manager to work.





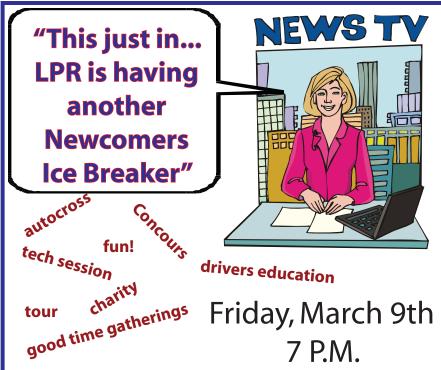
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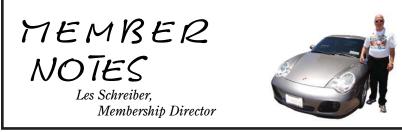
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For questions or directions contact Les Schreiber at 408-446-0288 or les.schreiber@comcast.net Mountain Mike's Pizza 430 N. Santa Cruz Ave., Los Gatos



One month into my new job and it already has been an interesting experience. I just wonder what the following months will bring. My first month as Membership Director, and one board meeting completed, new member packets sent out, and new LPR member data inserted into the data base, and I'm just getting started. This really is going to be an interesting job.

We have four new members whom the board of directors approved unanimously in at our last meeting. I'm pleased to introduce the following new members of LPR:

- Janel Garvin, Santa Cruz, Silver 2002 Boxster
- Cassie Hansen, Santa Cruz, Silver 2002 911
- Ed Smith, Aptos, Black 1999 Boxster
- Howard Watkins, Copper 1997 911

We also had one new member transfer in from GG who is

• Matthew Radovan, Santa Cruz, 1980 911SC

Welcome to all five new members to LPR

LPR Membership

• Total = 541 (Primary = 299, Affiliates = 242)

As a reminder, on March 9th at Mountain Mike's Pizza @ 7:00PM, we have a newcomer's social, with pizza and beer, so come out and meet your board, and the new members.

Also on March 6th, is the first signup day for the Porsche Parade in San Diego, which begins at 8:00 AM East Coast time- so get up early and get your name on the list and join us in San Diego for a great week (July 1 thru 5)

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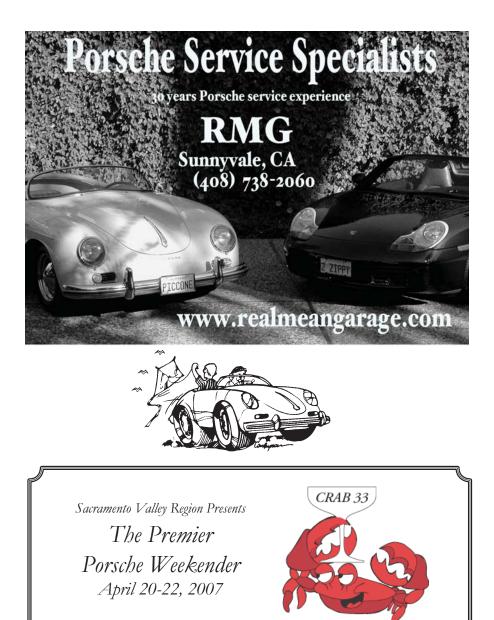
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GATHERINGS	2,389.00	2,412.72
GOODIE STORE	2,210.25	1,440.76
MEMBERSHIP	210.00	453.57
NATIONAL	4,697.00	-
POST	5,446.67	10,567.47
RALLYE-CONCOURS	635.00	96.45
SWAP MEET	2,175.00	-
TOURS	10,436.50	9,278.67
PREVIOUS YR EVENTS	-	375.00
Awards Banquet	-	1,372.89
Other	6,599.19	1,133.20
TOTAL	\$51,209.59	\$41,861.74

For all you backaroos out there looking to go on the Pinnacles/Paso Robles tour, the date has been pushed back 7 days, to the weekend of May 12th & 13th.

Mark your calendars so you won't miss out on this wild ride and good time.

Watch for full details in the March & April POST.





Your CRAB 33 registration includes the Friday night Welcome Party, Registration, and fun; the Saturday Driving Tours, FunKhana, Walking Tour, CRAB 33 Banquet, and more fun; the Sunday Rally, Concours, FunKhana, Beer & Brat Picnic, and still more fun. Plus the camaraderie of great Porsche people and door prizes!!!



For more details and a CRAB 33 entry form, visit the SVR website at *nnm:derporsche.net* or contact Buzz Lynn at (916) 730-4420 or Julia Lynn at (916) 402-0443 or e-mail jlynn62@earthlink.net.





Come out and join Tony & Kris Vanacore as they lead LPR on a tour of the "deep south" bay area. The Porsche train will wend its way southward along spring-verdant scenic roads for about ninety minutes, from south San Jose to the Morgan Hill environs. We will visit the Clos la Chance Winery for a taste of the grape before continuing on to another taste of the exquisite barbecue to be had at the Trail Dust Barbecue Restaurant in Morgan Hill. Tony has made arrangements to expedite our visit to the Trail Dust and expects spectacular service along with the great food on this visit.

Plan on arriving at 9 A.M. Drivers meeting will start at 9:10 and the tour will leave promptly at 9:30.

The tour will leave from the Safeway at 6477 Almaden Expressway, just south of Camden Avenue. Breakfast may be had at the Country Inn Cafe on Camden:

a short hop north of the Safeway. ९(



There will be a \$10 per car tour fee and a \$5 tasting fee (collected by the winery.)

RSVP to Tony or Kris by Friday, March 23, at 408-446-0288.



Right: Rudi Herz was the perfect recipient of this sign. It not only is aesthetically suitable, but he has lots of workshop and garage space in which to prominently display it.

What do you mean I can't pick first? Why do you think I sat here? Left: Doris Britschgi gets her ticket for the exchange from Debbie Bennett. Right: Sharon Breein opened the package with the Boinkin' Bunnies. Her initial reaction was that she could take it to her elementary school class... until she saw & heard what happened when you pushed the button.





Left: Bill Glathe. Left, below: Russ Britschgi wonders, "Should this go in the Pantera or the Porsche?" Below: Ken Iles pontificates to Rudi Herz and Karen Morgan on his secret to a long and healthy life, "When at a party, avoid this stuff and stick to the gin."







I may be in the minority but I just don't care for pirate gift exchanges. There I said it. Shoot me if you must but I stand by what I said. So why then would a party pooper, stick in the mud, fuddy-dud write the article about LPR's annual Holiday gift exchange? Why..... because when the POST Pest asks you to write an article, you'd damn better do as she asks! I think it's also the fact that I usually don't deal in facts. I feel that if you were at an event, you already know what happened and if you weren't, then I

can write anything I want and you'd think you missed something really unusual. I'm not going to be naming names or identifying those that took the pirating theme to the extreme but rest assured I will be exposing this gift exchange tradition for the sordid affair that it is.

Parking at the home of Ken and June Iles is always a challenge, in fact it should be a competitive event. Most folks try to arrive on time or earlier to get the best parking spots. This day was no different. We arrived early so we could help with set-up and make some mulled wine. Everyone had the same idea! The party was in full swing almost a full hour early! Ken



Tony Vanacore has been feeling very self conscious lately, regarding his bald spot, and has apparently taken to extremes his desire to hide it.

was busy with his chemistry

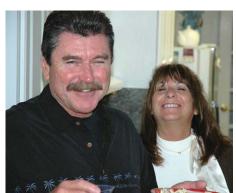
Hosts Ken & June Iles received the practically perfect thank you gift... a genuine Gin & Tonic kit!

set, making a "here, let me help you out of that sweater" punch. June, Karen and Emilie were busily preparing snacks for the 40 folks expected to arrive. The dining room was filled with appetizers, (great meatballs, Donna) seasonal music filled the rooms and the Christmas tree was surrounded with gifts. Sounds like a Norman Rockwell painting. Not quite...

I was asked to oversee the gift exchange portion of the evening. Since I don't need a microphone to be heard and didn't bring a gift, I was the obvious choice. We changed things a bit, from previous years and handed out raffle tickets. Tickets were drawn at random so no one knew the picking order. I truly



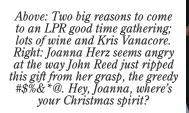
Right: Tom & Donna Micele are becoming real regulars at LPR events and you know what that means... pretty soon I'll start picking on them. Speaking of which... Below: What is this idiot doing with that chip and meatball? Kevin Bennett, always a class act.





Below: And speaking of class acts, it's not known what Tony Vanacore was sniffing before this shot, but here he's seen sniffing Sue Sickal's star.

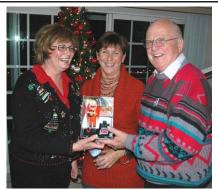








Emilie Highley seems excited. She probably thinks that these foil wrapped golf balls are chocolate.



Karen Morgan and Les Schreiber present Karen Tefankjian with the honorary Mr. T Jewelry Award,



Above: Donna Micele admires Karen Morgan's nutcracker. Right:So did Lorraine Glathe, so she stole it. Below: Only to have it swiped by Angie Sharp.



Right: Kevin Bennett, Nanci Bishop, Paul Seidel Smith, Sam & Ray Mascia all gathered by the door. The Iles waited expectantly, but they just wouldn't leave!









Left: Nanci Bishop beams with her racing shirt as Paul Seidel looks on. Below: Bill Glathe got over his disapointment over not going first.



Left: Tony & Kris Vanacore. Tony, who is fighting a weight gain ("It's all Google's fault!") caused by the Google cafés is thinking, "Oh, boy. Food :-("



Right: Tom Micele gets up close and personal with the Boinkin' Bunnies. Below right: Sandy Provasi seems to be pleased to be in on all of the antics. Below: Material Girl Karen Tefankjian seems ecstatic. "Oh, boy. Look at all this stuff!"





✤ A Little Give and Take...

don't remember who drew first choice. I was too busy shouting out numbers! What I did notice was a marked improvement in the quality of the gifts. Was there hope for this band of pirates, or would the spirit of the season go out with the wrapping paper? Things started out pretty mellow with everyone admiring the gifts as they were opened.



President-elect Ed Tefankjian says he gets down on his knees for only two reasons... the other involves financial decisions and his wife, Karen.

a rhythm of pick, open, steal. You had to keep track of how many times a gift had been stolen. Two swipes and it was off limits. There was an interesting gift I wouldn't have minded having; two animated stuffed bunnies doing what bunnies do best. It even had sound effects! Surprisingly, it only got stolen once and ended up in the possession of Ray Mascia. Ray sure looked happy with those bunnies! There were quite a few other nice gifts and the pirating went on into the early evening. Beer steins, wine, beers of the world and assorted gift baskets all found a home by the end of the evening. Most folks looked like they truly enjoyed the experience.

There was continued socializing after the pirate fest and a good portion of the guests found their way into the backyard. Ken and June have a very

Then it happened. A longtime member, who opens her home every year for a traditional LPR event, had the good fortune to choose a gift of her liking. It was one of those big nutcrackers in the form of a full dress guard. You know the kind, you put the nut in its mouth, press a lever and the shells go all over the place. Hey, to each their own. I personally buy nuts already shelled. Anything to avoid unnecessary exercise! Anyway here she is all excited about this big nutcracker, when another kind soul steals it from her! I could almost see the tears welling up in her eyes. So now she has to go and pick something else. Wouldn't you know it, that gets swiped too! I figured the next gift she picked would be a "Kick Me" sign. We finally settled into



Ray Mascia seems in just as much ecstasy over receiving them as the Boinking Bunnies generate when they are switched on.

nice pool that they keep toasty warm in the winter months. Pretty soon folks were being thrown into the warm waters and the real party began! 30 near naked people flopping around in the pool like a school of dolphins! It was a sight to see. Soon the Los Altos Police arrived and made us tone it down a bit but it sure was fun while it lasted.

Many thanks to Ken and June for keeping this Holiday tradition alive and subjecting their home and it's white carpet to the likes of Debbie and Emilie who have been known to dabble in red wine flinging. It was nice to see lots of friendly faces and of course the fantastic assortment of appetizers, desserts and Ken's party punch.

So next year, come to the Gift Exchange and see if any of this stuff really happens.

Retribution

a work of fiction by Kevin Bennett

Jag looked around the room and almost laughed. It was one hell of a party. By the bar, a priest, holding a martini in one hand and what looked like a joint in the other, was chatting up a long legged brunette who twenty years ago would have been declared in a state of undress. Two stools down, a barrel-chested cowboy, complete with hat, a belt buckle the size of a bread plate and two-toned snake skin boots, appeared to be in a heated argument with an ambulance driver. Out back, protected from the drizzle under a gigantic canvas cover, the Lock, Stock and Barrel had provided a competent five piece band, complete with tuxedoes, whose play was pumping up the energy of the crowd as it gyrated to the rhythm of the band, the urges of impending sex and the intermittent growl of big engines.

The Barrel was a little slick for Jag's taste. It clearly aspired to be a watering hole that would attract the Wall Street young guns who made the daily commute into Manhattan and had money to burn, but little time for nurturing relationships. It was a meat market. Even the name reeked of the sort of commercialism that would cause you to expect to see a Lock, Stock and Barrel opening along with the new mall across town. But the bar's owners had agreed to host the start of the race and its location in Darien, Connecticut, right alongside the Connecticut turnpike, allowed the drivers to begin the competition without having to negotiate the bottleneck of Manhattan's one way streets, traffic lights and bridges encountered with the orignal starting venue, the Red Ball Garage.

Most of the crowd looked to be twentysomethings; racing fans and car geeks who had heard about this fifth running of the Cannonball Baker Sea-To-Shining Sea Memorial Trophy Dash and who wanted to rub elbows with a 'fast crowd." Jag wasn't sure that he fit in; his graying hair, glasses, slight paunch and laid back manner left him feeling isolated from the youthful, antic racing groupies who were so rapidly filling the bar's tills. Twenty-five years of racing had worn a little of the luster off of these pre-race shindigs for Jag, and the prospect of the thirty-two plus hours of intense concentration to complete this race left him already feeling a little tired. It didn't help that he was also feeling pressure because of his missing co-driver.

Jag lit a cigarette as he watched a 1948 Silver Wraith Rolls-Royce pull up to the starting line. The liveried chauffeur stepped out of the vehicle to have his card punched in the bar's time clock, casually walked back to the stately vehicle, which was flown in from England for the sole purpose of participating in this race. He opened the passenger door, handed the time card to his nattily dressed employers and then, tipping his hat, to the roaring approval of the assembled speed freaks, he settled in behind the wheel of the Rolls and sedately drove off as if he were transporting a wedding party to the local church.

"They certainly aren't going to be any competition." Jag thought to himself, glancing at his watch. "What the hell is keeping Marty?"

The teams were leaving the start line at ten minute intervals. With forty-six entrants it would be almost eight hours before everyone was on the road, but each team had been assigned a specific starting time and Jag's was getting uncomfortably close. The black Porsche 930 Turbo was as ready as Jag could make it. A fuel cell had been added to double the gas capacity, which effectively would cut the time lost to fuel stops in half. Jag and Hermano had checked the radios and radar jammer; all were functioning perfectly. Ditto for the special light switches, although he still wondered whether it was a mistake to not go with the halogen headlights that seemed so popular with most of the other teams, But then everyone was looking for an edge and Jag was hoping that the night vision goggles would be theirs.

Jag's mental check list was interrupted as he watched a young kid in butt hugging pants and a powder blue polyester shirt with a long pointed collar walk right up to him. The

Retribution...

kid had dark curly hair that was just long enough to be short of an afro. He was holding a cocktail glass and was vigorously chewing gum with an open mouth grin.

"You a driver?" asked the kid, light dancing off the square-linked gold chain around his neck, "You look familiar."

"I could be," Jag slowly responded,"if my other driver shows up."

"You need a driver? Hey, man. I'll drive for you. I can drive." The kid was really working the gum now. "What kind of car ya got? Man, I can drive anything, ya know? Hey, Brad," the kid called across the room as he danced from foot to foot, "I'm gonna drive in the race!"

About half the room heard him and their eyes all turned to Jag and the kid. As Brad, another polyester clad, gold bedecked car groupie came rushing over, Jag slowly shook his head "no" while panning his gaze across the crowd, then, stepping close and peering into the pencil lead sized pupils of racer wannabe twitching excitedly in front of him, said, "You know kid, I don't know what you're on, but it's a sure bet that it's not a good idea to piling booze on top of it."

Deciding it was time for a little fresh air, he stubbed out his cigarette and pushed by the would-be driver and his buddy and headed for the relative freedom of the outdoor starting grid. The ambulance entry was in the batter's box; they had a real team associated with their try at the Cannonball; two drivers, a "patient" and an "attending physician", all part of one of the many elaborate charades cooked up by entrants in hopes of dissuading any traffic cops from interfering in this high speed foray across the continent. The "patient" was the wife of one of the drivers and Jag had met her at a party the night before, where she had been self assured and stunning in a clinging, green sequined gown that contrasted beautifully with her shoulder length, auburn hair. Tonight, she was not quite as resplendent as she stood around waiting, sans makeup and with hair that looked properly grungy for a patient who was deathly ill.

"That's one hell of a wife,' Jag thought, with a fair degree of jealousy, as he admired her standing patiently in her split-backed patient gown, waiting for their start.

At a signal from the starter, both patient and physician hopped into the back of the ambulance, the driver punched his card in the time clock, raced to his vehicle and in seconds the ambulance conspicuously roared out of the parking lot with sirens wailing.

"I thought we weren't supposed to do that." Hermano said.

"Jesus, Hermano." Jag shot pack in surprise, "Where have you been? Where's Marty?"

Hermano shrugged his shoulders. "Can't find him. No messages at the hotel. Called his wife... now she's worried. Even called the hospital and the police. Nobody's seen him."

"Well, shit. That Chevy pickup is next to leave and we're up after that..." Jag studied Hermano. "You up for driving?"

Hermano coughed a little, then smiled and said, "You bet I am."

"You really seem to be lucking out here... First, Jose tells me he can't help me set up the Turbo and recommends you for the job, and now, Marty disappears and you get to drive in the race. Remind me to have you pick up some lottery tickets at one of our gas stops." Jag said, studying the boy.

Hermano stood about five feet eight inches tall. He was stick thin, which made him seem taller, and at twenty-two had the limberness and small hands that proved to have been a godsend in tricking out the Porsche. Jose, Jag's regular automotive magician, had included in the recommendation of his friend that, along with his mechanical abilites, there was some track time in Porsches, and Jag had spent enough time with Hermano at the wheel during the testing of the Turbo that he felt comfortable with this last minute substitution.

Retribution...

"You know the car," said Jag as he started walking toward the parked Turbo, "so let's break out the maps and go over the route. I hope you can read a map."

Hermano rushed ahead to the car, opened the passenger side door and pulled out the bundle of maps. He spread them on the dusty surface of the Porsche's hood. Jag had carefully stipulated that he didn't want the car washed because a dusty car doesn't reflect as much light as a clean one, and while it's hard not to be conspicuous to traffic cops in a Porsche 930 Turbo, twenty-five years of racing had proved that even minor things could provide an advantage.

The plan was to use the optimum route, west on Interstate 80 to Salt Lake City, then southwest on 15 to Southern California and their final destination at the Portofino Inn in Redondo Beach. There weren't many ways to effectively shave miles from the route and it was terribly easy to add miles by not making the proper connections, so Jag emphasized the need to navigate the maze of highways through New York and New Jersey carefully.

The pair was interrupted from their study by the rumble of a big Chevy crew-cab dualie pickup starting its run. This behemoth was carrying the extra weight of 165 gallons of gas in its bed and the driver, after punching his time card, demonstrated his trailblazing attitude by blowing off the starting line and driving straight through the wooden fence behind the Barrel to take advantage of what he discerned to be a shortcut to the Connecticut Turnpike.

"I'm glad were next to take off." Jag said.

"Yes," replied Hermano, "I think I know what you mean. These guys are making a lot of noise with their starts. It's gonna start attracting some attention." Hermano coughed again.

"Okay, let's hit the head," instructed Jag, "it's going to be a long run to the next bathroom and my bladder isn't what it used to be. You stay with the car and I'll be right back."

Jag successfully navigated his way through the crowd the bar's restroom and on his way back to guard the car for Hermano's run he was once again accosted by the kid in blue.

"Hey, man, did your driver show? I can drive!" asserted the kid vainly.

"Yeah, it's covered" Jag replied wearily, "I'm good to go."

"Well..." the kid ventured, glancing over each shoulder, "you need some speed? I got some great speed."

"No, kid. Sorry," Jag responded, "We've got all the speed we need."

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Loma Prieta Region PCA Minutes of the January 2007 Board Meeting

The board meeting was held on January 4, 2007 at Mountain Mike's Pizza in Los Gatos, and was called to order at 7:04 pm by President Ed Tefankjian. Board members present were: Angie Sharp, Ed Tefankjian, Kris Vanacore, Jennifer Bryant, Barry Pangrle, Les Schreiber and Harlan Pester.



Other members in attendance were: Karen Tefankjian, Tony Vanacore, Kevin Bennett, Pete Siemens, Joe and Cheryl Pruss, Cathy Carlson, John Reed, Bill Highley, Bob Morgan, Don Orlando, June and Ken Iles and Ryan and Suzette Pangrle.

Directors' Reports

President: Ed Tefankjian

Ed handed out the forms for the club info that needs to be sent back into National.

Harlan moved to approve last month's minutes. Les seconded the motion and the motion passed.

Ed went over the club's chair positions: **AX Co-Chairs:** Alan Gale, Cathy Carlson, Linda Smith, Logan Murray. **Public Relations:** Ken Iles. **Tech Chair:** Jim Bryant. **Tours:** Don Orlando. **Safety:** John Reed. **Charity:** Emilie Highley. **Webmaster:** Greg Sickal. **Goodie Store:** Joe & Cheryl Pruss. **The POST Staff:** Kevin Bennett (editor), Sue Sickal (mailing), Debbie Bennett (POST Pest)

The Zone 7 President's Meeting will be held on the 13th of January and Ed will be attending There is also a meeting in North Carolina for the National Board coming up that Ed will not be attending.

Our cost for the awards party was about \$300 under budget. We have a deposit at the Hilton for next year. They'd be happy to accommodate us in January. There was a floor discussion as to when to hold the party. Angie moved to hold the next awards banquet in January 2008. Kris seconded the motion and the motion passed. Kris said that she will look into January 2008 dates.

Kris has a request to look into Sanborn Park for the summer family picnic.

A series of car based challenges were suggested as activities for the event. Ken said it sounds a lot like a Gymkhana.

Kris said that she can only book Vasona Park 6 months out. She would work getting Vasona Park for the 28th of July. There was some discussion about Saratoga Springs but it was believed that the cost would be significantly higher and Saratoga Springs caters all food in the park.

Treasurer: Jennifer Bryant

Jennifer handed out the year end treasurer's report. Net for the year was +\$9,347.85 which includes the \$6,599.19 from CDS. It means we did make a profit on our regular activities for the year. When we take into account the awards party (and take out the non-recurring CDS refund) our net for the year is approximately \$2k.

Activities: Angie Sharp

Angie sent Don Orlando the tour checklist. We won't need insurance for any events for a while. The March Vanacore Tour and the March 18th AX#1 will be the first two events requiring insurance according to the current calendar.

Membership: Les Schreiber

New Members from PCA

- Janel Garvin
- Cassie Hansen
- Ed A. Smith
- Howard Watkins

Transfer In

• Matthew Radovan (from GG)

LPR Membership: Total = 541, (Primary = 299, Affiliates = 242).

Jennifer moved to accept the 4 new members, Angie seconded. The motion passed.

Member-At-Large: Harlan Pester

Ed has letters to send out for the gifts given out at the awards dinner. Kris said that she'll get all the necessary info to Ed to send them out.

Committee Reports

Editor: Kevin Bennett

We lost Jerry Connelly as an advertiser for the POST but picked up Emilie's ad and we have a new ¼ page ad from LPR member Pascal Anastasi.

Kevin suggested charging a premium for the color ads over the b&w ads.

Kevin said that he is willing to run special publicity and change ads for advertisers if they are interested in putting in the effort to do that.

Ed appointed Bill Highley as the POST ad chairman and Bill, Ed and Kevin will work out an arrangement for a flexible advertising plan for the POST. These could be run on a monthly basis and allow advertisers greater flexibility in the ad they run.

Tours: Don Orlando

Thanked Angie for the tour information. Don asked Tony for info on his March tour.

Autocross: Cathy Carlson

Cathy thanked the Smiths who bought a stand for the timing display.

Cathy is one of four co-chairs (Alan, Logan, Cathy and Linda). Logan will do course designs. Alan or Linda will handle the insurance. Cathy reiterated to the board that the AX chairs are a team of four. As we determine the weakness and strengths of our system, we will be divvying up the workload according to each of our specialties. Cathy said that the LPR Ax co-chair team members, will most likely NOT be able to attend any of the board meetings this year. Cathy will be general contracting two construction projects this year and Linda just took on the chairperson position of the Capitola Historical Society. Cathy's new e-mail address is: em3cacres@yahoo.com. They will keep the board informed via emails (most likely after each event).

AX co-chair duties: For now, Cathy will be sending out mass emails of AX event reminders and act as onsite event coordinator (BOB). Linda will be registration, communication (emails to the board) and keeping the rest of us in line!! Alan (see 'deposits' and Logan see 'Cones', below.

Deposits: Alan will be the main AX contact man, finances, deposits, insurance coordinator, existing sponsor contributions and communication, Marina MotorSports (MMS event site) scheduling and rescheduling, etc. Cathy has some LPR bank deposit slips for Alan and will give them to him at our first AX in March. Note: we have all the awards to give out, too.

Minutes...

Cones: Logan will either get course designs from PCA members, or design and layout our courses for each event. Logan will also maintain the timing equipment, cone inventory and assist Cathy on those days that she will be towing the trailer to MMS. Cathy informed the Board that we WILL need to purchase cones this year; perhaps 100 or more.

Sponsors: We had three sponsors last year; Don's AutoWerks, Fastlane and Five Star Windows. Cathy tossed out the idea of asking our sponsors for an additional \$50 each (bringing their contribution to \$300 per year) and / or getting additional sponsors (as long as there were no conflicts of interest. It was noted to the board, at this time, that a conflict of interest is defined as similar trades from the same county sponsoring and advertising with us. And, of course, we would get verbal approval from our existing sponsors, that they would not see the 'applying' sponsor as competition.

This year's schedule

Cathy gave recommendations on schedule and asked for support for both a June 3 and June 30 AX since we can get those dates at Marina. Without them, we would go from April 15 to August 19 without any events.

Another point of discussion was the scheduling of the Zone Event with GGR for the same weekend as the Historics (August 18-19) rather than Labor Day Weekend – it's my understanding at this point that the team would prefer not to schedule anything on Labor Day Weekend due to expected low turnout. By doing the Zone event in August, those who don't drive both days can do AX one day and the Historics the other day. At the time of the meeting though, arrangements with GGR had not been completed and it was still up in the air as to whether the two-day Zone AX event would happen in August or September.

Harlan moved to accept the June 30th date and drop the June 3rd date. The motion was seconded and passed.

The revised 2007 LPR AX schedule now looks like:

AX#1: March 18 AX#2: April 15 AX#3: June 30 (conflicts with Tour to Parade; but the board accepted this date) AX#4: Zone Event August 18-19 (Zone event with GGR; LPR has Saturday). AX#5: September 2 and no Swap meet this year – plan for next year. AX#6: October 7

NOTE: GGR has MMS location for AX on Oct. 27 for those LPR folks who want to run.

Possible Fee increase: The AX team and the LPR Board, has made it a policy in the past to follow GGR's lead when it came to AX entry fees and increases. The board left this policy unchanged, at this time. But, this is something to keep in mind for the future (maybe next year?). A \$5 increase would yield an additional \$160 for an event with 36 participants, for example or approximately \$1120 for a 7 event year. The board declined the increase option at this time.

Research Alt. (additional?) Ax sites: During this next year, the AX chairs will be listing /looking for leads to possible new event locations. There is a possibility that we can ask Linda Smith to take this on as a side project.

Swap meet Ax combo event: It was agreed that putting on a Swap meet AX event would be a lot of work. Certainly doable, but such an event will take much planning and coordinating.

Minutes...

Goodie Store: Joe & Cheryl Pruss

Current Deliveries: We have two club members awaiting orders currently. We picked up the orders tonight and the members will receive them early next week (or over the weekend). Sales this month: Sales since the last report were \$70. We will be receiving payments of \$130 for the two items we are delivering. We have 2 internet sales that we need to process (another \$30 in sales pending).

We are depositing \$130 tonight.

Invoices: We currently have three invoices from Racesetter, #1146, #1151, #1153 and #1155. We are requesting a check for \$290.30 (1 item sold from consignment, 2 custom orders, several items for inventory, plus additional shipping).

Issues: We are currently out of 1 type of badge holder. Ken has been alerted. No one is currently waiting but there are none in inventory.

Charity: Bill and Emilie Highley

Habitat for Humanity - Dec 16th the gift was delivered to the Sawyer family. The Sawyer's sent an e-mail letter expressing their gratitude for the gifts and a "slide show" of their Christmas morning.

Bill said that they would like to give CSDF \$2500 for 3 children to go to Camp Wonder at \$750 per child and an additional \$250 for medical supplies.

Jennifer moved for giving \$2500 for CSDF from the club's restricted charity fund, Barry seconded. The motion passed. CSDF has sent an invitation to LPR to join them for their annual event to be held on Saturday, March 3 2007 at the Blackhawk Country Club. Tickets are \$100 per person or a table of 10 for \$900.00. If any one is interested in attending, please contact Bill and Emilie.

Bill and Emilie plan to present a proposal for our Charity 2007 Event. If anyone has a charity that they would like to have considered for this year's event, please send an email to Bill and Emilie.

Public Relations: Ken Iles

Ken is waiting on the presentation to CSDF to send in his report to National. Bill, Ed and Ken will coordinate on the presentation plans.

Drivers Education: Pete Siemens

Pete handed out proposals for CDS organization and responsibilities and an operational plan. Pete also handed out a spreadsheet to track expenses for various venues and analyze the costs and how to budget events.

CDS is looking for \$3000 seed money from LPR and MBR each to be able to reserve tracks.

Harlan moved for a vote of confidence if a reasonable package is proposed that the board intends to approve it. The motion was seconded and passed.

Old Business:

POST printing. Ed said that GGR has decided to go with soft copy only.

Bob mentioned Region of the Year photo opportunity. We still need to have a scrap book to submit for Parade if we want to enter. Bob will bring a scrap book of materials to the next meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 9:20 PM.

Unclassified Ads

FOR SALE: 2002, 911 Carrera Cab, 19,500 miles, Interior: Black, Exterior: Carrera White. \$52K. Steven Stacy, 505-345-4144, ext. 107; 505-266-6743 (home); stevenstacy@ sundancer.net. (1)

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WANTED: Set of 18" Turbo Twist wheels for a 96' 993 Carrera. micele@yahoo.com or 408-842-8364 (11)

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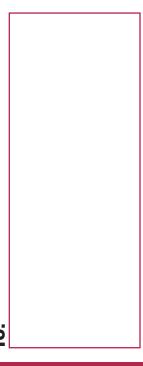
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