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### May

Thursday the **3rd** - Board Meeting at Mountain Mike's in Los Gatos.

Sat. & Sun. the 12th &13th-The Pinnacles to Paso Robles Tour. Another Iles/Reed/Sharp production. See the ad on page 9.

Saturday the 27th - Indy 500 Good Time Gathering at Moffett field in Sunnyvale. See the details on page 10.

### June

Sunday the 3rd - LPR's annual PartsHeaven Swap Meet and Concours. See the most interesting ad on page 17.

Thursday the 7th - Board Meeting at Mountain Mike's in Los Gatos.

Saturday the 9th - Another grand adventure in haute cuisine awaits as Larry & Linda Smith once again host Brunch on the Beach at their ever changing compound in Capitola. See the teaser on page 30.

Friday the 29th - Tour to Parade. Get the low down on page 36.



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Photo by John Reed



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Now that your taxes are done you can take a deep breath, relax again with your LPR friends and let the good times roll... just look in this issue of the POST for the activities planned in May and June.

If you have not been out to an Autocross this year, there is one scheduled for Saturday, June 30th. The LPR Board recently approved the purchase of new cones... remember these new cones are not targets; in fact each cone hit adds one second to your time. If you do hit a cone, they sometimes leave a mark on your car... from experience I've found that WD-40 on a soft cotton towel usually removes the mark.

The Porsche Parade in San Diego is scheduled for the first week in July and there is a "Tour to Parade" on June 29th with an overnight

stay in Oxnard. This breaks up the trip and we have a lot fun along the way.

LPR is planning to apply for the "Region of the Year Award"; this award is presented along with other awards at the San Diego Parade. LPR is a small region. However, just look at our calendar of events and participation - there is a lot going on in this "Good Time Region". LPR won this Award in 1973 and 1985.

Hope to see you soon at some of the LPR activities.





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Kevin Bennett, Editor



I turned on the radio a few weeks back and tuned into a talk show that had asked the listeners to call in to justify why they cheated on their taxes. While some folks called in with high-minded, though debatably weak, rationalizations such as objecting to supporting the military, the consensus of the guest panelists was that the main reason folks cheat on their taxes is that they can get away with it. With the audit rate of returns on income of less than \$100,000 running in the one half of one percent range, it is easy to understand why the average Joe is willing to take the 1 to 200 shot that they can cheat and they won't get caught.

With the estimate running at \$300 billion as the annual revenue loss from tax cheating for the federal government alone, you would think that government officials at all levels would realize that they are doing something that is making the taxpayer feel that he is not getting good value for his tax dollar. Clearly, financing an unpopular war is an example of what many would perceive as poor use of their taxes, but then tax cheats have proliferated during periods of peace and prosperity, too.

I have always considered congressional junkets to be a huge waste of taxpayer dollars. Does anyone really think that the United States got good value from Nancy Pelosi's recent jaunt to the Middle East? But the burden doesn't only fall on the feds. State and local governments are often just as guilty and one of my pet peeves is the abuse of pensions.

There have been numerous stories recently about the abuse of the pension system in the city of San Jose, which has the dubious distinction of having the highest number of "disabled" retirees and was recently dealing with the case of the city employee who has been retired for five years but is only now asking to have his retirement reclassified as a disability case.

Public sector retirement (including medical) benefits have become a golden parachute that is becoming a rampant exploitation and abuse of the public trust. The Sunnyvale City Council just recently tried to vote themselves lifetime medical insurance for serving on the council. Fortunately for that city, news coverage created enough outrage that the council was forced into reconsidering.

The problem that I perceive is that these benefits are being sought and granted without thought as to the actual necessity for them. There have always been what many consider to be lucrative benefits for firemen and policemen. The purpose of these benefits was to encourage early retirement from public safety jobs that require a high degree of strength and stamina, rather than have a bunch of paunchy old men trying to chase down purse snatchers or haul heavy firehoses up ladders. The "3 percent at 50" rule was created to allow these workers to retire with 3 percent of salary for every year worked at age fifty. With 30 years on the force, a police officer can retire at 90 percent of his base pay and it is a powerful recruitment tool for what in many ways is an otherwise tough life style choice.

But these benefits are being lobbied for, and won, for public service jobs that seem incompatible with the need to provide the benefit. For instance, is the "3 percent at 50"

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rule really necessary to recruit prison guards? Does the physicality of a prison guard's job necessitate his early retirement for the benefit of public safety? It may be a gray area and an argument can be made both ways, perhaps, but these benefits are now being granted to management level prison employees, too. And to prison dentists. And to prison gardeners. And to prison plumbers. The gardeners, plumbers and dentists insist that they are entitled to these benefits because they expose themselves to the possibility of violence, but the simple fact is that hazard pay is just that, pay, and it should be collected in your pay check, not in your retirement check.

What it boils down to is that the people who are making the decisions to grant these benefits are not granting them based on their necessity for recruiting employees or the public safety requirement of early retirement. These decision makers are poor executives who are granting tax funded largess based on their feelings rather than business realities; and don't be fooled, government is a business.

Because it is easier to spend other peoples' money than it is to make it, government positions are bound to always be filled with a high percentage of wastrels. For that reason, I imagine that the tax rolls will always be filled with a similar percentage of tax cheats.



The tour team of Iles-Reed & Sharp invite you to join in on this fun-filled LPR weekend driving adventure to California's central coast:

## THE PINNACLES TO PASO ROBLES TOUR MAY 12-13, 2006

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before lunch at the award winning Castoro Cellars. Live blues & Jazz music with lunch!

COST: \$145.00 single \$165.00 couple. This includes Saturday lodging, the lunch on Sunday and the LPR tour fee. Separate checks and order off the menu Saturday night at Big Bubba's. A special offer of \$125.00 for those unable to join us for Mother's Day Sunday but wish to Saturday tour and return early Sunday morning.

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Cancellation Policy: There will be no refunds after May 6th.

So...RSVP ASAP! Operators are standing by. Did we mention many scenic Porsche roads?

## Indy 500 GTG at Moffett Field Sunday, May 27 12:00 noon.

We plan to view the Indianapolis 500 at Moffett Field Golf Course, Tee Minus One Restaurant (19th hole for you golfers.) No cost to watch, but any food and beverages must be purchased at the Tee Minus One Restaurant. No food or drink may be brought in.
Draught beer is available for \$2(domestic) or \$2.50 (Imported) for 16oz glass or \$6.50 (Domestic) or \$8.00(Imported) per pitcher. Hard Liquor is also available for reasonable prices. Hot Dogs, Hamburgers, & Sandwiches are available from \$4.50 up.

### RSVP to Les at 408-446-0288 by May 21st so that a list may be submitted to the security office. Valid drivers license or picture ID required to get into Moffett Base.

There are two gates; first is Moffett Boulevard; the second one is on the base just past Ellis St, which will require you to present

your ID again and where you may have to tell them you are going to the golf course. After passing the second gate you continue around the runway till you get to the Golf Course.

Please obey all posted speed signs, as they love to give tickets to Porsche Drivers.







As promised, the month of March was the big kick off for LPR, with the Newcomer's Ice Breaker on the 9th , autocross on the 18th and the Hit the Trail tour on the 24th. In April, we will have our second autocross on the 15th, bowling on the 28th, and naturally the Easter Parade on the 7th. The month of May promises to be equally challenging as it was in March & April as we have scheduled a tour to Paso Robles, an autocross on the 20th, and watching the Indy 500 at Moffett Field.

So, mark your calendars now so you don't miss out on all the fun.

I'm pleased to introduce the following members who have recently joined LPR and I offer a hearty welcome. I hope to see you at our many events throughout the year:

New members from PCA (5):

Kelly Alexander (1998 Boxster) and associate member Kristen Valus Winston Copeland (2007 Cayman) and associate member Beth Copeland Brian Moore (1987 944) and associate member Deborah Moore Tom Summerville (1980 911) and associate member Gina Summerville Fred Willoughby (1998 993) and associate member Christopher Willoughby

Transfers from Golden Gate Region(1):

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James L. Quinn (1999 996) and associate member Elisabeth Quinn)

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As we turned onto Marla Court to attend the Morgan's St. Patrick's Day party, we saw their **green** flag outside and knew what house to head for. Once inside the house it seemed that everything was **green** from a crepe

paper "Erin Go Bragh" streamer to shamrocks everywhere – clothes, shoes, food, and stickers. Beverly Vincent was the official greeter in her huge **green** leprechaun hat. Greg and Sue Sickal even had **green** beer. Sue said it would turn your teeth and tongue **green**, but I forgot to check them out after they had downed a couple of the colorful brews.

Joanne Antonowicz and Christina Vincent showed off **green** shoes. The appetizers included **green** guacamole and broccoli. When desserts came out there was a



Bob Morgan and Emilie Highley. Nothing turns Emilie on quicker than seeing a man with his baster out!

beautiful chocolate mint pie and a carrot cake frosted with **green** shamrocks. And of course Bob Morgan's famous **green Irish** eggnog. It included rum, **Irish** whiskey, and eggs. It packed a mean **green** wallop but it sure was good!

### ✤ The Greening of LPR...

Our erstwhile editor Kevin Bennett reported feeling a loss of green, and a bit blue, in his recent online poker playing adventures. Karen and Ed Tefankjian arrived having just returned from Southern California. To support Catholics and Protestants alike he wore green AND orange. And did everyone see the beautiful engagement ring Angie Sharp was wearing?



Joanne Antonowicz ladles out a cup of the Irish eggnog.

**Congratulations John Reed!** 

When the time came to eat, and the corned beef was wonderful with a brown sugar, vinegar and mustard glaze, some of us were outside and some were inside. We dined "al fresco" with Ed and Rosemary Tavares, Bill Highley, and Ed Tefankjian. Emilie Highley and Karen Tefankjian went for the warmer venue indoors. Ralph Maines had the "king seat" as he sat at the head of the dessert table. A convenient location to say "Hi" to everyone.

And then there was the Karen Morgan (nee Hennessy) quiz on Irish trivia. Friends and family who had attended the party in previous years knew some of the answers. Then others cheated in a variety of ways to get the answers. Were Barry and Suzette Pangrle

and Les Schreiber googling the answers as they sat on the stairs? Did Greg Sickal request his guiz back from Karen after his group had turned it in using the phony excuse that he forgot to put his name on it, and then proceed to change answers? I overheard someone saying that he put Ken Iles name down for anv answer he didn't know.

The big winners were the Vincents – Vince, Beverly, and Christina. The Morgans had provided many appropriate gifts (green or relating to Irish food). Vince got a green bow anything as she holds a beer tie which made him look even cuter with his for drinkin' and a towel for big leprechaun hat. Other winners were Les



Karen Morgan is ready for moppin'up the spills.

Schreiber, John Haselden, Joe Shackleford, and Bill Millé. Bill had brought a wonderful **Irish** soda bread to the party and his gift was a box of mix for Irish soda bread. Just what he didn't need!

Thanks to hosts Karen & Bob Morgan. All in all a magnificent GTG (Go To Green).





Larry Brisson came to the party looking very Druish.



Okay, so it's green. Greg Sickal would drink it no matter what color it was.





Leila & Harlan Pester lead the way as they're headed toward the corned beef & cabbage. Left: Emilie Highley and Tom Micele study the C.B. & C. while Greg Sickal and Angie Sharp flirt with each other.



As Bill Highley tries to convince Jennifer Bryant that his "Kiss me, I'm Irish" hat imparts a serious request, hubby Jim Bryant (center) carefully monitors the chat.



Ed & Rosemary Tavares.





Someone posed this gathering of ladies (well, some of them are ladies) for a a group shot. From Left: Jennifer Bryant, Leprechaun Bev Vinccent, Debbie Bennett, Donna Micele, Emilie Highley, Angie Sharp and, in the middle, Hostess Karen Morgan. Right: Juanita Brisson is being so good; all this bounty to choose from and she's going for the vegetables. Makes me sick!





Ralph Maines is advising Jim Bryant that his bottle actually clashes with his shirt...



Barry & Suzette Pangrle.



Barry & Suzette caught googling the answers to the trivia test... Les Schreiber is amused.



Karen Morgan checks the Pangrle's googled answers.

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by Linda Smith

photos by John Reed

The LPR Good-timer's do enjoy their Pasta! Almost every year since Larry and I have been hanging out with the LPR crowd, someone throws an Italian-style gathering and the pasta flows. (2003 Spaghetti Feed @ the Sickals, 2004 Pasta ala Highley, 2006 Italian Night at Di Cicco's) This year, Jim and Jen Bryant (aka 'JJ') hosted an OUTSTANDING evening of Pasta, Sangria, good times and good company.

Larry and I arrived at 'JJ's' beautiful home in San Jose right on time. (When signed-up to write the article, one must be on time, you know!) We knew right away that a FEAST was in store, as the tables were already laid out with good things to eat, and the smell of appetizers and sauces filled the kitchen. Big Green John, a large green Frog balloon, hovered over the main serving table as if to be watching all the fun below.

Gary and Julie Lieber, Kris and Tony Vanacore, Tom and Sandy Provasi, and Mary Jane and Kirby Hollis were already enjoying the beverage when we got there, so I handed off the camera to Larry, who quickly disappeared into the backyard to capture the moment. Jim was serving up the Sangria while Julie was finishing off the final touches on some wonderful appetizers in the kitchen. As I sipped



Jim & Jennifer Bryant (J & J, respectively) receive an LPR thank you gift from Prez Ed Tefankjian. Just what they needed... more pasta!

my first taste of Sangria, Ed and Karen Tefankjian arrived, followed by Bev and Vince Vincent, Paul Seidel and Nancy Bishop, and Les Schreiber.

Now, anyone who knows Karen T. knows that it wasn't long before 'the girls' had to find the source of the Sangria and stake it out. What I didn't know was that Karen is really a 'brown-bagger'! There, on the Sangria table, was a brown bag with her name proudly displayed on the front. Inside the bag was a bottle of Goldschlager....some wonderful

#### Pasta Night at JJ's...

beverage that boasts a float of real gold leaf inside. (Could that be 24-carat leaf 'ya think??) Anyway, I know I never got a taste...although I'm not sure about Sandy Provosi – she was seen handling the bottle without the bag...where did that bottle go, anyway??ha!

Not long after, I found the best Italian sausage ever (compliments of Tony and Kris Vanacore), and Julie's fabulous bruschetta started passing around, John Reed and

Angie Sharp arrived, followed by Kevin and Debbie Bennett, Bob and Karen Morgan, Bill and Emilie Highley, Greg and Sue Sickal, and Ken and June Iles. (Rumor had it that there had been a surprise birthday party for LPR's own Joanna Herz earlier in the day, so there wasn't too much 'catching up' needed!) After saying hi and getting hugs all 'round, the party was complete.

I always enjoy the Good Time Gatherings so much because I get to catch up with everyone on 'current events'. Now that the autocross season is begun, Larry and I will be seeing a



Paul Seidel is using sign language, I guess. Yes, Paul. We get it. The pasta was "al dente."

lot more of our LPR friends, but it seems that over the winter months, we suffer from not getting 'over the hill' as often as we would like to see everyone. This time, I found out that Angie is going to make an honest man out of John – after all! Now it seems that when Tom and Sandy Provasi were about to tie the knot (a bazillion years ago!ha)



"Carbs? What? Me worry?" Bob Morgan

Big John had the idea that the reception should be a great big pot luck – and offered that they 'didn't have to bring anything.' So, Sandy thinks this would be the greatest idea for the upcoming nuptials. Angie, on the other hand, isn't too sure...stay tuned!

I'm sure I speak for all of us when I congratulate them and wish them both all the happiness together they can stand!

Larry and I had to duck out early, as we were headed for the airport to pick up my niece and her mom from Texas for their annual Spring Break trip to Capitola. Dessert was just being served up, so I stole a brownie and said my goodbyes. It was a wonderful evening that I was sorry to have to leave early!

Post script: Both Jim and Jen wanted me to include a

note of appreciation from them for all the wonderful food and efforts with the clean up. Jen said that Julie snuck into the kitchen and washed up the pots and serving dishes and someone cleared out all the used paper products so there was very little left for them to clean up, and it was very much appreciated. Jen and Kris even got in a yoga lesson from Suzette before the evening ended!

If you missed this event, you missed a wonderful evening! A big LPR thank you to hosts Jim & Jen Bryant for opening their home for this tasty event.



The photographer, perhaps prudently, didn't include what Tony Vanacore has in his hands, but it sure seems to be giving him pleasure!







Karen Tefankjian and Sue Sickal.



Bill Highley and Sue Sickal.



Above: Julie Lieber and Karen Morgan both react to the fact that the photographer's fly was open. Left: Gary Lieber is telling Nanci Bishop, "Julie told me that his fly was open and it…"



Sandy Provasi.



June Iles, Debbie Bennett, Emilie Highley and Kevin Bennett effectively blocked the stairs during the meeting.



Tom Provasi; red shirt... pasta... wine... the man clearly thinks ahead!





Kris Vanacore gets an earful from Mary Jane Hollis about the photographer and his open fly. Kris seems happy she missed it.





Suzette Pangrle.

Emilie Highely was really depressed when she heard that she had missed out on the whole photographer's fly thing.



Ken Iles and Jen Bryant.

## Final Farewell to Jimmy Kershaw

Loma Prieta's charismatic charter member Jimmy Kershaw died back in 1999. He had always expessed a wish that his cremated ashes should be scattered in the area of a roadside that he travelled often on Porsche Club events, and that he loved so well. This was on Rocks Road, once the site of a Parade rallye checkpoint, just off Hwy 101 in a group of eucalyptus trees near the turnoff to San Juan Batista on the way to Monterey.

We all grieve in our own way, and in our own time, and his widow, Esper Kershaw for years had great emotional difficulty in a final parting with his ashes. However, on Sunday, March 25th., also Jimmy's birthday, she felt the time had come for closure to this long and sad episode in her life, and a small family and close friend ceremony was performed at this site.

Esper's mother Angie was present, also her son Michael and his wife Jeannie, their son Bobby, along with special very long time friends Ken and June Iles and John Reed.

Esper scattered the ashes, and read the following very moving verse.

For Those I Love / For Those Who Love Me

When I am gone release me, let me go I have so many things to see and do You mustn't tie yourself to me with tears Be happy that we had so many years

I gave you my love, you can only guess How much you gave me in happiness I thank you for the love you each have shown But now it's time I traveled on alone

So grieve a while for me, If grieve you must Then let your grief be comforted by trust It's only for a while that we must part So bless the memories that lie within your heart

I won't be far away, for life goes on So if you need me, call and I will come Though you can't see or touch me I'll be near And if you listen with your heart you'll hear All my love around you soft and clear And then, when you must come this way alone I'll greet you with a smile and say :Welcome Home"

Balloons printed with "Your'e No 1" and "Thinking of You" were released accompanied with paraphrased traditional words of conclusion at Porsche Parades, "May the wind always be at your back..... and carry your spirit and memory far".

The group concluded the ceremony with lunch at "Jardins Restaurant" in San Juan Batista, a place often frequented by Esper and Jimmy in their happy days toogether.





Bob wasn't sure on Thursday if he would be able to be at the start of the tour, or even if he'd be able to meet us somewhere along the way. He'd suggested I take the Lexus to meet the "early crew" for breakfast and he'd call me. No, it wasn't because the Junkyard Dog wasn't running (surprise). It was because he thought he might have to work on Saturday. Happily, he finished up his project late Friday so he could go on the Vanacores' "Hit the Trail Tour" on the first weekend of Spring.

We met John Reed & Angie Sharp (recently engaged-congratulations!), Tom & Donna Micele, George & Virginia Janzen, Paul Siedel-Smith and Nancy Bishop at the Country Inn Café for a little pre-tour breakfast. Ralph Maines and Del Sessions were there too.

When we arrived at the Safeway parking lot at 9:00 A.M. driving the Junkyard Dog, the assembled group cheered. You may wonder why. Bob has two Porsches, both 911SC Targas. One is a '79, which was totaled over a year ago. It is up on blocks in our garage waiting for Bob to decide what he wants to do with it. I've given him a few suggestions, but he seems to be slow to act. Right now he's



Tourmaster Tony Vanacore, displays the multicolored goodie bags that were distributed at the tour's start.

using the motor from the '79 (nicknamed the Silver Fox), to power the 1982 Wine Red Metallic "Junkyard Dog". You'd have to ask him to explain the names. Over the past month "JD" has been running well enough to allow Bob to take it to work every day. It was a little difficult at first when it wasn't running quite right, but he's been eliminating problems and it seems to be OK right now. Good enough that he wanted to take it on its first tour since the Peak to Peak Tour last July.

We shared stories as we signed the insurance waiver, and waited for the driver's meeting to start. Tony Vanacore held an efficient and thorough drivers meeting as Kris handed



Tony the bag man conducts the meeting.

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Virgina Jansen tries to hold it together while talking with Ken Iles.



Over

Despite the posted speed limit, I'm told no one broke 100 MPH on this curve in the road.



Virgina Jansen proudly holds her prize in the surprise Vanacore drawing.



Linda Smith and Rudi Herz. Give Rudi a glass of wine and a pretty girl to talk to and he's in heaven.

#### Spring is Bustin' Out All Over.

out the "Springy-colored" bags with route instructions and all sorts of goodies. Virginia and I had a good time trying to figure out how to use the Kazoo (and I'm a 2nd Grade teacher).

Since we were driving a Porsche, we didn't have to sit at the back of the pack. That's the rule, you know, if you take a non-Porsche on the tour you have to stay at the back. So I wanted to be mid-pack for a change. Mike Zampecini, driving his newly acquired Audi TT Coupe would have the "back of the pack" honor this tour. Mike would have to leave the tour after the stop at the Winery because he was off to the "Arcane Car Club" Tour in San Francisco. Mike likes the odd cars; he's owned several Citroen's, Saab's and even an Isetta.



Kathy Lord (standing) and Kris Vanacore give visual testimony that the weather, at least in the intial stages of the tour, was rather cool...

I think we awakened many of the early morning shoppers as many eyes were upon us as the long group of Porsches (20 cars) filed out of the parking lot and onto Almaden Expressway. Thank goodness we did not have to mix it up with the Ferrari Club (ask those who were on last year's tour about that story).

Tony and Kris did an excellent job of keeping us all together as we traversed the back roads. Matt and Kathy Lord held the midpoint steady. CB chatter abounded – made even more interesting since Ken and June could only hear and not respond (something about a bent antenna, I think). If you are going to make touring with LPR a habit, you might want to invest in a CB (you never know what people are saying about you!). This tour's featured musical selection was from Jersey Boys. (courtesy of Karen T?) And, of course, we were lucky enough to spot sheep on New Road.



... but that didn't stop people from driving with their tops down. There's looking cool... and then there's looking cool. Linda Smith.

As we passed through the grazing lands of the South Valley, we encountered many bicyclists also enjoying their first spring tour. We saw verdant hills with rock outcroppings (reminiscent of Ireland), reservoirs, wild turkeys, Clydesdales and Shetland ponies, along with many beautiful country estates. At Paradise Valley Road, I felt like we had been dropped into Tuscany with all the vineyards and homes. Watch out, Ed, I think Karen has spotted a new home for you in "Mortgage Hill". Tony noted the rather large hot tub on a hill, but it turned out to be a water holding tank.

These roads were made for Porsches! Until we came upon some trucks on Roop Road.

Tony wisely pulled into Coyote Lake Park where conveniently a porta-potty existed...got to remember to ration my coffee consumption! There I saw what I hope will be my

The little Porsches wait patiently in line as their drivers receive the tour instructions from Tony V.

> Above: Karen Morgan and Mike Zampiceni, Left: Del Sessions, Sandy Provasi and Ralph Maines.

Above: Tony & Kris Vanacore.

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Above: Harlan & Leila Pester. Left: Leslie and Don Orlando.

## "Spring is Bustin' Out"



Left: John Reed pulled up next to Bob Morgan, pointed his camera and said, "Hey, Bob. Pretend I'm driving a Ferrari."

Right: Larry Smith gives the old thumbs up for a tour well done!





Below: Tom Micele was one of the many lucky winners in the Vanacore's drawing at the Trail Dust.





#### Spring is Bustin' Out All Over.

next car, driven by Don Gladstone with a matching red Stanford cap (although Bob will probably want some input into that). After that brief stop in the coastal fog climate, we resumed the tour at Porsche speeds.

After we passed Route 152, whom does the group run into but Rudi & Joanna Herz? Seems that Rudi had been busy earlier in the morning fixing some pipes – you can only imagine the puns in the CB chatter after that.

With all the twisty windy roads behind us, we arrived at Clos La Chance Winery where a private wine tasting was offered for \$5. Tony collected money and passed out tickets. Kris graciously brought out crackers, cheese, and fruit for snacks. Everyone had the opportunity to enjoy the gorgeous scenery, eat, and (if you wanted) to enjoy some delicious wine. Jennifer Bryant and I were comparing wine-tasting observations while Jim tried to keep up his genial charm while battling a cold. Sandy Provasi and I were talking about corned beef (she's of Irish descent) as Tom looked on. Virginia pronounced the Zinfandel as her favorite. I saw Leila and Harlan



Paul Seidel and Nanci Bishop make a picturesque toast at Clos La Chance Winery.

Pester just smiling as only newlyweds can do. Ray and Sam Mascia were renewing acquaintances. Linda Smith was taking many pictures while Larry went off to buy some of the remarkable wines.

Don, the club's tour director, and Leslie Orlando were happily sipping the grape. Probably one of the most pleasant surprises was the addition of our newest members, Janel Garvin and Greg Figman, who had come out for their first LPR tour. What a fine choice to make! We hope to see you on many more.

Then onward to the Trail Dust for one of their fantastic barbeque lunches. While we were waiting for our food, Tony began calling out ticket numbers for prizes of individual splits from the Clos La Chance Winery. Apparently, we were supposed to keep those tickets from the winery. I fished out mine, bent and wrinkled, from a pant pocket. Lo and behold, it was a winner! Of course there were many winners as the Vanacores had thoughtfully bought enough wine so that just about every car went home a winner!



Janel Garvin and Sam Mascia

Overheard at lunch: "Where's the after-party?" We were seated with John and Angie who were surprised that someone (?) sent over an ice cream desert to celebrate a birthday. Turns out Angie's birthday was the very next day!

Many heartfelt thanks, Tony and Kris, for staging such an enjoyable spring production and introducing us to some new (for us anyway) Porsche roads!





Directions: From Sacramento and the Bay Area, take I-80 east, exit at Rocklin road, turn left on Rocklin Road, and then right onto Granite Drive. Niello Porsche will be on your right. From Reno/Tahoe Area, take I-80 west, exit at Rocklin Road, turn right onto Rocklin Road, then right onto Granite Drive. Niello Porsche will be on your right.



# Autocross #1

The 2007 season begins.

5. 6. 5. 6. 5

photos by John Reed



"Hey, Safety Chairman. Where's this guy"s helmet?" Tim Benson.



Black is an impressive color for a car if it is kept clean and polished. Note the reflection of the cone in the door.





Left: A common sight at an AX as this driver and helper go cone diving. Above: Success!



The photographer manages to take a self portrait with this glossy helmet.





Larry Smith and Allyson Pickard work the timing trailer. They make it seem fun!





Why do these guys stand around with their helmets on? Are they that hard to take off? Are they afraid of having helmet hair? Seagulls?

Left: Tom Stelling was attending his first autocross and on a day when everyone was stuggling to break fifty seconds, Tom made 49.764 on his first run.

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Right: I hope that #62 is this guy's car, otherwise you might get the impression that this is someone who is surreptitiously avoiding having to trek all of the way to the port-a-potty.



Another cone diving expedition, this time for Bruce Vogt's son, who was participating in his first AX event. Going to Parade? We have reserved 12 rooms at Hilton Garden Inn in Oxnard for Friday, June 29. for a layover for our informal tour to the San Diego Porsche Parade. You may call the hotel at (805) 983-8600 to make your reservation: ask for the Porsche Club. The rooms run \$120 approx. Reservations must be made prior to May 25th to guarantee the price. Please RSVP to either Ed or Karen that you will participate. kdyt@earthlink.net edjt@earthlink.net [408] 266-6262

More tour information will be made avaialable once you have made your RSVP.


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Right: LPR's resident Easter Bunny (Emilie Highley) was supposed to lead LPR's contingent but ended up in the back thanks to a wrong turn by, you guessed it, Ken Iles. Below: Bunny Angie Sharp.









# LPR loves a

## parade....





Bob Courand and Heather Borcherds made the trek down from Boulder Creek to play dress up with their fellow LPR showoffs.

The Prieta POST takes great pride in presenting this extremely rare shot of none other than John Reed particpating in an LPR event. In fairness, however, it must be reported that there are those in the scientific community who contend that this shot is a fake.



Above: A lane was blocked off on Orchard Avenue to allow the Porsche's dressers to do their thing. Right: Kris Vanacore, Em the Easter Bunny and Angie Sharp.





Kevin Bennett has a little fun with Emilie Highley. Boy is the joke on her! Ha ha ha ha...





I didn't want to say anything to her face, but Kris Vanacore was a little beachy at this event.

Below: Ed & Karen Tefankjian used some stick on schtick.







Ed & Karen Tefankjian.



Ralph Maines.



Bill Highley & June Iles.



It's kind of worrisome to see two rabbits get chummy like this, even if they are Easter Bunnies.



There was no judging of decorations for the event, but if there had been, Kris & Tony Vanacore would have had my vote.



Left: Every year the Campbell Easter Parade features a pack of humans accompanied by dogs done up with costumes. The dogs always seem so enthusiastic over the opportunity to dress up. Below: And speaking of dogs, I don't think that the Junkyard Dog was very excited, but Bob Morgan was ecstatic at the opportunity to show off the fact that he actually has a Porsche that runs!



#### Loma Prieta Region PCA Minutes of the April 2007 Board Meeting

The April Board Meeting was held on April 5, 2007 at Mountain Mike's Pizza in Los Gatos, and was called to order at 7:06 pm by President Ed Tefankjian.

Board members present were: Angie Sharp, Ed Tefankjian, Kris Vanacore, Jennifer Bryant, Harlan Pester, Barry Pangrle and Les Schrieber.



Other members in attendance were: Karen Tefankjian, Tony Vanacore, Kevin Bennett, John Reed, Bill Highley, Don Orlando, Sue Sickal, Jim Bryant, Ken Iles and June Iles.

#### **Directors' Reports**

#### President: Ed Tefankjian

Ed asked for a motion to approve the previous month's minutes. Harlan made the motion, Kris seconded and the motion passed.

Ed mentioned Parade and Don said that there are still spots open, although the autocross is full. Ed said that the hotel rooms for the overnight stop for the tour down to San Diego to Parade are reserved.

#### Vice-President: Kris Vanacore

Kris is still looking for an alternative site for the January event. It will be an evening event. Kris said that if it's not at a restaurant or a hotel the room fees seem to be prohibitive.

Kris was still planning to call Michael's at Shoreline and the Hacienda Inn. Kris is also looking for ideas. She called Chaminade and the room rental is prohibitive. Harlan suggested the top of Pasatiempo or Hollins House in Santa Cruz.

The three most important criteria are 1) good food, 2) a place for dancing and 3) an approximate total cost of \$55 per person.

We're still scheduled at Vasona for the family picnic. We'll have a bowl-arama at the end of April and an Indy 500 event at Moffett at the end of May.

#### Treasurer: Jennifer Bryant

Jennifer handed out treasurer's report. The club received \$1050 from National in February for membership.

Nothing outstanding in in-flow or out-flow. Jennifer received money for the Vanacore Tour and 5 Star Windows for advertising..

The club made about \$90 on Pasta Night. Leftover wine was brought to the St. Patrick's Day Party.

We need to replenish the account for mailing out the Post. \$500 check will be made out to the U.S. Postmaster and the mailing typically runs about \$90 / month.

There was also a \$56.25 CDS expense to pay from last year that wasn't included previously.

John Reed suggested that if there is a room fee of \$500 to \$1000 for other places that Kris could explore other options and that perhaps the club could cover some of the cost. Last year's event had almost 60 attendees so this would be about \$8-16 per person.

#### Activities: Angie Sharp

Angie has received the observer reports for the Vanacore Tour and autocross.

Minutes..

Angie said that the insurance for this month's Easter Parade, autocross and tech session have been secured. Regarding the tech session, Steve Douglas from MBR and the 356 club requested to attend. Jim said it was okay.

Angie moved to charge \$1 at tech sessions for people who want coffee and donuts. Kris seconded the motion and it passed.

#### Membership: Les Schreiber

LPR Membership: Total = 544, (Primary = 301, Affiliates = 243).

New members from PCA (5) Kelly Alexander (1998 Boxster) Winston Copeland (2007 Cayman) Brian Moore (1987 944) Tom Summerville (1980 911) Fred Willoughby (1998 993)

Dual Membership Renewal (2)

Mark Powell Sean Reed

Transfers in (3) James Quinn (1999 9960 from GG Tom Summerville (1980 911 from MBY) Gina Summerville (Family Member) from MBY

Vote on new members:

Kris moved, Jen second. The motion passed.

#### Member-At-Large: Harlan Pester

Nothing new. Harlan is still targeting June for By-Laws update.

#### **Committee Reports**

#### **Editor: Kevin Bennett**

Kevin is leaving a week from today and needs all reports by Sunday (Easter).

New proposed advertising rates for the Post were announced: Color back half-page \$1000, Full-page inside \$1000 and Half-page \$600. B&W Full-page \$800, half-page \$500 and quarter-page \$370. All advertisers already signed up would keep the same rate for this year and the new rate would apply for next year. Any new advertisers signed this year would fall under the new rate.

Vote on new rates. Kris moved, Les seconded. Passed unanimously.

New potential ad, California Trailers new full-page ad + AX sponsor. Kevin also mentioned that we are now giving AX sponsors more coverage on the AX stories inside the Post.

#### Advertising: Bill Highley

Bill talked with some advertisers. Jen said that last year the letters went out with the invoice from Bob. Allyson already has sent in her check. Kevin suggested sending out letters out in November to alert everyone ahead of time of the new rates.

#### Safety: John Reed

Tour and the AX both were very safe. Kris said a turkey hen was running in front of their car without a helmet on the last tour. Observer reports in. Events were well done and safe.

#### Tours: Don Orlando

The Vanacore Tour was well attended with 23 cars. Update: Paso Robles Tour won't include Pinnacles and there's only space for two cars left. Bass lake tour will be in September. Should appear in May or June Post.

#### Tech: Jim Bryant

April 21st, Canepa Tour. Fremont Porsche on May 19th. Couple of vendors e.g. dings and dents (or DentPro) and WheelWorks fix rims on cars. Touch up and fix paint. They expect people to show up and pay to have their cars worked on. The Board recommended going for a regular tech session.

Don Wise would like to have a swap meet at his shop sometime around September. The 23rd looked like a good day.

#### Autocross: Alan Gale

None of the autocross chairs were present. Ed said that the March AX had 38 paid attendees. \$1330 – sponsor money. Money grubbers from Marina Motorsports are trying to charge higher fees now that the season has started.

The AX chairs requested \$500 for cones. Barry moved, Angie seconded. The motion passed with 6 ayes and 1 "whatever".

#### Charity: Bill and Emilie Highley

Emilie was not present and not feeling well. Emilie is also checking out career closet. Emilie was involved from the beginning with the organization. They have about a \$250K budget.

Career Closet whose mission statement is to empower women guiding them from welfare to work.

Children's Shelter – Some funding comes from the county however not in any substantial amounts. Programs at the Shelter are Operation Santa where folks like us "adopt" children and purchase for them clothing, toys, etc... OR we can participate in the funding of certificates from stores like Target, Kohls', Long's etc... Emilie is also looking for suggestions...

Next month we begin the process of "soliciting: for items for the September Charity Event – auction will be similar to this past year's.

#### Public Relations: Ken Iles

Latest Pano pictures of LPR event were John's and the article was Emilie's words. Tony & Kris's tour in next month's Pano.

#### Old Business:

Sue distributed information on the Ferry Porsche Trophy. The entries are due in mid-May. 10 items that are listed in the 2007 Region Procedures Manual – National Awards need to be covered. These will be covered as follows: Kevin #1, Kevin #2, John #3, Emilie #4, Ed #5, Jim #6, Kevin #7, Ken #8, Ken #9, Sue #10. Sue will organize a meeting date, probably around the end of April.

Next meeting 3rd of May.

New Business: None,

Adjourned 8:28 PM



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