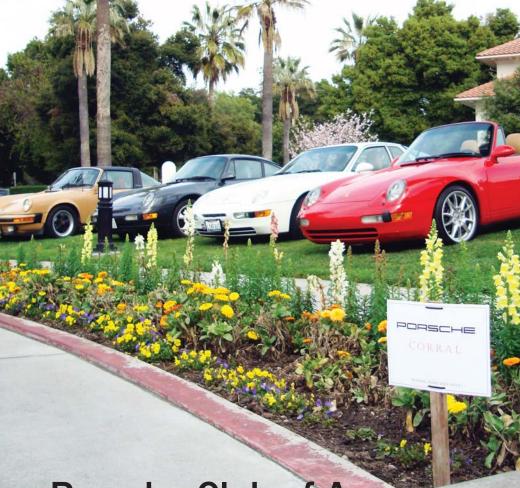


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Editor's Letter

STEVE MITCHELL

With two weeks off during the Christmas season I couldn't avoid running out of things to do around the house so I took the time to freshen up the *Prieta Post*. In my mind the *Post* has three purposes, first to keep members informed, second to support our advertisers, and finally to win PCA National awards.

Given the third item I have considered some of the judge's comments on recent submission, which wasn't too bad, first place in our category and only a few points away from winning first place overall. One point is that the judges like to see a technical article, so with that you will see I went to the PCA database and pulled something interesting regarding fuel. Just so you know, space permitting, I am not going to bring you boring articles that cover subjects in the Porsche magazines or things that are covered in our tech sessions. Take a look and let me know what you think.

Next I think the photographic staff needs some recognition so I have named my regular submitters in the masthead; that would be to the left of where you're reading now. When you see them, please thank them for their time and effort to add some color to the events we describe.

Also, I have worked with the format to liven up our pages. I am tired of being constrained by a box framing the photos on every page. I know our printer messed-up on our cover logo last month (we got a discount) but I want to see how they do with the bleeds, in other words, taking photos to the edge of the page. One of the judge's comments was that I was constrained in my creativity by the dimensions of the Post. So I am no longer feeling constrained. This will be an experiment.

So there you have it. It was many more hours of work this month, let me know what you think. You know where to find me.

Enjoy this month's edition of the *Prieta Post*.

Sincerely, Steve

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Calendar

what's happening in the Region

February 1, Tuesday - Board Meeting

Round Table Pizza at Camden & Union in San Jose, 7:00 pm.

<u>February 12, Saturday</u> - Soup Night GTG, 6:00 pm, Bill & Lorraine Glathe host the annual pot-luck GTG, details page 11.

<u>February 19, Saturday</u> - Tech Session @ Bascom Trim & Upholstery, Details page 15.

March 1, Tuesday - Board Meeting

Round Table Pizza at Camden & Union in San Jose, 7:00 pm.

March 12, Saturday - Autocross Ground School

At 10:00 am, Borelli Motor Sports, 521 Charcot Ave, Suite 211, San Jose, for material planning please let Anne Roth know if you are going to attend, details page 23.

March 16, Wednesday - CDS Drivers Education

Laguna Seca, middle of the week...call in sick! For more details see the Coastal Driving School website: www.coastaldriving.org.

March 18, Friday - Newcomers' Social

Round Table Pizza at Camden & Union in San Jose, 7:00pm. Details page 9.

March 20, Sunday - Sippin' at the Ranch Tour

We're hitting the trail again, details page 21.

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Hye Notes

Ed Tefankjian, President



The holidays are over and hopefully by now all of your Christmas decorations are packed away in the garage. Just a reminder, Valentine's Day is just around the corner....do something special for your significant other.

If you haven't already, now is the time to look at the LPR Activity Calendar.....there are numerous fun things to do with LPR!

On February 12th Bill and Lorraine Glathe are having their annual "Soup Night", if you have not attended this event before you have missed out on some great soup and lots of fun....and if you have gone before and don't go this year you know what you'll be missing.

In March we kick off our driving events;

- On March 12th there is an Autocross Ground School....this will be
 a classroom setting (no driving) and is an excellent opportunity for
 newcomers to learn what Autocross is all about. Also, for those that
 have been autocrossing, you may pick up some tips, get a better
 understanding of the rules and learn how to classify your car.
- March 16th there is a DE (Driver's Education) at Laguna Seca put on by CDS (Coastal Driving School) which is a joint venture between Monterey Bay Region and Loma Prieta Region. This event is for drivers at all levels....from beginners to experts. There will be an instructor with you in your car, this will provide a controlled teaching and learning environment. If you have ever wanted to drive your car on a track....it doesn't get much better than Laguna Seca. See the Letters to the Editor in this issue of the Prieta POST for further details.
- LPR's first Autocross of the 2011 season will be on Sunday March 27th at Marina. So start looking for your helmet (it's probably in the garage under all the Christmas decorations you just put away)....and if you don't have a helmet or can't find yours we have free loaners. Also, if needed, there will be instructors there to help get you started.

Hope to see you soon at one of the many LPR events. And remember, "it's not just the cars, it's the people.

Bye for now, -Ed

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report of the Membership Director

Membership Report



Tom Provasi

Before I get down to business, I want to thank all of you for your support and voting for me as your 2011 Membership Director. I have not served on the LPR Board since the mid 1990's and it's a pleasure for me to work at the local level once again. I have not been idle

during that time, having served at the National level for 14 years. I look forward to working with this year's Board and enthusiastic volunteers.

Now let's get down to this months business. LPR would like to welcome new members Jeffrey & Mary Kay Wilkinson, Laura Grogan, and Ewerton Brandao Filho. Ewerton joins us all the way from Brazil. Also new to the club are 3 transfers in, Randal & Loren Barrick and Kipp Zenger.

We only have one anniversary this month as Hal and Diana Hallock are celebrating 5 years with the Good Time Region. Soon after joining LPR, they jumped right in hosting a golf tournament and BBQ at their weekend home in Boulder Creek.

A special thanks to Barry Pangrle who served in this position for the past two years and for tutoring me for several hours yesterday. Thanks Barry for a job well done.

New Members

Jeffrey & Mary Kay Wilkinson	Mount Hermon	1989 911
Laura Grogan	Santa Cruz	1973
Ewerton Brandao Filho	Sao Paulo BR	2007 GT3

Transferred In

Randal & Loren Barrick	Los Altos	1974 914
Kipp Zenger	Morgan Hill	1987 911

Anniversaries 5th

Hal & Diana Hallock	Redwood City	1993 911

New members from PCA: 3, Transfers in: 2, Transfers out: 3

Memberships that expired last month (12/31/10): 5 Total renewal's last month (November 2010): 17

LPR Membership: 1/9/11: Total = 532 (Primary = 295, Affiliates = 237)

Join us for pizza and beer as LPR hosts the biannual:

Newcomer Social



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Friday, March 18th, 7pm - 9pm Round Table Pizza

Camden & Union in San Jose

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Letters to the Editor

Dear CDS Members

Announcing a fantastic start of 2011.

Yes, we have secured a date at Laguna Seca on March 16th. March 16th is a Wednesday. The chances of rain should be significantly lower in the middle of March, and the weather will be warming up.

It has been some time since we have had an event outside of Cherry's Jubilee and we are pretty excited about this date.

Sound level. DB at this event is 92. Yes, 2 DB higher than last years event. Most cars will have no trouble making that level of sound.

We have not yet worked out all of the details and the pricing. We like our format and hope that you like it too. What you can expect is lots of clean driving with point by passing. We will have a continental breakfast for you and a catered lunch. We also have the best instructors that you can find anywhere in the entire Western part of the USA. I will go as far as saying the world. Almost all of our instructors are Porsche Club of America certified and they have been sitting in the right seat for years. They have tons of knowledge and experience and have proven themselves over and over in DE's, Time Trials and wheel to wheel racing.

We think we have the best format available to all levels of drivers that want fast, safe events with minimal rules and great levels of fixins.

At a minimum we will have Novice, Intermediate and Advanced run groups. So, if you want to shake out the cobwebs, drive for the first time, or test that car after a winter tear-down, this event is for you.

So, this is your advanced notice to put this date- March 16th- down on your calendar and get ready to come out and have a whole lot of fun with us.

Watch for details in the very near future. You will be notified when the site goes active. Let your friends know about the event and have them become CDS members. If you have any questions that I can answer, please let me know. See you in the middle of March

The CDS Team.

Editor's note: CDS - Coastal Driving School website: coastaldriving.org

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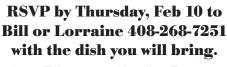
It's February so it's time for Soup Night. Bill and Lorraine Glathe are once again hosting this annual event by opening their spectacular home to LPR soup lovers.

Enjoy an evening sampling soups, stews, chowders, one-pot recipes and other culinary delights.

Join your LPR colleagues with your favorite recipe or experiment with something new. Instead of an entrée you can also volunteer to bring an appetizer, salad, bread or dessert.

\$10 per person

Don't miss out on this wonderful evening.



Directions: Take 880 or Almaden Expressway to Camden Avenue, then turn south on Oakcrest, between Meridian and Almaden.

The Glathe's residence is at the end of Oakcrest at 1282 Littman Drive. San Jose, CA



hristmas in the Vineyards, a day when the Livermore valley wineries open their tasting rooms with the addition of craft fair vendors, was ≠again held on the day following LPR's Annual Awards Banquet. A gathering of nine LPR members and friends of LPR joined in this leisurely shopping and "agricultural inspection" tour. Our tour party met at Casa Real/Ruby Hills Vineyard in Pleasanton and we all departed at 12:30 after the drivers meeting. Although not a lengthy driving tour...only 16 miles total and about 45 minutes of total driving time....it consisted of four stops at local wineries ending at Concannon Vineyard for a dinner from their small plates menu something new being featured at Concannon.

Our group found the combination of having time to chat, enjoying snacks that everyone brought to share and shopping for those unique Christmas presents that only a craft fair can offer combined with a tour to be a great way to spend an afternoon.















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Top Tier Fuel--Is it worth the money?

By: Ken Koop—The Yellowstone Region (Old Faithful Newsletter)

On a recent club driving tour, I was surprised to learn



>Steve, our Prieta Post editor, throws caution to the wind and fills up at the no-name gas station during the Sonoma Sippin' tour. "This station in Gurneville is where my father bought gas when I was a kid," says Steve.

of the confusion regarding gasoline used by our members. Most of the members that I had discussions with thought that all fuels were about the same. They even asked why I would pay four cents per gallon more for branded gas. Let's take a closer look at what makes fuels different.

To be able to answer these questions with more expertise and use indisputable facts in this article, I have done some research on the subject. I have spoken with several fuel engineers, the logistics departments, the marketing and the fuel research departments at both Shell and Chevron, I contacted both engine and emissions specialists at General Motors. And I have also researched many Internet web sites for information on this particular subject. Now let it be known, I am not a fuel engineer, but I did stay at a Holiday Inn last night...just kidding. First, let us get some of the questions that were being asked of me on the tour and during some private conversations

(implying that I was not very smart for buying branded gas) out onto the table. I might add, that these questions were asked by more than one person and that signaled to me that maybe a few other members may also be unaware of the quality of fuels they are buying. Why don't we take a look at all of these questions and you can be the judge whether Shell or Chevron fuels are worth the extra cost for your car. I will only concentrate on these two brands since they are the major branded fuel companies in our area. Other brands may meet the Top Tier fuel requirements but since I did not have the time to examine the practices or interview the engineers from the other

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companies, I will make no claims for them. Here are some of the most common questions and comments that were made.

Question 1 – Shell and Chevron do not even have refineries in our area. So how can we possibly get their gas and representative additives at our stations?

Answer 1 – Correct, Shell and Chevron do not have refineries in our area. Their fuels, along with generic gas (take 91 Octane for instance), all come out of the same "depots" which are located in Wyoming and Idaho (Pocatello for Chevron). As the fuel is being loaded onto the tanker truck, the Techron (for Chevron) and Shell's proprietary additive package (for Shell V-Power) are injected into the fuel to give the ratio that Shell or Chevron requires. So the fuel you buy in Wyoming has the identical additive blend as the fuel that comes out of the Shell or Chevron refineries in California. The non-branded fuels are also injected with their specified fuel additives as they are loaded onto the tanker trucks, although they may not necessarily meet the Top Tier Detergent Standards set by major car manufacturers. By the way, the injection of additives into the fuel as it is being loaded onto the tanker truck is a common industry practice across America.

Q 2 – The fuel is delivered in no-name gas tanker trucks to the branded gas stations. The tankers then go from the branded station to the generic station to deliver fuel. Therefore, all stations must get the same type of fuel.

A 2 - True. The fuel is delivered in tanker trucks that are not owned by Shell or Chevron. The tanker truck is owned by an independent contractor who is hired by Shell or Chevron or their branded marketers to deliver their fuels. Each tanker truck (which looks like one large tank) actually has two to four smaller tank compartments inside. Each tank can be loaded with a different fuel. A fully loaded tanker truck in our area holds 11,000 gallons of fuel in 5-6 separate tanks (because of the ability for the tractor truck to tow a second separate tanker trailer). The fuel delivered to Shell and Chevron stations contain only their branded fuels. When the tanker

>Stopping in front of the family's summer/vacation home in Gurneville, a little overgrown looking now, with many of my summer days spent at Johnson's Beach.



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truck delivers fuel to a non-branded station, they deliver an entirely different blend of detergent fuels out of another tank. The fuel will not contain Techron or Shell's V-Power package as an additive nor the same percentage of detergents.

Q 3- Shell and Chevron stations could put generic fuel into their tanks with no one ever knowing and then sell it for branded gas and keep the profit.

A 3 – Shell and Chevron put proprietary "markers" in their gas. The oil companies monitor their individual stations by sampling the fuel that is dispensed out of the gas station's fuel nozzle. The fuel is then sent to a lab (typically an independent one) and analyzed for the respective company. If the marker is not present, this would indicate that the station does not have the branded gas that they are suppose to have and the station would then lose their franchise. The labs are able to detect very small changes to the fuel, so if another brand of fuel is mixed into the station's fuel tank the lab would be able to detect it. Both Shell and Chevron are very protective of their fuels and the quality of product they deliver to their customer.

Q 4- Even if additives in the fuel are different, they are not worth the increased price.

A 4 – The EPA requires a minimum concentration level of detergent additives in gasoline. Shell Regular and Plus gasoline's contain more than two times the cleaning agent required by the EPA. Shell V-Power has more



than five times the amount required by the EPA. At that level, Shell V-Power actually cleans the engine as you drive, giving it the ability to clean up deposits that have already built up on intake valves and fuel injectors left behind by low detergent gasoline's. Chevron gasoline's contain concentrations of the Techron additive which remove deposits lower quality gasoline's can leave behind as well. In addition, Chevron has the ability to remove deposits in all three grades of its gasoline. The generic brands generally contain the absolute minimum amount of detergent required by the EPA and therefore do not have the ability to clean the engine of deposits.

Q 5 – When I mentioned "Top Tier" fuel to most of our members, their answer was; what is Top Tier?

A 5 – "Top Tier" detergent gasoline helps keep engines cleaner than gasoline's containing the minimum amount required by government

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>These Holbrooke tour participants, the Mitchells and Schauts, notwithstanding starting with the requested full tank of fuel, required a refueling stop as contemporary Porsches carry much less fuel than the earlier models.

regulations. This helps provide optimal fuel economy, performance and reduced emissions.

Top Tier detergent standards were developed by BMW, GM, Honda and Toyota and were aimed at reversing the national trend toward lower gasoline additive concentrations. Both Shell and Chevron meet the standards of Top Tier in all of their grades of fuel with Chevron being the first fuel company to meet the Top Tier Requirements. Three other brands that pass the Top Tier Requirements in our area are Texaco, Conoco and Phillips. Generic brands generally do not meet Top Tier standards in any of their grades of fuels.

Q 6 – Are branded fuels really worth the extra money?

A 6 - If helping your fuel injectors to atomize the fuel to their fullest: keeping intake runners and valves clean so fuel does not adhere to the deposits and then drip into the cylinders; keeping performance to the maximum and emissions to the minimum by burning fuel more efficiently; then using a quality fuel should be important to you...but is it? Deposits on the inside of an engine are similar to plague on the inside of an artery. It takes a long time for the deposits to become noticeable, but there will never the less be a continual decrease in performance whether it is in an automobile or in a human. With proper fuels in a car or drugs in a human, symptoms can be reversed.

Lastly, one word on octane: All of our cars are designed to run on a specified octane and is generally stated on the inside of the gas filler flap/door and owner's manual. It is very important to use the fuels required. At our elevation (because of the lack of oxygen compared to sea level) the octane requirement is generally diminished (unless you have a turbo-charged engine). All of the newer Porsches have compensating mechanisms to retard the ignition timing of the engine if the octane requirements are not being met (at least up to a certain point). Older cars do not have this compensating mechanism. Newer as well as older cars will eventually develop detonation (which you may not even be aware of while driving), when the octane level drops low enough. This detonation

can eventually lead to engine destruction. The most important thing to remember about octane is that having an octane level too high will not harm an engine... having an octane level too low can be catastrophic. Therefore do not try and save money by reducing the octane level of the fuel required. On a side note; putting a higher octane fuel in your car than is required might, but will not necessarily improve its performance.

A few interesting bits of information that you may be interested in. (1) Chevron has been supplying the gasoline that the Big Three Detroit Automakers use to accumulate mileage on their vehicles to demonstrate compliance with the US-EPA's 50,000 and 100,000 mile emissions durability requirement test. Even though the closest supply point is 350 miles away in Louisville, KY, the Big Three pay to have the fuel trucked into Detroit. The Big Three must believe that by using Chevron fuels, they have their best chance to keep the vehicles performing to their optimum and

passing the EPA's requirements.

(2) There are a number of Porsche racers and collectors who I personally know that add Techron (Chevron's well known additive/detergent) to their race fuel. They add it to prevent their fuel injectors from clogging and to keep their fuel systems clean during prolonged periods of storage. They, as well as I, believe it is cheap insurance.

Putting this into context; our engines are more complex, higher performance and more expensive to maintain than the engines from BMW, GM, Honda and Toyota. If those manufacturers specify Top Tier fuels in their cars for performance reasons, it only seems logical to me, that running anything less in our cars is asking for problems. Everyone has heard the saying, "Pay me now, or pay me later". The decision is yours to make. With the price of repairs and the cost of our car engines, I personally believe buying a premium Top-Tier Fuel is money well spent.



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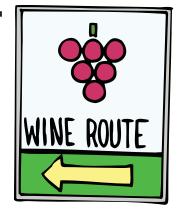
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RSVP before Wednesday, March 16th.

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report of the Autocross Chair

AutoCross AX Affairs

Anne Roth

Get ready all you AX'ers, the 2011 AX Season is going to be a winner!

The dates have been set, the AX Team is coming together and March will be here before we know it.



First on the schedule will be the first ever (for LPR) AX Ground School on March 12th at 10:00 am. It will be held at Borelli Motor Sports/Club Autosport in San Jose. Old timers, new timers, first timers, never timers, all are welcome and all will gain new knowledge and insight.

This is the event to bring your spouse, significant other, teenagers, whoever, to get them to share your AX fever - this is the event to attend with them. For those of you who have never been to a LPR AX- this is the event for you. For those of you that have overheard AX'ers laughing and talking 'trash' and want to know more about what we are so iazzed about - this is the event for you. For those of you that are even just the slightest bit curious about this AX thing - this is the event for you. For those of you that have heard the "brownie buzz" - this is the event for you.

Since lunch and various 'other' refreshments will be served, I would like to get a head count, so let me know if you are attending. My contact information is listed

on page 3 of the Prieta Post.

March 27th is the season opener, which I am going to name the "Anniversary Autocross", might just be a surprise or two at this one!

April, May and June autocrosses will be on Saturday's instead of Sunday's.

The schedule also includes a 2 day Zone 7 event, in July, partnering with neighboring region GGR. If you attended last years' event, you will remember what an outstanding weekend it was.

If you have even the slightest thought of attending the Zone 7 weekend, make your motel reservations in Marina NOW, as I did. The rates are cheaper, your credit card doesn't get hit, if later

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you are not able to attend, you most likely won't be charged a cancelation fee or you can 'sell' your reservation to another Zone 7 attendee.

All in all the season is looking like it will be a real winner. However, the season could turn into a total bust if we can't get the timing trailer to Marina. As of this writing, we have no means

to tow the trailer. So if you or if someone you know can help with this, LPR member or not, contact me, the rewards could be great.

Looking forward to seeing all of you at the Ground School and in Marina in March.

-Anne





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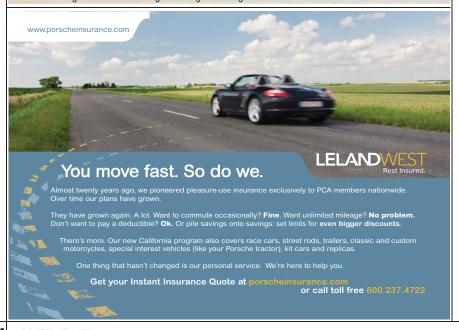
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AUTOCROSS AX1 - Marina Airport



- Registration/details: motorsportreg.com
- Fee: \$45/discount \$10 PCA w/Porsche
- · Drivers work for sessions run
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- Snell 1995 or better helmet required
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Directions: Take Highway 1 south toward Monterey and Laguna Seca Raceway. Take the Reservation Road exit south toward Marina. After one short block, turn right in order to stay on Reservation Road. Follow the road through Marina approximately two miles south of town. Turn left at (Imjin Road) signal into Marina Airfield. Turn right after the first large building on the right and follow the cones to the autocross site.



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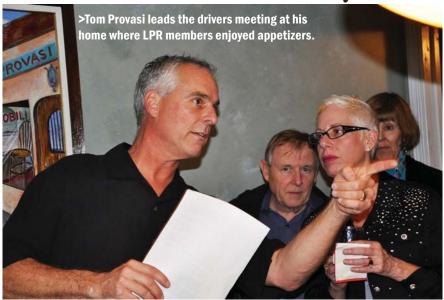
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Progressive Dinner supports Toy's for Tots a GTG, Tour, and Charity Event



Story by Sandy Provasi, photos Rena Schaut

'Tis the season of tree and lights!

The Willow Glen Section of San Jose has a long tradition of lights and trees. During December hundreds of homes place a small tree in their front lawn. There are rules and guidelines dating back to the Fifties. Seventeen feet from the curb, closest to the center of your property and a white light on top. With long straight streets, the uniformity was planned so that when you looked down a street you would see rows of trees and lights.

To take advantage of this festive time, The Highley's, Provasi's and Tefankjian's planned a progressive dinner. The festivities began at the Provasi's just as the lights were coming on around town.

Appetizers and libation was enjoyed. Then a short drivers meeting and detailed driving instructions with no short of 25 turns to our next destination. From larger than life size reindeer, to Santa with SF Giants gear and a black beard and don't forget the horse and carriage sharing

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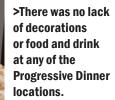
the road with the Porsches, everyone enjoying the abundance of trees with lights.

We descended on the Highley's for hearty stews and salad stop and more socializing. Only one car was MIA at this stop. Can you guess who?

Lucky they following the bread crumbs left from previous trips to join us for dinner.

Another 25 turns to see the best and the brightest holiday displays of lights and trees. We then arrived at the Tefankjian's. Dessert was served with coffee. Plenty of sweets for all us Good Timers!





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>Rosemary & Ed Tavares found the hearty stews served at the Highley's.



>Bill Highley entertains the Pettits.









>With the variety of appetizers, salads, stews and other delicacies, everyone found something to enjoy.





>There was no lack of holiday lights on this tour. Ð ⊢ Ð

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Progressive Dinner



>As is LPR's tradition the Highley's, Tefankjian's, and Provasi's were presented with gifts for hosting. The gift was a hand lettered Christmas ornament made by Jackie Mitchell, LPR's 09-10 VP.

Rena Schaut



>This event provided Les an opportunity to present Presidential Appreciation awards to Sue Sickal, left, for all her work with the Annual Charity Auction and to Barry Pangrle, below, for his work as Membership Director during the last two years. Sue and Barry were not able to attend the Awards Banquet..

>Below, happy Progressive Dinner party goers Rena Schaut, Ken Iles, and Karen Morgan relax after an evening of dining, touring and viewing the lights of Willow Glen, and most importantly feeling good about LPR's contribution to the Toys for Tots.



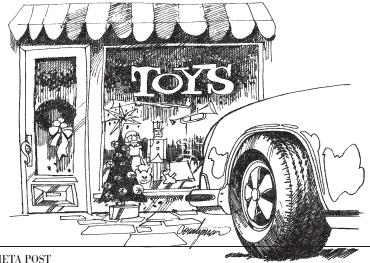




>Each guest attending the **Progressive Dinner** brought a new toy for donation to the Marine Corps **Reserve annual Toys** for Tots Christmas toy drive. The Provasi's delivered the LPR donation.



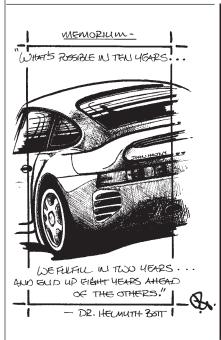




Advertiser Recognition Award



>Les Schreiber presents Carlos Costa, owner of Dell auto body with a President's Recognition award for Dell's support of LPR, with Carlos is Patricia Morgan and John Lackner.





Loma Prieta Region of the PCA

Minutes of the January 2010 Board Meeting

The January Board Meeting was held on Jan. 7, 2011 at the Round Table Pizza on Camden Ave. in San Jose. The meeting was called to order at 7:02pm by President Ed Tefankjian. Board members present were: Ed Tefankjian, Peter Ridgway, Doug Ryder, Emilie Highley, Suzette Pangrle, Tom Provasi and Jennifer Bryant. Other members in attendance were Herb Radding, Anne Roth, John and Angie Reed, Ken and June Iles, Sue Sickal, Dick and Mary Wallace, Rena and Chris Schaut, Les Schreiber, Karen Tefankjian, Tony and Kris Vanacore, Steve and Jacqueline Mitchell, Barry Pangrle, Bill Highley and John Cole.

Ed asked for a motion to approve the December Board minutes. Peter made the motion to approve and Emilie seconded the motion. The Board unanimously approved the December 2010 minutes.

Ed proposed sending out the Minutes via e-mail for Board approval prior to the POST 10th of the month deadline. The Board approved the proposal so minutes will now be Board approved prior to POST submission.

Directors' Reports

President: Ed Tefankjian

Ed asked for Board approval of newly appointed LPR Committee Chairs. Doug made the motion to approve and Emilie seconded the motion. The Board unanimously approved the Executive Appointees listed on Page 3.

Ed reported completing the 2011 PCA Region Report Forms and sending them to National.

Ed asked if the new Board Members had received transfer packages from their predecessor. Everyone had or was in the process of doing so.

Ed reviewed the Jan. 2011 zone report from Sharon Neidel. Mostly administrative noting dates for Zone President meeting and Zone Awards have not been set yet.

Vice-President: Emilie Highley

Emilie reported on upcoming events:

Jan. 22nd - Chili GTG at the Iles. 7:00pm, details in the Jan. POST.

Feb. 12th - Soup Night at the Glathes 6:00 PM, details in the Jan. POST.

Emilie noted that we have no GTG's planned for March, April, June or November at this time. She questioned whether we need to fill in. After a discussion, it was decided that there were other opportunities or options. One example was the lunch after the Easter Parade in April that is open to all whether participating in the parade or not. Another would be lunches or dinners that are included during or after tours such as the award winning "Hit the Trail" tour last year.

Emilie noted that we've had the annual picnic at Vasona Lake for the past 2 years and has requested suggestions for other locations or venues to keep this event fresh. Anyone with suggestions should contact Emilie (contact information is in the POST).

The 2011 Awards Banquet is already confirmed at David's Restaurant in Santa Clara. Emilie asked for Board approval to engage the DJ (Duane) who has served us well in the past. His typical booking fee is \$400 to \$450. Jennifer motioned to approve booking Duane, Peter seconded the motion and the Board unanimously approved booking Duane as DJ for the Awards Banquet.

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Secretary: Peter Ridgway

Peter requested that Board members and chairs provide written reports either by prior email or at the Board meetings when there are lots of details to be captured in the Minutes.

Treasurer: Jennifer Bryant

Jennifer had Herb Radding reported on December financials since she and Herb were still transitioning the treasurers duties. Herb reported \$4,005.50 in income with \$6,354.25 in expenses netting - \$2,348.75. Income included Awards Banquet and GTG collections. Expenses included 2011 payments to secure the Marina for autocross dates and the restaurant for the 2011 Awards Banquet.

Ed asked if Jennifer and Herb would review our financials and provide a more detailed report next month for 2010 and Jan. 2011.

2011 POST advertiser invoices have all been sent out. 13 were billed, 7 have paid either full or partially and 6 are outstanding. All outstanding accounts have been contacted about payments. Mobile West will not renew.

Jennifer made a motion to assign signature authority for her and Ed to sign LPR checks. Suzette seconded the motion and the Board unanimously approved the motion

Membership: Tom Provasi

See complete Membership Report page 8.

LPR Membership on 12-31-10 Total = 532 (Primary = 295, Affiliates = 237)

Peter motioned to approve all new members. Emilie seconded the motion and the Board unanimously approved the new members. Membership chair has sent out "invitations" to renew Dual membership status by sending checks to LPR. Some have already paid. Tom will follow up on the 2 GGR transfer outs to make sure that's what they really wanted to do.

Activities: Doug Ryder

No insurance certificates were required for January. Doug reviewed the LPR calendar for 2011 and noted that the website has been updated with all currently planned events and activities.

Member-At-Large: Suzette Pangrle

Suzette has formed a committee to review club By Laws and Policies and Procedures. They will be meeting shortly.

Committee Reports

Advertising Chair: Bill Highley

Bill noted that the Treasurer reported on POST advertiser status. We are still working with a number of new possible advertisers.

Autocross: Anne Roth

All Marina dates have been secured. Anne will be requesting support for AX positions. AX ground school is set for March. This will not be a driving event. We still need someone to tow the trailer. Anne is aggressively working on this and feels we may need to offer some incentives. She will provide proposals in Feb.

John Reed noted that Brad McClure at BTM Motors gave us a check for \$250 for AX sponsorship.

Les updated the AX trailer storage issues brought up last month. Borelli Motor Sport expected to get a full page POST ad in exchange for trailer storage and some additional maintenance items. After considering the options, Suzette motioned to Z

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Charity: Sue Sickal Sue had nothing new to report.

Drivers Ed: John Cole

John provided an accounting of the year ending CDS financials for 2010. There was only one event in 2010. Details were posted in the November POST Minutes.

CDS has secured March 16th for a DE event this year. Details and pricing is still being worked out so mark your calendars.

Bill Highley asked if there had been any consideration for contacting advertisers/ sponsorship for DE events. Something for John to explore.

Goodies Store: Dick & Mary Wallace

Mary reported income for December was \$35.00 for car badges with a \$4.95 expense for mailing.

Mary also requested permission to order 4 jackets and 4 men's polos. A discussion ensued about the business model and suppliers and Ed requested people send suggestions to Dick and Mary on how to get suppliers that will not require a minimum order of 4.

Hospitality: Rena Schaut

Rena exhibited a new LPR calendar format for discussion. The format was well received but will not replace the existing website format. Rena will work with Doug to keep the calendar updated.

Prieta Post Editor: Steve Mitchell

Jan. POST is out with some printing issues with the logo/cover but we will get a discount from the publisher as oppose to reprinting.

Public Relations: Ken lles

Ken had 2 submissions to Panorama: one for the last tech session and one on the Awards Banquet with one photo each.

Rallye: Bob Frostholm Bob was not present

Safety: Chris Schaut

There was one driving event for December; the 12/11 Progressive Dinner and Tour. Observer report sent to PCA National. No issues.

Tech Chair: Les Schreiber

Les reported on upcoming tech sessions.

Feb. 19th: 9am Tech Session at Bascom Trim and Upholstery (details in POST)

June 25th: at AJ Detailing Sept 19th: at Dell Autobody Nov. 12th: TBD

Others may be included if they develop and can be worked into the LPR Calendar.

Tours: John Reed

John noted that all current tours have been listed in the LPR calendar. Details are still being worked out and will be made available as they are completed.

Webmaster: Steve Crane Steve was not present.

Old Business: None

New Business:

Per PCA's privacy policies only the President, Membership Chair and webmaster have

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access to the membership list. Anyone else requires Board approval. Ed asked for a motion for Board approval of who has "read only" access to send an email blasts. Jennifer made the motion to approve the positions of POST distribution (currently Tony Vanacore) and Activities Director (currently Doug Ryder) for "read only" access to send an email blasts. Suzette seconded the motion and the Board unanimously approved the motion. Ed gave Tony and Doug copies of the PCA privacy policy to insure they were aware of the privacy responsibilities.

Ed made a proposal for a new member "Buddy" plan for discussion at the February Meeting. The objective would be to shepherd newcomers through a few GTG's, tours or other club events to insure they feel comfortable.

They feel comfortable and get acquainted with existing members. Rena will develop a proposal for implementing a "Buddy" system.

At the next meeting, we will review how we get our food at Round Table. Either the club buys pizza and beer and collects for it at the meeting or members can buy what they want prior to the meeting.

Next meeting will be on Tuesday 2-1-2011 at 7:00pm at Round Table Pizza on Union & Camden.

Emilie moved to adjourn the meeting. Suzette seconded the motion and the Board

unanimously approved adjournment. The meeting was adjourned at 8:33 pm.

Respectfully Submitted, Peter Ridgway LPR Secretary





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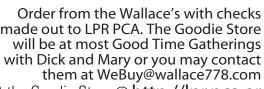
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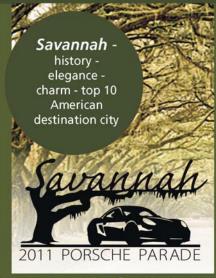
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