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Well, this is my final column. Next year our board will be:

Peter Ridgway & Les Schreiber (Co-Presidents) Emilie Highley & Debbie Bennett (Co-Vice Presidents) Johnny Musser, Treasurer Margie Jensen, Secretary Dave Dunwoodie, Activities Director Karen Morgan, Membership Director



I'd like to thank our current board

and chairpersons for their support, enthusiasm and commitment to the welfare of the region.

We also have some members that are active at the zone level, Sandy Provasi, Zone 7 Representative, and Les Schreiber Zone 7 Concours chairperson. They both work tirelessly to make our Zone a success. Sandy and Tom Provasi are also the key organizers of the Werks Reunion, the very successful PCA event in the Monterey area.

Please continue to support our new board and chairpersons. They will appreciate it.

Feel free to step up and help out whenever you can. This is a volunteer organization, and we always need enthusiastic people to keep it rolling.

I will be around since my wife Karen is going to be Membership, and I will be working the Goodie Store. In that regard, you know we are connected to PCA national goodie store, primarily to reduce labor and inventory costs. We can add items to our store, so if you see something on another region's goodie store and you'd like if LPR offered it, feel free to let me know so we can add it.

Maybe I'll get out to an Autocross or two this coming year.

I remain committed to the success of our Loma Prieta Region. Let's continue to live up to our motto, "The Good Time Region". Enjoy the holidays,



Jim and Jennifer Bryant invite you to share the Holiday spirit at their house!

Prizes for the best Elf and Mr & Mrs Santa Claus costumes.
If you'd like to participate in the always fun gift exchange, bring a new gift-wrapped treasure (\$15 - \$20) to put under the tree.

Plan on bringing an appetizer or dessert to share. Beer, wine and eggnog will be served.

Cost is \$10 per person.

RSVP to Jim or Jennifer at jjbryants@hotmail.com.

3163 Mabury Rd., San Jose, cross streets - White Road and Penetencia Creek

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December

Board Meeting: Everyone Welcome- Round Table Pizza 6

At Camden and Union in San Jose, 7 PM

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Board Meeting: Everyone Welcome- Round Table Pizza

At Camden and Union in San Jose, 7 PM

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LPR's 2016 Year End Gala and Awards Banquet

December 10, 6 pm

Mark your calendar and plan to join us for an evening of friends, laughter, dinner, dancing, awards and prizes.

We will again be at the
Santa Clara Biltmore Hotel Hopps Grill and Bar
2151 Laurelwood Road
Santa Clara, CA 95054

Reserved parking will be available and overnight hotel rooms will be \$99 (Tower Suite for \$119)

Dinner choices are:
Roast Pork Loin with garlic mashed potatoes
Seared Hoisin Salmon with winter wild rice
Spinach Ricotta Ravioli with champagne cream sauce

Tickets are \$60 per person before Thanksgiving and \$75 per

person after November 24th.

Indicate your dinner choice, make your check payable to "LPR"

and mail to:
Diana Hallock
7352 Via Laguna
San Jose, CA 95135

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LPR ANNUAL MOLIDAY BANQUET

POST Positions

Kevin Bennett, Editor

Many moons ago, in a previous incarnation of my editorship, I wrote a column in



which I commented on the gender wars and the then nascent depiction of beautiful women in swashbuckling roles that had them consistently besting men in hand-to-hand combat. I specifically referenced Geena Davis in her role in the 1996 film, "The Long Kiss Goodnight"; a film wherein Davis portrayed the double fantasy of an amnesiac, viper-deadly superspy who finished the tale in a scene, reminiscent of Norman Rockwell, as a feminine, idyllic mom in a house dress. My criticism was that in the attempt to provide seemingly positive, powerful role models for young women, they were failing their audience by promoting the notion that a woman can have it all.

Fast forward to 2016, a year in which Hillary Clinton made her seminal run at the White House and failed, in a large part, because she tried to have it all. By this, I mean that when the news of the private email server broke, she tried to control the narrative by editing what was turned over to the government. If she had just turned over the server, unadulterated, any issues revealed therein would have been old news in the final months of the election and she would have, in my opinion, coasted to victory.

It's interesting that, in this year, which seemed to be destined to be the year of the woman, the politically conservative Fox Network debuted a new show, "Pitch." It's the story of Ginny Baker as a San Diego Padre and the first female to play Major League Baseball. I have to say that I like this show primarily because it shows believable, not overblown, problems to be dealt with in this complex world of sports, and, best of all, it is doing a spectacular job of showing that you can't have it all; that the discipline and sacrifice that the Baker character has made, and continues to make, in order to ascend to this level of achievement is a key to her success.



Membership Report for the month of October 2016 November 1, 2016 New Members from PCA (1)

Wolfgan Kottsieper from Wolfsburg, Germany, 1970 914-6

Transfers in (1)

Flavio Cheng of Monterey Bay, 2012 Cayman R

Transfers out (0)

Non-Renewals for the month of September (2)

Member Renewals for the month of September (13)

Total Membership for the month of August:

Primary Members 335
Affiliate Members 229

Total Members 564

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Terry Rager Michael Herauf Jan McFarlane 35 Years 10 Years Ronald Smith James Van Dam 15 Years Peter Zwinakis

POST Positions..

From my perspective, Baker's character is one of the best inspirational characters I have seen for young girls, but still a bit of a fantasy. Kylie Bunbury, the actress who shines as the Ginny Baker character, is 5'8" tall and weighs 125 pounds. While those stats may make her attractive to a viewing audience, they go a long way to undermine her believability as an athlete capable of performing in what is unarguably a man's world. Geena Davis, who also had a seminal baseball role playing Dorothy Hinson in the film, "A League of Their Own," is 6" tall and 145 pounds, and was, therefore, more convincing in portraying a sport powerhouse... and Hinson only played against other women. What the Baker character really needs is Venus Williams in the role (6'1", 165 lbs.). Of course, I'm sure that Venus doesn't have the acting chops to pull off the character at near the level of Bunbury's portrayal, her more powerful, athletic body undermines the David vs. Goliath theme of Ginny in her quest to succeed in MLB and she probably doesn't conform to the entertainment industry's standards for beauty and stardom. But it would sure put the show over the top in the area of believability.

Oh, well, you can't have it all.



ZONE 2

Sandy Provasi, Zone 7 Rep.

We just wrapped up the Zone 7 series for 2016 with an awards banquet on 11/5 at the Clarion Hotel in Concord. The evening event followed a daylong meeting of the region presidents of Zone 7. I would like to highlight some of the

many winners within the Zone. When you meet these winners, please congratulate them!

First, one of the highest honors in Zone 7 is the Lifetime Achievement Award. This award is not given out every year and has not been given out since 2009. The recipient of the award went to Rik Larson of Sacramento Valley Region. Rik has been serving his region, Zone 7 and PCA National since he joined in the early 1970's. Rik is still active in his region with a monthly article. He is currently the Zone 7 Secretary and also on the national Parade committee. Thank you, Rik, for 40+ years of service.

The presidents in Zone 7 vote on Zone 7 Wall of Fame inductees. SVR nominated a member and this year put Kim Nelson's name forward for his continued support of the region, Concours and 356 groups. Kim will receive a special Silver Name tag given to all Wall of Fame winners.

For "Event of the Year" honors, it had to go to CRAB hands down. CRAB brought 250+ Zone 7 members together for a fun filled weekend. From the crab feed to the rally, autocross, funkana, airshow and so much more packed into the weekend. Can't wait until 2018 for the next CRAB.

Vern Thomas, Autocross Chair and Les Schreiber, Concours Chair helped present awards for 2016 to the year's winners. Along with the class winners there were some special winners within the Autocross and Concours series.

For Autocross the 2016 Men's PAX Winner is Andrew Blyholder, GGR and the Women's PAX Winner is Anita Benzing, RR. Men and women out there, these are the two to beat next year! Also honored was Tosh Yumae, SVR who received the Tenacity Award. Not only did Tosh win his class, he attended all the events and is always there to help set up, tear down and everything in between. You go Tosh!

On to Concours awards for 2016 of which we gave out 13 class awards which we are hoping to push for 20 in 2017. The Rookie of the Year trophy went to the husband and wife team, Simone and Thorston Kopitzki, RR. The Dick Cottrell "Spirit of the Concours" award went to Phil Snowdon, MBR. The last Concours award is the "Carol Kliendeinst Memorial Trophy" which goes to the highest score. This year's winner scored 1000 out of 1000 points for his 2006 Silver GTS 911, Phil Snowdon, MBR.

Along with the trophies there were plenty of door prizes given away provided by Groits Garage, Pelican Parts, Werks Reunion, PCA National, and PCNA. I would like to thank all the donors!

Supporting Friends and Charities Through LPR

From time to time, LPR members become ill, have an accident or face other personal challenges. Emilie Highley, our Hospitality Chairman, sends cards, make calls, and lets us know how we can help but sometimes Emilie, the Board and numerous LPR members want to do something more. This may take the form of flowers or a meal delivered. It could be a memorial donation. Each situation is a bit different.

LPR also sponsors fund raising events to benefit local charities. These include AX Kill-A-Cone, charity tours, toy drives and many other efforts thanks to Anne Roth/AX and Kathy Musser/Charity. Charity funds have always been kept as a separate line item by our treasurer and donations to charities have been limited to the amount raised. No funds were ever taken from the general fund for donations, a policy appropriate to the new benevolent fund as well.

For this reason, at the November, 2016 meeting, the Board approved the following addition to our LPR Policies and Procedures:

Charity and Benevolent Support

All funds collected by LPR shall be deposited into the general fund with two specific exceptions:

Charity Funds
Benevolent/Memorial Funds

LPR members and friends shall be given the opportunity to attend designated fund raising events and/or donate to either of these two funds which are supported solely by voluntary contributions. While the monies shall be deposited into the normal bank accounts, the treasurer shall maintain separate accounting for these two funds to be expended at the discretion of the current LPR Board.

These funds are to be distributed by a vote of the LPR Board or designee/committee. No donations, gifts or remembrances may exceed the current balance in each fund respectively or the funds collected at a specific event. No Board member or committee chairperson may expend these funds without Board approval. Expenditure of these funds shall be specifically listed in the regular Board minutes.

Donations to the new Benevolent Fund can be made at any time and we may occasionally "pass the hat" at future LPR events. Thank you in advance for helping us help others.

Diana Hallock and the LPR Board

Questions? Please email Diana Hallock dianahallock@yahoo.com or any LPR Board member.

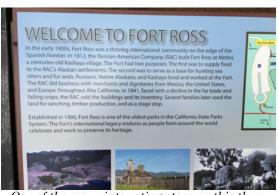


by Doris Britschgi

Heavy megalopolis traffic, serene wine country vineyards, twisty mountain roads, quaint rural towns, foggy ocean vistas... where else but in northern California can one experience this variety in one day! John and Angie Reed, Kathy and Johnny Musser, and Peter Ridgway's teamwork brought all of this and more to fifteen people for a delightful three day event.

The gathering spot for the first day's tour at a Starbucks in Dublin enabled

the participants to enjoy coffee and pastries while the Mussers slowly slogged their way through a Highway 17 bottleneck. Once we were all together on the road, our eight vehicles included: assorted models of Porsche sports cars bearing the Reeds, Dave and Betty Pollack, Steve Douglas and Lori Kapwell, Justin and Julia Gross (with service



One of the many interesting stops on this three day tour.

dog Luigi curled at Julia's feet), and the Mussers; two Porsche SUVs carrying Vince and Kristina Vincent, and Russ and me; and Mike Zampiceni in his sporty blue "other" car, also German. We regretted that Peter and Jacqueline were unable to join us.

Right: Christina Vincent gives the tour instructions a proper perusal as Justin Gross and Betty Pollack plot behind her back.

Below: A foggy day on the coast.



Below: A favorite stop for LPR tours, Calistoga is a small town with a small town feel, as exhibited by this residental street one block off of the town's main drag.

Below: The tour members gather for a very informal, do-it-yourself dinner party in one of the rooms at the Breaker's Inn in Gualala.



Right: When Russ Britschgi invited Doris out for a barrel tasting, this probably is not what she envisioned.





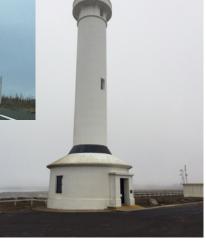
Below, r to l: Steve Douglas, Lori Kapwell, John and Angie Reed, Dave Pollack; all on their best behavior... probably because they haven't gotten their food yet.





Above: What did you expect? A day on the California Coast; today, blustery.

Right: The Point Arena Lighthouse.



Once we escaped heavy traffic on 680, the tour became more scenic. Some of the highway numbers are included here in case you would like to replicate the drive, hopefully without our backtrack and detour required by

helpful police so we could avoid a couple of downed power poles. We wended our way through wine country on 121 and 29 toward an outdoor lunch at the Calistoga Inn Restaurant in Calistoga. Following that leisurely lunch, we headed on toward Cloverdale, turning westward onto Highway 128. It was on that drive that we en-



Calistoga has a slight touristy feel about, but has not lost its small town charm.

countered Dave the Dead Squirrel lying in the roadway, pristine white belly and little feet pointing skyward, fluffy tail straight out. The Reeds and Britschgis exchanged condolences for him on our CB radios. (If you've been around LPR for awhile, you'll understand.) From Highway 128, our route turned onto Mountain View Road which the locals had suggested to our hosts. It's narrow, twisty path was indeed a great Porsche drive!

Arriving at the coast, we turned south toward our final destination, Break-



Mike Zampiceni and his constant campanion, Dino Baffetti, provided some musicality to the evening.

er's Inn in Gualala, a quaint hotel overlooking the Gualala River and Pacific Ocean. Each spacious room is named for a country or state and is decorated with appropriate regional decor. I was enthralled with the lovely stained and leaded glass windows in our rooms, hand picked by the owner before the hotel was built. After settling into our rooms, the group gathered for potluck appetizers/dinner, the usual LPR banter, and entertainment by Mike on his accordion.

The second day everyone was on their own. Some took in the area scenery in places like Fort Bragg or Mendocino, while others chose to sleep late, read, walk on the beach or explore Gualala. Russ and I went to Point

Arena Lighthouse where we explored the museum, then climbed the spiral staircase of 145 steps (leaving me a bit dizzier than usual!) and looked

out into the fog. The guide for our little group at the top shared some of the human and geological history of the lighthouse and its surroundings. From there we drove back to the inn, picked up John and Angie, and headed south for lunch at Sea Ranch (another area to explore sometime) followed by a fascinating stroll around Fort Ross. This fort was occupied by Russians from 1812 to 1841



Would it have been asking too much to design these lighthouses with a brass pole that you could slide down?

and was the southernmost settlement in the Russian colonization of North America. Russ and I were interested to see that several replica buildings had been constructed within the old Russian fort since we were last there on our honeymoon almost 50 years ago. We thoroughly enjoyed sharing exploration of the fort and plenty of laughter with the Reeds. The day ended with the total group sharing more food and conversation: first in the Muss-

ers' room with appetizers left over from the previous day (while an ever present seagull awaited hand-outs on the deck) followed by another delicious dinner within walking distance of the inn.

As we all headed home our separate ways on the third day, we felt refreshed by time away from daily routines as well as time spent with old and new LPR friends. Many thanks to



At Fort Ross they had a whole different way to dealing with door-to-door salesmen and religion pamphleteers.

John and Angie, Johnny and Kathy, and Peter for their excellent, detailed planning that provided tour participants such a delightful get-away!



Left: Every tour begins with a driver's meeting. This looks like it's it.

Below: Russ and Doris Britschgi enjoy a Cialis moment.

Bottom: During the dinner, Johnny Musser and Russ & Doris Britschgi got seated in the booth in the back. Betty & Dave Pollack along with Justin Gross must have been a little more generous with the maître-de. Whatever happened, Mike Zampiceni just played along.



Below: Russ Britschgi sticks his head in the oven at Ft. Ross. I guess three days of John Reed on the CB is too much for anyone.



Above: Wikipedia couldn't tell me what MAY-TEE-NEE means. Gosh, I hope it's not a curse word.

KILL-a-Kone For Autism 2016 Autogross Series Finale Inner monologue by Chris Schaut

Today is the last event of 2016. The season goes by quickly, culminating into the Morgan Autism Center Kill-A-Kone for charity event. The course is typically designed in such a way as to "encourage" a cone strike. With a cone considered "dead" the contender is asked to make a small donation to the charity. Following are some of my thoughts throughout my runs.



go ahead. I hope I remember this layout (I only had a quick opportunity to walk the course being that I was inspecting cars earlier). Flag drops – GO! Run up first gear, grab second. Man that cone came up fast. Not really sure how to get through this first tight portion. Coming around to

First Run: "Okay, big sigh. Traction control is off. Hurry, I need to put my gloves on. I need new gloves. Sitting and waiting for the Starter to give me the

the entry point of the slalom, whoa, the slalom is off-set! Well that was garbage." (49.990)



Right: There's nothing like a nice weekend drive to put a smile on your face!







Sixth Run: "Lunch now behind me I am rethinking my runs. I need to get back into low 48's and break into 47's. I've only got to shave off .352. Yeah, no. "(48.972)

Seventh Run: "Rear end was getting a bit wonky on the Go-Go-Go! "(48.845)







sucked." (48.828)







Above left: Dana Ambrisko looks happy with her times. Above: Being old and forgetful, I really like the idea this driver has of being able to check the course map during the run, but isn't that kind of like texting while driving?.

Left: Chris Schauts body language seems rejoiceful, but he doesn't look happy. Could it be because his autocross uniform/shirt taunted the AX gods and they reacted in his final run?





Tenth and Last Run: "I've got one more run to get to my goal. Okay, what have I learned here? First section feels good, just be patient. Slalom is better, I don't think I can get much more out of that. The ticket is exiting the last sweeper a little faster and getting a good run out of the short straight. Okay kick its ass. Go! First section is on the money. Entering the slalom, I've got this! Smooth and fast. This is it! Hum Baby it's coming together. Exit the slalom and into the turn. Power out, Go, Go, Go! Crap the rear end is coming around. Counter steer. I can save this. Hold it, hold it. Oh, here we go – and a one, two, three, spin. I'm looking backward at where I just came from as the sound of the crowd's clapping competes with my expletives. Not what I intended. This was my smoothest run. I guess I just got a little greedy." (59.054)

Vntocolo?? **K**irr-a-**▼ E**∧eN **W**ole







We will once again be touring to this picturesque Santa Cruz location for a winter brunch by the sea. Menu options will include salad selections, Charbroiled Chicken Breast, Sirloin Angus Steak, Seafood Thermidor, a seafood special, Butternut

Squash Ravioli and a
Chef's Vegetarian Special.
The brunch cost is \$28 per person
There will be a no-host beverage selection
(drinks are on your dime).

The brunch fee is paid directly to Les and he will be paying one bill at the Crow's Nest.

There is a \$5 per car tour fee.

Drivers meet at 10 a.m. at Hults, 165 Los Gatos/Saratoga Rd. (formerly Hobbees) in Los Gatos. Les has reservations for up to 60 people and the reservation hostess will provide parking passes to the tour members.

RSVP to Les by January 16th at 408 316-8654 or les996@me.com.

LPR BOARD MEETING MINUTES



November 1, 2016

Guests: Angie Reed, Marge Jensen, Ken Jen-

sen, Ed Tefankjian, John Gould.

Call to Order: 7:05

October 2016 Board Meeting Minutes (distributed via email)

Suspend reading of BOD Meeting minutes Approval of BOD Mtg. minutes Moved by Hal. Aproved

Board Member Reports:

President - Bob Morgan- National awards discussed

Vice President – Diana Hallock & Karen Morgan – moved to allow \$2000 deposit for next year's Awards Banquet - approved

End of year party-Diana Hallock -

GTG's-Karen Morgan – Discussed upcoming GTGs.

Secretary – Kevin Bennett: 51 ballots to be counted on Thursday.

Treasurer – Hal Hallock: Oct. Income - \$7086.00, Oct. Expense \$2782.08. YTD net \$1462.77

Diana moved to refund \$250 to Jim Davis for Chaminade reservation. Approved.

Membership – Kathy Musser: New Member – Wolfgang Kottsieper of Wolfsburg Germany. Transfer in – Flavio Chang from Monterey Bay Region. Moved by Diana to accept. Approved.

Activities – Dave Dunwoodie: promoted planning meeting on 27th.

Member-at-Large – Bonnie Radding- (absent) Election status, see Secretary.

Chairperson Reports:

Autocross – Anne Roth-Season wrap-up, 71 drivers for AX8, Raised just under \$5000 for charity.

Minutes...

Dates for 2018 reserved but in limbo with FAA. Diana moved to authorize \$2400 for deposits for AX site next year. Passed.

Charity - Kathy Musser: No report

Concours - Les Schreiber: No report

Social Media – Dave Dunwoodie, Laurie Delimon (data): No report

Goodie Store – Bob Morgan: Position available.

Hospitality – Emilie Highley: Peeps are healthy... only one card sent out.

Prieta Post Editor - Kevin Bennett: No report.

Public Relations – Ken Iles (absent, by Bob): Report made to Pano on three events.

Safety – John Reed: All events safe and reports filed.

Tech – Peter Ridgway: No report.

Tours – Johnny Musser: No tours pending.

Webmaster - Kevin Bennett: No report.

Old Business:

LPR outreach ideas/strategies (e.g. Fremont Porsche) – more options discussed.

Benevolence Fund changes to Policies and Procedures proposed by Diana. Bob moved to accept and passed. Board to reveiw and accept placement within the P&P at next meeting. See December 2016 revised Policies and procedures under Links to be posted on the website next month or page 13.

New Business:

Treasurer stressed that checks for attendance of events must be made out to LPR-PCA.

Adjourn Meeting; 8:20

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Round Table Pizza, 14940 Camden Ave, San Jose

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