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# President's Letter

Bob Morgan, President  
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## VISTAS

This issue is intended to honor our late, great POST Editor, Steve Mitchell. Inside you'll find heartfelt remembrances from Steve's wife, Jackie, and our current editor, Bill Jump, who has taken on the task of compiling his



history including quite a few pictures that give you a good idea of what Steve was all about. He brought our newsletter into national prominence among PCA Regions, winning First in Class twice and Second in class once. He really wanted to get First Overall across all 5 PCA divisions for the Prieta POST, but his illness changed that plan.

We will miss Steve and his sense of humor and also his intensity...he was a good friend.

October is the time of year for our Ballot. We have short biographies of our nominees. Be sure to review them and

mail the ballot to arrive by 10/31/16 so it can be counted, and don't forget to include your PCA membership number(s).

We also have our annual planning meeting in November. Check the calendar and think about what you

would like to do. Want to lead a Tour to a place we've not been recently? Got an idea for a Good-Time gathering (GTG) that you would like to host? Do you know of a place that would host a tech session that would interest you? Come to the planning meeting with your ideas, and some possible dates and let's plan the upcoming year.

I look forward to seeing you out and about,

Bob Morgan





# Membership Report

Membership Report for the month of August 2016 September 6, 2016

## New Members from PCA (3)

Geoffrey Grant from Soquel, 1997 911 Carrera

Kristian Sefcik from Scotts Valley, 1999 911 Carrera 4

Buddy Straight from Scotts Valley, 2006 Cayman S

## Transfers in (2)

Susan Burnett from Golden Gate, 1965 356 Cabriolet

Mitchell Getz, 2000 Boxster S

## Transfers out (0)

Non-Renewals for the month of August (4)

Member Renewals for the month of August (24)

Total Membership for the month of August:

Primary Members 331

Affiliate Members 228

Total Members 559

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## LPR ANNIVERSARIES..

### 5 Years

Ronald Long

### 15 Years

Scott De Muesy

### 35 Years

Larry Brisson

## Congrats!

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# Calendar

## Region Events

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### October

- 1**                      **Oktoberfest-** Details page 9 September Post
- 4**                      **Board Meeting: Everyone Welcome-** Round Table Pizza  
At Camden and Union in San Jose, 7 PM
- 11-13**                **North Coast Tour-** Details page 9
- 23**                      **LPR AX8- Marina-** Details page 43

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### November

- 1**                      **Board Meeting: Everyone Welcome-** Round Table Pizza  
  
At Camden and Union in San Jose, 7 PM
- 13**                      **Chaminade GTG & Brunch-** Details page 34
- 20**                      **2017 Planning Meeting**
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# Editor's Letter

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## Bill's Blurb

**T**he focus of this issue is to pay respect and homage to Steve Mitchell. I hope the text and photos convey the extraordinary depth of this man. He carried himself with unbelievable grit and courage to the end. Thanks for all the support.

this will be my last month as Editor. Kevin Bennett will assume that role next month. I will retain Publishing duties via MagCloud for the foreseeable future.

I have enjoyed working on the Post but Bill Jump, Prieta Post Editor



★ ★ ★ ★  
Thank you to my LPR Friends!

I would like to express my heartfelt thanks to all of my dear LPR friends who helped all of the Mitchells go through this very difficult journey. All your cards that warmed us, and some that made us laugh, phone calls, texts and emails, food, candy, flowers, visits, especially in the last few months, made us feel very blessed to have such a wonderful circle of friends.

When Steve had his surgery in December 2013, so many friends and family wanted me to "keep them posted". My emails were the only way I knew how to do this task and was the easiest for me. I had NO IDEA that they

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would continue for so long. Also, I know most of them were brutally long and I'm sorry about giving you TMI, but I wanted to answer all of the questions everyone had. But you also have to know, the process of writing them was my form of therapy and a way to keep an accurate diary.


Most of all, thank you to everyone for just being there when we needed you the most with your love, concern, and friendship.

Love,

Jackie, Matthew, and Melissa Mitchell







Join Peter Ridgway and Jacqueline Shanafelt,  
Johnny and Kathy Musser, and John and Angie  
Reed for a

## Mid-Week North Coast Tour October 11th-13th, 2016

We will be staying at a beach front inn.  
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explore the attractions that the North Coast  
offers. If you choose to relax on your deck and  
read a book, that is another option. Contact  
Kathy Musser at **(831)234-6371** or  
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regarding room rates and how to make your  
reservation.

RSVP by September 10

# Steve Mitchell the Man

## Reflections by Bill Jump

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**T**his is about that great man- Steve Mitchell.

I had the chance to get to know Steve quite well over the last few years as a result of our LPR connection, of his love of cars, and then interactions following his illness resulting in transfer of the Post to me. We bonded heavily. I am writing this to pay homage to him via a profile of his life which I hope will illustrate what a remarkable man he was in so many ways. Let me count the ways that give additional insight to this great man- first this text, then Bob Frostholt's Ode, followed by photos through much of his life..

**Family-** This was a huge part of Steve's life. He was born in San Francisco. He was so devoted to Jackie, Matt and Melissa 1. Jackie and Steve were an "item" in High School- Salinas High was the place. They got married in 1975. Steve worked while he went to college at USF and then to Law school (after work and online). They moved to New Jersey in 1993 where Steve worked for HDS. Steve was active with the kids- giving tender love and care to Melissa 1 and doing man things with Matt as he grew up. They returned to California in 2000. A recent highlight of the family was when Matt and Melissa 2 got engaged and were then married in Las Vegas in December 2015. Great amounts of love and care went to Melissa 1 for her special needs and it was a great shock when she unexpectedly passed away this last spring.

Steve was interested in his ancestry but his family did not have a lot of available history. He was a late comer in the sibling pecking order. He was born some 20 years after his closest brother and he had at least one nephew that was nearly his age. In the last year Steve became more interested in his heritage. He knew his mother was Czech. He thought he likely was also Scotch but really wanted to know if he had Italian blood (which family lore suggested). He asked me about DNA testing (which I had done to establish relationship to another Jump) and I related what he could learn and how easy it was. Since he wasn't doing match to another person it was basically a haplogroup test. What's that? It tells you the rough geographic area of your ancestry based on testing of other people and what their known country of origin was. He ordered the test kit about 2 ½ months ago and the test results were to come in mid August.

**Cars-** Steve's middle name should have been RPM. He was a muscle car guy from the get go. We LPR folk have been to the Hahn Winery down west of Hwy 101 and over the hill to Carmel Valley and Cantina for lunch on an LPR tour. Steve told me that area west of Salinas was where he loved to go hot rodding. We would associate Steve with Porsche. However, in the beginning it was muscle cars, then shortly after they got married they bought a '69 Cadillac (nickname: The BatMobile). He had been advised by his Attorney brother that attorneys should have Cadillacs. In later years he

liked BMWs and bought several. One is with Son Matt- a BMW Z3 Roadster. Jackie's car is a BMW 5 Sedan. Along the way came that lovely silver bullet- the 2002 Porsche C4S. He ordered that from the factory and waited 6 months for delivery. That was his daily driver here in California and commuted up to Hewlett Packard for work. He loved to maintain it- change the oil, paint the brake calipers etc. In addition to cars- Steve was a pilot of light aircraft when he was a young man. As a matter of fact- Steve actually obtained his light aircraft pilots license at age 15, before he was licensed to drive. Jackie's father worked at Laguna Seca and she worked there in some summers. Good fit for Steve.

After his illness was diagnosed surgery followed, then other rough treatments. It was a blow to Steve mentally as well as physically. But he battled with all his might. A few months later my wife and I were at Steve and Jackie's for lunch with John and Angie Reed. Steve was restless. At one point he announced that "Bill needs to go for a ride". I don't think Jackie heard him or she would have said no driving. Steve knew how much I had ogled his C4S and we had talked a lot about the virtues of that machine on the road. I had thought that he had not driven since the operation and subsequent treatment. So we went out to the car and drove out over the hill to the west to the backroads. Along the way he said he needed to go out and take the squeak out of the brakes- I suspect he had gotten it out and driven it "under cover" or he would not have known about that brake squeak. So over the hill west onto narrow two lane back roads

we went. At one point we were rolling at 90 MPH and headed for a 15 MPH hard left handed right angle turn only about 150 feet away. I could feel a bit of adrenaline rush as we approached the turn- no time for fear. Steve negotiated that turn braking, shifting and steering with amazing precision. It was just an amazing demonstration of his skill as a driver and I knew that it wasn't really about the brakes. It was demonstration to himself that he still had the mojo. He had it.

After that I looked at hundreds of used 911s on the internet. I made many plots of price vs year, mileage etc. I was looking for that perfect machine at the perfect price. One day Steve called me to say that a local C4S was coming on the market and was I interested. I said yes but had to do some nurturing of the idea at home. I have been very satisfied with my Cayenne S but wanted to limit miles on the SUV. So Steve set me up with the connection that led to my purchase of a very low mileage 2004 C4S at a great price. Thanks Steve, that's my daily driver at around 5000 miles a year.

One of the things Steve obsessed over Mobil 1 vs Royal Purple for the C4S oil- never resolved. He had told me about Kevin Laird's great blog on his C4S and I read it, discovered that Kevin had his oil tested (Blackstone Labs). I decided to do the same and Steve followed. This reveals a lot about your engine- especially if you have a 996. Just do it. Kevin did it, I did it and so did Steve. Along the way I found out that Steve had been a student of my Cousin John Kuhn in Industrial Arts at Salinas High. Steve

referred to him as “Mr Kuhn”. My cousin finished his tour of duty at Fort Ord in 1956 and had an Austin Healy 3000. I thought that was the cats meow. I would take my college lady friends down to Monterey/Carmel for the weekends so we could toodle around in that 2+2 Healy. That gave me the bug for a sports car. As noted, Steve led me to that 911 C4S 2 years ago.

**Professional Career-** Steve got his law degree at Monterey Peninsula College of Law and went on to work for a law firm in New Jersey and then companies such as Hitachi Data Systems, NetManage, and Hewlett-Packard. Steve handled intellectual property law in software at HP and was heavily involved with contract development and licensing of HPs software. I was an IBM guy for 48 years, 40 in management and involved with patent screening at times. I can assure you that this is a very complex work effort and no place for dummies. When I first started working with Steve on the Post he proudly showed me his certificate that entitled him to practice before the Supreme Court. Steve often spoke to me about his work in this area. He was a brilliant man.

**Dogs-** Steve loved dogs. In his young years he had a dog named Chopper. You will see a photo of him giving the dog a bath with gusto. You will also see him with Chopper & another family dog. About 18 months ago, he told Jackie they needed a dog- she ultimately consented. They found the Redwood Forest Cavalier Breeders in Humboldt County that has the Cavalier King Charles Spaniels and ultimately brought Maggie home at 10 weeks old in June 2015. That was their 41st Wedding Anniversary present to

themselves. Maggie was named for his Grandmother. Maggie was good for Steve’s soul and often took her for walks- also good for Steve. Look for Maggie and the C4S on the cover of the 2015 Post. Maggie went with Steve for treatments and wore her LPR “service dog” tag on her harness.

**Travel-** Steve and Jackie traveled to interesting places. Steve traveled on business but also took Jackie to Italy, France, Hawaii, and to Australia about 3 years ago. In his youth he also had been to Czechoslovakia with his mother where she immigrated from at age 19. Her parents had been killed in the war and she came to the US alone. He and Jackie were able to travel after finding an alternate location for Melissa 1.

**Faith-** Steve was a Catholic and a member of the Knights of Columbus- the Catholic Fraternal Service organization. The Order is dedicated to the principles of Charity, Unity, Fraternity, and Patriotism. The order has a hierarchy of 4 degrees. Steve was a holder of the 4th degree. He had held the position of Grand Knight. He was quite proud of his involvement and service.

**LPR-** We all know about Steve’s love of cars- that fit in well with LPR. He did a great job as the Post Editor. He set up Magcloud publishing (advantage- free digital and Apple iOS compatible plus print) and doggedly held on until he could not proceed due to his loss of energy as his disease progressed. He won multiple National awards for the Post. He went to AX school with the C4S and burned through his Michelin tires that weekend. Later he switched to Sumitomos at less than ½ the price of the



Michelins. Coming home from the Keystone Parade with the Reed's and others he rolled down a section of a wide open Wyoming road at 140 MPH, making the others in the travelling caravan a wee bit nervous. No problem- top speed is over 175 mph. Good as long as you don't hit a deer or even a jackrabbit. They were actively engaged in LPR. And traveled to several Parades. Jackie was an LPR VP and Member at Large. Steve was nationally known for the Post and was a newsletter judge.

**Poker-** Steve began Poker at an early age with his brothers as some photos following will attest. He extended this passion to LPR and played every two weeks with some LPR buds, who rotated the host location. Bob Frostholt describes this setting and his friendship with Steve in his great Ode to Steve following this article. I suggest you analyze if he was poker faced or not.

**Outdoor Sports-** Steve enjoyed the outdoors a lot. He liked golf. We tried to get to a little outing at the driving range but weren't able to make it. He also liked to scuba, ski and go around in his Bermuda shorts and flip flops. He liked

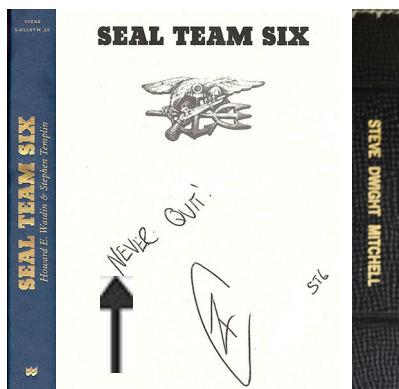
photography. Early on in the transition of the Post over to me he pulled his photo bag out and showed me his Nikon F and accessories. I think that got displaced by his Samsung phone in later years. He did a little handgun shooting at a range.

**Goofball-** Steve was a gregarious fun loving guy as a complement to his brilliant analytical side. Take a look where he is pretending to drink charcoal fluid and to topple trees.

**That's the man as I knew him and as through the lens of personal contact, history in photos and with Jackie filling in a few blanks- what a guy! He was great in many dimensions. We will all miss him. I'm grateful I had a few years to get to know him.**

### Steve the Man

Bill Jump



I recently met former Seal Team Six Member Rob O'Neill. I took a Seal Team Six book written by two other Seals with me to be autographed by him. Follow the arrow, where he wrote: "NEVER QUIT". That's what Steve did. Never forget HIS courage.

# Ode to Steve Mitchell

By Bob Frosthalm

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I lost my friend today. There wasn't enough time to say goodbye. There never is.

Some friendships are lifetime. Others are fleeting moments. Steve's seemed like a lifetime, but in the whole scheme of things was far too short. It was the kind of friendship; you know... the kind of friendship where words needn't dominate. Just hanging together doing guy things brings a comradery...a sense of comfort and ease. Guys get it but we can't explain it.

I lost my friend today.

We met Steve in May, 2008 at a GTG brunch in Santa Cruz. He and Jackie were new to the club, Deb and I were newer. The four of us had somehow, independently migrated to a lone table in the front yard while other club members cajoled around the food and played pirate buccaneer on a catwalk connecting the host's two adjacent homes. We admired the views and sunny morning weather. A conversation began. Important stuff first. You know, stuff like which ride is yours? Where do you live...Gilroy? Really? Yes, people really do live in Gilroy we discovered. Steve was loud and gregarious. A bit intimidating at first, but it was clear that inside was a big Teddy Bear of a man with a heart of gold. The morning progressed and the more we talked the more connected the four of us became. Cars, careers, children with special

needs, values....Somewhere in that haze of *getting to know you*, the PCA Escape to Albuquerque, 4 months away, turned into a commitment to jointly plant the Loma Prieta Flag on the Sandia Mountains. It was a done deal. These new friends we'd known for an hour or so...well by the time the day ended, we'd known them for years. Steve was that kind of guy.

Over the next 4 months we'd meet up at various club events and plan our road-trip. As it turned out, our final plans didn't quite match, as Steve and Jackie were taking a week to get there, sightseeing along the way and our plan was to sightsee on the return leg. But it worked out well. At the welcoming dinner at the Albuquerque Marriott, Steve told us all the places to stop on the way back and those to avoid. He liked telling people what to do...but if you knew Steve, you already know that.

Our friendship extended beyond the club. It became less about cars and such and more about just enjoying one another. He was a brilliant man. I don't mean Steven Hawking IQ brilliant, I mean our Steve could parachute into a party anywhere in the world and carry on a conversation with anyone, whether a statesman, or a plumber. He wore his heart on his sleeve. He cared about people...I mean REALLY cared about people, and as we've seen these past couple of difficult years, people really cared about Steve.

I lost my friend today.

Steve and I played poker every other Thursday night for the past six or seven years. You get to know someone really well at a poker table. You learn their "tells"... small unconscious physical movements that give away the truth about when they're bluffing and when you should fold. Steve's poker tells went something like this. He would say, "I have a great hand. You guys should all fold." When we did, he'd show a garbage hand and if we stayed, he'd have 4 aces. You just never knew with Steve. He kept his poker face throughout these past tortuous months. He was always positive about the future, whether a new drug, a revised chemo treatment or a surgery. He was determined to lick this horrible disease he called a minor inconvenience.

I lost my friend today....

We spent a couple of hours with Steve and Jackie a few days before he passed. Steve remained the trooper he'd since the beginning; telling everyone what to do. He even showed us how he broke the table that cantilevers over his bed. The demonstration was a laughable moment. But quite ingenious. That's Steve.

I lost my friend today ...and I will really miss him.

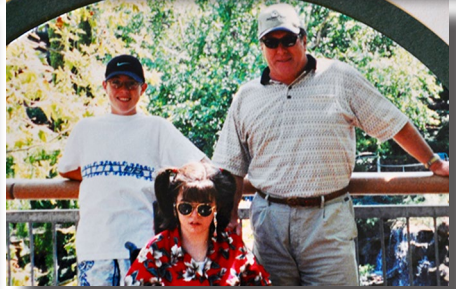
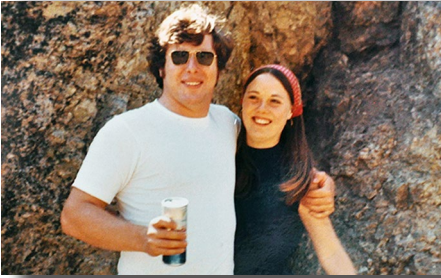
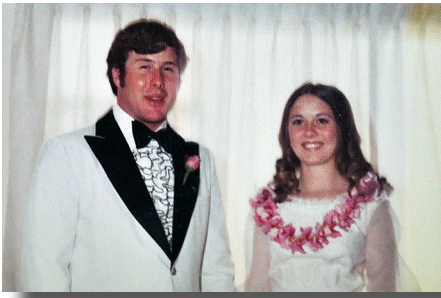
So Long, Steve.

By Bob Frostholtm



**As a man- Steve was not only a Joker, he was a Royal Flush**

**Following is the pictorial on Steve Mitchell the Man- selected and compiled by Bill Jump. Photos primarily from the Mitchell Family.**

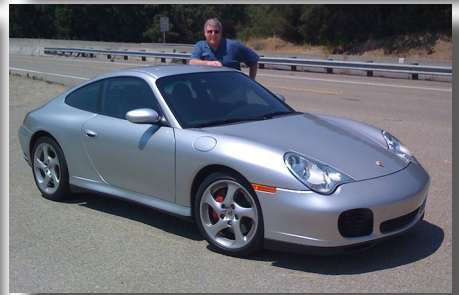
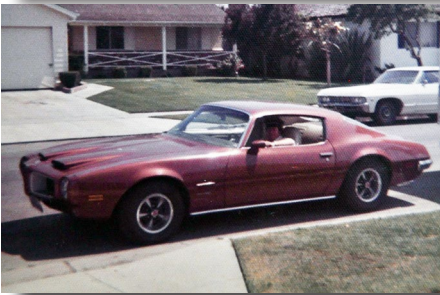
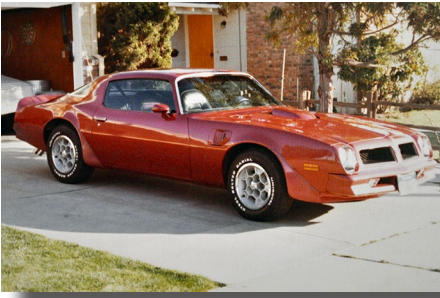


Top left three: Ready for the Prom; Hiking around with a can of beer; Matt arrives in Monterey in 1988; Top right 3: Family in the 90's; Matt just got a laptop. Bottom: A very handsome couple at a family event in 1984.



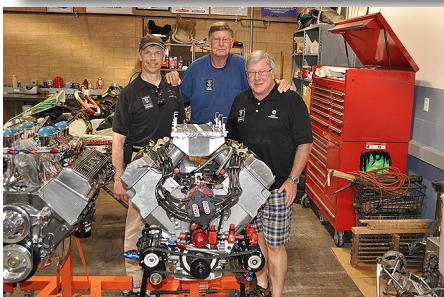


Left top to bottom: Proud parents of their graduate; A toasting at a B&B outing; Steve with Melissa 2 and Matt. Right top to bottom: All decked out- great; A hug and smiles as Steve turns 60.



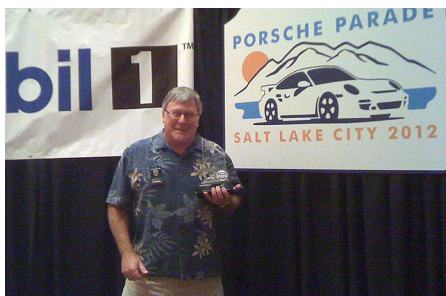
Top left to bottom: Pontiac Firebird; Steve with Jackie's Triumph Spitfire; Steve in his first car- a Firebird; Captain Mitchell is behind the wheel. Top right to bottom: Matt's Subaru- a graduation gift; Looks like a 60 plus old teenager behind a 4 carb hot rod; The C4S; This Ferrari is in the extended family- Steve is touching it- cool- But this is the first car that Matt ever drove- wow!





Top left to bottom: Steve is scrubbing down an unhappy “Chopper”; Steve with Chopper; In June 2015 Maggie arrives- about 10 weeks old; In November she comes to visit me for a day. Top right to bottom: These 4 pics are from the 2012 Salt Lake City Parade- On the road- the Reeds 996 is behind Steve’s C4S; Steve, John and Barry checking out big blocks on a tour; The Mitchells’, Prangle’s and John Reed next to a Royal Purple machine; Steve stops to look at canyons.



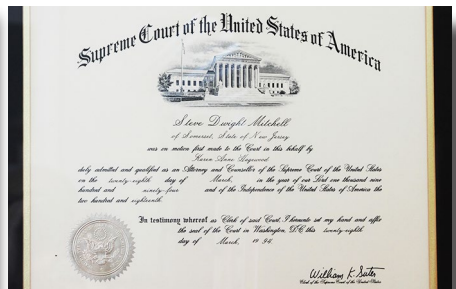


Top Left to bottom: Steve with his Newsletter award at SLC 2012 Parade; Steve gets a ticket for not having a front license plate on the C4S on an LPR run north-but he is not the only one; 3 of Steve's PCA/LPR awards; His Knights of Columbus regalia and ID as a Christian; Top Right to bottom: Poker time for Steve; Yahoo!- he celebrates and has money in his glasses & on his shoulder; At the World Series of Poker in Las Vegas; Finally- he is with his LPR Poker pals- a treasure.

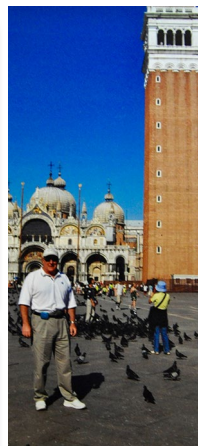




**Steve & Family Outdoors- Top 3: Steve tees off. Steve teaching Matt to scuba dive; Steve working on his marksmanship skills. Bottom two: Jackie & Steve introduce Melissa 1 to a Manta Ray; Steve and Matt at a ski resort.**



These two photos show other dimensions of Steve. On the left is his Airway Manual. It is of note that he had his Pilot's license at age 15 before he had his drivers license! On the right, his certificate granting him the right to practice before the US Supreme Court. Steve proudly shared these with me in June 2015 when I first started working on the Post. More evidence of just how remarkable Steve was as an accomplished and great man. RIP.



**Travel Time- Top 3: Steve holds up the Leaning Tower of Pisa; Steve & Jackie in Pompeii; Steve on St Marks Plaza in Venice. Middle three: Jackie & Steve are bookends in Sydney for their gondola ride in Venice. Bottom two: Steve in Paris; Jackie & Steve on the water in Hawaii.**





**Goofball Steve plus a celebration- Top two: Steve pretends to drink Gulf charcoal lighter; Ah ha- Let's see how fast this baby can go. Middle two" STEVE! What are you wearing?? Steve demonstrates his strength. Ah, a 60th birthday celebration!**

## Pizza Project III

Story by Karen Morgan

Photos by John Reed

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When the moon hits your eye like a big pizza pie, you're at the Bennett's... actually, the moon had yet to rise as the Pizza Project III (aka "The Garlic Awakens") commenced. When Bob & I arrived a little before five, much activity was happening in the kitchen while the guests who had arrived earlier were visiting in the backyard. Checkered tablecloths, Chianti bottle candle holders (with candles), and red wine lent a distinctively Italian vibe to the evening.

As I collected the monies for the evening, Emilie was taking donations for flowers & pre-prepared dinners for Jackie and encouraging folks to sign cards for other LPR members who were unable to join us. We are lucky to have such a thoughtful Hospitality Chairperson. Meanwhile, Debbie began directing her Pizza elves (Jennifer and later Emilie) in the art of making those fabulous pizza pies. Kevin was doing his thing with the pizza oven for which we are all grateful he built in their backyard. I heard it got a bit too hot, but even that first slightly charred pizza was delicious!

Bob was mingling with many other LPR members as appetizers were served. I'm pretty sure he had a bottle of beer, too. He visited with the Provasi's and discussed the year-long planning it takes to put on the WERKS reunion. He talked about the Post with Bill & Mary Beth Jump. Bill Highley told him

about fishing & Alaska and Dick & Mary Wallace told him about their recent move. He was able to visit also with Diana (who loves retirement) & Hal Hallock, Ken & June (always gracious) Iles, Peter (always check his pant pockets before doing laundry) Ridgway & Jacqueline Shanafelt, and Noel Peterson, who seemed to be enjoying those meatball appetizers. By this time I figured Bob was on his second bottle of beer.

Peter & Jean Menard and then Rudi & Joanna Herz arrived and it was time for the main course, baked by Kevin, sliced by Sandy, and served by the pizza elves and Tom Provasi. Many tasty salads were enjoyed by all at that time, too. Eventually, I was able to enjoy the pizza selections which included sausage & pepper, mushroom & onion, & salami. The extra cheese helped make them even yummiier. And then I got to visit with Greg & Sue Sickal, Doug and Dana Ambrisko along with their lovely grown-up daughter, Ashley. It's always interesting hearing about her racing career although she's now aged out of her bracket. Joanne (an excellent cook) & Tony Antonowicz and Russ & Doris (a former teacher) Britschgi are a delight with whom to converse. Susan George and Tom Geary spoke with me about Susan's remarkable recovery from her knee replacement surgery. Angie and I always manage to find something to talk about while John keeps busy taking pictures (another person we are lucky to have as a club photographer).

Next up was a game that Kevin devised based on the Match Game. Jim & Jennifer Bryant were the first contestants who tried to match answers about club members with 6 randomly assigned audience members. Jim won that round. Sue Sickal and I were the next contestants and I must apologize to Kevin for my lame answers. Sue won by matching 2 people with her answer by completing the sentence: If John Reed went for a walk, he would run into a (blank). She guessed "a tree branch". Susan George won the last round. All winners went home with, what else, a bottle of Chianti!

As dessert was served, Bob conducted a short meeting. Tom & Sandy were selling, for a mere \$10, some very attractive tote bags stuffed with items

from the WERKS reunion. In keeping with the Italian theme, they were even red & white striped. Kevin & Debbie were then presented with the host present, a sleeve of garlic (naturally) and a race car pen I picked up at Laguna Seca with which they could race down to the Olive Garden to spend their gift certificate.

Abbiamo ringraziato i nostri padroni, come abbiamo detto addio. E stata una grande festa, Debbie & Kevin! (We thanked our hosts and said goodbye. It was a great party, Debbie & Kevin!)

The Garlic Awakens

by Karen Morgan



**Master Pizza Chef at Work! Great Eats!**





**Top left to bottom: Ken Iles and Bill Highley are enjoying the event. Tom Provasi and Bob Morgan show off their WERKS shirts; Sandy Provasi assists Kevin ; Jacqueline Shanafelt and Ken Iles cut a rug. Top right to bottom: The Britscghi's dig in to the eats; Rudi Herz follows; Jen Bryant serves; Bill & Mary Beth Jump await more of that great Pizza.**



**Top right to bottom: Doug Ambrisko has an interesting hat; Dana Ambrisko & daughter are bonding; Joanne Antonowicz and Jim Bryant at the table; Diana Hallock speaks and Jim Bryant listens; Top right to bottom: Dick Wallace talks with Mary and Doris Britschgi; Debbie Bennett serving up pizza to a hungry table; Kevin Bennett kicks off the game of the event; The Morgans' present the Bennetts' with the host/hostess gift.**



## WERKS

Compiled by Bill Jump

Photos by Karen Morgan, John Reed and Bill Jump

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Top two: The Corral. Next: Concours lineup; Bottom left: A bevy of special Blue GT3 Club Coupe- nice. Top right to bottom: 356 line up; A Lemans 914- nice stripes; A bright new Spyder; A Guards Red Speedster.

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**Top left to bottom: Tony Vanacore, Angie Reed, and Ed Tefankjian at WERKS; The Grialous' and the Drysdales' entered Boxster Concours; Bob Morgan with the Musses; Janet Au-Krug, Angie Reed and Charlie and Inga Palmer, Note: The Grialous', Drysdales' & Palmers' have all won 1st place in prior Concours. Top right to bottom: A nice set up- I'll have some; Next two- Jim Davis' car undergoes a 2nd review in Concours; Another set up- Vino & Brownies- look for them next time.**





Top left to bottom: A sterling 356; A Canadian 914 pace car; An exotic 918 Spyder; A 2004 GT- home base moves between Morgan Hill and Montana. Top right to bottom: An aircooled Speedster lineup; A 1956 356A Outlaw from Valkyrie Racing in Denver; A line up of watercooleds; A 356 is being judged.





Top left to bottom: A 356 barn find- asking \$900K- hmmm; Next two- the blue Speedster being ogled and judged. Top right to bottom: Post WWII handmade Chris Runge VW/Porsche- home base Lake Tahoe; Look at this license plate- WOW! Bottom: The Provasi's bookend the 2016 WERKS trophy. What a great job they did organizing the event. Many thanks & congratulations- job well done!

# Engine Oil Analysis

Story by Bill Jump

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**G**iven the concern about 996 engines failures I think it is wise to have your oil tested when you have it changed.

I got this tip from Kevin Laird's fine blog which is based on his 996 C4S. Steve pointed me to this blog 3 years ago when we were discussing IMS bearing issues and the vulnerabilities of the 996 standard engine. Turbo Engines are based on the Metzger design and do not have this issue.

The oil report provided by Blackstone labs gives you a great read on basic engine health.

Blackstone provides sample bottles free of charge. The sample is only about 5 ounces and should be taken when the oil is drained at time of change. The kits come with a simple data sheet that asks about mileage on the engine, change interval, oil type, make and model of the car. The kit is basically a self-contained mailer with the data and sample bottle inside.

It normally takes only a few days after receipt at the lab to get results. You will get a PDF report eMailed to you as well as hard copy. The report provides measurement data and comparative data. It provides an additional level of data beyond physical inspection of your filter and your magnetic drain plug. Refer

to my article in the April 2016 Post for that.

I have had oil tested on all my 3 vehicles (911C4S, Cayenne S, Buick Sedan). I have Steve's 996 report and have seen Kevin Laird's report as well. Despite my focus on the 996 it is a valuable tool for other vehicles. Kevin's C4S has in excess of 144,000 miles on it now.

Here is a link to his blog and latest oil test (copy and paste it into your browser)>

<http://www.kevinlaird.com/4S.html>

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I think he changes oil every 10,000 miles.

The cost is a nominal \$28 per sample. Here is Blackstone's website>

<http://www.blackstone-labs.com/>

See the opposite page for the latest report I received on my 911 C4S.

Just do it, money well spent.

Bill Jump Prieta Post Editor





# OIL REPORT

LAB NUMBER: H48502  
REPORT DATE: 5/4/2016  
CODE: 63/32

UNIT ID: 04 996 C4S  
CLIENT ID: 58576  
PAYMENT: CC: AmEx

UNIT	MAKE/MODEL:	Porsche 3.6L H-6	OIL TYPE & GRADE:	Mobil 1 5W/40
	FUEL TYPE:	Gasoline (Unleaded)	OIL USE INTERVAL:	9,737 Miles
	ADDITIONAL INFO:			

CLIENT	WILLIAM JUMP	PHONE: (408) 778-5166
	1570 SEVILLE DR	FAX:
	MORGAN HILL, CA 95037	ALT PHONE: (408) 621-4845
		EMAIL: wjump@charter.net

COMMENTS	WILLIAM: Thanks for the info. This is a great second sample for your Porsche and the 3.6L engine under its hood. This sample saw quite a bit more use than the last, and there's some more metal as a result. Still, these levels are quite low compared to our averages, so we're not seeing any signs of mechanical issues on the horizon. The only unusually finding (besides the very low wear) was the trace of fuel that turn up. However, this amount is harmless and is likely from normal operation or maybe from sampling just after starting the engine. Excellent report!
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ELEMENTS IN PARTS PER MILLION	MI/HR on Oil	9,737	UNIT / LOCATION AVERAGES	1,600					UNIVERSAL AVERAGES
	MI/HR on Unit	44,297		36,160					
	Sample Date	4/15/2016		9/24/2014					
	Make Up Oil Added	0 qts		0 qts					
ALUMINUM	4	3	2						4
CHROMIUM	0	0	0						1
IRON	10	8	5						11
COPPER	8	5	2						9
LEAD	3	2	0						3
TIN	0	3	5						1
MOLYBDENUM	55	55	54						77
NICKEL	3	2	1						1
MANGANESE	0	0	0						1
SILVER	0	0	0						0
TITANIUM	0	0	0						0
POTASSIUM	6	3	0						2
BORON	54	63	72						112
SILICON	3	3	2						7
SODIUM	7	6	4						13
CALCIUM	2363	2447	2531						2619
MAGNESIUM	14	14	14						129
PHOSPHORUS	804	845	885						918
ZINC	916	974	1031						1063
BARIUM	0	0	0						0

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to show who we are!**

**See you around the chocolate fountain**





# **LPR needs you!**

**If you appreciate all of the wonderful activities put on by LPR, please consider volunteering to help in making things happen. There are openings on the board of directors as well as ancillary positions as committee chairs.**

**Please contact Member-at-Large  
Bonnie Radding at  
[bonnie123@pacbell.net](mailto:bonnie123@pacbell.net)**



# Candidate information for 2016 Ballot

Ballots will be mailed to the membership by Oct. 1.

## **President**

Peter Ridgway and Les Schreiber – co-President: Peter currently serves as Tech Chairman, arranging tech sessions for the club as well as being instrumental in executing the PartsHeaven swap meet. Les is a past President of LPR and a Zone 7 Concours Chairman.

## **Vice President**

Debbie Bennett and Emilie Highley – co-VP: Debbie has hosted innumerable GTGs and many tours. Emilie is likewise experienced in GTG execution and has served in numerous official LPR positions including being a past Vice President of LPR.

## **Member-at-Large**

Bonnie Radding: Bonnie is a long time member of LPR and is the currently serving Member-at-Large.

## **Membership Chairman**

Karen Morgan: Karen has given past service on the board as Secretary, Member-at-Large, Vice President, and as Treasurer.

## **Treasurer**

Johnny Musser: Johnny is the current Tour Chairman for LPR and is also a past treasurer.

## **Secretary**

Margie Jensen: Margie is an active member of LPR, having participated in a great number of LPR's varied activities, and has served as secretary in other organizations.

## **Activities**

Dave Dunwoodie: is an active autocross enthusiast and currently serving Activities Chairman.

## **Man of the Year**

**Bob Morgan:** Bob is the current President of LPR, was an important helper at the LPR's swap meet and PCA's Werks event, and put on the Drive by Steinbeck Rallye.

**Dave Dunwoodie:** Dave is the club's social media interface, is heavily involved in autocross and has stepped up to finish the year as Activities Chairman.

**Peter Ridgway:** Peter served as the LPR Tech Chairman, was integral in the execution of the PartsHeaven swap meet, is the club's envoy to deal with POST advertisers and performed yeoman's duties in setting up the club for next year.

## **Woman of the Year**

**Kathy Musser:** Kathy is the Membership Chairman, is extremely active in event attendance and a big charity activist, putting on the Cheesy Charity Tour.

**Diana Hallock:** Diana has been very active and served as co-Vice President this year with the specific duties of putting on the LPR Picnic and the year-end Awards Banquet.

**Karen Morgan:** Karen put on the Drive by Steinbeck Rallye and served as co-Vice President with the responsibility of scheduling and overseeing of the club's GTGs .



## **Worker of the Year**

**Bill Jump:** Bill jump served this year as Editor of the POST and manager of LPR's goodie store.

**Laurie Delimon:** Laurie has served in the club's shadows, managing the LPR social media data and sending out the email notices of POST being online as well as the mid-month blast.

**Anne Roth:** Anne served as Activities Chairman for half of this year and continues to serve the club as Autocross Chairman.





*2016 Zone 7 Awards Banquet*  
*Saturday, November 5<sup>th</sup>, 2016*  
*6:00 P.M.*  
Clarion Hotel • Concord CA  
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Questions? Contact Sandy at [sandyprovasi@gmail.com](mailto:sandyprovasi@gmail.com).

**Note: Sign up is open now and the registration  
deadline is October 31**

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Thanks to all the Werks Reunion volunteers for helping to put on another great event. As this event continues to grow, so does the need for more volunteers. Thanks for volunteering to park cars, judge the Concours, direct traffic, set up tables, empty trash, put up and take down signage and the other dozen jobs that go into the event. The new, beautiful location for next year's Werks Reunion will be announced soon. Save the date: Friday, August 18, 2017.

A big thanks goes to all of Sierra Nevada Region for helping host the first North American Treffen Lake Tahoe. It was a great 4 days of tours and social for all. Fun roads, beautiful weather, over the top meals and new friends made the event a success. For those who want to see The Hill Country of Texas, check out the next Treffen: March 29, 2017

Hope to see you all at the last Zone 7 Concours of 2016 put on by Yosemite Region with Porsche of Livermore as the sponsor on Sunday, October 9th. You can pre-register at [yos.pca.org](http://yos.pca.org) for the Concours. The cost is \$30 if you pre register, else the day of the event it is \$40. If you are out for a Sunday drive that day, stop by and check out all the Porsches at 3100 Las Positas Road, Livermore.

Now it is time to sign up for the Zone 7 Year End Awards banquet. It will be held at the Clarion Hotel in Concord on Saturday, November 5th 6pm. Come cheer on the 2016 winners in Autocross, Concours and Club Race. Everyone is welcome to join us for the evening. You might even win a door prize! Dinner is \$55 per person. You can register at [motorsportreg.com](http://motorsportreg.com) or mail a check made out to Zone 7/PCA to me at 1339 Glen Dell Drive, San Jose, CA 95125. The Clarion has rooms for \$99 per night, plus tax which includes breakfast at the Bistro Restaurant.

Looking Forward-

Zone 7 Presidents meeting- November 5th 9am-4pm, Clarion Hotel, Concord  
Zone 7 Year End Awards and Banquet- November 5th 6pm, Clarion Hotel  
Treffen Hill Country, Texas- March 29, 2017  
Porsche Parade-Spokane, Washington- July 9 - 15, 2017  
Werks Reunion- August 18, 2017

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# AUTOCROSS

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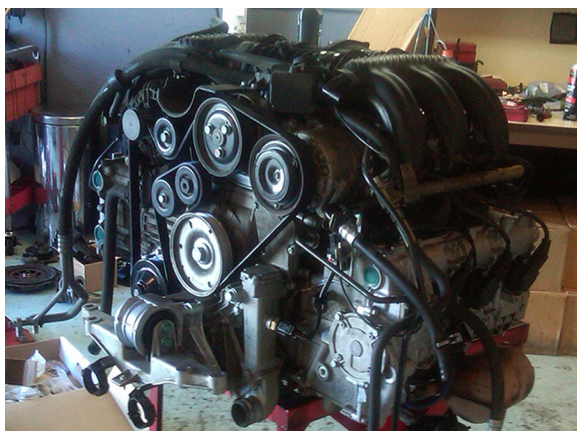
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