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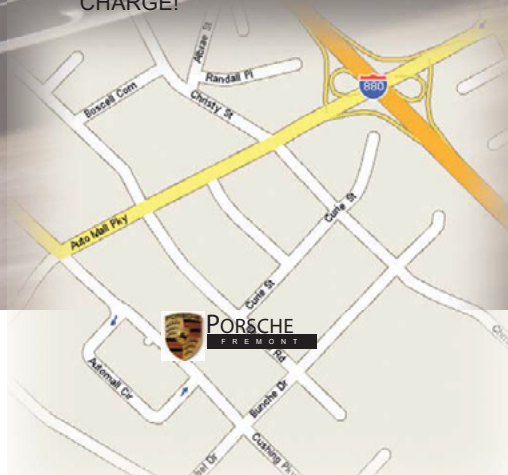
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Peter Ridgway - Les Schreiber

Well Happy New Year everyone! In case you missed it, Les and I are going to be sharing the Presidential responsibilities this year. While we were discussing a title for this column, we decided on “Rants” after a political discussion about the 2017 USA Administration preparing to take office in January. It’s clearly going to be an interesting year for the USA. So, Les and I hope to make it interesting for LPR, as well. In keeping with the current political climate, I’ve decided that being politically correct is not going to be part of my Presidency. I’ll leave that to Les. We’re going to continue trying to keep the Board Meetings short and sweet. If it’s not on the agenda, we’ll put a pin in it until the next meeting. And please respect everyone opinions. They’re just as good as yours. Also, Bob has given us the Presidential Gavel and we plan to wield it vigorously. I look forward to 12 boring Board Meetings this year.

Speaking of your new Board, it’s looking great for 2017. Our exuberant new VP’s, Debbie and Emilie, have already locked in a year of GTG’s. Kathy Musser will be taking over as Tours chair and has at least 10 tours scheduled. Many of the tours are new ones with new leaders and new ideas. Check out the calendar and plan appropriately. I’d also like to welcome Kevin Bennett as the new POST editor. Kevin will definitely bring a new style to the POST. You may not always agree with him, but at least he’s willing to do what I feel is the hardest job in the club. I look forward to arguing with him.

I’d like to personally welcome Margie Jensen as our new Secretary. It’s great to see new faces on the Board. It was hard to find people willing to serve this year. That’s too bad, since there wouldn’t be a LPR club without the work of all those

❖ Presidential Rants..

contributing their time to put on Tours, GTG's, Autocross, Concours and other events.

And speaking of Autocross, Anne Roth has been doing a spectacular job for years. Anne's dedication and the AX Team she has assembled have put together one of (if not) the best Autocross programs in Zone 7. Looking forward to LPR's 2017 Autocross Series and its structure.

That's my rant. Feel free to email or call if you have anything to contribute. If you have complaints, it would be appreciated if you could also suggest a solution. By the way, we're already looking at the POST costs and looking for a small committee to work on this. So if you call.....

The very popular Crow's Nest tour is on Jan. 21st. Sign up early because it will be sold out.

Peter Ridgway, Co President

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Calendar

Region Events

January

- 3** **Board Meeting: Everyone Welcome- Round Table Pizza**
At Camden and Union in San Jose, 7 PM
- 21** **Crow's Nest Tour- Details page 8**

February

- 7** **Board Meeting: Everyone Welcome- Round Table Pizza**
At Camden and Union in San Jose, 7 PM
- 11** **Soup Night - Details on page 13**

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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.

POST Positions

Kevin Bennett, Editor

I saw a recent story in the Mercury News about the renovations that are planned for Anderson Dam.

The project was approved with a budget of \$100 million and the cost has, of course, ballooned to \$200 million and they haven't even started draining the reservoir. This inordinate inflating of cost for public works projects seems to be de rigeur for the process and I can't help wondering if the contractors for these jobs don't purposefully underbid knowing full well that they can count on a turbo-boost in their bill by the time it is presented for payment.

In 1989, the Bay Bridge was damaged in the Loma Prieta earthquake. In 1995, the first estimates for repair were released to the public; \$250 million to rectify the bridge's issues. By September of 2013, when the completed project finally opened, the (almost) final cost was \$6.5 billion, an eye-popping 2500% increase over the initial estimate. There are ongoing costs associated with apparent construction flaws that may drive the final bill even higher. (As an aside, it's hard to understand why, for 25 times the initial cost estimate, you can't get the job done right the first time.)

Locally, Rod Diridon, almost 30 years ago, was an instrumental figure in getting Santa Clara County to invest \$2 billion to build a light rail system. I couldn't find the original cost estimates, but no matter the cost, the project has been a huge financial failure. Projections for ridership were dismally optimistic for the project and in 2012, 25 years after inaugurating service, it was costing the county \$10 for every passenger who plopped their butt into a light rail seat. Ridership has never come close to projections and the Santa Clara light rail system is consistently rated as one of the worst in the country.

I'm not sure how citizens of our state can possibly orchestrate a mechanism to get these cost overruns and glowing projections for planned public works under control, but they better act fast, because



in

John Yeosock from Peachstate,



Membership Matters

Membership Report for the month of October 2016 November 1, 2016

New Members from PCA (1)

Gerry Lund from Aptos, 2013 911 Carrera S

Janell Lund-Mann from Aptos, 2014 911 Carrera 4S

Sean Wood from Santa Cruz, 2006 Cayman S

David Price from Scotts Valley, 2017 911 Carrera S GT

Transfers in (1)

John Yeosock from Peachstate, 2013 Panamera

Transfers out (0)

Non-Renewals for the month of September (5)

Member Renewals for the month of September (19)

Total Membership for the month of August:

Primary Members	336
Affiliate Members	228
Total Members	564

Kathy Musser – Membership Director

LPR Anniversaries

5 Years

Peter Kuepper

Congratulations

there is another major project that is not looking good to a critical eye. I'm talking about the California High Speed Rail Authority, an undertaking that has been aggressively prosylatized by none other than our governor, Jerry Brown. The original estimate for this potential boondoggle (2008) was \$33 billion, a respectable sum. In late 2016, eight years later, the projected number for completion has mushroomed to over \$100 billion, and that is a pile of cash. It amounts to about \$2700 for every resident in the state. How much of this project has been built? Not much, and that's what makes it worrying, because what happens if the costs blow up again? We are only at 3 times the original projected cost and I think the contractors involved in these endeavors are fully capable of finding the necessity for more capital outlay.

As an alternative, it has been estimated that the north-south Highways 99 and 101 could both be modernized and upgraded to be comparable to the I-5 freeway at a cost of a (mere) \$10 billion. Based on the fact that California seems to be leading the nation in mandating energy efficiency as well as the electrification of cars, it seems that this would be a more reasonable expenditure of our tax dollars. To me, it would make a lot of sense to throw in a few more dollars to put in charging stations to encourage the use of electric, as well as hybrid, cars and trucks on these vehicular arteries, and the result would be a traffic system that is near certain to be an effective people mover as compared to one dependent on ridership projections by bureaucrats with no culpability for their pie-in-the-sky prognostications. The people of California are already comfortable with long car trips, if for no other reason than the need/desire for convenient transportation at the end of their journey, and the highway modernization advantage is compounded by the fact that hybrid and electric cars plying these new freeways would provide a rev to the economy up and down the state rather than just a benefit to the major cities at each end of the rail.

Of course, the Jerry Brown Memorial Freeway Expansion doesn't have the panache that the Jerry Brown Bullet Train has so, cynic that I am, it seems that, despite any cost, the governor is going to stick the state with the high speed rail, no matter what the objection, just as Rod Diridon stuck Santa Clara County with the light rail. Let's hope the train doesn't bomb as badly.



Sandy Provasi, Zone 7 Rep.

Looking forward, the 2017 calendar is filling up in Zone 7. During the President's meeting we laid out the start of the calendar. There are a few dates we are still waiting to confirm and contracts need to be signed. At

this time we have 8 Zone 7 Concours spanning 8 of our 10 regions. We also have 9 Zone 7 Autocrosses planned in 4 regions. Look for the new calendar on the Zone website.

Along with these events we are working on a Zone 7 Tour, which will cover 3 regions over 4 days this June. We hope to expand the tour in the future to cover most of the regions in Northern California and Northern Nevada. This year's tour will begin in Redwood Region, travel over scenic back roads to Shasta Region then drop down into Sacramento Valley Region. Stay tuned for more details.

Also this year, in order to help everyone get ready for the Parade in Spokane, there will be a rally school put on by Keith McMahan of Sacramento Valley Region. More info soon.

Please welcome the new Zone 7 Concours chair, John D'Angelo. John will be working on getting more judges trained, updating the rules and promoting the sport!

I am still looking for a volunteer to do the QuickBooks for the Zone. If you have questions about this very simple job, please give me a call.

Happy New Year!

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bonnie123@pacbell.net or to

Lisa at 408-821-6901 or email cbtnorcal.com.



LPR 2017 Calendar of Events

Jan 3rd – LPR Board Meeting

Jan 21st – Crow's Nest Tour – Schreiber



Feb 7th – LPR Board Meeting

Feb 11th – GTG – Soup Night – Radding



Mar 7th – LPR Board Meeting

Mar 11th – AX #1 –

Mar 18th – GTG – St Patrick's Day – Morgan



Apr 1st – The Fools Day Tour & Rally – Douglas

Apr 4th – LPR Board Meeting

Apr 8th – Zone 7 AX – GGR

Apr 9th – Zone 7 AX – LPR #2 –

Apr 15th – Easter Parade – Musser

Apr 22nd – Tour – Hallock & Bennett



May 2nd – LPR Board Meeting

May 14th – Mother's Day Brunch/Tour – Shreiber

May 20th – AX #3 –

May 28th – GTG – Indy 500 – Schreiber



Jun 4th – LPR Concours/Swap Meet –

Jun 6th – LPR Board Meeting

Jun 10th – Charity Tour – Musser/Vanacore

Jun 11th – AX #4 –

Jun 18th – GTG – Father's Day Brunch – Highley/Bennett

Jun 24th – Santa Cruz Mt Tour – Vanacore



Jul 5th – LPR Board Meeting

Jul 9-15 – Parade

Jul 22nd – AX #5 –

Jul 23rd – Family Picnic – Board of Directors

Jul 29th – GTG – Frostholm



Aug 1st – LPR Board Meeting

Aug 6th – Rocky Point Tour – Reed

Aug 12th – GTG – Pasta Night – Bennett

Aug 27th – AX #6 –



Sep 5th – LPR Board Meeting

Sep 9th – GTG – Hallock

Sep 16th – Zone 7 AX – LPR #7

Sep 17th – Zone 7 AX – GGR

Sep 23-24 – Avila Beach Tour – Morgan

Sep 30th – GTG – Oktoberfest – Smith



Oct 3rd – LPR Board Meeting

Oct 14th – Tour - Western Train Museum – Douglas

Oct 22nd – AX #8 –

Oct 25-27 – The Diablo Canyon Nuclear Power Plant and the Point San Luis Lighthouse Tour – Musser



Nov 4th – GTG – Iles

Nov 7th – LPR Board Meeting

Nov 26th – Activities Meeting – Dunwoodie

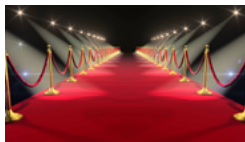


Dec 3rd – Tour – D'Angelo

Dec 5th – LPR Board Meeting

Dec 9th – Awards Banquet – Highley/Bennett

Dec 16th – Gift Exchange – Highley





Above: The 2017 Board of Directors; Karen Morgan, Johnny Musser, Emilie Highley, Peter Ridgway, Debbie Bennett, Les Schreiber, Bonnie Radding and Dave Dunwoodie.

Below: Jennifer Bryant and Emily Bennett looking quite lovely this evening.



Left: Incoming president Peter Ridgway gets a little hazing from Lisa Laforge and Dave Darling.

Right: Lisa Radding and Laurie Delimon kept the temperature up on the dance floor.



Left: Ken Iles, Jacqueline Shanafelt and June Iles. I'm not sure what Jacqueline is selling here, but it sure has Ken's attention.



by Diana Hallock

December 10th found fifty LPR members and guests brandishing fistfuls of cocktail tickets at the Biltmore Bar to start the annual Awards Banquet. Scallops wrapped in bacon, spinach spanakopita, teriyaki beef skewers and chilled ahi tuna appetizers made for a delicious first course. Soft jazz allowed for lots of conversation and catching up between LPR members.

After a cocktail and a snack, most LPR members went to inspect the door prize table that was crowned with (what else!?) a red 944 door! Peter Ridgeway had worked his magic again. Other door prizes included Porsche shirts and jackets, bottles of wine and champagne, Porsche mugs and posters, and the ever popular, discount tickets to GTG and Autocross events. Many thanks to John Reed, Bob Morgan, Hal Hallock, and Bonnie Radding who joined Peter in bringing so many door prizes that almost everyone took home a gift.

The room was filled with red poinsettias while candy canes sweetened every place setting. Dinner started with the first of many drawings for door prizes. Members enjoyed a winter salad of walnuts, cranberries and raspberry vinaigrette while Tony Vanacore took the first prize, a Porsche jacket that fit him to



Bob Morgan presents Man Enthusiast Award to Dave Dunwoodie.



Woman Enthusiast Award goes to Kathy Musser.



President's Award goes to Kevin Bennett.



The Vanacores and the Mussers and the Cheesy Charity Tour took honors.



Left; Hal and Diana Hallock present the Award for Favorite Good Time Gathering to Susan and Peter Smith for this year's Oktoberfest.

Right; A large crew received recognition for Specialty Event for the Swap and Concours. Peter and Jacqueline, Jim & Jennifer, Hallocks presenting, Kevin, Karen, Bob and Debbie.





Above: Have you heard that Peter Ridgway and Emilie Highley have taken on part time jobs working security at the airport? Here they are caught using the TSA worker's secret handshake.

❖ Awards Banquet Fun.

a “P.” Dinner was a choice of roast pork, hoisin salmon or champagne spinach ravioli.

Bob Morgan took the mic to start the important part of the evening, the Awards. Dave Dunwoodie and Ken Iles presented the Autocross awards, Hal and Diana Hallock presented the GTG and Event awards, and Bob and Karen Morgan presented the Specialty Awards. Congratulations and many thanks to all our award winners.

The evening concluded with a luscious dessert buffet, more wine, and dancing to the smooth sounds of Dave’s Premiere DJ. It was great to see June Iles take to the dance floor again now that her new hip has healed. She and Ken can really cut a rug! Thanks to Hal and Diana for their work planning the banquet and to Jim and Lyn Metz who came early to help with set up. A good time was had by all.



Bob Morgan (L) assisted Ken Iles (yellow tie) in presenting the autocross awards to (from left) Steve Graham, Dave Dunwoodie, Tony Vanacore, Ed Hunt, and John Eiskamp.

more awards fun



Above L to R: Tony Vanacore and John Eiskamp confer. Kevin Bennett and Jackie Mitchell. Left: The tale of three presidents - Les Schreiber & Peter Ridgway are incoming and Bob is the lame duck. Below: The party gets its boogie on.



Below: Just a partial view of the many items donated for door prizes by LPR's advertisers and friends.



Right: Esper Kershaw is an absolute savant at giving special attention to her male friends... in this case, Bill Highley.





Above L: The grand door prize was an actual door. Above R: Peter Ridgway and Jim Bryant bracket former Raider, Jim Davis, as they point to his two Super Bowl rings.



Lin & Jim Metz squeeze in a little cuddle on the dance floor.



Gary & Kathy Goelkel get in a little cuddle, too. Nice to see Kathy out and about...



Diana & Hal Hallock seem happy, and why not?... last official duty complete!

In the spirit of Christmas, Kevin Bennet wore his curmudgeon hat.





*Above: John Reed, Les Schreiber, Angie Reed, Jim & Ed Davis. Above right: Sheila and Dave Dunwoodie
Right: Angie Reed, Vince & Christina Vincent, Joanna Herz. Below: Lin and Jim Metz bracket Hal Hallock.*



*Above: Steve and Lori Douglas arrive in classic fashion.
Left: Les Schreiber, Karen & Ed Tefankjian and John Gould.*



Brunch at Chamínade

Story by Kathy and Johnny Musser

My first thought Sunday morning, when my alarm started ringing at 8:30, was, for once, the Mussers don't have to get up early for an LPR event. Not only that it, was on the Santa Cruz side of the Mountains, only 10 minutes from our house.

As we drove up the narrow winding road, I was glad that I knew where I was going, since it looked like it was going to dead end in a canyon. Then, just when you were sure you must have gone the wrong way, it opened out into the parking lot. There were even signs to



Considerable effort and expense was given to specialized decor for the Porsche club's visit.

tell you where the restaurant was located. We found a large group of beautiful Porsches parked next to the entrance and, since we arrived right at ten, we got a front row parking space.



Left: Carol and George Giralou in transit. Below: Steve & Lori Douglas.



Above: George Giralou gladhands Vince Vincent as a happy Efren Casamina looks on. Right: Jim Davis is greeted by Charlie and Inge Palmer while Les Schrieber does some social media business.



Above; Bill & Jane Charron. Right, top: Chuck Bloom, Carol & George Giralou. Bottom: Inge Palmer, Betty & Dave Pollack.



❖ Brunch at Chaminade..

When we entered the private room reserved for our party, we were greeted by our hosts John and Angie Reed and Jim Davis. They immediately showed us where the champagne and orange juice were located. Once we were suitably fortified we began the LPR socializing. I was told that there were 59 people signed up, but, unfortunately, Mike Zampiceni was unable to attend. He and his accordion were missed. Jackie Mitchell attended and everyone was glad to see her.

There were several long term members there, including Ken and June Iles (founding members; Ken was telling everyone what it was like to attend the coronation of Queen Victoria), Rudi and Joanna Herz (Rudi was regaling us with the story of his attendance at the coronation of Kaiser Wilhelm), and John and Angie Reed (John was describing what it was like to invent drawing with charcoal on cave walls). How did all those old guys get such young beautiful wives?

In addition to the usual suspects, we had quite a few new members (or at least new to GTGs) show up for the event. There were David and Gayle Byers, Larry DiBatissta, John Gould, Dave and Jane Hoffman, Janell Lund-Mann, Gerry Lund, Jim and Anne Thompson (experienced autocrossers but new to the Brunch), and Jerry Wynn.



*John & Angie Reed with
Jim Davis.*

Soon it was time to eat and we all headed to the buffet room. It was like the scene of the ghost of Christmas past in Dickens' *A Christmas Carol*. There was so much food that even I couldn't dream of trying it all. There were many entrees, side dishes, salads and a carving station. If you decided to start with breakfast and then work your way to lunch, there were sausages, bacon, country potatoes and made-to-order omelets. There was even a table piled high with desserts (that would have to be my second, or maybe third, trip).

After we ate until we couldn't move, we spent some more time talking and all too soon it was time for Hal (Treasurer) to pay the bill and all of us to waddle to our cars and head for home. It was the end of another fun and filling LPR GTG.

more Brunch at Chaminade



Above: Robert Mann & Janell Lund-Mann are amused... Vince Vincent not so much. Right: No tickets for double parking in front of the Chaminade. Below: Ed Tefaknjan casts a spell on Jim & Anne Thompson.



Right: Carol McNamera, happy to be here. Below: Cindi Casamina dotes on her granddaughter. Below, right: Jacqueline Shanafelt dotes on June & Ken Iles.





*Below: Jackie Mitchell
and Angie Reed.*

*Below: President-elect Peter
Ridgway and Dave & Jane
Hoffman.*



*Below: John Gould
and Jim Turk.*



*Below: Cindi & Efren
Casamina, David & Gayle
Byers, Carol & George Giralou,
Inga Palmer, Lisa Radding &
friend.*





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The Roadrunner Region is proud to announce that the artwork for this event, which will be on our commemorative t-shirts, will be produced by world-famous Porsche artist, Nicolas Hunziker.

You can see more of Nicolas' art at this site:

nicolashunziker.com

and be sure and visit his store to see his collection of t-shirts and, newly available, footwear.

Nicolas has done the artwork for the first three Porsche Werks Reunions held in Monterey, CA during the Pebble Beach Concours d'Elegance Car week, and we are immensely proud that he will be doing the artwork for our 2017 Fiesta New Mexico event. The 2017 Fiesta New Mexico t-shirts will certainly be a collector's item and will only be available to Fiesta New Mexico registrants (and co-registrants) by attending our event.



Board Meeting Minutes

December 6, 2016

Guests: Debbie Bennett, Jim Davis, Angie Reed, Ed Tefankjian, Ken Jensen, Margie Jensen, John Gould, David Byer, Bob Ogle.

Call to Order at 7:03.

November 2016 Board Meeting Minutes (distributed via email)

Suspend reading of BOD Meeting minutes

No corrections

Approval of BOD Mtg. minutes Moved by Kathy Musser. Approved.

Board Member Reports:

President – Bob Morgan-POST subscription costs feedback and alternatives were mentioned.

Discussion of PCA National Awards Family of the Year & Charity/Region of the year nominations due 12/31/16 took place.

Board transition form for PCA was discussed as well as for the region.

Vice President – Diana Hallock & Karen Morgan

End of year party - Diana Hallock: 49 signed up to attend.

Upcoming GTG's-Karen Morgan: Reported on upcoming final GTG for 2016.

Secretary – Kevin Bennett: Total of 52 ballots received and counted.

Treasurer – Hal Hallock: No report due to hard drive failure.

Kevin moved that \$250 be authorized for computer repair. Approved.

Membership – Kathy Musser: New members; Jerry Lund from Aptos, Janell Lund-Mann from, Aptos, Sean Wood from Santa Cruz, David Price from Scotts Valley. Transfer in John Yeosock from Peachstate.

Move to accept by Karen Morgan. Approved.

Activities – Dave Dunwoodie: Dave presented the schedule of events for 2017.

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Member-at-Large – Bonnie Radding- Will present the placement of the benevolent fund in the Policies and Procedures to the Board for approval by email.

Committee Reports:

Autocross – Anne Roth (absent): No report. A discussion of income from final AX took place.

Charity – Kathy Musser: no report

Concours – Les Schreiber: Discussed potential new events.

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

Goodie Store – Bob Morgan: Bob is looking into improving wares selection.

Hospitality – Emilie Highley: Everyone is healthy.

Prieta Post Editor – Kevin Bennett: Going to different binding to save \$1 per printed issue.

Public Relations – Ken Iles (absent): by Bob - Submission for November made to Pano. John Reed mentioned that updating of information boards at advertisers is done every month.

Safety – John Reed: no driving events in November.

Tech – Peter Ridgway: None scheduled yet. Has lined up a potential new advertiser.

Tours – Johnny Musser: No tours.

Webmaster – Kevin Bennett: no report.

Old Business: none

New Business: None.

Adjourn Meeting; 7:45

NEXT MEETING – Tuesday 7:00pm,
Jan. 3, 2017 at

Round Table Pizza, 14940 Camden Ave,
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