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by Emilie Highley

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SOUP



Saturday, February 23

6 P.M.

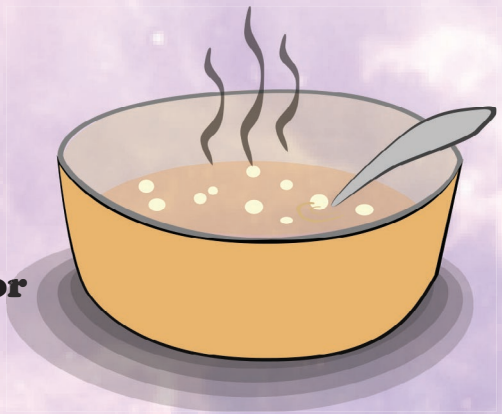
That old LPR favorite is back this year.... Soup Night! It will again be hosted by that dynamic duo, the souper team of Bonnie and Lisa Radding. Attendance will be limited to 24 fans of this steaming delight so lock up your spot on the roster early.

The cost for this event will be \$10.

Plan on bringing a SOUP, salad, side dish or dessert to share.

**The address is
289 Casitas Bulevar, Los Gatos.**

PLEASE RSVP by February 17 to Bonnie at 408-628-4005 or bonnie123@pacbell.net or to Lisa at 408-821-6901 or Lisa.Radding@cbnorcal.com.



The Road Ahead



John Reed, President

Why we do what we do: Our commitment to LPR is because we're either extremely dedicated or extremely crazy or a little of both.

Let's begin with the business side of the club – the Board of Directors and the Committee Chairs. These are the extremely dedicated folks who meet once a month to discuss in which direction LPR is headed.

Such as -

1. The cost of events and the events themselves, this topic is one that affects all of the membership in one way or another and can be, at times, a lively (but friendly) discussion.

2. Membership and how to improve what we're doing. There are plenty of plans and ideas that have sprung up over the years regarding this topic, but the one that always seems to be in the forefront is how can we get new members to attend events and how to keep them coming back. And we never forget the active members who support almost everything offered. There may be a survey coming your way in the near future asking for your input, be kind and reply, it's important.

3. The club's treasury and how we spend your money. This is always an exciting topic as you can imagine. The board is charged with being good stewards with all aspects of club life and the treasury is forefront of this stewardship. Over the past several years, along with due diligence and very competent management, the treasury thrives and has grown positively. Each month a comprehensive account is provided and it's impressive.

4. The variety of events offered during the year. Everyone received a printed copy of the January POST and inside was the year's Calendar of Events. We've said for years that LPR has something for everyone and 2019 is no exception. Whatever your pleasure (hey, this is a family publication, keep it clean) you'll find it here – social or driving – we aim to please. The

volunteers who chair these events do so because they do so and love doing so! Your support is always appreciated.

A favorite PCA saying in part says...it's the people...and they're right, without the aforementioned dedicated people giving of their time to make sure there's a Loma Prieta Region for you to enjoy there would be no PCA region at all. So, thumb or scroll through the first few pages of the POST, stop and take a look at the Board of Directors and Committee Chairs page and when you get a chance take the time to extend a thank you to these people, this would be a welcome gesture.

Finally: One of the most time consuming jobs is Editor of the Prieta POST. At the last board meeting we discussed the deadline for articles, event info and ads. Keep in mind this deadline is not a suggestion but a requirement which not only helps the editor assemble the information in a timely manner but keeps said editor from getting an ulcer in an untimely manner. The deadline is between the 10th and 15th of the month, preferably closer to the 10th...please!

Sayonara, amigos, until next time. Drive safe and sane on the road ahead.



On the first Thursday of every month LPR members will be found at the East Cliff Brewing Company. The plan is to have a little beer, a little food, a little conversation and A LOT of fun!

Come out and drop in!

The East Cliff Brewing Company is open to bringing in food to enjoy with your mug of brew so

feel free to bring any provisions you feel might enhance your evening chatting with your LPR buds.

East Cliff Brewing Company, 21517 East Cliff Drive, Santa Cruz.

The fun will begin at 5 pm until ???

POST Positions

Kevin Bennett, Editor



A year or so back I had a conversation with a fellow, I'll call him Dave, who was working in my home installing new cable service equipment. He seemed intelligent and quite capable and I was curious as to how and why he would choose this line of work. Dave gave me a sad tale of being seduced by the video gaming industry, attending college to earn a bachelor's degree majoring in video game design and running up a huge student debt in the process. As the loan balance climbed, his lenders and advisors kept telling him that, upon graduation, when he landed his dream job with a big gaming company he would have no trouble repaying the loans. When Dave did graduate, however, the industry for which he trained was just heading into a three-year retrenchment and by the time it was ready to start hiring again, his training was out of date and he wasn't suited to the job market. Dave was being crushed by his heavy debt load, could not afford to go back to school to get current with the workplace requirements and, therefore, took a job crawling around in peoples houses while entering a program that allows him to make a minimum payment, based on his income, that will in no way retire his debt but will, as long as he keeps up his payments, forgive the balance after 20 years.

It's facile to dismiss Dave's experience as just an unfortunate anomaly to the benefits of higher learning through the magic of government guaranteed loan programs. The issue of student debt has blossomed into a national issue of major proportions that is calling to be addressed.

A troika of major sectors of our economy composed of industry, academia and lenders, has created an incestuous system which benefits them mightily with the welfare of the student a mere afterthought. Industry sets up job skill parameters, universities set up programs to train for those skills and lenders encourage students to borrow the funds necessary to pay the universities for that training. Industry benefits by getting an educated work force from which to pick and choose but, additionally, it can use its requirements as a

lever to claim an insufficient worker pool and import foreign workers to lower their wage costs. Academia benefits because it is able to charge runaway tuition fees with its promise of preparing students to meet the educational demands of its industrial partners. Lenders benefit by being able to sell, sell, sell, their loans to a young, naïve segment of society with encouragement from a government that guarantees the loans and that changed bankruptcy laws to preclude the recipient from legally ending his obligation.

The poor student doesn't stand a chance. He is offered no alternative by a system that, from his first day in kindergarten, is steeping him in the dogma of a must-have college education and hang the expense. Year after year, a tidal wave of new graduates enters the workforce just hoping to be able to find a position that will allow them to repay what is the equivalent of a home mortgage as they try to build a life. Similar to 19th century immigrants who sold themselves into indentured service to finance their way to America and its seeming endless potential for betterment, today's young are following a similar path of mortgaging their future in their attempt to participate in the American dream. What this amounts to is a modern form of indentured servitude and the master is the nebulous troika.

A partial panacea would be to offer apprenticeship programs to earn while you learn. For example, while there are some jobs that require a more well-rounded education, you don't need four years of college (and debt) to learn how to write computer code. A simple aptitude test and in-house training program would suffice, would be a boon to many youths entering the work force and place more of the burden for industry's artificial requirements where it belongs. The fact that Dave's training was "out of date" after three years shows that these companies are capable of training their employees on the job; the execs are keeping their current staff trained.

The only people who seem to be going to bat for these financially stressed students and graduates are progressives who are touting free college for all, which works out to be just another transfer of taxpayer dollars into the pockets of corporate America. Clearly industry wants to place the burden of a broad college education on their work force. I suspect that their education requirements would become much leaner if they were forced to finance it themselves.

**COWABUNGA! COME OUT
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SATURDAY, MARCH 9
6 P.M.**

The Ninja Turtles (AKA the San Jose Barracudas, AHL affiliates of the Sharks) are taking the ice in San Jose when they host Nickelodeon Night against the Bakersfield Condors (NHL affiliate of the Edmonton Oilers). Join us for an action packed night of fun (and pizza) beginning at 6:00 p.m. Hang out with Mikey and Leo or your LPR buds on the concourse and watch the team play in their custom Ninja Turtle jerseys and bid on one of your own throughout the game in our auction. The first 4,000 fans in the building will receive a Tomas Hertl/Radim Simek bobblehead.



Tickets will be \$10/person.

**RSVP by Feb 22nd to Lisa Radding at
408-821-6901 or lisaradding@yahoo.com.**



Iain McNeill accepts the Ken Iles Driving award from its namesake.



Kris & Tony Vanacore, 2018 Workers of the Year.



Janell Mann accepts the Kathy Reed Memorial Woman of the Year Award.



Himanshu Patel accepts the 2018 Newcomer of the Year plaque.



Peter Ridgway bags the Man of the Year award.... again.



Derek Boyd won the Kone Killer award for 2018 with a total of 38.



Janell-Lund Mann and Robert Mann receive the President's award.



Derek Boyd, a double dipper this year, also winning the free AX drawing.



Left: I'll bet this power trio thinks that they could make the world run a little better. Probably could, too. Jacqueline Shanafelt, Angie Reed and Kris Vanacore.

Right: June Iles, always with a smile on her face, lights up Steve Graham.



Left: Jim Turk seems elated with this win in the drawing for door prizes. Looks like a lost weekend to me.

Right: Who is this, John Travolta? NOT!





Left: Debbie Bennett, Brad Lyon and Lisa Radding. Brad seems especially pleased with this sandwich.

Right: Brad Boardman offers to trade his prize for the fire extinguisher.



Left: Karen Tefankjian and Shiela Dunwoodie.

Right: Kunal Patel and his dad, Himanshu. A "like father, like son" moment as Kunal won a prize in the drawing last year.





Left: The group trips the light fantastic.



Right: A mess of autocrossers received their awards for the season.



Left: The Veeps limited the drawing to a few well endowed baskets and Tony looks happy to be a recipient.

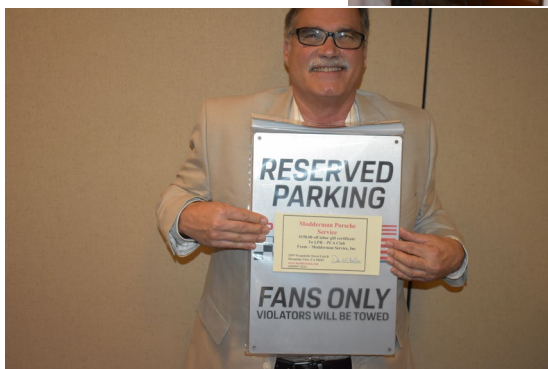


Right: The Mussers and Reeds receive the Overnight Tour of the Year award.



*Left: Why does this look like a ventriloquist act?
Emilie Highley and John Reed.*

Right: Pia McNeill tore up the dance floor.



Left: Tom Geary wins a rather cliché gimmick sign that may be becoming less of a gimmick as the Bay Area is beginning to drown in cars.

Right: Can you believe it? Ken Jensen actually looks like he's having a good time!





Left: The band, once again was a big hit. The hospital crew partying next door had a DJ and expressed jealousy. A couple of MDs mentioned interest in the club since they had purchased Porsches as presents for their wives...

Right: The dance floor was popular, but some of the dancers ran out of real estate.



Left: Bonnie Radding scooped up a prize.

Right: Debbie Bennett and Ken Iles. Between the two of them, there's always some shenanigans going on.





Collin Fat
Zone 7 Rep

The year has started off with the completion of new elections at all of the 10 regions which comprise Zone 7 with new presidents being elected at Redwood, Monterey Bay, Loma Prieta, Sierra Nevada, and Diablo regions. Leading Redwood will be Chip Witt, Monterey Bay, Steve Taty, John Reed, Loma Prieta Region, Mildred Smith, Sierra Nevada Region, and Diablo Region new president, Brian Adkins. Congratulations to these new leaders and a big thank you for the other region presidents for serving another year.

On the Zone volunteer board, Rik Larson, Sacramento Valley Region, was recently re-elected for a second term as the Zone 7 secretary and Howard Thomas, Diablo Region, has stepped up to be our new Zone 7 treasurer. Thank you both for your support.

John D'Angelo, Zone 7 Concours chair, is looking for a volunteer to train as his replacement for 2020. If you have the time to serve or need additional info about the position please drop John or me an email with your questions or level of interest.

The Zone competition calendar has been posted to the zone website and includes all dates for the concours series while the autocross calendar is nearly complete. Redwood Region autocross chair, Greg Matsumoto and his team are looking at a new site and hope to have additional dates to add to the Zone series. For the club racers in the region, it looks like the West Coast Series, a part of the national PCA Club Racing program, will have a total of nine events with 8 events scheduled at tracks in California and 1 event in Colorado.

I participated in the zone representative's conference call in January, and will also be attending the winter board of directors meeting in Seattle in February. As part of my training as your new Zone Rep, I will be attending PCA University which is part of the winter board meeting to be held in Seattle. I will also be attending the Zone 8 presidents meeting in southern California at the invitation of David Witteried, Zone 8 Rep, to see how other zones handle their presidents meeting.

Looking ahead to many of the events of interest in the Zone as well as PCA are the following; PCA Treffen Santa Barbara, Hilton Beachfront Resort, April 3-6, 2019 (registration opens January 16th); Zone 7 Tour with Shasta Region, June 6-10, 2019 (registration opens January 28th); Porsche Parade, Boca Raton, Florida, Waldorf Astoria, July 21-27, 2019 (registration opens February 4th); Werks Reunion Monterey, August 16, 2019; Porsche Parade, Greater Palm Springs, California, June 21-27, 2020.

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Left: As I recall, Lin Metz took responsibility for the desserts and the results were, in my estimation, sweet!

Right: Bill Highley looks to have gotten some Christmas decor stuff as Johnny III looks on and thinks, "Gee, I'm glad I didn't get that..."



Left: Well, there was at least one gift that was associated with Porsche.

Right: Homer Pitner got the good stuff. He doesn't have to worry about re-gifting these....





“It’s Beginning To Look A lot Like Christmas”

by Emilie Highley

From the moment we arrived at the Hallock’s I got into the Christmas spirit! Holiday lights, outdoor decorations – so festive. . . THEN, we walked through the door (of course, Debbie had to give me a little grief on being late. . . gotta love that girl) – The Hallock’s home was done with holiday warmth! Stockings hung by the chimney (with care), a tree that was beautifully decorated (Oh, Christmas Tree, Oh, Christmas Tree how lovely are your branches. . . I was ready to break out in song). . . and Diana’s Dickens Village carefully laid out on top of their china hutch – it looked like a picture from a Thomas Kinkade painting (he was the painter of lights!).

OK, so much for the décor – let’s get down to appetizers, drinks and presents brought for the Annual LPR Gift Exchange! In true Diana Hallock style, along with her sidekick, Lin Metz, the array of appetizers and sweets were incredible. Tasty sliders, a ‘cucumber’ tree, yummy brie with mango chutney, mini sausages in a wonderful sauce, plus more. . . AWESOME to say the least! The wine flowed freely (thanks to Hal Halock), as everyone dug in – Janell Mann, Bonnie Lund, Mary Wallace, The Musser Family (Johnny II, Kathy & Johnny III), Ken & June Iles, the Bennett’s and Highley’s opted to enjoy the holiday spirit inside, while others Margie & Ken Jensen, Cindy & Homer Pitner, Dick Metz, Dick Wallace, John & Angie Reed enjoyed the warmth of the fire pit on the patio. Everyone visited, ate and drank, laughed and told stories for a while, then our hosts called the group to “order”. . . that was like herding cattle – who listens? After all, we are the Good Time Region.

Diana and Hal explained the ‘rules’ of the gift exchange (Hal really tried

Right: The nerd and the party girl. Johnny reads and Kathy enjoys the moment.

I have to ask... what are you doing with your other hand, Johnny?



Left: Lin Metz got an interesting, oversized Thermos that was found to be intriguing to Diana, Hal and Janell.



Right: Another club power trio, Janell Lund-Mann, Emilie Highley and Debbie Bennett.



Left: We were all happy to see Jackie Mitchell make the journey down to San Jose for this event. The club misses her enthusiastic participation in all things LPR.



❖ a Lot Like Christmas.

to get in his 2 cents. . . in fact, every sentence began with a “BUT...” Diana just overruled him each time!) Rules. . . everyone gets a number. . . #1 goes first and selects a gift, opens it while everyone “oooohhhs and aaaahhhs”. . . #2 is next and can either steal the gift from #1, or pick one of their own. Lots of “oooohhhh’s and aaaahhh’s” – get the picture??????



Diana Hallock carefully lays out the fine nuances on how the gift exchange rules will work. Debbie Bennett waits patiently as Emilie Highley is thinking, “Alright, already! Let’s open some presents!”

Bonnie Lund had #1 and chose a gift - ‘girlie’ kind of stuff. . . Jim Metz had #2 and chose another gift. . .so on, and so on. . . Seemed like we were all playing pretty fair until someone picked a gift that had an outdoor lantern in it. . . So Much for Playing Fair. . . It was Diana Hallock’s turn and she stole the lantern. . . then it was Johnny Musser’s turn (and with the careful guidance and advice from Kathy), stole the lantern – that was TWO STEALS and now

that gift was ‘DEAD’. . . no more steals, it was Johnny’s for good! That made Kathy happy! Had to laugh at Hal Hallock – when it was his turn, he went for weight – he picked up every remaining gift and chose the heaviest one, ending up with 4 candles! Ken Iles was happy with his Porsche Thermos. . . June chose a ice bucket and matching drink shaker. After a while it was hard to determine who was stealing what from whom. A real winner was the Johnny Musser III’s pick. . . a Porsche Fest Watch – that was a keeper! Hard to believe that a very LARGE bottle of Butter Chardonnay was in demand and stolen twice – OOPS, I forgot, we are the Good Times Region and we do drink from time to time. All the gifts were gone. . . no more steals. . . hopefully everyone was happy!

Time to eat and drink some more – dessert time! AND what desserts! Lin Metz made Peppermint Cookies, Rum Cake, Egg Nog Cheese Cakes and MORE!!!

UNBELIEVABLE. . . Must be time for a LPR Cookbook. . . just appetizers & desserts!

As the afternoon came to a close, Vice President’s Debbie Bennett and Emilie Highley thanked our hosts for a Gift Exchange to remember and in lieu of a gift, a donation to the Club’s Benevolent Fund. Thank you Hal and Diana. . . may your Holidays be filled with happiness and love.

Merry Christmas to all and to All. . . A Good Night!

That's right, spring is just around the corner and that means it's time to...

#1
in the series

autocross

MARCH 16

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Take Highway 1 south toward Monterey and Laguna Seca Raceway. Take the Reservation Road exit south toward Marina. After one short block, turn right in order to stay on Reservation Road. Follow the road through Marina approximately two miles south of town. Turn left at (Imjin Road) signal into Marina Airfield. Turn right after the first large building on the right and follow the cones to the autocross site.



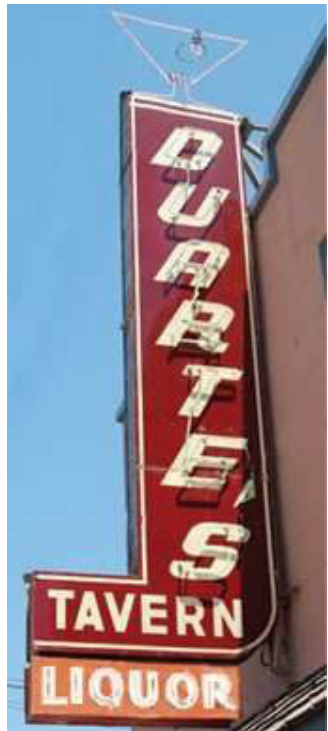
ST. PADDY'S DAY WARM UP DRIVE

**SUNDAY, MARCH 17TH
9 a.m.**

Join us for a not quite spring drive of the Santa Cruz Mountains and the nearby coast. This trek will begin at 9 a.m. at the Java Junction Coffee and Bakery located in the Gateway Plaza near Highway 1 and Highway 9 and will head northward through the redwoods. Feel free to join the tour at our second starting point in the Saratoga Gap parking lot at the intersection of Highway 9 and Skyline Blvd. at 10 to 10:15 a.m.

Along the way we will stop at the fabled, anything-wheeled destination of Alice's Restaurant where we will check out the rolling stock in the parking lot (and the bathrooms) before continuing down the road to Pescadero and our lunch destination, Duarte's Tavern, famous for their artichoke soup, berry pies as well as their sandwiches and fish.

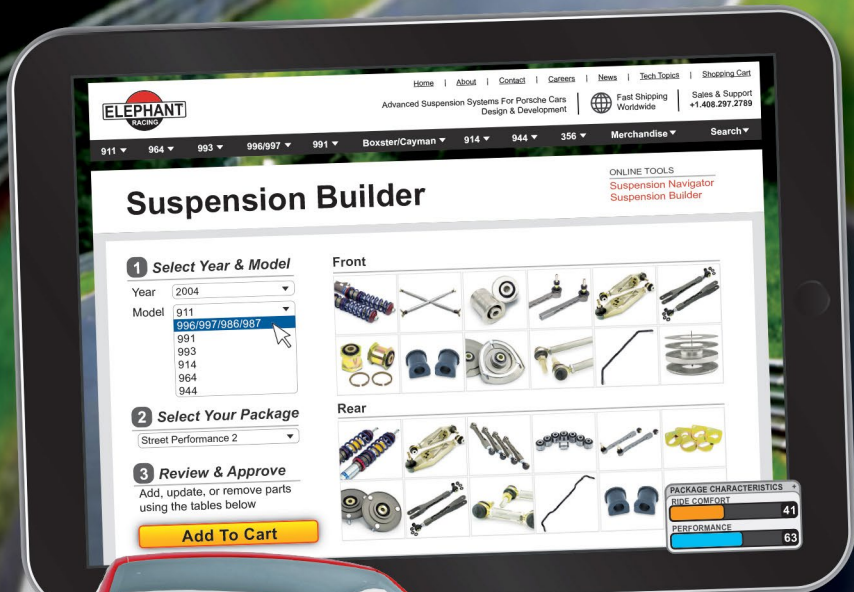
Pescadero has some fun and interesting shops to visit before mounting up for your homeward journey.



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LPR BOARD MEETING AGENDA

Jan. 2 , 2019 7:00 PM to 8:20 PM

Call to Order

Guests: Tony Vanacore, Angie Reed, Johnny Musser, Debbie Bennett, Ken Jensen, Carl Treadwell.

Board Member Reports:

President – John Reed

confirm Committee appointments: Kathy proposed, John seconded, passed.

Vice President – Lisa Radding and Kris Vanacore reported on upcoming events. July 13 date confirmed with Roaring Camp and deposit paid via credit card. \$115 deposit paid. Awards Banquet was \$196.98 over budget. Gift Exchange; 22 attendees The Hallock's have requested that their GTG gift be added to the Benevolent Fund.

Secretary – Iain McNeill

Treasurer – Marge Jensen, 2018 final: Exp. \$ 52,154, Inc. \$ 60,625, Net \$ 8,471

Membership – Kathy Musser & Janell Mann. New Members from PCA (1) Adam Alpine from Santa Cruz Kathy proposed, John seconded, approved.

Activities – Vince Vincent. Crows nest tour insurance applied for, not received yet.

Member-at-Large – John Gould No report.

Committee Reports:

Advertising - Peter Ridgway 2019 Income expected: \$9120.

Autocross – Anne Roth, Dave Dunwoodie. Reported on 2019 Season prep.

Charity – Kathy Musser, Kris Vanacore, Emilie Highley, Janell Mann Nothing new to report

Hospitality – Emilie Highley

Mary Wallace is doing well since her heart valve surgery AND, enjoying their new 2019 White Panamera GT which they showed off at the LPR Gift Exchange!

John Gould lost his brother-in-law in December

Memorial for Bill Glathe: Services are Saturday January 5, 2019 1 PM at Oakhill Cemetery

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❖ Minutes..

(corner of Curtner and Monterey Hwy) A Celebration of Life follows at 2 PM at Almaden Country Club

Prieta Post Editor – Kevin Bennett . Deadline is 10-15th of the month. At printer by 20th. Articles should be prompt.

Public Relations – Ken Iles’ submission was made to Pano.

Safety – John Reed. All is safe as we begin the new year!

Social Media – Robert Mann. All Facebook members please “like” any LPR postings. The more we like and share, the more exposure is achieved.

Tech – Peter Ridgway

One tech session scheduled for May 4th at Wardell Auto & Upholstery. Elephant Racing has a hybrid motor insert between trans & engine, Ed reported from Rennsport. Tech session being scheduled. Other possible tech session: Custom Alignment/Moderman.

Tours – Russ and Doris Britschgi

The Crow’s Nest Tour will be held Saturday, January 26th. RSVP to the Reeds no later than January 21st. Details are in the current Prieta Post.

Webmaster – Jim Turk. Did a bunch of web stuff.

Old Business:

Membership Directory update. Kevin has taken over, with updated list. As soon as credit card comes in it can be booked.

New Business:

LPR’s 50th Anniversary Planning

March 2020 is the 50th anniversary. We need committee to create celebration. Usually office of vice president handles, Kris reached out to previous organizers for assistance. Need ideas for locations & budgets. Loaner cars from Porsche dealers. Hayes Mansion could be good venue with circular drive.

Sandy Provasi and Collin Fat are good resources.

Business Cards. Is there a generic card we BoD members could use? Kris proposes we get cards. Also we should have membership applications to give out and share with non-member owners we meet. Also sticky labels to update Karen Morgans marcom material

Adjourn Meeting at 7:50pm

NEXT MEETING – Tuesday 7:00pm, Feb. 5, 2019
at Round Table Pizza, 14940 Camden Ave, San Jose



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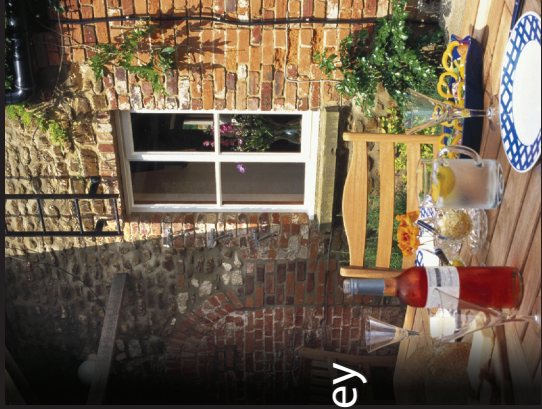
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