



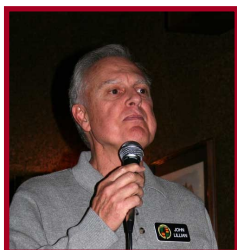
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PCA-SEQUOIA REGION



THE PREZ SAYS...

by John Lillian



I hope everyone had a wonderful Thanksgiving. I know we did. This year has really gone by pretty fast. It is already December and Christmas is upon us. We have had some great dinners and super tours this year. We have had many new members join us this year with some beautiful Porsche's. We hope next year will bring us more new members to help us celebrate our 50Th anniversary. We have several events planned for 2008 and we will need volunteers to help us with these events. Please get involved; it is your club also.

The Christmas Party is coming up real soon...December 15Th. Please get your reservations into Chris Richard as soon as possible. We have to order tables, dinnerware, linens and steaks for everyone. We have to know how many members are coming. The deadline is December 8Th for reservations. At the Christmas Party, you can order your 50Th anniversary polo shirts for only \$25.00; they are really nice shirts.

Next year we are looking forward to some new and exciting events and tours; we need everyone to get involved in theses events and tours to make it a success. It is going to be a great year for our region....

See you there...

John

Photo of the Month



Next month's submission
deadline – 12/21/07

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MEMBERSHIP REPORT...

by Margie Back



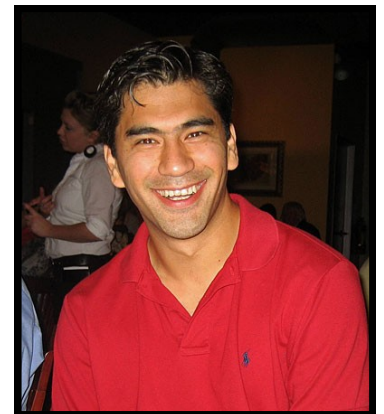
It is always good to see a large crowd, such as at the November dinner meeting at Strings. And it is especially good to see so many of our 2007 new members getting more and more involved. Thanks to all of you who are helping them feel "at home."

This month we welcomed **Roger Maraist** (pronounced Maw-ray), another new member from the Visalia area. Thanks to Fred Scott for helping Roger find us. Roger and his wife Barbara have just bought a 2003 Boxster with just 19,000 miles on it. It is beautiful midnight blue and they are thrilled with the new experience. Roger, who is Cajun/French, has had a very interesting and varied life. He retired from Southern California Edison, and then has gotten involved in numerous activities. One that seems worthy of mention is time he spends with "Tulare County Mended Hearts," an organization for folks who have had heart disease or cardiac procedures. His wife Barbara was raised in Tulare. Between the two of them, they have six children and twelve grandchildren.



After many months of being members of this Region, having transferred from the Redwood Region, **Jerry & Charlotte Slaven** finally were able to join us for dinner. They had hoped to attend Parade in San Diego – even had Kevin Molineaux preparing their car – but illness has slowed them down. They live in Oakhurst. Welcome!

Ardy Kheradpir – oral surgeon and friend of Don Pitman – new member last month together with his wife Colette -- attended again, and this time we got a good picture of him. Say hello to him next time.



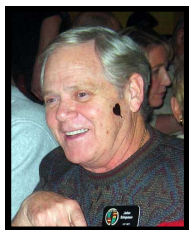
Candice Brinker and Susan Williams have had major surgery. Glad to see **Gene Gilpin** has recovered from his surgery. **Gary Smalz** (our new webmaster) is in China.

***If you don't have a name tag, talk to Tom Amos.
It really helps in the "getting acquainted process if we all wear our name tags....***



RETROSPECTIVE...

by John Simpson, Club Historian



In Christmases Past...

The history records available to me as Historian for the San Joaquin Region, PCA, only go back to 1964. Prior to 1964, Christmas parties were held in one of the Club members' home, with everyone bringing potluck. The host provided entertainment, and your guess is as good as mine as to what that might have been—anyone remember? In the years 1964 through 1975, all parties were held on Christmas Day night. It was a ground-breaking year in 1964 because the San Joaquin Region Christmas Party was not held in a private residence. The membership had grown so much that year that it was necessary to use a public facility, the Fresno Swim and Racquet Club. Cost was \$6.00 per couple, with the remainder of the cost and refreshments covered by the Club. Everyone was asked to bring a tray of hors d'oeuvres. From 1964 to 1967, the same format was used.

In 1967, things changed for the Christmas Party and never have been the same since. Mel Ward and his live band played all night at Fresno Swim and Racquet Club. He played hit songs upon request. The price jumped to \$15.00 per couple!! Any guests were welcome, and paid at the door. Members were encouraged to bring guests; the more the merrier. "Ladies" were asked to bring finger foods "from the many corners of the earth." But, it had to be something that could be eaten using fingers.

In 1970, the party made another big leap. A sit-down dinner was held at the San Joaquin County Club with a live band. The party can only be described as "outstanding." The dance floor was in use all night. It was rumored that Judge Stone was on the dance floor doing the frug all night long. Santa had to be called to provide free rides home for some of the members. What a party!

The 1976, the Christmas Party was moved from Christmas Day to earlier in the month with cocktails and dinner. Leave it to a new Polish President, Tony Maslowski, to change things, with a raffle and a live band as highlights of the evening. It was one of the largest Christmas Parties ever held, with well over 100 members and guests attending.

The Christmas Party in 1979 was more expensive; dinner was \$30 per couple. This was the first year the Club asked each person to bring a wrapped gift to be given to a child at Valley Children's Hospital. Each wrapped package was noted as for a boy or girl. As President, Dick Arnold helped to start the tradition of donating to local charities.

The 1980 party was held at Fort Washington Country Club. At least 75 attendees were required to reserve the Country Club on December 5th. This party was to become known as the "Foggy Christmas Party" because it was so foggy that December that party attendees brought jammies to spend the night with other members rather than to try to drive home. This party also will be remembered for the beautifully dressed women who arrived bearing raffle gifts and wearing their fur coats. To the surprise of the Club, we were honored with the guests Judy and Terry Zacone, the Zone 7 Rep. The DJ who played the records called the group the Porsche Club, but made the huge faux pas of pronouncing "Porsche" as a single syllable! A slip like that could have had him thrown out for the night, but the group wanted to dance, and dance they did all night long.

Skipping a few years, we move to the 1990's....

The 1990 San Joaquin Region Christmas Party was quite a bash! Forty people arrived with canned foods for the Evangel Home, a shelter for women needing assistance with a warm bed and food to eat. The Porsche Club membership is proud for helping others. Raffle prizes were "up to the 'gazzo.'" The Roger Bailey Annual Memorial Award was presented to Glenn Pierce and Dave Goerlich for the Kirwood Wine Tour. Roger started the wine tours in the 1970's, and at his death in 1984 the Club established this award to be presented annually to the best tour of the year. Dancing brought in the holiday season.

A fund raiser for the American Red Cross was the focus of the 2000 Sequoia Region Christmas Party held at Glen Pierce' Car Factory. Table decorations became a contest, with eight beautifully decorated tables vying for prizes. Attendance was 62, a big drop from most previous parties. The American Red Cross benefited from donations of \$383 and 32 teddy bears for the Disaster Service Program.

Copper River Country Club was the site of the 2003 event, with the cost at \$50 per couple. The Marjoree Mason Center for Women and Nancy Hinds Hospice were the charity recipients. Proceeds from the dinner and raffle, and with the help of Zone Auto Cross and Michael's Porsche, \$300 was raised for both groups. This was in addition to the adopted needy family that received the food collected from the monthly dinner meetings along with a fully decorated Christmas tree and special gifts for each of the children. The Club, with Rocky Taylor as President, out did itself once again!

What made each Christmas Party so special? The membership of Sequoia Region, Porsche Club of America, of course! I have said it before, but here it is again: the people in the Porsche Club are friends for life!

Let's see what special things the 2007 Christmas Party has to put into the history book this year....

Later...

John



WHAT'S DRIVING DAVID?

by David Crabtree, Zeitung Editor



As we approach the end of another year, I reflect back on the number of Porsche people and Porsche activities that have captured my attention. I've driven countless curves at nearly every elevation possible, under more road conditions than ideal (many with the top down), and in every case I was doing so with Porsche friends around me. Among other great drives, we witnessed the Museum of Valor, full of American heroes made in every corner of the globe; we gazed at the

wooden marine classics on Bass Lake, one from as far away as Italy; We imbibed some of the finest wines on the Central Coast (maybe beyond) while learning more about the history of the grape vine; and still more of our group attended the 52nd Annual Porsche Parade, bringing home prizes for their knowledge and/or skill; and who could forget the gorgeous day that took a pre-registered field of 18 Porsches down to 4 – fear of weather – that ended with a picnic at 8,000 feet in a brief flurry of snow falling from a sunny sky? The coup de grace was the final drive to the Mile High Scenic Overlook with 16 Porsches – we filled the parking lot, enjoyed the 75 degree weather all while looking out over the granite strewn peaks and valleys of the high Sierra on the way to a very appetizing traditional Mexican mid-day meal. Wow! What a year. Many of us drove with our friends up and down the Valley and the State, sharing our love of the car and the companionship we've come to know in along the way. Hopefully you can fondly recall more than one of our many events over the past year while looking forward to the options ahead as we enter the 50th anniversary year of the San Joaquin now Sequoia Region of Zone 7 of the Porsche Club of America. If not, maybe its time to consider your options for a New Year's resolution that includes more time in your Porsche. There's still plenty of time....



See you on the road!

David

Wanted: Concours Specialist

An Enthusiastic PCA Member to be the 2008 Zone 7 Concours Chairman.

Zone 7 has one of the best concours programs in the nation, and we are in desperate need for someone in our Zone to step up and become Chairperson for our series. If you or someone you know would be a good candidate, please contact Larry Sharp at:

Email at larrysharp@comcast.net or call me at 925-371-2258



Upcoming Sequoia Region Events



December

- Mon 12/3** Board Meeting—Lillian Home
Sat 12/8 Deadline for Christmas Dinner Party reservations – should have been mailed a week ago....
Mon 12/15 **Christmas Dinner Party** – mark your calendars now!
See the included advertisement on [page 6](#).
Directions to the Christmas Party: [California Motoring Company](#)

January

- Mon 1/7** Board Meeting - Pierce Home
Tues 1/8 Dinner Meeting

Dinner Meeting Reminder: *Those who cancel their reservation after the deadline or fail to show up for the dinner will be billed for their meals.*

Sequoia Region Calendar of events: <http://www.pca.org/sqa/events.htm>

Zone 7 Calendar: <http://www.pca.org/zone7/index.php?page=calendar>



Porsche Movies, Music, Rare Racing Footage- Even Famous Engine Roars!



Porsche announced it has launched a new "Web Cinema" on its Web site that offers Porsche sports-car fans and admirers the ability to view extraordinary Porsche films. This new Web technology gives browsers a "virtual" front-row seat to experience much of what embodies Porsche's legendary sports car driving. The site features rare product development documentaries, inside-the-factory research and even brings the auditory passion of Porsche to life with sounds of the famous engines from the German car maker.

All of this is now live on the Company's Web site, www.porscheusa.com.

"We are constantly seeking ways to connect consumers to our exciting world of races, rallies and sports car driving," said David Pryor, vice president of marketing for Porsche Cars North America. "With the new web-cinema in place, viewers can feel a part of the action anytime; and the engine sounds truly are music to the ears of a true Porsche lover."

In addition to audio files, browsers logging on to www.porscheusa.com will find the movies "True to yourself" about the Porsche Cayman S and "No" about the 911 Carrera 4/4S, both presented with the Golden Camera Award in Hollywood. Reports from the American Le Mans Series and Transsyberia Rally are also available.

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PCA Sequoia Region Christmas Dinner 2007

Join us for a Christmas Celebration

Saturday, December 15, 2007

6:30 pm Social Hour
(bring your own drinks)

7:30 pm Dinner

at

California Motoring Company
1063 Brookhaven Dr. # 101
Clovis, CA 93612

No cost for PCA Members (bring a food item to share)
Guests are welcome at a cost of \$20.00 per guest.

RSVP for the 2007 Sequoia Region Christmas Party
please complete this form and mail with your check to:

Christine Richard
16211 La Canada
Madera, CA 93638

Questions: Call Christine 675-0501 or Evie 446-0400

Phone reservations not accepted

Reservations must be received by December 8th

Name _____

Address _____

Phone _____

- ☐ PCA Member Dinners
☐ Guest Dinners @ \$20

You can expect me to bring:

- ☐ Hors D'Ouvres
☐ Salad
☐ Dessert

Quantity Price

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| | No charge |
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Total: _____

☐ Check Enclosed

Please Note: No-show and late cancellations will be billed \$20 each member and/or guest.

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https://www.pca.org/members/region_focus.html

The Porsche Pantry

By Shari Walker



For all dinner meetings, bring raffle prizes & canned food.

Please reach deep into your pantries and when you shop, grab a few extra things to donate at the dinner meeting. Our community liaison recommends rice, beans, canned vegetables, soups, cereal products, masa flour, etc. These items can be bought in bulk. Thank you in advance for your generosity. Again, if you forget, bring money; we'll give one raffle ticket for each \$2.00 donated.

Thank you for wearing your name tag!

It makes it so much easier for getting acquainted.
Have you lost yours? Or just don't have one yet?

Call Tom Amos, 222-9285 or

tamos@towerusa.com

And you will have one for just \$8.

They will be delivered at an upcoming dinner meeting.

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