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FUTURE DIABLO REGION EVENTS

- Feb 1 > Super Bowl party
- Feb 21 > Awards Dinner
- Feb 28 > Powder Coating discussion
Lunch & Wine tasting
- Mar 21 > Lodi Wine Tour
- Apr 18 > Bocce Ball and Lunch
- Apr 25-26 > Yosemite Tour
- Apr 27-May 1 > Ladies Mexican Cruise
- May 24 > Wash 'N Shine
- May 31 > Newcomer BBQ
- Jun 5 > Thunderhill DE**
- Jun 20 > Diablo Mille Tour**
- Jul 18 > 25th Anniversary BBQ
- Aug 22 > Tour da Jour**
- Sep 4 > Thunderhill DE**
- Sep 12-13 > Paso Robles Tour**
- Sep 19 > Tour of Canepa Design**
- Sep 26 > End of Summer Tour**
- Oct 3 > Oktoberfest
- Oct 10 > Coastal Tour
- Oct 17 > Racer's Group Tech Session
- Nov 14-15 > Feather River Tour
- Nov 20 > Planning Meeting
- Dec 5 > Holiday Party
- Jan 30 2010 > Anniversary Award Dinner
- Feb 13 2010 > Go Carts
- Feb 27 2010 > Dublin Ski Trip
- Mar 14 2010 > St. Patrick's Day Party

PCA / ZONE 7 REGION EVENTS

- Jun 28-Jul 5 > Parade
- Aug 11-16 > Monterey

GOLDEN GATE REGION AUTOCROSS

SCHEDULE

- Mar 21 **Aug 22-23**
- Apr 18 **Sep 26**
- May 16 Oct 24
- Jun 20** Nov 21
- Jul 25

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The Inside Line

By Steve Jones

With the passing of August and the celebration of Labor Day, we're all forced to grudgingly concede that summer is com-

ing to an end – even if it still hits 100 degrees at noon a few times...

Summer may be over soon, but it's going to go out with a bang. September is a very busy month, and as I look at the Diablo event calendar (<http://calendar.diablo-pca.org>) I'm worried I won't have time to keep the house running for all things we'll be doing. It all starts with a Driver Education day at Thunderhill on the 5th, which I hope to see many of you at. The following weekend is our overnight tour to Paso Robles (12-13th), two years in the making, and I suspect we might find ourselves at a vineyard or two... The Saturday after that (19th) we have a rare opportunity for a guided tour of Bruce Canepa's legendary facility in Scotts Valley. Canepa Design epitomizes the heady froth at the extreme top of Porsche motoring – street legal 959s, 962s, and 911 GT1s. The facility is a working raceshop combined with a museum, and I can't wait to get inside!

Don't forget our monthly dinner at Strizzi's in Danville on Thursday the 17th! And we'll end September with an End of Summer Backroad Tour to Pescadero on Saturday the 26th. This will start off at The Paddock at The Danville Livery, site of our Wash 'n Shine back in May. As of this writing it's unclear if the monthly traveling breakfast will be skipped, as it would have been held in Brentwood/Antioch at the same time. If we do reschedule that breakfast it will be announced well in

advance.

Looking past September, please keep your calendar clear for our annual Oktoberfest party on Saturday, October 3rd. Jacquie and Walt Lietz have once again agreed to open their home and host the event, and judging from last year's party it should be a blast. Remember that this is a designated "newcomer" event – if you've joined the PCA in the past six months we strongly encourage you to attend and find out more about the club as our guest (no fee for member and a guest, \$15 per person otherwise). If you've been wondering what this club is all about, this is an ideal opportunity to find out.

Once again, I call your collective attention to the election for our Board of Directors. Ballots will go out on October 5th, and by the time this is published we will still be accepting nominations. If you know of a member who you think would make a positive contribution as a board member, please send email to nominations@diablo-pca.org or mention their name to an existing board member, and we'll confirm their willingness to stand for election.

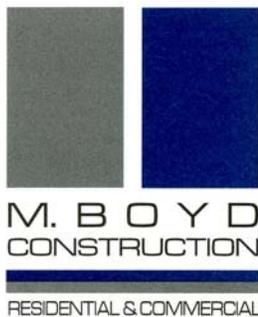
I'm writing this at the start of the Monterey Historics, so I don't know how our own Jack Kuhn has done with his 914-6 in Group 3B. Well, I hope, and also that there were many Diablo and Zone 7 PCA members cheering him on. But I do know that our newsletter editor would appreciate any first-hand accounts you'd like to share, and pictures would be welcome for both the Advocate and the Diablo web site.

I do know that a number of Diablo and Zone 7 members have recently had a chance to drive the new Porsche Panamera GT, and the early reports have been positively glowing. It may be a head-scratcher to think of a Porsche sedan, but I have no doubt that Porsche

can teach the current leaders in this space a thing or two about how to build an uncompromised sports car that happens to carry four people in comfort if not outright luxury. If you haven't had a chance to see one in Monterey, I'm sure there will be events at Porsche of Fremont and Michael Stead Porsche in the near future.

Well folks, I think I've taken as much space as our kind editor will allow this month. I'm looking forward to seeing lots of you at the many different events this month.

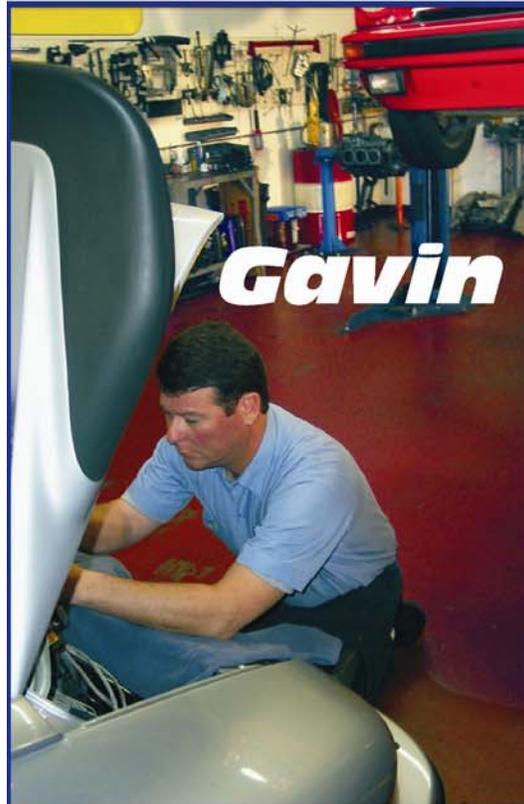
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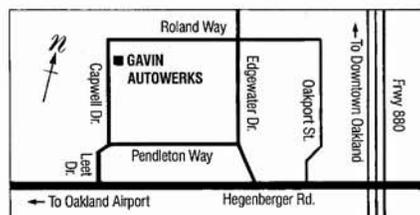


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Cost: \$10 per person, which will provide for "tasting" event at the Sea Breeze Inn and door prizes. (Note – Food and lodging will be paid directly by participants.)

We will start from Marie Callender's at Walnut Creek at 9:00 a.m.
(1101 S. California Blvd., Walnut Creek, CA 94596)

Our route will cover some of the best Porsche roads in California: Hwy. 25 on the east side of the Pinnacle National Monument near Hollister... one of the "roads less traveled," but well worth the effort. About 170 mi.

We will continue to Cholame, and visit the spot where James Dean had his fatal accident on Sep. 30, 1955. 75 mi
www.jamesdeanmemorialjunction.com

After some great roads, sightseeing and visiting a few agricultural spots (there may be a "tasting" charge if you are interested), we'll head to the Coast to our hotel, the Sea Breeze Inn in San Simeon. 75 mil

Dinner will be (on your own) in nearby Cambria.

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We have blocked out 20 rooms at the Sea Breeze Inn.

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Please RSVP to Schmidt.Patrick@comcast.net (cc
kw1055@gmail.com)
by **August 18th**.

Our group rate is **\$109 per room**.

Patrick will forward the instruction for booking the rooms directly with the hotel for the first 20 people who commit.

Once you have booked your room, please send an email to Patrick.

We will need to cancel any unneeded rooms by August 30th.

The cost of \$10 per person is for the Pool side Wine tasting and some door prizes.

Please send a check payable to PCA Diablo Region and mail to:

PCA-Diablo region

c/o Jim Edmunds, treasurer

P O box 30667

Walnut creek, ca 94598

Sunday is flexible.

Options include leaving San Simeon for a drive up the Coast Highway, arriving in Carmel Highlands for lunch

... or you may choose to stay a little longer in San Simeon and take a tour of Hearst Castle. (Tickets may be purchased at the Visitor Center upon arrival, but Tour Reservations are **strongly recommended** and may be reserved 1-800-444-4445).



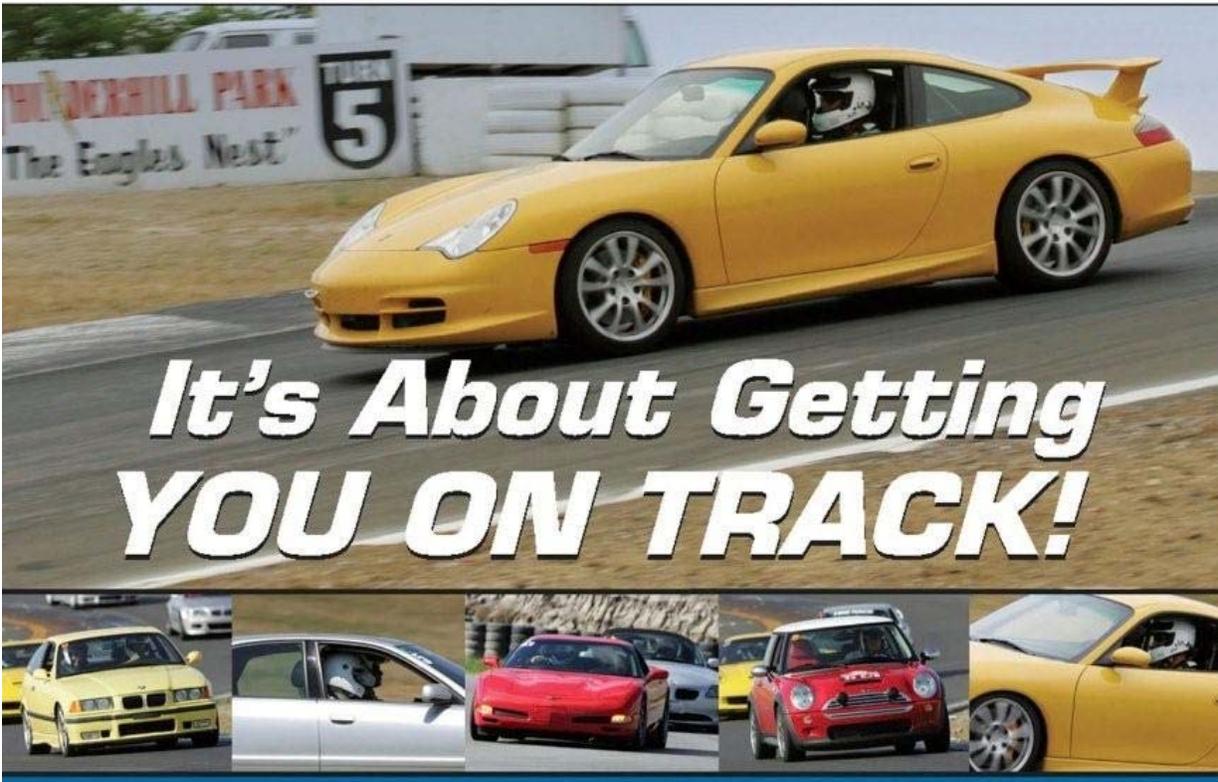
Neptune Pool at Hearst Castle

Return from San Simeon to Walnut Creek via Highway 1

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Make checks payable to PCA/Diablo Region and mail with Registration form to Thunderhill Event Registrar, Attn: Mike Ciopyk, 6756 Paseo Catalina, Pleasanton, CA 94566 (email: ciopyk@comcast.net)



Free Tech Inspections

Tech Inspection is scheduled for Saturday, August 22 at Porsche of Fremont in Fremont from 9—1. For directions to Porsche of Fremont, go to their web site at:

<http://fremont.porschedealer.com/>

Tech inspection also scheduled for Wednesday, August 12 at Kahlers in Dublin from 6-8:30. For directions to Kahlers, go to their web site at:

<http://kahlers.com>

For more information on registration: contact the Event Chairperson, Luis Soler at 925-784-5344 or at email: soler_luis@yahoo.com

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Check the Diablo Region web site for registration & tech inspection forms at <http://dia.pca.org/>



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Monterey Historics

For those of us who were unable to get down to Monterey to enjoy the beautiful and impressive display of historical automobiles with a special focus on our own favorite— the Porsche, we have a few pictures supplied by Ingrid and Ted French. A big THANK YOU for bringing us highlights of your days enjoying the special event.

One of the special features was the new Panamara and Ted did get an opportunity to take it out for a spin. He summed up the experience in one word, "WOW"!! I wonder if that was for the car's performance or when he glanced at the sticker price.





The Panamera covered with individual pictures.



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DIABLO PCA
END OF SUMMER 2009

Back Road's Tour



The Diablo PCA is happy to present an END OF SUMMER 2009 Tour. In this drive, we exercise a highway to mountain back roads to ocean via a special map provided at the day of the drive. Caravans from Danville's "The Paddock at Livery - 400 Sycamore Valley Road West, Danville, CA 94526" leave 9:30AM and arrives in the small quaint town of Woodside, California to grab a cup of coffee or a pastry. Fun curvy back roads and tall shady redwoods line a path from mountain to ocean. This is a perfect opportunity to shed the sunroof, open all your windows of your Porsche. Final destination arrives at the cute equally quaint town of Pescadero which proudly presents a sunny outdoor picnic area. Meals mainly will consist of sandwiches and drinks. All participants are required to make small or large orders from "Arcangeli Grocery Co. Norm's Market - 287 Stage Rd. Pescadero, Ca 94060" prior to entering the picnic area.

Some of you more savvy types can show off your technology skills and have your passenger cell-phone in your sandwich order(s) ahead of arrival time.

Bring beach gear if you like to enjoy one of the many beaches in the immediate area or spend the remainder of the day either heading south towards Santa Cruz or enjoy a scenic drive north to Highway 1 to San Francisco.

TOUR START: 9:30 AM
The Paddock at Livery -
400 Sycamore Valley Road West, Danville, CA 94526

REST STOP ARRIVAL: 10:15 AM
Woodside Bakery and Café
3052 Woodside Road, Woodside, California 94062
650-851-0812

REST STOP DEPARTURE: 10:45 AM

TOUR LUNCH: 12:00 PM
Arcangeli Grocery Co. - Norm's Market -
287 Stage Rd. Pescadero, Ca 94060
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TOTAL DRIVE DISTANCE: 70 miles
TOTAL DRIVE TIME: 1 hour and 30 min

This tour is free, however RSVP drive via email to tito@studiorezz.com. Provide Year and Model of your car, Passengers names. Information will be helpful for headcounts. Due to the small size of final destination of this town, please recognize that parking will be tight, so plan accordingly. See you there!!!

Members & Their Motors



Check out Ira Madnick's 2005 Boxster S.

Charity Chair Update

By Lillie Echevarria

Our 2nd Fundraising event benefitted the "Back to School" Program sponsored by Shepherd's Gate in Livermore (www.shepherdsgate.org). On August 6th, we delivered backpacks filled with school supplies and monies enough to provide for 30 students. Many thanks to all who contributed in making this effort successful.



Lillie Echevarria and Jan Ahlman delivering the backpacks to Shepherd's Gate.

We received the following email Thank You from Shepherd's Gate:

Hello Lillie, Steven, Kay & the other Porsche Club Members,

I wanted to thank you all for the wonderful back packs, school supplies & money that you donated to our Shelter last week. We normally always have a few groups doing back pack drives for us, but this year your group was the only one that did. So they will definitely all be used by the children at our Shelter. I know the children will feel special arriving to school on their first day with a new back pack. As you know, we are not Government funded in any way, but through donations like yours, Shepherd's Gate has been able to stay open for 25 years.

Thank you for supporting Shepherd's Gate Shelter!!

Kind Regards,

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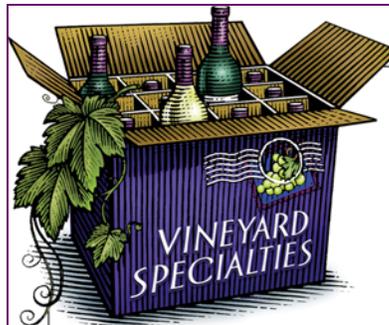


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Fortunately, we are blessed to have quite a number of people who consistently assist and support our concours efforts, and without these supporters we couldn't get the events executed, but we absolutely need a solid chairperson or two to direct the events.

We are looking to identify volunteers as soon as possible and long before our end of year planning meeting. Interested parties should make their interest known by contacting VP Warren Gardner (email or phone) or by coming to the next Board meeting.

Diablo Region needs and welcomes your interest in Concours.
Let's make it happen!!

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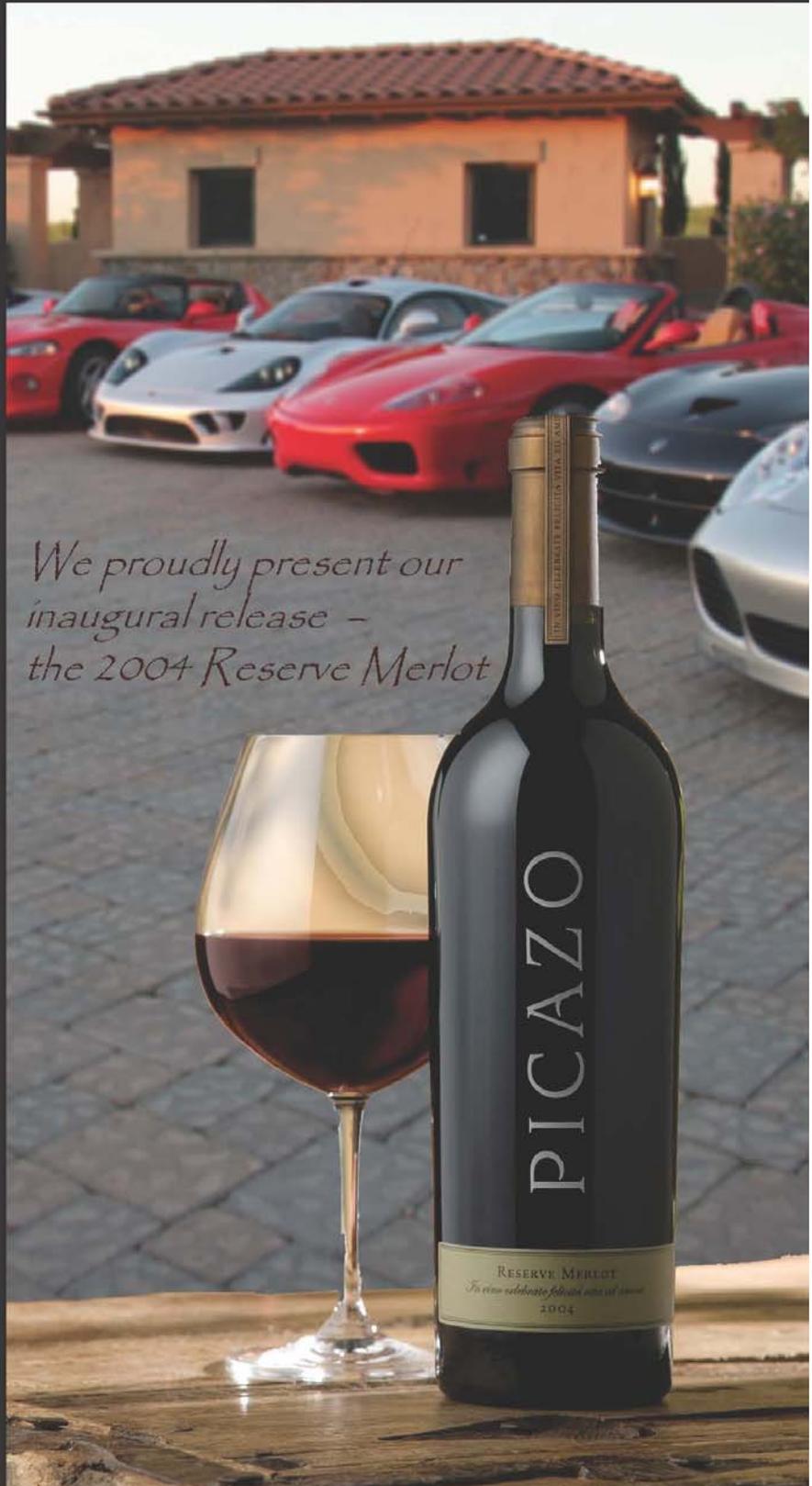
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September 19, 2009

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Drive: 9:00 AM-10:30 AM Drive to Scotts Valley, location of Canepa Design

Tour: 10:30 AM- ? Canepa Design tour of Museum, shops and inventory show-room led by Llew Kinst

Drive: Following the Canepa Design visit, drive to Santa Cruz for lunch.

Lunch spot will be announced the day of the event. Please bring \$20-25/person cash to pay your own bill if you're going to join the group for lunch.

Please e-mail jack.kuhn@comcast.net if you're coming by September 17, so that we can give tour/lunch numbers to the facilities.

See you on the 19th!

Jack Kuhn & Patrick Schmidt



Candidates needed for our approaching Elections

It's almost Diablo Region's election time and several of our Board members have reached the limit of their terms.

There are four (4) open positions to be filled.

Please submit a picture and a short summary stating why you want to be a Board member and what you want to bring to the Region.

Send your picture and summary to:

nominations@diablo-pca.org by **September 15**.

This is your opportunity to make your voice heard and to influence the future direction of Diablo Region.

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Tour da Jour 2009

Submitted by Maureen Torres

On a beautiful sunny day, 12 Porsche's set out from Marie Calendars in Walnut Creek to start the Tour da Jour to Travis Air force base. Being a navy brat in my early years, this brought back fond memories, going on base again. I was impressed that the tour only required us to be on the freeway for a short 2 miles, before getting off and traveling the back roads the rest of the tour! Another great impression was the leader made very sure all the cars stayed together and no one got lost. Everyone used the "watch the person behind you" rule and with that, everyone stayed together.

We did have to cut some of the route short due to time, as it took us longer than we thought so to get back on schedule, some of the route was scratched. This then brought us on time for the scheduled lunch at the Cypress Lakes Golf Course. After our lunch, we headed for the base not far away. Jack Carpenter arranged for clearance for us, and it was an easy check at the gate and then on to the Museum.

The museum had many of the aircraft outside and some inside as well. The one that caught my immediate attention was the Hugh aircraft right outside the museum.....the Douglas C124 C—Globemaster II. They referred to this one as "Old Shakey". It featured clamshell loading doors and an elevator under the aft fuselage. It was capable of hauling bulky cargo, & 200 fully equipped soldiers! Its weight is 216,000 lbs! It required the 'long' runway to get up.

The museum had many interesting articles, many from Dec 7, 1942 when we were invaded by the Japanese. It was so interesting to read these old papers. There was an old retired Air Force gentleman that gave us a tour. He was a pilot long ago and interesting to listen to.

Great Job, Phil and Jack for a great tour!!



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Jack the Photographer



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Porsche Club of America – Diablo Region

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Saturday, October 3, 6:30PM

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920 Cochise Ct., Walnut Creek**



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Hwy 24 East, Ygnacio Valley, turn right.

Hwy 680 S, Exit S. Main St, (continue on Main St.)

turn left on Ygnacio Valley Rd.

Drive Ygnacio Valley past John Muir Hospital

Turn right on Wiget Lane

Turn left on Quiet Place

Turn right on Natchez Drive

Left on Cochise Court – white house w. four columns

**Come out for some fun and
Enjoy Bratwurst, sauerkraut,
Refreshments, and, of course, the usual
Diablo Region camaraderie!!!**

Cost: \$15 per person (NO charge to Newcomers).

**Please bring an hors d'oeuvre, salad or veggie
dish. Dessert will be served.**

RSVP: Walt or Jacquie at 925-256-7620

walter_lietz@yahoo.com

by September 30.

Reserve your spot NOW.



Food and Friends

One great thing about being a member of the Diablo Region Porsche Club is getting together with friends over food to discuss cars, travels and just life in general. There are two regularly scheduled gatherings each month. Check your calendar and try to attend soon.

The Saturday Morning Breakfast is held every Saturday at 8 AM at Marie Callender's in Walnut Creek at 1101 S. California Blvd.

The 3rd Thursday Dinner is held the third Thursday of every month at 6:30 PM at Strizzis in Danville at 3456 Camino Tassajara.

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Welcome New Members

New Members

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Katrina Adkins –Family Member Affiliate	
Bainbridge, Alton D.	1988 944 Turbo -Red
Renee Anderson—Affiliate Member	
Barlier, Pierre J.	1996 996-Red
Cannon, Joseph M.	1988 911 Carrera-Red
Candy Horn—Affiliate Member	
Clerc, Xavier G.	1996 911-Black
Garduno, Michael	1986 Carrera—Blue
Bret Garduno—Son—Affiliate Member	
Jackson, Johny L. Jr	1999 911 (996) - Blue
Kehoe, Mark	2004 996—Red
Matthew Kehoe—Family Member-Affiliate	
Storer, David	2003 C-4 - Gray
Joyce Storer—Family Member-Affiliate	

Total New Members: 11

Transfers In

Garcia, Fernando J.	1978 911—Blue
Martha Garcia—Family Member-Affiliate	
<i>Transfer from Potomoc (POT)</i>	
Graas, David M.	1999 911—Black
<i>Transfer from Yosemite (YOS)</i>	
Kuwaye, David	2007 Cayman—Black
<i>Transfer from Loma Prieta (LPA)</i>	
Simmons, Stephen T.	2007 Cayman S—White
<i>Transfer from California Central Coast(CCC)</i>	

Primary Members: 556
 Affiliate Members: 408
 Total Members: 964

Cruisin' the Coast Again



Date: October 10
Time: 8:30 AM
Meet: Denny's parking lot in Fremont

Destination: Moss Landing
Activities: Lunch at The Whole Enchilada
Sea Safari for those who want to participate.
Cost: \$27 per person



RSVP to Kay Maloy at maloykay@comcast.net by October 1st.
If you plan to go out on the boat, make your check out to:
Diablo Region PCA and mail to: Jim Edmundson % Diablo-PCA, PO Box 30667, Walnut Creek, CA 94598.
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Date: October 17, 2009

Time: 9:30 am at Marie Callendar's

11:00am at The Racer's Group

**Location: Leave from Breakfast at Marie Callendar's in
Walnut Creek for backroads tour to Petaluma. Tech
Session located at The Racer's Group, 1995 S.
McDowell Blvd. Petaluma**

<http://www.theracersgroup.com/contact/map.htm>

**Activities include: Inspections, Lunch, Wine Tasting
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Cost: \$10 for lunch and \$5 for wine tasting

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