



# **The Devil's Advocate**

## **January / February 2019**



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# **Letter From The Editor**

Guten Tag!

2019 started with a new Board of Directors and wonderful energy for a new year full of events and tours!

This Newsletter is a “Work-in-Progress” so PLEASE don’t be shy about submitting photos, article ideas, actual articles (definitely!) and anything else you’d like to see in our local region’s Newsletter.

A few things on my Vision Board for the “new” Newsletter: Articles from past Devil’s Advocates, more articles on Tours and Track Days (I will need help with those!), Member’s Porsche love stories, Welcome New Members, members’ photos on the cover, a regular column on Tips for How to Plan a Tour or Event, and a Letter from our Region President. We’ll also keep the “Marketplace” for members to list their cars for sale.

The goal is to continue publishing bi-monthly, with publishing/posting date the first day of the following month. (Sorry for the delay in getting this out to all of you – the “Editorial Staff” is still onboarding!)

Safe driving and see you on the road!

-Maiko

P.S. My dogs have not learned how to type or edit photos, but the photo shows two of my loves: My dogs and Porsche! You’ll see them at this year’s Porsche ‘n Pups Tour!



## 2019 Planned Calendar of Events (Diablo Region & National)

Our Diablo PCA Calendar is packed with both regular events (such as Saturday breakfast at The Buttercup), track days, and special events and tours.

Some of the events listed below have tentative dates. Please check the Diablo Calendar page (<https://www.diablo-pca.org/events-n-activities>) for the most recent and accurate calendar.

For questions regarding the calendar, please contact Alaric Sales ([alaric.sales@gmail.com](mailto:alaric.sales@gmail.com)) or the Diablo Member listed next to the event.

<b>March</b> 3/7 - Accelerating Change: Women's Driver's Education Program @ Buttonwillow 3/10 - Porsche & Pastries @ Sugarie 3/16 - Diablo Region Crab Feed & Cars (Rowena Fernandez) 3/21 - Monthly Diablo PCA Dinner @ Faz 3/22 - High Performance Driving Event #1 @ Thunderhill	<b>August</b> 8/11 - Member Appreciation Picnic @ St. Mary's College (Marc Giammona) 8/11 - Porsche & Pastries @ Sugarie 8/16 - Werks Reunion, Salinas @ Monterey Car Week 8/25 - Taylor Family Foundation Charity Event (Vince Chow)
<b>April</b> 4/3 - 4/6 - Spring Treffen @ Santa Barbara 4/6 - Filoli Gardens Tour (Susie George or Ingrid French) 4/14 - Zone Concours Prep & Judging Clinic (John D'Angelo, GGR) 4/14 - Porsche & Pastries @ Sugarie 4/25 - Contra Costa Back Roads Tour (Susie George) 4/27 - Bocce Ball (Ingrid French) 4/28 - Diablo Region/PCA Zone 7 Concours d'Elegance #1 & Car Show (Marc Giammona)	<b>September</b> 9/4 - 9/7 - Fall Treffen @ Vermont 9/8 - Porsche & Pastries @ Sugarie 9/21 - Coastal Tour (Kay Maloy) TBD - Hwy 1 Drive (Vince Chow)
<b>May</b> 5/12 - Porsches & Pastries @ Sugarie 5/26 - Diablo Region 35th Annual Car Show @ Danville Livery (Brian Adkins)	<b>October</b> 10/13 - Porsche & Pastries @ Sugarie TBD - Oktoberfest (Alaric Sales) 10/27 - Porsche Trunk or Treat (Alaric Sales)
<b>June</b> 6/6 - 6/10 - 2019 Shasta Region/Zone 7 Tour 6/9 - Porsches & Pastries @ Sugarie 6/14 - 6/16 Tenth Anniversary High Altitude Porsche Tour (Ed Won)	<b>November</b> 11/9 - Amador Valley Tour (Rita Hannum) 11/10 - Porsche & Pastries @ Sugarie
<b>July</b> 7/14 - Porsches & Pastries @ Sugarie 7/21 - 7/26 - Porsche Parade @ Boca Raton, FL 7/26 - Fortuna Tour (Carolyn Wong)	<b>December</b> 12/15 - Porsche & Pastries @ Sugarie 12/15 - Holiday Party @ St. Mary's College



## In the Zone (January 2019)

By: Collin Fat, Zone 7 Representative  
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I am honored to announce that I have been appointed by PCA's Executive Council to replace **Sandy Provasi** as your new Zone 7 Rep for the 2019-2020 term. Sandy has done a fabulous job over the last 3-1/2 years as our Zone Rep. With 20 plus years of PCA experience and the help of her equally experienced husband, Tom, I will have a tough act to follow. I would very much like to thank Sandy for her service and hope that I can continue in her footsteps.

I have been a member of PCA and the Sacramento Valley Region since 2007 when I became actively involved in the region's autocross program. Several years after joining, I served as the club's autocross chair from 2012 to 2013 and again for one year in 2017. My regional board experience includes serving as the club's competition and safety chair from 2014-2015 and club president from 2015 to 2016. In 2016 the Sacramento Valley Region was selected as the PCA Region of the Year. For the past two years I have served as the club's past president as well as on our newsletter committee that publishes the award winning newsletter, the Drifter. I also served as the Zone 7 autocross chair in 2018.

Although many members have an understanding of the role of the Zone Rep, I thought I would spend a little time explaining. As defined by the PCA Bylaws, the Zone Rep's responsibilities are described below:

The National Bylaws state the Zone Reps are "responsible for the welfare and progress of the Regions within their zones". In fact, the Zone Reps are a bridge or liaison between the National and local organizations, working on behalf of the Regions and their members to enhance the membership experience, and to avail the Regions of opportunities offered through PCA. The Zone Rep position was originally created in 1969, when the Executive Council (EC) realized the club had grown too big for them to have direct relationships with all the Regions. They subdivided the country, aggregating the Regions into groups which evolved over time into the 14 Zones we now have. Each Zone has a Zone Rep, a position created to facilitate communication between the EC and the Region Officers.

The Zone Reps are emphatically not "Zone Presidents"; they do not direct or oversee Region Presidents. Rather they are a communications and management resource for the Regions in their Zone, and communicate the Region's interests at the National level as appropriate.

The Zone 7 volunteer board consists of the Zone Rep, a secretary and a treasurer who each serve 2 year terms. The zone secretary and treasurer are approved by the presidents of the regions. The volunteer zone board members include, **Rik Larson**, Secretary, **Larry Adams**, Interim Treasurer, **Richard Chew**, Webmaster, **John D'Angelo**, Concours Chair, and **Grady Carter**, Autocross Chair.

The 10 regions which comprise Zone 7 include **Redwood, Shasta, Sequoia, Sierra Nevada, Golden Gate, Loma Prieta, Sacramento Valley, Diablo, Monterey Bay, and Yosemite**. As all of the regions begin their planning process for 2019, I will use this column to inform you of zone wide events that range from our yearly Zone 7 Tour, Concours and Autocross Series. For more information on the zone visit our website at [Zone7.pca.org](http://Zone7.pca.org).

Wishing all in Zone 7 a prosperous and Happy New Year!

Collin Fat



# Golden Gate Region & Loma Prieta Region host Zone 7 **Autocross** @ Marina Airport



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## Information:

Registration: 7:30 - 8:30 am  
Helmets required, limited loaners  
Drivers must work for sessions run  
Lunch will be available to purchase  
Pre-registration on motorsportreg.com



**Saturday/Sunday: April 13 - 14 2019**

Directions: Take Highway 1 south toward Monterey and Laguna Seca Raceway. Take the Reservation Road exit south towards 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.

## West Coast PCA Racing Series



### West Coast Series

Dates	Event	Registration	Enduro
Mar 23 - 24	Thunderhill Raceway	02/04/19	
Mar 29 - 31	Auto Club Speedway	02/11/19	🌀
May 18 - 19	Buttonwillow Raceway	04/01/19	
Jul 19 - 21	Laguna Seca	06/03/19	🌀
Sep 07 - 08	Thunderhill Raceway	07/22/19	
Sep 21 - 22	High Plains Raceway	08/05/19	🌀
Oct 26 - 27	Sonoma Raceway	09/09/19	
Nov 02 - 03	Buttonwillow Raceway	09/16/19	🌀

<https://pcaclubracing.org/westcoastseries/>





**Sunday, April 28th**

**Zone Concours #1**

Porsche Livermore, 3100 Las Positas Road, Livermore, CA 94551

**Registration Opens: 8:00am**

Registration Closes: 9:30am

Judging starts: 10:00am

Award presentations: 1:00pm

Concours Judged Car Entry Fee: \$35 per car. Includes lunch for 1 person

Car Show Display only (Not Judged) : \$25 per car. Includes lunch for 1 person

Lunch served by Que-It-Up-BBQ at 11:30am.....additional meals for \$20 per person

**Registration available from the Diablo Region site and through eventbrite**

[www.diablo-pca.org](http://www.diablo-pca.org) or [www.eventbrite.com](http://www.eventbrite.com)

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## Porsche Parade 2019

The annual gathering of the PCA faithful heads to the exclusive Waldorf Astoria Boca Raton Resort and Club for the 64th Porsche Parade.

We'll be treated to the best the Palm Beach lifestyle has to offer. Water is plentiful, as are sunshine and palm trees, making this the perfect setting for a Parade week that only Florida can offer.

The Concours site is steps away at the resort's award-winning golf course, and we go back to the track as the Palm Beach International Raceway hosts the Parade Autocross. In addition, Florida's intercoastal beauty will be on display during both the TSD and Gimmick Rallies.

Beyond Parade competitive events, you'll be able to enjoy breathtaking tours, world-class shopping, deep sea fishing, golf, and water activities. And we're just getting started.

Parade 2019: the largest single event PCA hosts each year. And the next one promises to make a splash!

### Everybody Boca!

**PORSCHE PARADE 2019 HEADS TO THE FLORIDA BEACHES**

**Registration opens February 4th 2019**

**July 21 - 27 2019**

**Info at [Porscheparade.org](http://Porscheparade.org)**





## In the Zone (February 2019)

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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.



# Porsche Club of America **Zone 7**

## ***Zone 7 Concours Clinic and Judging School*** ***Sunday, April 14th***

*9 am to 1 pm*

*Porsche of Livermore, 3100 Las Positas Road, Livermore, CA 94551*

**Attendance is limited to 60 participants**

\$10 fee includes lunch

Registration closes Monday, April 8th

All Zone 7 members are invited to attend the concours judging school. In order to ensure the continued strength of the series and consistent judging from event-to-event, we need trained judges. And we're always happy to see new faces at series events. If you're curious about the series, have had limited or no judging experience, or are interested in understanding how judging works, please join us in mid April.

The school will provide instruction on what to look for as a judge (and, conversely, what judges look for as you prepare your Porsche for judging), the "do's" and "don'ts" of judging, and hands-on judge training. There will also be time for Q&A, both before and after the hands-on judging, so here's your chance to ask the things you've always wanted to know about judging in or preparing a Porsche for the Zone 7 Concours Series.

**There is a \$10 fee** to attend the event and lunch will be provided. Thanks to Porsche of Livermore for hosting the clinic again this year. Please sign up no later than Monday, April 8th.

**To sign up**, please go to [motorsportreg.com](http://motorsportreg.com). At the website, search on "Zone 7 Concours Clinic." Attendance is limited to 60 participants.

**If you have questions** or need additional information, please contact John D'Angelo at [60thclubcoupe@gmail.com](mailto:60thclubcoupe@gmail.com)

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# Mid-Week Point Reyes/Petaluma Tour

## Tuesday, 19 February 2019

Article by Michael Alexander



I rolled out of bed in anticipation of hitting the road under a cloudless blue sky and bright sunshine. Tuesday was the inaugural event of mid-week driving tours for Diablo Region members. A sellout crowd and 20 Porsches led by Tourmeister Bob Hilton were headed to Point Reyes and Petaluma over the winding back roads of West Marin and Sonoma Counties.

Midweek tours are new to Diablo Region this year, and great for people who don't work a regular nine to five, have flexible work schedules or who really just need a mental health break from the grind of a daily commute to a stressful job. What better way to de-stress than from behind the wheel of Zuffenhausen's finest machinery cutting up the back roads around the Bay.



*Did someone say there's a drive on Tuesday??*

This tour was a quick sell-out with a growing wait list, which tells us that there is a demand for weekday events. There's just something refreshing about a midweek drive with friends in Porsches; a feeling of freedom or exhilaration in not having to attend a meeting, beat a deadline or simply taking time to play. To quote Ferris Bueller: *"Come on. Live a little."* Perhaps there's a bit of Ferris in all of us. Our tour organizer Bob Hilton would be happy to provide a note for your boss excusing you for our next midweek therapy session ... I mean drive.

After roll call, signing of waivers, and the safety briefing, drivers received their final instructions and the cars lined up ready to exit the Buttercup Cafe parking lot and head to the coast.

Our caravan hit Highway 24 westbound towards Oakland. I suppose that freeways are a necessary evil allowing us to quickly get to the roads that we really want to drive. The view from the driver's seat as we exited the Caldecott Tunnel was spectacular. The recent storms had cleaned the air so visibility was virtually unlimited as San Francisco Bay, the Golden Gate and the Pacific Ocean lay before us. Traffic was surprisingly light, at least by Bay Area standards, as the group made its way up the East Shore Freeway and across the Richmond-San Rafael Bridge to Marin County and north along Hwy 101 to Novato. After exiting the Freeway, and transiting the town of Novato, it was west along rural roads that wind their way through the rolling hills and ranch land of western Marin County.



Our first stretch break was at the Marin French Cheese Factory where the group enjoyed tasting the dairy's many offerings of delicious brie, camembert, goat's milk and sheep's milk cheeses.







*Lunch @ The Station House*

After our short interlude, we were on the road again westward bound, destination: Point Reyes Station for lunch, stretching legs and some window shopping. The group broke up heading to three different restaurants of peoples' choosing in town and by all accounts the eateries were all tasty.

After lunch, the group regrouped at the West Marin Elementary School and hit the road again, headed up to Petaluma for a tour of The Racers Group (TRG) motorsport team facility and a wine tasting at their private Adobe Road Winery tasting room.



TRG's facilities are located in a nondescript industrial park adjacent to the Lakeville Highway in a tilt up on the south east side of Petaluma. The area was formerly known for its poultry farms and processing plants. But like Aladdin's cave, walking through the entrance opens up to a reception area immersed in a treasure trove of sports car racing memorabilia and bottles of award winning wine. The walls are adorned with countless pictures, posters, letters, and magazine covers. The trophy cases are filled with the spoils of victory from many of the great sports car races from around the globe including TRG's multiple class victories at the classic 24 Hours of Le Mans.





*Kevin welcomes the Club*



*Porsche's new GT Cup Racer*



A big thank you goes out to our tour organizer, Bob Hilton for putting together such a great tour! But the big question of the day remains: How did Bob manage to call up such a perfect weather day for such an enjoyable driving tour?



*Dan Richards has a seat fitting*



*TRG's Le Mans Giant Killer*



*Award winning wines and TRG's Private VIP Tasting Room*

If you missed this fabulous tour, keep a close eye out on the Diablo PCA Website and those weekly Wednesday eBlasts for coming events including our March midweek tour.

If you don't see a tour or event that you think Diablo members might enjoy, don't let that stop you. Take matters into your own hands and organize an event yourself. It's easy and we are here to help. Contact our Tour Chair, Susan George ([diablopca.tours@gmail.com](mailto:diablopca.tours@gmail.com)) or Events Chair Alaric Sales ([alaric.sales@gmail.com](mailto:alaric.sales@gmail.com)) or a Board member to help walk you through the process.



# Porsche Club of America **Zone 7**

## **Autocross**

April 13 -- Marina  
April 14 -- Marina  
June 29 -- Stockton  
September 15 -- Sonoma  
Raceway  
September 28 -- Marina  
September 29 -- Marina  
October 5 -- Thunderhill

## **Concours**

April 14 - Judging School and  
Clinic -- Livermore  
April 28 -- Livermore  
May 19 -- Sacramento  
June 23 -- Fremont  
July 14 -- Reno  
August 4 -- Redwood City  
September 22 -- Petaluma  
September 29 -- Carmel Valley

For more information visit the Zone 7 website at [zone7.pca.org](http://zone7.pca.org)



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# It's Four Hooves up for the Diablo Lunar New Year Tour

Article by Michael Alexander



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*Porsche's world famous 917 "Pink Pig" Le Mans racer is in the spirit of the Lunar New Year*

On Saturday morning February 9th, 40 determined Porscheophiles gathered for roll call under threatening skies in the Buttercup Cafe parking lot in Walnut Creek to celebrate the Lunar New Year with a driving tour.



This event was an immediate sell out which necessitated adding additional capacity multiple times. Our intrepid tour organizer, Carolyn Wong, was like a concert promoter scheduling a single show which sells out in minutes only having to add several more shows to satisfy demand.

It's the Year of the Pig on the Chinese zodiac calendar so what could be better than a Porsche driving tour followed by a delicious dim sum lunch. Twenty seven Porsches answered the bell representing a wide spectrum of car models produced across six decades. Among the cars represented were 911s from vintage air cooled models to the latest Carreras including GT cars, several mid-engine Boxsters and Caymans and a sprinkling of dare I say front engine four door Panamera, Cayenne and Macans.

After the prerequisite signing of waivers and safety briefing, drivers and guests received their final instructions and the crowd disbursed into two run groups. To the relief of many, there was no Le Mans start to these festivities.



The rainy and cold weather earlier in the week left a rare and beautiful sight on our route for our celebrants as we transited along the back side of Mount Diablo. The ribbon of twisting black asphalt dissected beautiful shades of emerald green grass on the valley floor being enjoyed by many very happy cows. A quick upward glance to the right toward Mount Diablo revealed a shimmering white blanket of snow which sparkled as the sun broke through the clouds.



*The view of Mount Diablo's eastern side after the storm*

The run groups made their way through Walnut Creek, Concord and Clayton diligently staying together while obeying all traffic laws and posted speed limits. At least that's my story and I'm sticking to it! After leaving Clayton and any interloping traffic behind, it was a delight to open up the throttle through the twisties of March Creek Road and allow our Porsches to stretch their legs as the groups made their way south towards Vasco Road and the Livermore Valley.



*On Marsh Creek Road*



*Three Cabriolets all in a row*



Rolling along Vasco Road approaching Livermore, the speeds picked up as the roadway unwound. The sight of the wind farms and hundreds of wind machines surrounding the road sweeping the air and churning out fuel for all of those Teslas, Bolts, Leafs and soon to be Taycans was a sight to behold.



*The wind farms along the ridges of the rolling Livermore hills pumping electricity into the grid*

Having reached our destination at the Mayflower Restaurant in Dublin safely, the group gathered in the upstairs banquet room and sat down at tables for ten to a feast of Chinese delicacies served up in an endless stream of bamboo steamers and serving dishes.



*We're here!*



It was great to see so many new faces, especially members who haven't taken part in a tour for a while and also new members participating in their first Diablo driving tour event.

Many of our “usual suspects” also revved their engines at the prospect of a back roads dash to salute the Year of the Pig and enjoy a bountiful and tasty dim sum lunch.

Dim sum is a Chinese meal of small plates comprised of a collection of savory and sweet tastes from a variety of steamed and fried buns, dumplings and rolls. For those unfamiliar with dim sum, the word literally translated to mean “touch the heart” and is best enjoyed with tea in the company of family and friends.

And now .... pictures of the delicious food!!



A big thank you goes out to our tour organizer, Carolyn Wong for putting together such a wonderful tour! At the end of the day, all will agree that when it comes to celebrating the Year of the Pig, by driving a Porsche and enjoying the company of friends over dim sum, is definitely four hooves up.



Wait!! There's more:



If you missed this fabulous tour, keep a close eye out on the Diablo PCA Website and those weekly Wednesday eBlasts for upcoming events. If you don't see a tour or event that you think members might enjoy, don't let that stop you! Take matters into your own hands and organize an event yourself! It's easy and we are here to help. Contact our Tour Chair, Susan George (DiabloPCA.Tours@gmail.com), our Events Chair Alaric Sales ([alaric.sales@gmail.com](mailto:alaric.sales@gmail.com)) or a Board member to help walk you through the process.

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# Kids Against Hunger Event Saturday, 16 February 2019

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Once again, Diablo Region members joined together to provide support to Kids Against Hunger Bay Area (KAH), a local charity organization that provides food to starving children and families all over the world. Every hour of every day, 10 children per minute die of starvation or malnutrition-related diseases. Kids Against Hunger Bay Area is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization whose mission is to end this tragedy. Diablo was introduced last year to this amazing group by Christi Hilton, who volunteered there often.

Kids Against Hunger Bay Area is about feeding starving children and empowering kids, teens and adults to be part of the solution. They do this by using volunteers to package and ship highly nutritious life-saving meals to starving and malnourished children in developing countries and the United States.

They use the funds received through donations to purchase the high-quality ingredients that are a part of Kids Against Hunger's specific food recipe (e.g. rice, soy, dehydrated vegetables, vitamin powder) and supplies for packaging the meals.

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In just an hour, 42 Diablo Region members were able to assemble 10,800 meals ready for shipping to Haiti. Donuts & coffee were also provided by Diablo Region. If you missed this wonderful opportunity, you can go on the KAH website, <http://KAHBayarea.org> to volunteer to join an event planned by another group whenever it's convenient for you. Or, you can also help with a donation directly to the organization on line.



Thank you, Trina Adkins, Charity Chairperson, for arranging this wonderful and heart-warming day of fun.

***"Real generosity toward the future lies in giving all to the present". Albert Camus***

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## **CALLING ALL MEMBERS! YOUR PCAR PHOTOS WANTED!**

One of the wonderful things about Diablo Region is our club's diverse population of members & Porsches! From fresh off the factory floor to vintage 356s & 911s, front engine, transaxle, mid-engine 914s, Boxster & Caymans to the latest GT cars & four door models – they're all Porsches and we love them all!

I'd like to use member photos of their cars for the Devil's Advocate covers (just like this month!).

Please send me ([editor@diablo-pca.org](mailto:editor@diablo-pca.org)) any photo you would like to see on the cover. **ANY AND ALL PICTURES WELCOME!** Please also let me know if you'd like your name attributed to the photo. License plates will be obscured for privacy and security.

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## Weekly Saturday Morning Breakfast

We have a breakfast gathering EVERY SATURDAY at the ButtercuP Grill & Bar in Walnut Creek!



One of their specialties - Frosted Cinnascuit  
(House made biscuit dipped in cinnamon sugar, baked  
& topped with a cream cheese frosting)

Good food & great conversation with fellow Diablo members!



*Vegetarian Eggs Benedict for our vegetarian members*

*For something simpler:  
Buttermilk pancakes*



## Where?

ButtercuP Diner & Bar  
660 Ygnacio Valley Road (between N. Broadway & N. Civic Drive)  
Walnut Creek, 94596



*Banana French Toast*

## When does it start?

7:30 AM - Head to the back room or just look for  
the group wearing Porsche gear!



*Chicken & Apple  
Sausage Omelette*



# 2019 Diablo PCA Member Appreciation & Awards Luncheon

Sunday, 27 January 2019  
Diablo Hills Golf Course, Walnut Creek

The start of a new year gives us a chance for us to appreciate fellow Diablo members who have taken their volunteership with PCA and hit the gas pedal in the past year! Honorees are determined by the prior year's Board of Directors, and received a beautiful engraved glass trophy with our Diablo region logo.

We filled up the parking lot and despite the Bay Area morning fog, the love of Porsches and friends was clear!







*Somewhere behind the steering wheel is a PCA Junior getting comfortable ... and prepping for the day when he becomes a full-fledged PCA Diablo Member!*

We also had a guest speaker (and fellow Diablo member), Jay Ward of Pixar, who worked on The Cars movies, Monsters Inc. Ratatouille and others.



*Contact Alaric Sales or Tim Soelkner  
if you want info on the PCA Junior  
Program!*

Quoting Past President Ed Won:

Jay kept us riveted with the story of how Sally the Porsche 911 came about and the subsequent building of a full size promotion car for Pixar and Porsche car. The full size 996 Sally is today is displayed at the Porsche Museum. Jay's passion for the Porsche brand runs deep. The tales of how he made living with a GT3 and now a vintage 911 work with a family life is something we like to highlight here at Diablo. Thank you Jay Ward for an absolutely fantastic presentation! I heard from a few folks already how much they loved your presentation.



And here's all of our winners:

Best Social Event 2018	New Member Picnic	Mary & Marc Giammona
Driver Education 2018	Enthusiast of The Year	Hyon Bae
Best Day Tour 2018	Half Moon Bay Tour	Don Hroch
Best Program 2018	PCA Diablo Drivers Education	Adam Cipriano
Rookie of The Year 2018		Scott Family (Venus, Chris, Dylan & Russell)
Enthusiast of The Year 2018		Alaric Sales
President's Award for Outstanding Achievement 2018		Carolyn Wong
Vice President's Award 2018		Jeffrey Urnes, Chief Driving Instructor (Diablo PCA)
Board Special Award 2018	Charity Chair	Katrina Adkins
Board Special Award 2018		Naomi Siu, Threads and Treads
Board Special Award 2018		Kay Maloy, Threads & Treads
Driver Education 2018	Instructor of The Year	Dave Ogiba
Driver Education 2018	Enthusiast of The Year	Steve Kang
Driver Education 2018	Volunteer of The Year	Kay Maloy







*Diablo PCA is always ready for the buffet line!*



*Photos from various events as decorations*





## Monthly Diablo Region Dinner

Please join fellow Diablo members on the 3rd Thursday of each month for excellent Mediterranean food, lively conversation and for the oenologists amongst us, **NO CORKAGE FEE** if you bring your own wine! AND separate checks!

### Where?

Faz Restaurant  
600 Hartz Avenue  
Danville, 94526

### When?

3rd Thursday of each month @ 6:30pm

### How do I get on the guest list?

Please RSVP to Alaric Sales, Diablo PCA Events Chair ([Alaric.Sales@gmail.com](mailto:Alaric.Sales@gmail.com)) so that we know how many tables to reserve. (REMEMBER: Separate checks!)

### What if I can't make it to Danville by 6:30PM?

If you work or live beyond the San Ramon Valley, we know the Bay Area's prize-winning traffic makes it difficult to arrive by 6:30PM (sometimes even 8:00PM).

If there's a place near you that might make a good monthly dinner location, let us know!! You can email Alaric ([Alaric.Sales@gmail.com](mailto:Alaric.Sales@gmail.com)), Brian Adkins ([bpagoride@aol.com](mailto:bpagoride@aol.com)) or any Board member.

There are a couple of requirements:

- 1 - Ability to have separate checks
- 2 - Can accommodate a party of 10 to 40 people (with advance notice)
- 3 - Has an easily accessible parking lot with space for at least 10 to 25 cars during dinner time (we need to remember there are non-PCA diners as well!)

Thank you for your suggestions!



# *Porsche & Pastries*

Join Natalie & Russ of Sugarie Bake Shop on the 2nd Sunday of the month for a morning for Porsche, Pastries, coffee and fun!!

The event is open to all PCA members, Porsche enthusiasts, car fans, families and to the public.



Vintage Hills Shopping Center  
3500 Bernal Ave, Suite 155  
Pleasanton, 94566

10:00 AM to Noon



Registration is preferred, but not required.  
([https://2019\\_porsches\\_pastries.eventbrite.com](https://2019_porsches_pastries.eventbrite.com))