# The devil's Advocate

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### 2013 Event Calendar

<u>January</u> Sat. 19 <sup>th</sup> -Military Vehicle Technology Tour-Lillie Sun. 27 <sup>th</sup> –Blackhawk Museum Extravaganza- Jacquie	<u>July</u> Sat&Sun 20 <sup>th</sup> &21 <sup>st</sup> -Tioga Pass Tour-Lillie Sat. 27 <sup>th</sup> -TRG Tour-Ed & Jeff
Eebruary Sun. 3 <sup>rd</sup> -Super Bowl-Walt & Jacquie Sat. 23 <sup>rd</sup> –Movie Nite-Walt & Jacquie <u>March</u>	August Sat. 3 <sup>rd</sup> -Murphys Tour-Lillie Sat&Sun 10 <sup>th</sup> &11 <sup>th</sup> -Clearlake Tour-Paul Smith Thurs-Mon. 15 <sup>th</sup> -19 <sup>th</sup> -Historics Sun. 25 <sup>th</sup> -Annual Member Picnic-Elsie & Tosh <u>September</u>
Sat & Sun 2 <sup>nd</sup> &3 <sup>rd</sup> -Avenue of the Giants Tour- Lillie Fri.15 <sup>th</sup> -DE at Thunderhill-Mike Roberts Sat. 23 <sup>rd</sup> -Tech Session-After Market-Ed Won Sat. 23 <sup>rd</sup> -St. Patrick's Day Tour-Patrick & Linda/Bill & Rory	Thurs. 5 <sup>th</sup> -DE Thunderhill-Mike Roberts Sat. 7 <sup>th</sup> - Tech Session (TBD)-Ed Won Sat. 14 <sup>th</sup> -Gimmick Rally-Marc Sat. 21 <sup>st</sup> -Glassblowing Tour-Kay Sat. 28 <sup>th</sup> -Oktoberfest-Marc & Mary
April Fri, Sat & Sun 5 <sup>th</sup> -7 <sup>th</sup> – Tour de Rhododendrons- Howard & Vern Sat. 13 <sup>th</sup> -Bocci Ball-Kay Sat. 20 <sup>th</sup> -Half Moon Bay-Susan George Sat&Sun 27 <sup>th</sup> &28 <sup>th</sup> -Shenandoah Valley Tour-Lillie	October Sat&Sun. 5 <sup>th</sup> &6 <sup>th</sup> -Blue Lake Tour-Lillie Sat. 12 <sup>th</sup> -Surprise Tour-Frank & Bill <u>November</u>
Sat & Sun 4 <sup>th</sup> &5 <sup>th</sup> -Mother Lode Tour-Paul Smith Sun. 19 <sup>th</sup> -Dry Creek Winery Tour-Patrick & Linda Sun 26 <sup>th</sup> -Wash 'N Shine-Marc	Sun. 10 <sup>th</sup> -Grand Island Brunch-Frank & Joan Sat. 16 <sup>th</sup> -Planning Meeting-???? Tues. 26 <sup>th</sup> -DE at Laguna Seca-Mike Roberts
June Sat & Sun 8 <sup>th</sup> &9 <sup>th</sup> -Folsom Lake Tour-Lillie Sat. 15 <sup>th</sup> -1 day tour-Paul Smith Sun. 16 <sup>th</sup> -Yountville Car Tour-Ted & Ingrid French Sat & Sun 29 <sup>th</sup> &30 <sup>th</sup> -Parade (Michigan)	December Sun. 1 <sup>st</sup> -California Auto Museum Tour-Walt & Jacquie Sat. 14 <sup>th</sup> -Holiday Party/Lights Tour-?????



## **Doug's Corner**

Many Diablo members worked behind the scenes to make the Blackhawk Extravaganza a success. Last year we had 75 attendees. This year it was 120. Over 40 pure Porsches,

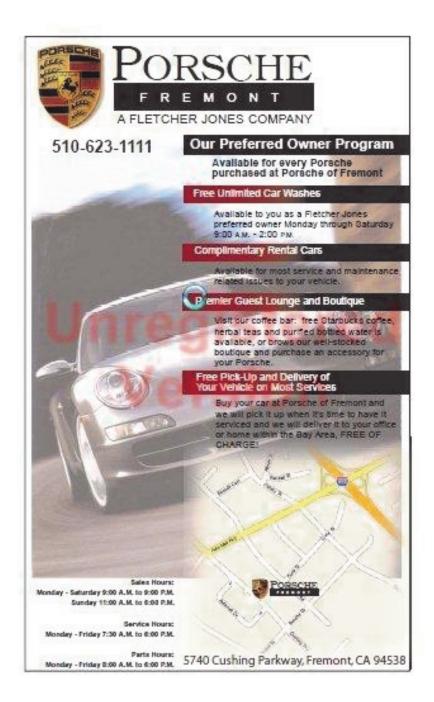
from 356's to 991's got to park in front of the steps leading to all the great cars <u>inside</u> the Blackhawk Museum. All three of our Region Dealerships were represented, Greg Brown, Editor of Excellence Magazine gave a fascinating presentation, and we handed out very deserved awards to a dozen people. Again, I want to thank Jacquie Lietz, Patrick Schmidt and Elsie Lum for putting the program together and so much more. Also, to Nancy Bocanegra for obtaining the needed trophies used in the presentations. This is only our second event of the year (the first, MVTF Tour was sold out) and we are setting high standards for the remaining 35 plus events on the calendar. Which ones are you planning to attend?

These events and tours are really fun to work on. I learned a long time ago, you only get the most out of any club or association, if you both participate <u>and</u> volunteer. Get the most out of your membership, get involved and join one of our planning teams. You can e-mail me with any questions and I'll try to guide you to a role that works for all. Some of the major planning efforts go into Driver's Education, Wash n Shine, and the Annual Newcomers and Family picnic.

When you visit any of the three dealerships in our Region, be sure to mention you are a member of Diablo PCA. They want to know who we are, and we want them to know our membership. Chances are good you will get a little extra attention, and likely a discount. This goes for all our other sponsors too.

Walt and Jacquie Lietz are hosting two events this month at their house. The Superbowl on February 3rd and Movie Night on February 23rd. Check out the details in this issue.

By the time you see this, the March 2nd & 3rd Avenue of the Giant Tour <u>may</u> be sold out, the March 15th Thunderhill Driver's Education day will be <u>open for registration</u>, and signups will be open for the St. Patrick's Day Tour on March 23rd. Unlike our Extravaganza last month, all these events have limited spaces, so don't wait too long.





### By Mike Roberts, Driver Education Program Chair



Off and running for 2013, our March 15<sup>th</sup> event is open for registration. Once again, our format will include a classroom session for both new track drivers and experienced, who like to compare notes, pick up tips and share experiences. More to follow very shortly - keep watching the website for further details.

We will be going to Thunderhill again on September 5<sup>th</sup>, which will guarantee sunny dry weather, plus we have Mazda Laguna Seca on November 26<sup>th</sup>, which will be immediately after two days of PCA GGR.

This year, deciding to use new technology to help my driving I did two things, I upgraded my latter-day Smartphone for one of today's genuine smartphones! What a revelation...I can now time laps, overlay satellite GPS data, analyze cornering speeds, split times and simultaneously record the video evidence. All this can be done with mounting the phone to a sucker attached to my windshield. It doesn't even seem to impact battery life that much...but even if it does, I have a phone charger connected anyway. Uploading recordings and data to a website happens automatically and I can calculate, graph and view my driving inconsistencies...!

The second thing I did was buy some new driving shoes which are comfortable and allow me to better bridge the wide gap between brake and throttle for 'heeling and toeing'. My legs are too long to enable me to bend my right foot outwards in driving position, but at least my new shoes make it easier to blip the throttle when braking. It makes a big difference for a relatively small outlay and well worth making sure they are comfortable when walking around the pits too.

If you went to the Blackhawk Event on Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> you will have seen that the Diablo DE Program was recognized with a couple of awards which were great recognition for the hard work we have put in over the last 15 months. I would like to thank everyone who helped and contributed. For details of what we did, look back to the Advocate article in December. The team is growing. You'll see Jeff Urnes and Mike McDonald as Chief Driving Instructors, Kay Maloy managing events at the track (and behind the scenes), Adam Cipriano managing the critical connection of Motorsportreg.com, as well as Ed Won, Dave Ohst, Chris Fortich, Steve Jones, Dan Lederman, Ken Wu, Tom Davenport and Carlos Bocanegra. Thanks for your help everyone.

We have a monthly conference call to catch up on activities and plan. Let me know at <u>dechair@diablo-pca.com</u> if you would like to join in...



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Driver Orientation for Thunderhill (with pizza provided) – February, 2013 – (exact date/venue TBA).

Come out and meet instructors and fellow drivers you'll be seeing at the track – it's not mandatory for first timers, but we find it does help...

# Track Event - Thunderhill Raceway, Willows, CA – Friday March 15<sup>th</sup>, 2013

Get into the groove – a fast, open track that's a blast to drive and a great way to ease into track mode...just \$280.

Driver Orientation for Thunderhill #2 (again with pizza) – August, 2013 (exact date/venue TBA).

Track Event - Thunderhill Raceway, Willows, CA – Thursday September 5<sup>th</sup>, 2013

Our second trip to Thunderhill this year, meaning more opportunity to get ready for Mazda Raceway Laguna Seca in Monterey on November 26th

The track events are open for registration now at <u>www.motorsportreg.com</u> – the information for the supporting seminars and safety inspections will be communicated nearer the time – watch this space!





# **Welcome New Members!!**

### **New Members**

McGee, David

Orgera, Mark

Suttkus, Randle

1999 Carrera, Blue

2007 C4S, Black

2002 911

### **Total New Members: 3**

### Transfer-In Members

Eaton, Terry *Transfer from Golden Gate (GGR)* 

2010 911 & 1973 911

Menon, Ramesh *Transfer from* 1995 993, Black *Connecticut Valley (CTV)* 

Peartree, Kenneth *Transfer from Golden Gate (GGR)* 

1994 968, Red & 1972 911

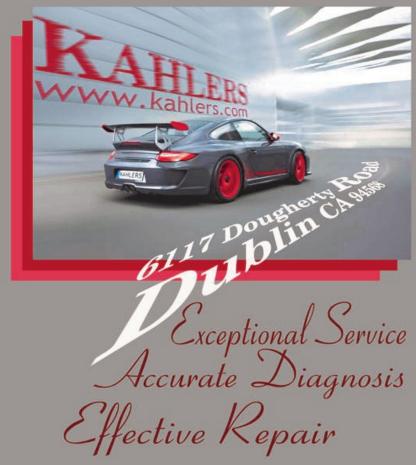
Sargent, William *Transfer from* 1964 356C *Alaska (AK)* 

### **Total Transfer-In Members: 4**

Affiliate Members: 62 Family Members: 379 Primary Members: 659 Total Members: 1100



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## Tour de Rhododendrons Mendocino, CA April 5-7, 2013 Hosted by Howard and Vern Thomas

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Starting location: Solano Square Shopping Center, Benicia, CA

Start time: 9:00 am, Friday, April 5, 2013 - bring lunch or food to share at lunch.

The route will take us to Pt. Reyes station where we will refresh and regroup before we head up Hwy 1 to lunch at the Kruse Rhododendron State Reserve, weather permitting. (Alternate arrangements will be made if it rains.)

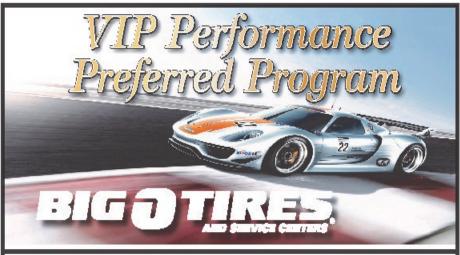
- Friday Cocktail hour: 5:00 6:00 with Howard and Vern Thomas feel free to bring an appetizer and drink, wine will be provided
- Saturday, April 6: 10:00 a.m., Mendocino Garden Tour: \$7.50
- Saturday, April 6: 6:00 p.m. Group Dinner at Silvers on the Wharf (approx. \$30/person plus drinks, tax & tip)

#### All meals on your own

Hotel Accommodations: Little River Inn, Little River, rates \$179 w/ocean view, \$225 w/Fireplace; Please call for reservations at 1-888-INN-LOVE; code word "Porsche Club"

Sign up: for the weekend (2-nights) on <a href="http://www.motorsportreg.com/index.cfm/event/e

Contact Vern Thomas; <u>lavergneann@aol.com</u> with any questions. Route sheet to be provided at the start of the tour.



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## MILITARY VEHICLE TECHNOLOGY FOUNDATION TOUR

### By Steven Vest

A crisp and clear Saturday morning greeted the 30 or so Diablo Region members that gathered at Mimi's for the first tour of 2013 to "The Military Vehicle Technology Museum" in Portola Valley. Most of us who gathered there probably had no idea of the magnitude and scope of the collection we were about to see. After a short driver's meeting with tour leader Lillie Echevarria, we formed two run groups

and we were off.

Lightly used roads greeted our Porsches as we s p e d w e s t towards the San Mateo Bridge, and then to even-



tually wind our way up to the beautiful Crystal Springs area. After briefly stopping to assure all cars were regrouped and gathered, we continued on to the Redwood and Oak tree lined Skyline Blvd towards Alice's Restaurant for our brief respite stop. What a tranquil area! Many people who enjoy back-road tours of the coastal peninsula seem to find their way to this crossroad area. Frequented by touring cars, motorcycles, and bicycle riders, this is truly a one of a kind place, and can be quite bustling on weekends.



Off again, we were on our way to Portola Valley for lunch at Portola Kitchen. A great time was had by all as we sat outside under the welcome heaters, and enjoyed dining on tasty and well

prepared entrees cheerfully served by their gracious staff.

Departing in timely fashion for our One o'clock date at the museum,

we threaded our way through the tranquil emerald green rolling hills of Portola Valley. What a secluded gem this area is for the fortunate that reside there! It is a true retreat from the Silicon Valley congested developments. Arriving at the Museum, we found our way up a long private entrance to arrive in a truly grand courtyard surrounded by immense buildings with a lineup of heavy tanks waiting for us. We parked our group in front of the massive tanks and eagerly awaited the tour to start.



We were not to be disappointed as for the next 2 hours we were given one of the most interesting, informative and stimulating tours I have ever experienced. Our tour docent, Neil, delivered the descriptive narrative in such a way that he was able to weave the personal experiences of the fighting men who served in these machines, their technological development, and their design successes and failures, as well as their place in determining the pivotal outcomes of WWI and WWII.



This private collection of over 250 military battle vehicles was the brainchild of Jacques Littlefield. The Stanford Alum grew up not far from where this collection resides on his massive estate of hundreds

of acres of prime Portola Valley hillside beauty. His collection of military armor is truly one of the most comprehensive in the world, if not the most! It is truly amazing that one person starting out in the midseventies could assemble this collection on his own and doing the needed restorations as well. Unfortunately he lost his ten year battle with cancer in 2009 at the young age of 59.



The collections focus, while having many other examples, is mainly on the development of the heavy armored battle tank, and the complete restoration of these rare pieces. Most of them were painstakingly disassembled and laboriously rebuilt to exactly as they were when new!! The collection traces the history of armored fighting vehicles with examples of some of the first that appeared towards the end of the First World War, all the way to the first Gulf War, with extensive examples of tanks from World War II. Many of the



examples are extremely rare, some being among only a handful that still exist of their models. American Amour is well represented as would have been expected, but the real surprise is how many fine examples of German and Russian Armour this collection has, including an extremely rare Tiger Tank that was designed by Professor Ferdinand Porsche.

We all exited this tour surprised by how engaging this museum tour was and impressed at the ability of one man to engineer such an astounding collection on his own motivations! We also all left with a profound awareness of how brave these soldiers were, and how hard these machines were to live, operate and fight in, and how they required substantial sacrifices by all the fighting men who bravely served in them.





















Pictures provided by Lillie Echevarria and Steven Vest.

# What a Small World

Imagine getting ready to go on a Porsche tour one Saturday and arriving at the beginning destination and running into your neighbor.

Well, that is exactly what happened to Steven and Wendy Vest. They have been members for a long time and joined new member, Stephan Shultz to a great day enjoying the Military Vehicle Technology Museum Tour.



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### **Diablo Movie Night**

Date: Saturday, February 23rd

Time: 6pm Pasta Dinner

7pm Movie begins

After the movie, Lillie will be sharing some photos of her recent trip to the Austin Formula 1 Race.

Location: Lietz Home 920 Cochise Court, Walnut Creek Bullitt



Goodies Provided: Pasta dinner, popcorn, candy and soft drinks

Come see the GREATEST car chase of all car pursuit movies!! Who cares if it was filmed in 1968!! Enjoy watching a 1968 Mustang GT and 1968 Dodge Charger fly through the streets of San Francisco at speeds up to 110 miles per hour. Don't forget there was a 3rd car (the camera car, with a Corvette chassis) that was driving right with the "star" cars.

Contact Jacquie at jhl\_online@yahoo.com or 925-256-7620 by February 18th.









## AVENUE OF THE GLANTS / LOST COAST CASUAL TOUR SERIES: TOUR 1 MARCH 2-3, 2013

Ready for a scenic drive up Northern California to view the amazing redwood forest? Our tour will depart from the Buttercup Bar & Grill (660 Ygnacio Valley Blvd, Walnut Creek) at <u>7 a.m.</u> As we leave the congested city, we will emerge into the countryside for some famous sightseeing spots and photo opportunities.

We will drive the entire " Avenue of the Giants" featuring an amazing display of Redwood trees- many over 900 years old --on a scenic route! Our first day will end at "The Scotia Inn" in Scotia.

On Sunday, after breakfast, we will make our way up to Ferndale and start the famous or perhaps infamous "Lost Coast " drive through the alpine forest and a breath-taking descent to the ocean. Our drive will continue along the Mattole river and Humboldt State Park. We will enjoy lunch at the historic "Benbow Inn" resort in Benbow.

#### DETAILS:

Suggested to carry water and snacks along in your car and bring a camera to capture the moments!

#### Saturday March 2nd

- Chandelier Drive-thru tree \$5 fee payable at location
- Lunch at Riverwood Inn \$20 fixed-price menu; selection/pymt at MSRG
- Lodging at <u>The Scotia Inn</u>, 100 Main St, Scotia. We have a block of rooms reserved at 20% discount from their winter rates. There are an array of room configurations (\$80-150), please call them directly to book your room and let them know you are with Diablo PCA by no later than February 22nd. Continental Breakfast Included. Website = <a href="http://www.scotia-inn.com">http://www.scotia-inn.com</a> Phone (707) 764-5338.
- Dinner at The Scotia Inn Pub pay as you go. We will have a reserved table for our group.

#### Sunday, March 3rd

Lunch at Benbow Inn - \$20 – fixed-price menu; selection/pymt at MSRG

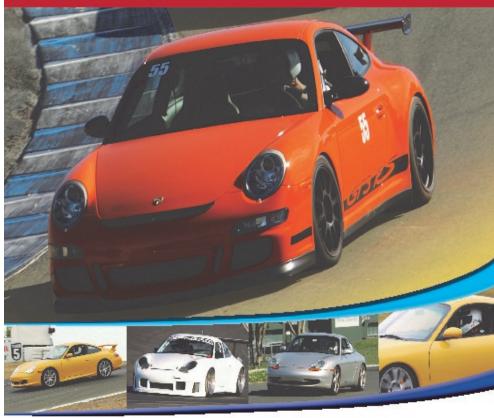
#### Registration will close by Friday, February 22<sup>nd</sup> or 30 people limit or rooms sold out

To register click on MSRG https://www.motorsportreg.com/index.cfm/event/event.advert/uidEvent/F19DC7AC-0CEC-D9F5-8684A0AAADAD12C6

Cancellations after February 22nd will incur a \$20 charge in MSRG. Contact hotel for cancellation policy.

For questions, please contact Lillie Echevarria at (925) 549-5454 or tourchair@diablo-pca.org

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# Spotlight on: Pacific Power Motorsports

There is a unique auto repair service that loves to focus on German cars, and it is located in Walnut Creek. Pacific Power Motorsports owners – Eric Leman, Wayne VanNorsdall, and Jeff Kost are not only knowledgeable of and owners of German cars, but they also love to spend time at the track running their Porsches. They are members of PCA and both Golden Gate and Diablo Regions.

Eric has over 20 years of mechanic experience, as well as many years racing motorcycles, stock cars and Porsches. He also serves as the head mechanic. Wayne loves German cars and has been involved in Porsche racing since 1995. Jeff has been driving BMW and Porsches competitively for over 15 years.

The business was founded in 2006 and was originally located in Concord. They relocated to Walnut Creek in November, 2011 to be closer to their customer base. They continued to offer specialized service and setup for track cars, but over time have expanded their business beyond Porsche to include professional service, repair and diagnostics for Audi, BMW and Mercedes Benz automobiles. Never to pass on an opportunity, those also have a good reputation for working on customers' big and powerful tow vehicles, including expertise with diesel engines.

Drop in and ask Eric about their brand new Hunter alignment machine, introduce yourself as a Diablo member and watch for an upcoming announcement of a visit after a Saturday morning breakfast.



# Food and Friends Monthly Dinner

Come join the fun, festive conversation with fellow Diablo members and delicious food on the 3rd Thursday of each month at:

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The group starts gathering at 6:30PM.

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# Breakfast With Friends Walnut Creek Breakfast

Start your weekend off with breakfast, friends and good conversation. Meet up at 8AM every Saturday at:

Buttercup Bar & Grill, 660 Ygnacio Valley Road Walnut Creek, Ca 94596 located between N. Broadway and N. Civic Drive.

Don't forget to wear your name tag so everyone knows your name. This is a great way to casually meet other members and catch up on upcoming Region events.



# Tri-Valley Saturday Breakfast

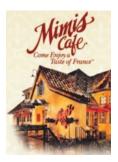
If you can't get up in time to get to the Saturday morning breakfast at Buttercup Grill & Bar in Walnut Creek, drive over to Dublin and join a few hungry members at Mimi's Cafe We meet each month on the 2nd and 4th Saturdays at 8:30AM.

The next breakfast is scheduled for February 9th and again on February 23rd. We hope to see you there. We have tables reserved in the backroom.

Mimi's Café 4775 Hacienda Drive, Dublin, CA

Check directions at:

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# St. Patrick's Day Tour Saturday March 23rd, 2013

#### Hosted by Patrick Schmidt and Bill Packwood

Tour San Francisco as it was meant to be seen -- aboard the famous San Francisco cable car!



The Cable Car will pick us up at Lefty O'Doul's promptly at <u>1:30 PM</u>. Please gather at Lefty O'Doul's around 1:15 PM. Lefty's is open for lunch and has buffet style serving, so please allow enough time to eat lunch (at your own cost) before boarding the Cable Car, if you would like to do that. We will have coffee, water and some non-alcoholic beverages on the Cable Car.

Wear your finest "Irish" outfit or accessories as we will have a *St. Patrick's Day* theme – One week after St. Patrick's day – "We are still Partying!"

Followed by dinner (on your own) at Schroeder's at 240 Front Street near the Embarcadero. Easy walk from BART Embarcadero Station or parking is available at the Embarcadero. Dinner at Schroeder's may run from \$15-\$30 per person – checks will be available individually, please pay as you go.

The Cable Tour portion is limited to 34 participants. Cost: \$35/person RSVP by March 1<sup>st</sup> No cancellations accepted after March 5<sup>th</sup>.

Registration will be on Motorsportreg at: http://www.motorsportreg.com/index.cfm/event/event.advert/uidEvent/7D075497-9F32-7434-3D82D4C5DA090DCF If you can't make the Tour, feel free to join us at Schroeder's at 5 pm for dinner.

Please contact Patrick at <u>Schmidt.Patrick@comcast.net</u> if you have questions.

# **Diablo Region**



## **Livermore Porsche Tech Session**

Saturday March 23<sup>rd</sup> 10:00am to 1:00pm

3100 Las Positas Rd. , Livermore

Do you have a question about maintenance?

Do you have questions about aftermarket parts?

Do you have any questions you did even know where to start research?

### Here's you chance!

Please join us for a tech session with Manni Vianna sponsored by Kevin Hanschke at Livermore Porsche. Also Sharkwerks will be available for your aftermarket questions!

Refreshments and lunch will be served

If you have any question about this event please contact Ed Won

Techchair@diablo-pca.org





# The repair shop that comes to you!





# "Half Moon Bay Tour"

**By Susan George** 

### Saturday, April 20<sup>th</sup>, 2013

Let's travel to the delights of Half Moon Bay, CA Meet at Mimi's Café at 9 a.m. (or meet earlier for breakfast) Pit stop at Woodside Café and Bakery Tour down scenic CA-9 with twisty roads to HWY 1 and head north to Half Moon Bay

Lunch at The Moss Beach Distillery, **haunted** by "The Blue Lady" Seating in a private room overlooking the ocean. Lunch: \$22/pp, menu TBD 12:00 – 2:00 p.m.

After lunch, enjoy the back patio and watch the surf!

Our driving tour will finalize at Fogarty Winery. Tasting fee \$12/pp.

For questions, please contact Susan George, at (925) 784-6637 or SGeorge12@comcast.net

Registration and payment available at MSRG :

http://www.motorspoptrea.com/index.cfm/event/event.advert/uidEvent/7CF8A750-AA15-7975-974302F7725C2317



## It's Bocce Ball Time!! Saturday, April 13, 2012

Players and Cheerleaders are all welcome to sign up and join in the fun!

Don't miss the event selected as the Best Social Event of 2010! Come join us for another fun evening at Campo di Bocce in Livermore.

- 3:00—4:00 pm Private Barrel Room tasting at Ruby Hill Winery They will be offering reserve wines, barrel tasting and light snacks. A 10% discount will be available for any wine purchases made.
- 5:00-6:00 pm Bocce Ball at Campo di Bocce
- 6:00—7:30 pm -Italian Family Style Dinner includes Salad, two Pasta dishes (one meatless), dessert platter and non-alcoholic beverages.
- Cost: Wine Tasting \$10 per person (waived for Gem members), Bocce Ball and Dinner - \$45 per person. To register and pay for the events, log onto <u>Motorsportreg.com</u>
- Questions: Contact Kay Maloy at maloykay@comcast.net
- Deadline: April 4, 2013

Maximum Bocce players is 24, so SIGN UP SOON!

#### Note:

Want to know more about the game of Bocce ball?

Check out this link:

www.campodibocce.com/livermore/bocce/index.html



### **Attention Diablo Artists!!**

How would you like to design the logo for the 2014 Parade to be held in Monterey?

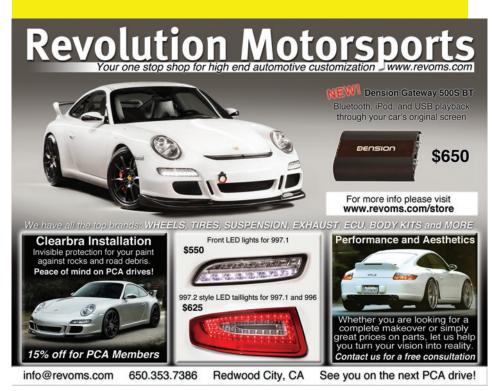
Zone 7 has put out a request to the Regions in Zone 7 to design logos that could be displayed on merchandise at this year's Parade.

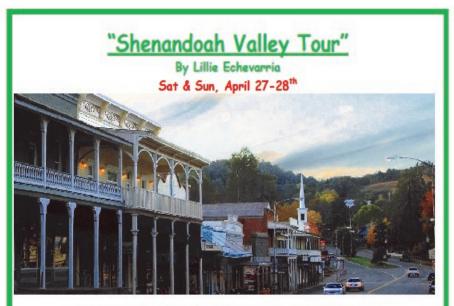
If you are interested, the logo design must include the dates of Parade: June 15-21, 2014. The deadline is mid-March.

Design ideas or questions are to be sent to Parade Coordinator: Susan Brown at <u>brown@websense.com</u>

For examples of past logos, visit the following web site:

www.pca.org/Activities/Parade/PastFutureLocations. aspx





#### Join me on an exciting trip to "The Heart of the Mother Lode" Country.

On Saturday, we will drive to Amador County on some colorful twisty roads. Lunch will be set at the quaint town of "Volcano". After some back roads driving, we will settle in for the night in the town of "Sutter Creek". In the late afternoon, we'll enjoy an oil and wine tasting and later in the evening we have dinner reservations at a local restaurant (Dinner is open menu, Pay as you go).

On Sunday, we start our day with a nice drive to an Alpaca Farm (donation appreciated) where we will learn all about these camel-like animals from South America. As we continue into the core of Shenandoah's wine country – we will stop at "Cooper Vineyards" for some appetizers and wine tasting and later continue to "Renwood Winery" for lunch. (If you are not a wine drinker, this is still a very scenic weekend drive).

Total cost pp: \$55 includes: Sat lunch (Fixed-price menu TBD soon); Oil & Wine tasting in Sutter Creek; Appetizer & Wine tasting at Cooper Vineyards; and, lunch and wine tasting at Renwood Winery. No cancellations accepted after April 15th (Full Payment Required), before 4/15 \$20 cancellation fee.

Two options for lodging -call hotel and make your reservations directly with them - mention Diablo PCA:

- Sutter Creek Inn right on Main St, next door from our activities. This is a nice B&B with spacious rooms. Prices range from \$135-210 (tax included) per room with a full breakfast. No discount available thus no room block reserved <u>http://suttercreekinn.com</u> (209) 267-5606
- Days Inn three blocks away from Main St. New building; continental breakfast included we
  only have 12 standard double rooms reserved at the special price of \$104 (tax included) until
  March 27. Must mention Diablo Porsche Club to get discounted rate. Call (209) 267-9177
  <a href="http://www.daysinn.com/hotels/california/sutter-creek/days-inn-sutter-creek/hotel-overview?reg=Local--all--DI--all&cid=IP\_Local\_yext&wid=local\_yext">http://www.daysinn.com/hotels/california/sutter-creek/days-inn-sutter-creek/hotel-overview?reg=Local--all--DI--all&cid=IP\_Local\_yext</a>

For questions, please contact Lillie Echevarria at <u>tourchain@diablo-pca.org</u> or 925-549-5454 Registration available at Motorsportreg.com from the Dashboard





Congratulations Bill!! 40 Years with PCA