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Nominations Dinner

BRASS DOOR, San Ramon

Saturday, November 13

Hosted by Bernie and Sis Stein

This very popular Jaguar Club venue will once again host the annual nominations dinner on November 13th. At this dinner the nominations committee will present their slate of Officers to be voted on for the coming year. There are four positions up for election this year. They are President, Treasurer, Driving Events Vice President and one Director at Large. In addition to the nominations committee slate, nominations will be accepted from the floor. All nominees must have agreed to accept the job prior to their nomination. (NOTE: Sis is bringing a supply of candles so if the lights go out this year we will have another romantic dinner.)

The Brass Door is quite accessible, has ample parking and with good service provides excellent food at a reasonable price so this is an event not to be missed.

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Christmas Dinner/Dance

Saturday, December 18

El Rancho Inn

1100 El Camino Real, Millbrae

Dinner/Dance Reservations are due by Dec 11 at the latest

Overnight Inn Reservations are due by November 30

Time to Rev up for the Holiday Season or if that bugs you, at the very least mark your calendars not with just the party date, but also the reservation due dates. Remember how much enjoyment we had at last years Christmas Party. Well, it will be that and more this year—and you are not getting any younger, you know, so don't miss a chance to cavort with your friends. The El Rancho has proved to be an ideal location for our big bash of the year. The party room is just the ideal size, the rooms at the El Rancho Inn are very comfortable and reasonably priced which along with the convenient centralized location with no parking problems (or cost) make a pretty neat package.

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Jaguar Associate Group
815 Augusta Court
Concord CA 94518

TO:

Prospective Members
of the
Jaguar Associate Group

Since this is the last Official communications of 2010 I have been pondering what to say. (while the “Award Winning” Jagazette Editor keeps reminding me to be a bit quicker getting the information to him)



Doing a mental review of the Dinners, Driving Trips and other Social Events (Swiss Visitors) we have been involved in this year My Comments are: WOW!!! What a ride!!!

I hope that each of you made a part of the events of the year. If so, not only did you have a good time, you spent time with some of the nicest people that you will ever encounter in your life.

We still have our Annual Christmas Party Hosted by Cis and Bernie Stein. If you have not signed up, there is still time. There is a rumor that the Club President will actually wear long pants for the event (we'll see <grin>).

I would also like to remind you of our kick off luncheon at Don Giovanni's in Mountain View in January. This is a new place for our group, so join us in breaking in the restaurant to our group.

Be aware that there will not be a Jagazette printed in January (something about our editor wanting to take Christmas Holiday). So you will need to do reservations from the December newsletter.

The Annual Valentine event will be at Scott's in Walnut Creek, in February. It is certainly not too early to be planning for that “Always Fun” Social Event.

As I mentioned earlier, it was a Great year for our club mainly due to everyone doing a little and some giving their all. An encore of this year will be difficult, but we have plans to do just that and more. Super Big Event is the 50th Anniversary of the E-type that is being headed up by Dudley Smolen and his committee. They are going to need a lot of little's from a lot of people to have a blow out event. So, please step up to the plate. Everyone can do something. It is events like this that makes our club a leader among Jaguar Clubs everywhere.

Vote Now

You will have received your ballots by now for voting for next year's officers. The voting is being done in accordance with the by-laws of the Club. It is time to express your opinion whether or not the nominees are suitable to be officers in the proposed positions. To be voted into the proposed officer positions the candidates must receive a majority of the votes cast. If a majority is not received the positions will be filled by a majority vote of the Board of Directors.

Vote Now



I don't want to close this without a Special Thank You to a group of people who have busted their butt this year to make things happen. To The 2010 Board of Directors I want to say:

Thank You for a job well done!!

Jag, cleaned up, gassed up and covered up until December 18th Christmas Party. I hope to see all of you there.

If not I'll see you on the road in 2011.

Howard Smith, President

Renewal of Membership for 2011

Dear Member,

It is once again time to renew your JAG membership for the coming year. Early renewal will ensure your continued uninterrupted receipt of the club's monthly newspaper, the JAGazette, and the bi-monthly JCNA publication, Jaguar Journal.

We are trying to save money and time this year by renewing your membership information by e-mail or you can simply mail any changes along with your renewal check. If any of your pertinent information, such as address, phone number, or your Jaguars, has changed in the past year, please update your information if not simply send your renewal check.

With the growth of e-mail communication, we strongly encourage you to include an e-mail address in your membership data even if you have not done so in the past.

Thank you in advance for returning any changes with your check for \$65 payable to the Jaguar Associate Group to the address below by Monday, February 1, 2011, or preferably sooner.

Sincerely,

Dave Klabunde, Membership Chairman
 Jaguar Associate Group
 815 Augusta Court, Concord, CA. 94518

PLEASE RETURN THE ABOVE TO ME TOGETHER WITH YOUR \$65 CHECK PAYABLE TO JAG BY 2/1/11.



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Christmas Party (continued from page 1)

This is the party where some of your money comes out of the club treasury to supplement the fun—so plan to go and get your money's worth out of your dues. Once again those favorites, beef and fish, will be served, but this year the beef has been upgraded to Filet Mignon for those weak jawed individuals that had difficulty with the rugged tasty beef that was served last year. The entrée choices are Filet Mignon or Orange Roughy and of course all the other goodies will be included in the meal.

Adhering to popular demand we will once again have the Gary Chulla Group producing just the right mix of live music for enjoyable dining and for tripping the light fantastic on the dance floor until 10:30 p.m.

Time: No Host Bar will open for cocktails at 6:00 p.m. Dinner will be served at 7:00 p.m.

Cost: The cost will be \$65.00 per person. The reservation form on page 5 must be filled out and sent along with the check by December 11 at the latest.

Toys for Ronald MacDonald House: As is our custom, you are requested to bring a soft or fuzzy or whatever cuddly toy that young children will like (not wrapped) for collection under the Christmas Tree and then taken to the Ronald MacDonald House for their patients.



Questions: If you have any questions or reservations changes, or you want to assist with the party please contact Sis Stein at 925-820-1092

Staying Overnight: You must make these reservations separately. Special Rates have been negotiated for those that would like to spend the night at the El Rancho Inn. For this \$79.00 rate for one Queen Bed or \$89.00 for two Queen Beds, you must call Gail at the El Rancho at 650-742-5597 by November 30th.

Don Giovanni's in Mountain View

Sunday, January 16

We once again return to the very popular Don Giovanni's Italian Restaurant in Mountain View for our January Luncheon. The event will start with a no host refreshment period followed by one of three outstanding entrees.

11:30 a.m. No-host refreshment time

12:00 noon Lunch time

Included with the meal is a fresh salad and luscious dessert.

The cost for this outstanding luncheon is \$30.00 per person including tax & tip.

Directions: Detail directions will be provided in next month's Jagazette.

Reservation Form

Lunch at Don Giovanni's

Sunday, Jan 16

Deadline for reservation is Jan. 13

Please reserve _____ at \$30 ea. incl'd tax & tip = \$_____

Entrée choice (1) Salmon (2) Chicken Breast (3) Vegetarian Pasta

Name _____ Entrée Choice (1) (2) (3)

Name _____ Entrée Choice (1) (2) (3)

Name _____ Entrée Choice (1) (2) (3)

Name _____ Entrée Choice (1) (2) (3)

Tel# _____ E-mail _____

Make check payable to Jaguar Associate Group and mail to Howard Smith 2357 Richland Ave. San Jose, CA 95125. For late reservations or changes contact Howard at 408-264-5775. Once your reservation is received you will be responsible for the cost if you "no-show".

JAG Club Events are shown in Bold type

DEC

6-9 Thu-Sun Silicon Valley Int'l Auto Show in San Jose's McEnery Convention Center www.motortrendautoshow.com/sanjose/generalinfo.jsp

18 Sat Christmas Dinner/Dance at the El Rancho at 1100 El Camino Real in Millbrae. See page 1.

JAN

16 Sun Luncheon at Don Giovanni's in Mountain View. See page 4.

FEB

12 Sat Valenine's Party Dinner at Scott's Restaurant in Walnut Creek—Hosted by Sis & Bernie Stein 925-820-1092. See page 10.

MARCH

19 Sun Devil Mountain Tour, Wine & Lunch. Hosted by Lew & Faye Edwards, 925-376-5964.



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Reservation Form

Valentine's Dinner —February 12
\$65 per person
(Deadline for Reservations—February 10)

See page 10 for details

Please reserve _____ at \$65 incl'd tax & tip = \$_____.

Entrée choice: (1)Imperial Salmon (2)Prime Rib

Name _____ Entrée choice (1) (2)

Name _____ Entrée choice (1) (2)

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Name _____ Entrée choice (1) (2)

Address _____

City /Zip _____

Tel # _____ e-mail _____

Make check payable to Jaguar Associate Group and mail to Sis Stein, 62 Hardester Ct. Danville, CA 94526. For late reservation or questions contact Sis Stein at 925-820-1092. Once your reservation is received you will be responsible for the cost if you are a "no show".

Letter to the Editor

I was recently asked a question about how the power aerial was installed in a Series III E-Type?

Do you know anyone that has or had a Series III E-Type with a power aerial? I see it listed in the parts catalog as an optional item, but I have never seen one and thought maybe one of you guys may have come across one or might have some documentation.

Appreciate any feedback.

Thanks,

Larry Harris

510-846-5186, cell

RESERVATION FORM

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El Rancho Inn

1100 El Camino Real, Millbrae

(Deadline for Dinner/Dance Reservations—Dec. 11)

(Deadline for Hotel Reservations—Nov. 30th)

I would like _____ Reservations at \$65 ea. For a total of \$_____

	Filet of	Orange
	Beef	Roughy

Name _____



Name _____

Name _____

Name _____

Mail this completed form, with check payable to JAG, by December 11, to Sis Stein, 62 Hardester Court, Danville, CA 94526. For more info or changes, contact Sis @925-820-1092. Once your reservation is received, if you are a no-show for this event you will be held responsible for the cost incurred by JAG.

Note: If you are staying overnight, you must make those reservations separately by calling Gail at the El Rancho Inn 650-742-5597 by **NOVEMBER 30** for the special rate of \$79.00.

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Nominations Dinner at the Brass Door Restaurant

by Dick France

The two are almost synonymous—Nomination Dinner and Brass Door Restaurant. They go so well together that there is no reason to think otherwise. On Saturday evening, November 13th, the Bay Area's beautiful Jaguars converged on the Brass Door Restaurant in San Ramon for a great dinner and a jolly evening. It is almost like getting home once again to visit the Brass Door.

When we entered the restaurant—on the late side as usual—and said we were with the Jaguar group, the greeting was almost automatic “In the back room and they are having a great time” (just follow the noise). We did and they were. As always the service at the Brass Door Restaurant is very good—especially where refreshments are concerned. Good logic—serve enough drinks and everything else will be at worst a minor irritation (even like the power going out). I know I have always observed this axiom when barbecuing—at which I do not excel—but by just keeping the glasses full it is remembered as a great meal.

As always, our hosts Sis & Bernie Stein had everything well arranged—even protecting against another power outage as happened last year with nice center pieces containing electric candles. The meal planning was also tops. The salad was fresh greens with cheese and candied walnuts topped with an appropriate dressing—so good I finished every last leaf. Helping this along was the warm bread (with every slice completely cut—no gripping half the loaf and tearing off a partially sliced piece) that tasted ever so good. One of three entrees was the next item served. We went for the London Broil with mashed potatoes and mushroom, onion, etc. gravy—it was real ‘comfort’ food. They served it with a nice steak knife which made it so easy to cut that I couldn't rate the meat anything but tender. The other entrees were Petrale Sole and Chicken Scaloppini with the appropriate sauces. Not-over-cooked asparagus was the attractive vegetable. Most of the plates looked pretty empty so I believe the food was a success. Rounding out the success was the dessert of vanilla ice cream and chocolate topping—another ‘com-

fort’ food. Thank goodness the Kraft chocolate pudding—“Chocolate Mousse”—has been phased out as a dessert.

Our President Howard Smith took care of the club's business with the introduction of Bernie Stein, the Chairman of the nominating committee—which additionally consisted of Pauline Mantha and C.B. Anderson. Bernie read carefully from his hand held teleprompter the names of the nominees for the various positions. There were four positions open and the four nominee names presented were: President, Incumbent Howard Smith; 2nd Vice President, in charge of automotive related events, Richard Halk; Treasurer, Incumbent Andre Mantha; Director-at-Large, Roland Quintero.

Dudley Smolen, chairman of our club's premier automotive event for 2011- the 50th Anniversary Celebration of the E-Type—took the floor to bring everybody up to date on the status. A number of volunteers are needed now to help in the planning and organization stage—and to follow through with all the various projects that must be accomplished. Sign up sheets for volunteers were circulated.

Sis Stein's description of the upcoming Christmas Dinner/Dance on December 18 made it very enticing. Sis urged all to attend and enjoy the wonderful camaraderie, good food, good music and it is subsidized so come and maximize your benefits from those annual dues payments. Also while in the planning stage Sis suggested that all set Feb 12 aside for attendance at the new Valentine's Dinner to be held at Scott's Restaurant in Walnut Creek.

Howard and Sis passed the furry pot with a fair amount of success. Quite a few members contributed the mandatory \$1.00 for driving brand “X”, but Dudley Smolen was caught short and could only contribute 45cents for his failure to drive a Jaguar. Dudley's long tale about driving a suburban that had parts for a “D” Jaguar in that large cavity carried no weight.

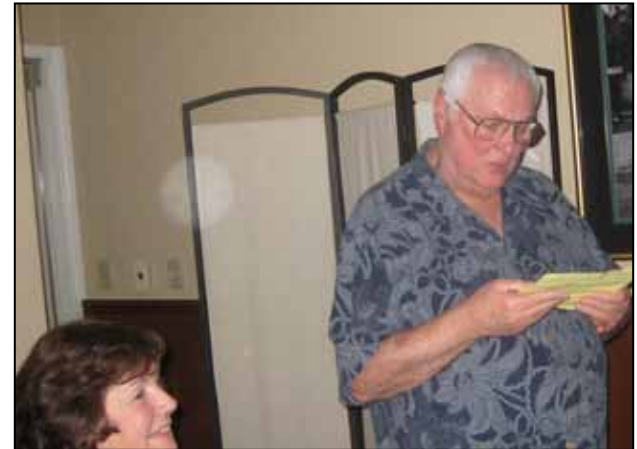
It was a great affair as attested to by the fact that it was a long time before the room was clear. Our “Thanks” once again to Sis & Bernie for a most enjoyable evening.



Our Hosts— at delightful couple Sis & Bernie Stein



C.B. Anderson & Rose Swearingen



Nomination Committee Chairman Bernie Stein reads the names of the nominees for next year while coach Sis Stein listens approvingly



Richard Halk (right)



Bill Baum introduces the beautiful Barbara Vitkovits while Sis Stein awaits patiently for some contribution to the furry pot—to no avail



Editor Dick France and his attractive wife Norma enjoying the evening (right)



Bill Hansen & Sis Stein discussing a contribution to the furry pot (right)



Farewell Time

Patty & Ron Pinnella (right)



