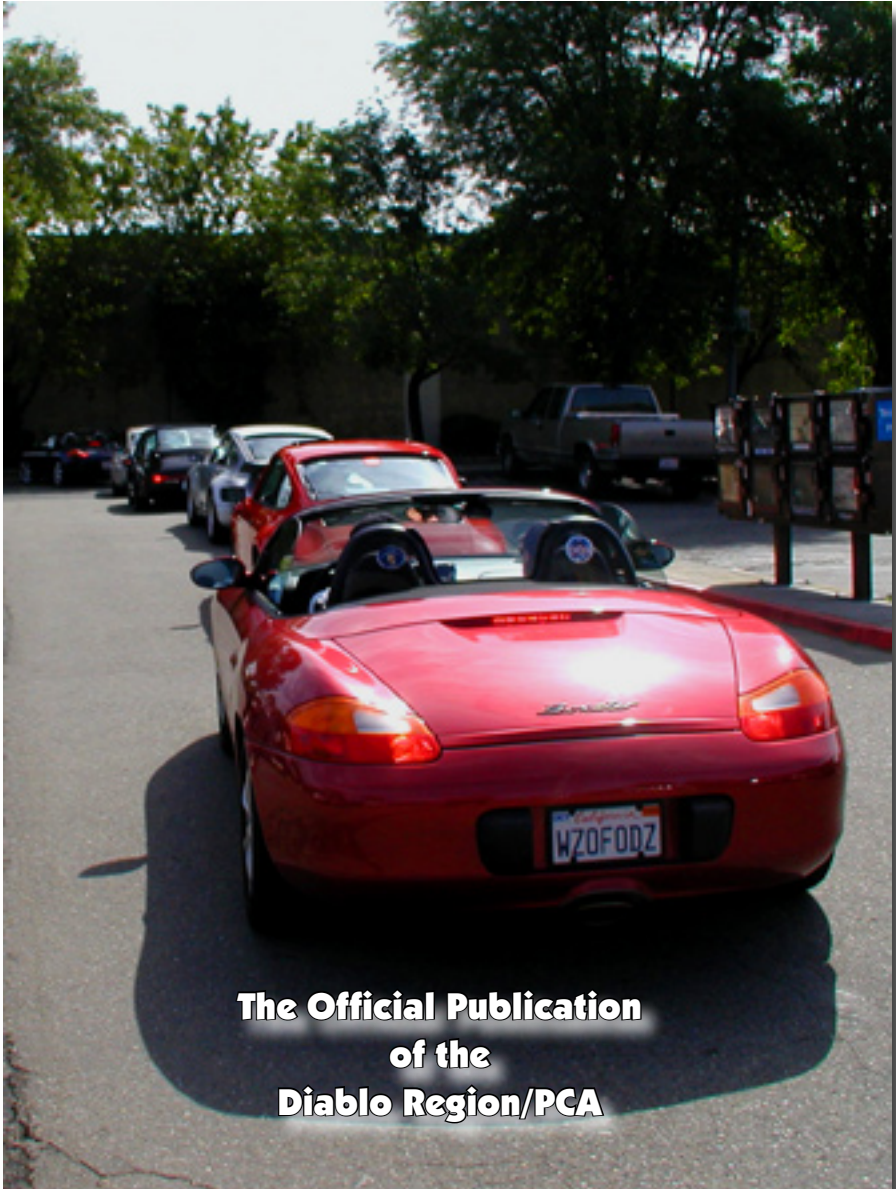


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## Cover Photo

With so many photos to choose from, the Wash 'n Shine event was the logical choice as the source for a cover photo. Malcolm Crosby took more than 70 JPEGs with his new Canon and Patrick Schmidt gave me 44 more on a CD to go along with the 70 that I took. In the end, however, I selected a Saturday drive photo.

These drives do not take the effort of a rally or concours. They are great fun; driving Porsche roads and having a relaxed time enjoying the friendship with fellow club members is a joy.

This photo shows the Napa tour leaving Coco's headed for Mario Andretti's winery.

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## Brian's Beat

by Brian Cameron, President

As I write this article, I am remembering the automobile events that have taken place since my last article. Memorial Day was the Wash 'n Shine in Danville. The morning started with a drizzle and overcast skies. This may have reduced the attendance of both cars and spectators. The event was a success, nonetheless, and went off without a hitch. A good time was had by all of the workers and judges, who retired to a couple of local restaurants for drinks and eats following the event.



The next weekend was also busy, since the "Good Guy's" car show was at the Pleasanton Fairgrounds and Infineon Raceway hosted the "Wine Country Classic." On Sunday, June 1st, Parts Heaven held a Concours and Swap Meet, hosted by the Loma Prieta Region. I chose to do the Good Guy's on Saturday and Infineon Raceway on Sunday. Redwood Region had a Porsche Corral with a hospitality tent and it was a fun day at the races.

June 14th was the Dent Tech session and I am proud to say I had no dents to be removed this time.

The month of June was quiet for Diablo events. The Train Tour on the 21st was canceled. The month was full of Zone Events for those who autocross, concours or rally. The 2003 Parade was the 22nd to the 28th in Florida. I am hopeful someone from our Region attended and can give us a report.

As usual its breakfast every Saturday at 8:00 A.M. at Cocos in Dublin. I hope to see you there.

## Potpourri

Advocate photography fortunes jumped dramatically at the Wash 'n Shine event when Malcolm Crosby began shooting with his new 6.1 megapixel Canon EOS 10D. His photos were not only high resolution images but many in number as well. The best part, however, was that each one was downloaded to my PowerBook on site, and I left Danville with nearly 200 photos ready for use.

On a related note, I was able to use the PowerBook SuperDrive to burn a CD containing all these photos for Miguel's AutoAffair use before joining a group for lunch at Tony Roma's.



Apple publishes a QuickTime E-mail newsletter and the 5/30 edition had a video clip of a '67 911R (only 20 were built) racing at Laguna plus an interview with Ed Matsuishi. Rich Sutcliffe has since reported that he was in the paddock with Ed when the video was filmed. To continue on this curious happenstance theme, I walked



squarely into Ed on 5/31 at the Infineon historic races and greeted him based on having remembered his face from the video. Ed had no knowledge that his video was in the newsletter or posted on the internet <[http://www.endorphin.com/wheels/porsche\\_911r\\_alt.htm](http://www.endorphin.com/wheels/porsche_911r_alt.htm)>.

On a recent trip to San Ramon using Norris Canyon, every encountered Porsche (both were Boxsters) waved to me suggesting our friendliness campaign is starting to work and/or having tops down improves communication and cordiality.

Any of you watching SpeedTV on Sunday, June 15 at 5:54 A.M. heard Keven Buckler thank PCA members for their support of TRG Le Mans program.



## Welcome: New Members

by Judy Schreib, Membership  
<jhschr@tdl.com>

New Members	14
Transfers in	1
Current renewals	24
Multi-year renewals	5
Late/delete renewals*	8
Transfers out	4
Non renewals	23
Dual members	9

**Total membership 622**

*\*Previously deleted, now renewed*

### New members:

### Welcome!

*Please visit us at our weekly breakfasts or monthly dinners so we can get acquainted. We will be delighted to meet you in person.*

*After all, it's not just the cars. It's the people.*

Diablo Region  
Board of Directors



### New members this month (thru 6/2/03):

Name	Affiliate	Porsche	Year	City
David L. Alvarado	(Father)	993 C4s	1997	Orinda
Al Bertrand		911 S Targa	1977	Antioch
Karol A. Hines		356 C	1963	Fremont
David D. Hughes	Kim	996 Coupe	1999	Oakland
Suwipin Martono	Hitomi	993 C4s	1998	Fremont
Patrick L. McGuire		Carrera 99	1996	Oakland
Christopher C. Pfeiffer		914	1970	Danville
Craig Rubenstein		911 Cab	1993	Moraga
Tom S. Ruetman		Boxster	2001	Danville
Bruce Saffin		911 Targa	1988	Pleasanton
David J. Smith	Darcy	993 Coupe	1996	Fremont
Quitin Tantoco	Marilou	986	1999	San Ramon
Anthony Van Diggelen	Karlynn	911-996 Cab	2003	Danville
Chad A. Williams		944 S2 Cab	1990	Richmond

### Transfer In:

Larry C. Heaton	Veronica	911T	1972	Pleasanton
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## From the Editor

by Ron Leppke <lepprd@mac.com>

My first Porsche story begins in the fall of 1958 in Santa Barbara, more specifically in Montecito, where I taught and coached at Westmont College. My '56 Ford Victoria hardtop was beginning to rattle and shake while chewing up tires on the twisty Montecito mountain roads. Sports cars were big in Santa Barbara and everyone said I should ditch the Ford. I am not a small person, but nevertheless made the rounds of the typical British sports car dealerships driving MG Midgets, Sprites, Healeys and the like. I also test drove a '56 Thunderbird, which, unfortunately, was too much like my own unwanted Ford. Nearly all the options were front engined, had big trannies where my hips wanted to be, and required squishing my legs into the long flat tunnel toward tiny pedals.



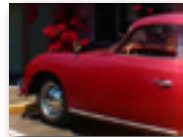
I finally found a used car lot on State Street where I saw a strange coupe with gray steel wheels. It was as unimpressive visually as it was unfamiliar in my experience. This will sound a bit far fetched, but I believe it to be true. The test drive up and around the Montecito roads opened a new world that impacted my life for the next 45 or more years. The car was a middle blue '54 Porsche. It handled so precisely and was so tight structurally that it immediately became an obsession. The doors opened, closed, and fit as if they were handmade by jewelers or watchmakers. I was unable to erase that test drive from my thinking.

My income dictated a used, rather than new, Porsche so I used my twice weekly (basketball games) trips the LA area to

visit the VW/Porsche dealership used car lots, but found nothing that I wanted. I eventually returned to my Central Valley home and tried the Fresno VW/Porsche lot. They had nothing but did suggest that I try a farmer in Sanger.

It turned out that there was a raisin packer in Sanger who had a ship to take his raisins to Germany, and that he brought a Porsche or two on the trip home. The raisin farmer had just received his new Porsche and, with little or no market for used Porsches in the Fresno area, was about to wholesale the old 356 to LA.

The deep red '57 coupe had 32,000 miles on it ("just a baby" was the quote on my first visit to a Porsche mechanic) and the price was \$2,900.



The '57 was our getaway car at my Montecito marriage in June of 1960. The honeymoon included Monterey (photo above) and Yosemite, i.e., my very first but not last Yosemite Porsche tour.

It is possible that this is the first Yosemite visit by an eventual Diablo Region member. Anyone visit Yosemite in a Porsche prior to June, 1960? If so, let me know and I will try to find a prize or other recognition.

Otherwise and in general, *Advocate* affairs are gaining momentum. More ads, more ad inquiries, more photos submitted and lots of healthy energy.

## First Porsche, #4



The 2000 Arena Red Boxster S is Mimi Dobrich's (above right) first Porsche.

## Perfect Porsche Parking



Ben Orozco found this Fremont spot at Schoeber's Athletic Club.

# The "John Clever (it'll never be the same) Memorial" Pic-Tour Sunday, July 20



Join us for an easy tour as a continuing tribute to John.

As always, just find the photo locations within the easy-to-follow route directions.

Conclude with socialization with some of the best Porsche people, no-host beer/pizza/soft drinks at Round Table Pizza in Pleasanton, presentation of

awards and door prizes ... and the now famous "Gotcha" award.

**Start:** Kahler's Werkstatt  
6117 Dougherty Rd.  
Dublin (N of 580, E of 680)  
**Time:** Registration at 12:00 noon  
(Come early to study photos  
First car out at 1:00  
**Length:** Approximately 2 Hours  
**Cost:** \$10 per car

**Hosts/Organizers/Route Instructions:**  
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Brian Cameron/Gloria Hall  
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(Yes, even after running this event once, it still requires six to do what John so efficiently, skillfully and "cleverly" did alone.)

## Zone Calendar: 2003

Date	Region	Event	Zone	Event Title	Location
7/12	GGR	Autocross		Region Autocross	TBD
7/13	RR	Autocross		Region Autocross	Santa Rosa Airport
7/19	SVR	Autocross		Region Autocross	Stockton
7/20	DR	Rally		Memorial Pic-Tour Rally	Dublin
7/20	LPR	Autocross		Region Autocross	Marina
7/20	MBR	Concours	Concours #5	Monterey Concours	TBD
7/25	RR	PCA Hospitality		ALMS	Infineon
7/26	Zone 7	Driver's Ed		High Speed School	Thunderhill
8/2	GGR	Autocross		Region Autocross	TBD
8/3	GGR	Concours	Concours #6	Carlsen Swap/Concours	Palo Alto
8/9&10	GGR	Time Trial	TT #4	Region Time Trial	Thunderhill
8/10	RR	Autocross		Region Autocross	Santa Rosa Airport
8/17/03	MBR	Monterey Historic races (Ford)			Laguna Seca
8/23/03	LPR	Autocross	Auto-x #5	Zone Autocross	Marina
8/24/03	GGR	Autocross	Auto-x #6	Zone Autocross	Marina
9/6/03	GGR	Rally	Rally #4	Coyote Run #3	TBA
9/7/03	LPR	Autocross		Region Autocross	Marina
9/7/03	DR	Concours	Concours #7	Blackhawk Plaza	Danville
9/7/03	RR	Autocross		Region Autocross	Santa Rosa Airport
9/13/03	GGR	Autocross		Region Autocross	TBD
9/20/03	SVR	Rally	Rally #5	Carrera de Sierra	Sacto/Graeagle
9/27/03	GGR	Autocross		Region Autocross	TBD
9/28/03	RR	Concours	Concours #8	Ledson Winery	Santa Rosa
10/5/03	Zone 7	Club Race		U.S Sports Car Invitational	Mazda/Laguna Seca
10/11/03	GGR	Rally	Rally #6	event TBA	TBA
10/12/03	SVR	Swap Meet		Regional Swap meet	Silverstar Motors



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# Diablo Calendar: 2003

## July

- 1 Board Meeting
- 4 "4th" Pizza and Porsches
- 17 Thursday Dinner Out
- 20 Pic-Tour Rally
- 26/27 Gold Country SierraTour

## August

- 1 Pizza and Porsches
- 5 Board Meeting
- 21 Thursday Dinner Out
- 24 Bay Tour and Sail

## September

- 2 Board Meeting
- 5 Pizza and Porsches
- 7 Blackhawk Concours
- 13 Tech Session: Tires
- 18 Thursday Dinner Out



Bob Lee from Livermore; Jim Pasha's last Diablo breakfast before moving.

## October

- 3 Pizza and Porsches
- 7 Board Meeting
- 16 Thursday Dinner Out

## November

- 4 Board Meeting
- 7 Pizza and Porsches
- 15 Ryde Hotel Tour
- 20 Thursday Dinner Out

## December

- 2 Board Meeting
- 5 Pizza and Porsches
- 19 Thursday Dinner Out

## January 2004

- 3 Pizza and Porsches
- 6 Board Meeting



Phil Eskildsen listens to another first time visitor to our Coco's breakfast.

## Saturday Breakfast

8 A.M. at Coco's,  
7944 Dublin Blvd.,  
(at San Ramon Rd.)  
Dublin

West or east on 580,  
exit to San Ramon Rd.,  
proceed north to first light.

## Pizza & Porsches

1st Friday, 7 P.M.  
Pavlo's Pizza  
2408 Twin Creeks,  
San Ramon

## Board of Directors Meeting

First Tuesday, 7 P.M.  
Mostly at Brian's home

## Thursday Night Dinner Out

3rd Thurs., 6:30 P.M.  
Rocco's Ristorante  
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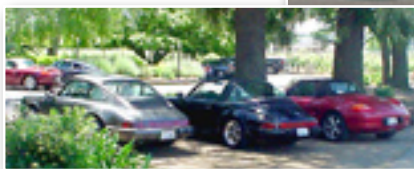


It is a Porsche takeover! 13 Porsches with not one interloper to spoil the symetry. Coco's lot in Dublin gets transformed nearly every Saturday morning. Come join us.

# Saturday Drive: Napa

May 17, 2003

Organized by  
Clar and Frank Cunningham



## Driving Events



Diablo Region had participants and instructors at the Zone autocross school. Vern and Howard

Thomas are getting involved enough to have race numbers and to begin planning for new tires. Mike Muel-



ler brought his "new" 911 which is nearly identical to Alan King-  
sley's black C2.

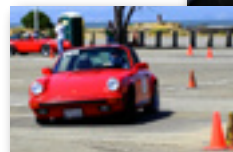


Alan may be the most serious of the lot since he ran at the Golden Gate Fields autocross two weeks later.



One of Alan's competitors said he was looking very smooth.

In the meantime, Ken Jones continues on his battle for



the Li class lead and an eventual championship.

Some of us are beginning to warm up to the new Infineon name (was Sears Point) after seeing the wall ads of Porsche Cup racers with Infineon sponsorship. Jack Carpenter's photo of big brothers watching over Porsche #87 tells the story well.



I am not aware of any Diablo drivers in the Wine Country vintage races, but several of us enjoyed the Redwood Region Porsche Corral while checking out old favorites, in the paddock. Some were fortunate to be invited to the Jaguar festivities while others walked all the way back there only to be turned away.



The Porsche GT3 RS just won the LM GT class and all top six places at Le Mans, thus winning the class every time it has entered; Porsche has won the GT class for eight straight years. In the 52 years Porsche has run at Le Mans, it has won a class or overall 47 % of the time.

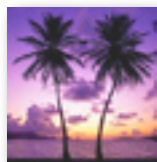
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**Second:** Mail the tour payment (new deadline is July 10) which will cover dinner, tasting and lunch plus tour extras. Checks should be payable to: **PCA Diablo Region**, (\$170 couple; \$90 single) and sent to: **Jack & Cathy Kuhn, 8429 Creekside Drive, Dublin, CA 94568**. Original deadline was July 1, so call to check availability.

**Third:** Arrive Saturday, July 26, at Coco's in Dublin for an after 8:00 A.M. breakfast departure.

**Questions:** Call Cathy (925.829.8140) between 7:00 P.M. and 9:00 P.M.

**Come have summer fun and learn  
"Where's Arnold?" !!**



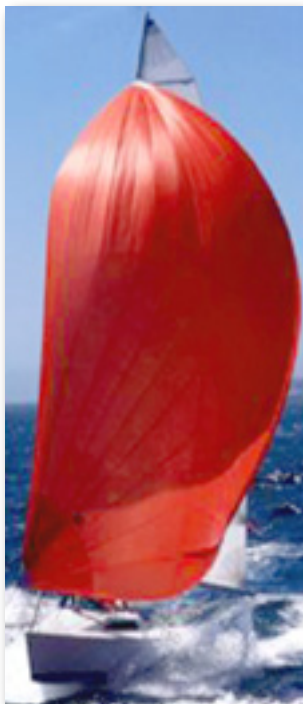


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**Breakfast, Tour and Sail**  
**Sunday, August 24, 2003**



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We will sail the Bay in three chartered sailboats in groups of six or eight per boat. Each boat will have two departures.

While waiting for your sail time or after sailing, you are invited to use the club facilities to relax and have a drink or snack.

Assemble for our optional no-host breakfast at 8:00 A.M. at the IHOP restaurant at the corner of Morello and Arnold Dr. in Martinez (one block north of the Hwy. 4 Morello interchange). The restaurant may be crowded, so come early enough to start the tour at 9:30 A.M. Ask for seating in the back room if space is available.

Participation will be limited to the first 40 club members or guests to submit their checks for \$10 per person payable to Diablo PCA to J. Carpenter 161 Cragmont Dr., Walnut Creek 94598. Questions? Call Jack or Jan at 925/930-6909



## Wash 'n Shine

Organized by Irwin Scott  
& John Williams

Sunday, May 25, 2003

Sponsored by AutoAffair



Right & left,  
second row from  
top: People's Choice

1962 356:  
Best of Show.

## Wash 'n Shine Results

Name	Porsche	Year	Total	Place	Class
Bill Goodwin	356	1962	101.5	1	356
Fred Klink & Dori	356A Speedster	1958	100.25	2	356
Cliff Dodd	356 Roadster	1960	98.25	3	356
Dean Vanni	914-6	1970	100	1	914
Nate Walker	914	1974	99.75	2	914
Anthony Siino	914	1974	99.5	3	914
Ken Brown	912 Coupe	1966	102	1	911/912: Pre '74
Wallace McClymont	912 Coupe	1967	101.25	2	911/912: Pre '74
Ron Briggs	911T	1973	100.75	3	911/912: Pre '74
Lee Mlesnek	911	1974	100	1	911/912: '74-89 <sup>1</sup>
Rey Alamares	930	1978	98.75	2	911/912: '74-89 <sup>1</sup>
Jun Ignacio	911	1984	98	3	911/912: '74-89 <sup>1</sup>
Paul Rago	Carerra	1986	99	1	911/912: '74-89 Open <sup>2</sup>
Jim Gaeta	Speedster	1989	97.75	2	911/912: '74-89 Open <sup>2</sup>
Victor Raziani	993 Cabriolet	1997	98.5	1	911 '90-98
Grant Tabucci	964	1991	98.25	2	911 '90-98
Laura Hollabaugh	911	1991	98	3	911 '90-98
Dave Caspazian	944	1984	95	1	924/944/968/928
Nicole Mussinger	928 S4	1991	82.5	2	924/944/968/928
Richard Sanders	928	1980	77	3	924/944/968/928
Calvin Synigal	Boxster S	2003	97.25	1	986 Boxster
Gale/Mike Vorkapich	986 Boxster	2002	97	2	986 Boxster
Maureen Dobrich	Boxster S	2000	96.5	3	986 Boxster
Don Clark	996 Cabriolet	1999	98	1	996/911
Brent Morgan	996 Turbo X-50	2003	96.75	2	996/911
Jim Gaeta	996	1999	96.25	3	996/911
Eddy Chase	911	1974	100	1	Competition prepared
Jack Kuhn	914-6 GT	1970	99	2	Competition prepared
Ernie King	914-6	1970	1.5	1	Exhibition
Mike Mueller	911	1991	1	2	Exhibition
Joe Hartman	911	1974	0	3	Exhibition

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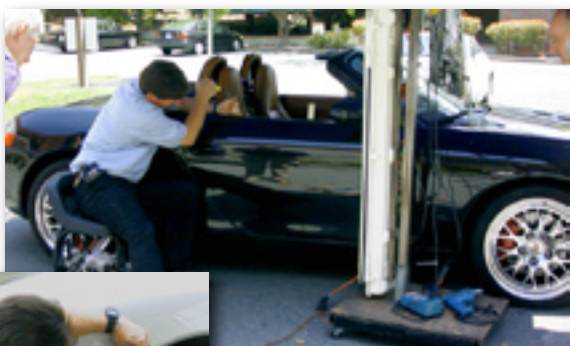
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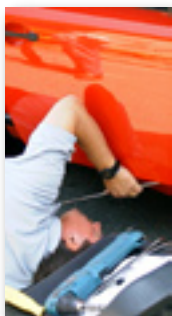


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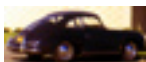
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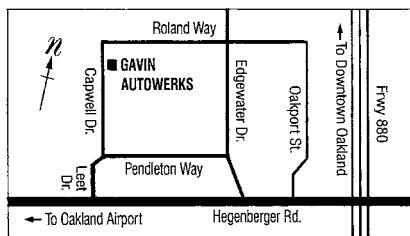
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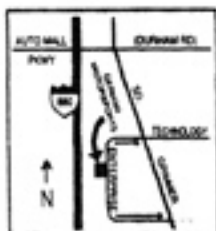
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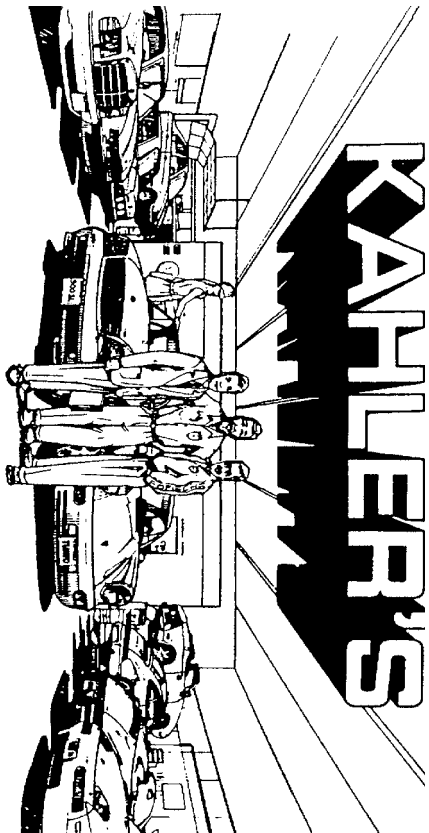
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