



Newsletter

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Dinner Details

Date: Wed., July 19, 2006

Place: Los Altos Golf and Country Club

Time: 6:15—9:00 pm

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Introduction

As much as we talk about deals in this newsletter it is worth occasionally highlighting here the equally important social aspect of the Band. This part is always on display, such as during the cocktail hour before our monthly dinner, or in the way many members linger with each other for as much as an hour after it is over—and, since this socializing is so often obviously in front of us, it is made mention of rarely in the newsletter.

But to use a literary paraphrase which Hans would have liked: *just as man does not live on bread alone, the Band does not live on deal flow alone.* We make every effort to support the conviviality that gave rise to the Band in the first place, and to make more opportunities for establishing bonds between members. The different committees are one avenue in which this is done—if you haven't attended one of these meetings in the past, they tend to be fun and guests are welcome! (but be sure to RSVP with us, last month it was standing room only).



The dinners are another avenue for social interaction, and the two parties we put on are a third. These photos are from last month's wine party. We had 151 people attend this event at the Kohl mansion, up from the 109 who attended the wine event last year at Fogarty's. The roast beef remained hidden (at least to me) in a side room, and while the spread out venue made the actual record attendance seem smaller, the feedback we got was very positive.



What do you think? No one likes to complain about a party but we really do want your honest feedback. Please give it to us: is the Kohl Mansion a good place, too far north, too anything else? We have other venues in mind for next year and might try others...the goal is to maintain the best angel group in the nation. This means we have to have the best deals, of course, but also the best parties!

- Ian