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Fortunately there was still more than ample room for all the “Luxury” features of the evening. It started by walking on the red carpet from the valet parking, given a name tag, presented with some raffle tickets and handed your first glass of champagne. There were several high end restaurants providing great food samples. The roast beef with petit rolls tasted great as did the spring rolls, the shrimp with dip, the brie plus a wide selection of other cheeses along with fancy crackers and a hearty Mexican dish and even some mashed potatoes for those that were really hungry. However I’ve got to say that the luxury food that I remember most was the caviar with crème fraiche with suitable toppings. After tasting the forgoing, then there were several desserts but the one I remember was a nice selection of cookies for the sweet tooth.

The refreshments upheld the luxury tag with a variety of beers and soft drinks and water plus several of the tables were serving a variety of wines (no two-buck Chuck here). Among the refreshments, the surprise and prize here was the Kettle One Martini Bar. I was told the Martinis were excellent and they offered some other hard liquor—having to drive the E-

type all the way back to the Santa Cruz Mountains nixed that option.

Fortunately it was a very temperate evening so another luxury ingredient did quite well. That was the Cuban Cigar Bar. Rare and vintage cigars were available to those who appreciate the smell of a good cigar and there was quite a group outside participating in the almost forgotten process of enjoying a good cigar while relaxing and talking—about the new Jaguar I hope.

A piano, with a piano player, was on site to provide an appropriate soft background for all the festivities.

The management greeted everybody—at the door and later over the PA system. Ken Boswell, General Manager, introduced the owner of the Auto Group, Sam Linder and both extended a warm welcome to all in attendance. Later a number of great gifts were raffled off including one from Tiffany’s. Also in attendance was Davy Jones, a race car driver of some renown and everybody seemed to be having a good time.

Now it is time to buy a new Jaguar—or a select edition Jaguar—and Monterey has a nice selection available!



*Larry and his daughter Darla getting the evening under way with the champagne (left)*



*Jaguar on twenty foot pedestal greets all visitors to Monterey Jaguar Martinis on the bar for all (left)*



*Davy Jones, the race car driver, entertaining the group with some of his racing experiences*