



# Team Pantera OC

## October 2018 Newsletter

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### Are You Ready for a Party?

**It's Christmas Party Time! Join us for another great Christmas Brunch Party at the Alta Vista Country Club. Drive your Pantera and park in the area reserved just for you.**

**Tickets are just \$45 each, but OCPantera members receive a \$5 discount on each ticket. Ticket deadline is November 23....see the flyer for more details.**

**Don't forget, Elvis will be in the house to entertain you!**

# October Past Event



Don and Laura Byars opened their Full Throttle Pantera Shop for OCPanteras to visit, and see some of the cars Don is building for his customers, and also talk about his brand of Panteras. Don is a great supporter of OCPanteras and a favorite at our Pantera Palooza.



This month's featured Pantera 4sale is a 1972 with 57,512 miles, 351C rated 404hp at 5800rpm. New 17" wheels and metal GTS style flairs. \$74,995 obo. Make it your's or phone a friend. Call PI Motorsports for the particulars. [714-744-1398](tel:714-744-1398)

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## It's Election Time!

**We elect our 2019 OCPanteras Board at our November General Meeting. You must be present at the meeting to vote. Here's your opportunity to get involved and contribute to your Chapter.**

**We have many places for you to share your talents. Don't just stand on the sidelines....get in the game and make a contribution. You could even be the editor of this newsletter! Look, if the current editor can do it.....surely you can!**



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## OCPanteras October Blog

I enjoy touring private vintage car collections.....probably about 20 collections this year. They've ranged from two car home garages with three cars stuffed into them, to a three story mega-collection that included an art gallery and library, as well as full restoration shop with everything including a modern filtered spray booth. OCPanteras has had the opportunity to enjoy two of those collections earlier this year. We visited Don Murray's Collection in Irvine, and Rick Lorenzen's Collection in Dominguez Hills.

One collection I visited this month was Dr. Fred Simeone's Collection of vintage race cars. It's housed in an old 100,000sqft manufacturing building near an airport. I don't know how many millions his collection is worth, but one of the cars is the Shelby Daytona Coupe prototype. I don't think this car has any race history. It was built to figure out how to build the 5 race cars that would go on to win the World Sports Car Championship. Still, I think he paid \$7MM for it! Dr Simeone led the tour through his entire collection, including the 1938 Alfa Romeo 8C 2900B, his favorite car. This is generally considered a generational car; so rare and so valuable, they only come up for sale once in a generation. Similar cars have sold for \$20MM. At the end of our tour Fred got both cars out and drove them around behind the building so we could see and hear them driving.

A friend asked if I feel jealous when I see these collections. That thought never occurred to me. I'm just so excited to see the cars and the venues. Like Don and Rick, Fred is



