



Orange County Panteras
March 2019 Newsletter

Happy March OC Pantera members!

We welcome returning member

Jim Kucera

Any Thoughts on newsletter content?
I will appreciate helpful feedback.

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PI Motorsports Open House



P.I. Motorsports' Open House *by Al Arakawa*

The rosso corsa-red car arriving at P.I. Motorsports' Open House had most of the visual clues indicating it was a Pantera, but the Ferrari

headlights and wide fender flares confused the volunteers who arrived early to prepare for the event. Jerry Sackett of P.I. Motorsports has, for several years, hosted an open house event at his shop in the city of Orange, California. He was hosting yet another on February 23, 2019, providing lunch, live music and the trophies.

The red Pantera was driven by owner Mark Dattilo who explained that the headlights were, in fact, from a Ferrari, replacing the original “pop-ups.” The beautifully flared fenders were installed on the cars’ wheel wells by Mark over several weeks of careful sculpturing. The finished car looked fantastic, earning the trophy for “Most Extreme Pantera.”

It was another fun and successful event with over a dozen Panteras and several other exotic cars. The photos accompanying this article reveals that exotics such as a Ford GT, a Dodge Viper, a McLaren and a Porsche 356, among others, joined the festivities during which trophies for four additional categories were presented: Gordon Albrecht for Best Interior, Jay Stewart for Best Paint, Alan Niedzwiecki for Best Non-Pantera (Ford GT) and “yours truly” for Best of Show. Orange County Panteras thanked Jerry and wife Hilary with a dinner gift certificate but, more than that, we wish to extend our sincere gratitude for the incredible hospitality of the Sacketts.



Annual Valentine's Breakfast 2/9/19





ORANGE COUNTY PANTERAS' VALENTINE'S BRUNCH By Al Arakawa

Not related to any automotive theme, Orange County Panteras' Valentine's Brunch is seen as one of our very special events.

Chapter Board Members Gayle Huff and Gary Hirschberg organized the annual celebration occurring this year on Saturday, February 9th, at the 17th Street Grill in Tustin, California, and it was another great success. With approximately 40 (members and families) attending, the gathering was treated to music by the very talented Gary Medeiros and Marilyn Mac of the Dizzy Biz. Brunch and the music was followed by our prize drawings, which included bottles of wine, wine glasses, alcoholic mixers, liquor and.....toys for the youngsters. Yea, the prize table looked a little odd.

A big "THANK YOU" to Gayle and Gary (no, they're not a couple) for the work in organizing the event.

Private Garage Tour 3/23/19



Private Garage Tour
Saturday, 3/23/19

10AM to 2PM

Orange County is home to some of the finest private car collections. This very special collection includes a spectacular DeTomaso Vallelunga

Premium parking for Panteras
Overflow street parking also available.

5452 Oceanus Drive, Huntington Beach
CA 92649

Lunch to follow at a local restaurant.
Save the Date! Saturday, March 23, 2019

????? Scott 949-683-6264

This event is for OC Panteras Members Only



General Meeting 3rd Wed, 7PM, 17th Street Grill, Tustin
ocpanteras.com for more information

Pantera Palooza 2019!



**Jamboree & Picnic
Sunday, May 5, 2019
10AM to 2PM**

**Mason Regional Park, Irvine, CA
18712 University Drive at Culver**

Park your car on the lawn 'Pebble Beach Style'
and relax at the 5th Annual Mega-Gathering of
Panteras! Join us for a family friendly picnic.
\$25 Vehicle Pre-Reg (\$40 after April 25, 2019)

Bring your own picnic lunch or buy a
Hot BBQ Lunch \$20 (last day to buy 4/25)
w/all the fixin's including Drink
All DeTomaso vehicles welcome

Save the Date Sunday May 5, 2019
Entry Form & ?? Greg Ford 562-418-3406
OC Parks Charges \$5 Entry/Vehicle



'Car-Turf' & 'Festiv
Viewing Lawn' open
8AM...enjoy free Coffee
Donuts



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Automotive News and Events

NASCAR Auto Club 400 - Auto Club Speedway March 15-17

The Classic Auto Show - OC Fairgrounds March 16-17

Good Guys Nationals - Del Mar Fairgrounds April 5-7

Grand Prix of Long Beach April 12-14

Pantera Palooza - Mason Regional Park , Irvine May 5

Fabulous Fords Forever - Anaheim Stadium April 14

Pantera Night at Cruisin Grand June 26 or July 10

Belmont Car Show - Second St. Belmont Shores September 9

**For listing of all local car clubs, shows, cruise nights, and
cars & coffee, check out:**

SoCalCarCulture.com

Know of an upcoming event? Please, let us know.

March Meeting 3/20/19

OC Panteras 2019 Events



OC Panteras
2019 Event Calendar

Jan 19 - Flo's Diner, & Chino Air Museum
Morning canyon drive for breakfast & Chino Museum

Feb 9 - Valentine's Breakfast+Cars&Coffee
Cars & Breakfast & Fun Games! 17th St Grill

Feb 23 - Open House at PI Motorsports
Cars & Lunch & The Band! w/Trophies!

Mar 23 - Private Garage Tour & Lunch
Have you ever seen a restored Vallelunga? + Lunch

April 20 - Palooza Prep&Roadworthy Tech
Fluid Changes/Safety Focus

May 5 - Pantera Palooza V
Sunday in the park car show & family picnic

June 5-9 - POCA Fun Rally

June 22 - 3D Printing Tour
Learn the process and machines + Lunch

July 20 - Tech Session 2
See what's in-store

Aug 24 - Private Garage Tour & Lunch
These have become too popular to miss! + Lunch

Aug 24 - Int'l "Drive Your Pantera Day"
Drive your Pantera & add your photo to Profiles

Sept 22 - Old Time Ice Cream Social
Return of one of our most popular summer events

Oct 18 - Manufacturing Tour & Lunch

Nov 23 - Tech Session 3
Mystery Tech Event

Dec 8 - OC Panteras Christmas Brunch
Country Club Fun! Drive your Pantera & Win!

Dec 28 - Gondola Getaway Cruise
Christmas lights of Naples canals, wine & dinner!

Details in event flyers and at General Meetings

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The 2019 Calendar has something for everyone. We kick things off with a spirited morning drive through Carbon Canyon to Flo's in Chino, followed by a visit to the Chino Air Museum, and finish with our Gondola Cruise of Naples. In between, we have tech sessions, private garage tours, manufacturing tours, and more.....and don't forget the Grand Daddy of all, Pantera Palooza V!

