



Orange County Panteras
December 2018 Newsletter



Christmas Brunch 2018

Christmas Brunch was special because:

1. **Freddie Peak** donated a lifetime Pantera memorabilia collection, from her late husband Don Peak, for the Raffle.
2. **We had a room with a great view of the golf course.**
3. **Elvis was in the house!**
4. **Prime Rib, Ham, Omletes, Pasta Bar, Waffles, and More!**
5. **All of the above!**

Yes, all of the above! The raffle was easily our best ever. Best selection of Pantera specific items, plus the usual great assortment of gift cards and Christmas themed items.

Wow, what a raffle!

Thank you Gayle Huff, Bob and Joy Singer, and Roger and Maggie Banowetz!

OC Panteras Election Results

President - Open

Vice President - Gary Hirschberg

Treasurer - Bob Singer

Secretary - John Maloney

Member-At-Large - Al Arakawa

Member-At-Large - Gayle Huff

Member-At-Large - Greg Ford

Member-At-Large - Roger Banowetz

Member-At-Large - Glen Chancellor

Congratulations to Your 2019

OC Pantera Board

OC Panteras Charitable Gift



OC Panteras giving back!

Treasurer Bob Singer delivered the Orange County Panteras' \$500 donation to Children's Hospital of Orange County.

Thanks also to Al Arakawa for being there to take this picture to record the event.



Sotheby's held an auction at the Petersen Museum in Los Angeles earlier this month, and this 1974 Pantera L was sold for \$134.4K.

My favorite was Adam Carolla's Lamborghini Miura that sold for \$2.2M, but the crowd favorite was the \$22M 1956 Ferrari 290MM!

If you bought any one of these three cars, please give this editor a call!



Fabulous Ford's Forever has a new logo and a new home! Anaheim Stadium will be the new home to this regions largest one-day Ford Show. Mark April 14, 2019 on your calendar now! Entry forms will be available after New Years.

EXTREME PANTERAS

FOREWORD BY TOM TJAARDA



A PHOTO ARCHIVE BY DAVID AND LINDA ADLER

Check your mail for your latest issue of *Profiles* from POCA. Our first Drive Your Pantera Day entries and winners are in the Q4 issue. This is an OC Panteras sponsored event, and the winner received an autographed copy of Dave and Linda Adlers newest book, *Extreme Panteras*. Dave and Linda generously donated the book for the winner.

This is a spectacular book, and if it was on your Christmas list and Santa forgot it (we all seem to get forgetful as we get older!) it's not too late. You can order your own copy from [the detomasobooks.com](http://the-detomasobooks.com) link.

PANTERA PALOOZA

**Save
the
Date!**

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

You've either been to the Palooza, or said to yourself, "I should be there!"....well, get ready to park your car on the lawn for the 5th Annual Mega-Gathering of Panteras! Join us for a family friendly picnic in Irvine, CA. Spread a blanket on the grass next to your car, or just sit in the shade and enjoy another killer BBQ lunch!

**Plan early for this special 2019 event!
Save the Date, Sunday May 5, 2019
All deTomaso & 'Powered by Ford'
Applications will be sent out in January
Questions?? Greg Ford 562-418-3406**



Orange County Panteras

General Meeting 3rd Wed, 7PM, 17th Street Grill, Tustin

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OC Panteras December Blog

We're at the end of another year and an opportunity to reflect on the last five years. We've seen lots of changes.

First, we have a new name, Orange County Panteras, that reflects where we are and why we are. Team Pantera Orange County served us well for over 30 years, but our new name aligns with all of our on-line names and addresses including our website, email, and financial transactions. We now have our own chapter email account and PayPal account with our name.

We have a new newsletter platform at MailChimp that allows us to create and distribute a graphical based monthly newsletter with analytics that helps us know how effectively we're communicating with our members and knowing what's most important to you.

We are a healthier chapter with more members, more participation in our events and monthly meetings, and on a much better footing financially with two years run rate in our treasury.

After bouncing around for awhile, we have a new home for the last few years at 17th Grill in Tustin. It affords us great food and a private room to hold meetings and events.

We do a better job of planning with a written agenda for all our Board meetings, written minutes that are reviewed and approved each month, a written budget for each year that's reviewed each month to help us stay on track and also invest financially in certain events to improve the experience for our members.

For all five years, we've had a full year calendar of monthly events that tells our members what activities to expect for the entire year.

We have new graphical/video based monthly meetings with Headlights and Taillights, monthly financial summaries, past event videos, collector car videos, and more. We have more guest speakers including David Adler, Lance Nist, Matt Stone, and Pantera vendors like Scott Bell.

Hopefully, we do a better job of communicating with you, our members. Besides the new newsletter, we have event flyers in a convenient 4X6 post-it-on-your-refrigerator format. Regular email reminders and event follow ups.

Let's not forget about monthly events! We continue to support favorite annual events like the Gondola Cruise and Christmas Brunch, and have added some new favorites like the Valentines Breakfast, PI Motorsports Open House and the Old Time Ice Cream Social.

Besides the annual events, Private garage tours have become very popular with two this last year, a Poker Run with three great stops and lunch afterwards, but the highlight of the year was the Meet & Greet with Jay Leno!

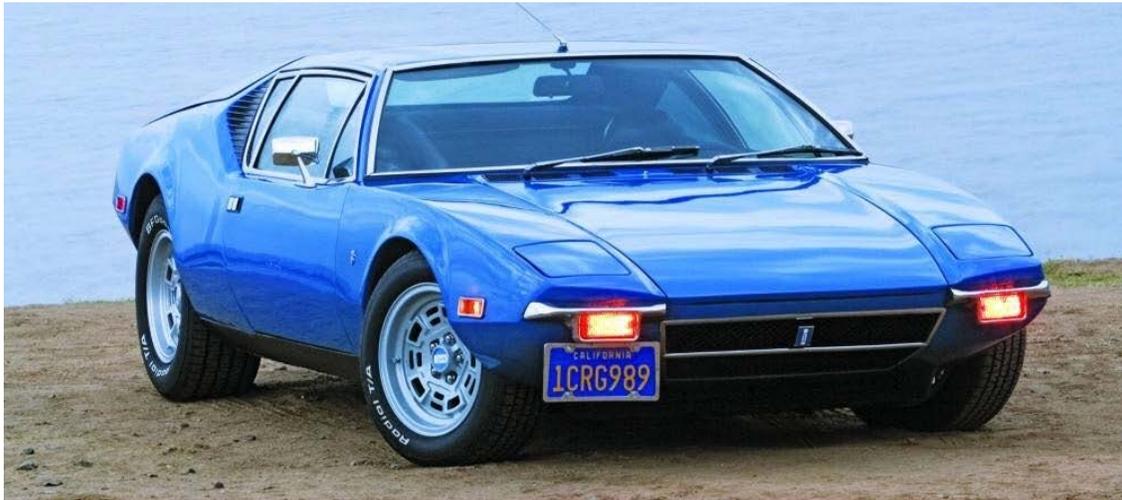
Our signature event now is Pantera Palooza, the largest deTomaso car show in the world! We are already planning for the fifth Palooza! This regional

event is dominated by participation from the five local chapters of POCA, but also has participation from Northern California and Arizona. It's easily the largest annual one-day gathering of the DeTomaso community worldwide. We offer a great catered lunch, event t-shirts, lots of free snacks throughout the day, awards (and sometimes tequila), all in an efficient and compact 4 hr window.

We've supported POCA during a very tumultuous time with more content in their newsletter and *Profiles* than any other chapter.

Clearly, we've had a great 5 years. Along the way we've had the chance to have some fun, get to know Jay Leno, Chip Foose, and Matt Stone a little better, and hopefully keep our Panteras running better too. But, we need your help to continue to provide a world class chapter. The OC Panteras Board is changing. They can use your help. Support the Chapter by regularly attending the General Meetings and monthly events. Help the Board identify interesting guest speakers, offer to plan an event or pitch in and help organize one. Together, we can make the next five years better than the last five.

Thanks for reading these monthly blogs. Support the new editor by contributing interesting content on a regular basis. It's been a fun journey. Thanks for the opportunity. Signing off.



Jokes for Car Guys

A genie walked into a bar and told me she would grant me only one of two wishes.

Would I like a better memory or a faster Pantera?

Which did I choose?

I don't remember!

Gondola Cruise of Naples

Our last event of 2018 is our annual Gondola Cruise of Naples in Long Beach. What a great way to end a great year! Deadline to pay is Saturday, December 22. Don't be left standing on the dock....get in that boat and enjoy the cruise. See the flyer for details.



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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!

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