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### **Our Cover This Month**

*Top: The Summer Party crowd takes a break before dessert. Story and photos begin on page 16. Sheila Kutkus photo. Bottom: 1946 Alfa Romeo 6C2500S Pi-nin Farina Cabriolet Special at the Pebble Beach Concours d'Elegance. See more beginning on page 22. Photo by Jeff Srinivasan.*

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## Previews ... *What's coming up and when.*

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**September 13** – Special AROSC Club Concours #3 at the Autry Center in Griffith Park, 7:30 AM-1:00 PM. See adflyer on page 10.

**September 20-21** – Coronado Speed Festival, San Diego. Take in some terrific vintage racing action, check out our Navy's latest equipment, and share good times with Club members. See article page 12.

**September 27-28** – Time Trial and Race, Buttonwillow Raceway, Buttonwillow. Info on page 15.

**October 18** – Dash and Dine 2014. A day drive to Palmdale, with lunch at Pat and Cindy's. See adflyer page 14.

**November 2** – Best of France & Italy Car Show in Woodley Park, Van Nuys. See ad on page 21.

NOTE: Club Concours #3 has been moved to Sept. 13; see above.

**November 8-9** – School, HPDE, Time Trial and Race Instruction, Streets of Willow. See adflyer page 15.

**November 22** – Elections and Tech session TBD.

**December 13** – Holiday Party, Redondo Beach. Ring out the year with wine tasting, door prizes and a sumptuous spread of culinary delights from your fellow members. Someday we'll do that recipe book! Info on page 27.



Note: Board of Directors meetings are generally held on the last Thursday of the month. Anyone with business to bring before the Board is requested to please contact Il Presidente Mike Riehle.



*Hey, kids, can you tell me what kind of car this is? And do you think you can find the other one in this issue? Big prizes for the first correct answer! Stan Deller photo.*

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## FROM THE TOP ... *the Word from Il Presidente*

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The event for the end of July was the Summer Party at Chuck and Jan Cline's. We ate, drank and socialized as always. The turnout was excellent and we enjoyed the company of several new and seldom-seen Alfisti. Charlie Schwartz's quick wit as auctioneer made the White Turkey Auction an entertaining affair. Our thanks to Chuck and Jan and everyone else who helped make the event a big success. Saying last month that Chuck wanted to clean out his garage a bit turned out to be a masterful understatement. Jim Barrett bought a set of four wheels and tires. Lots of people snapped up Alfa-related apparel. And Chris and I scored several collectible books and magazines in the new silent auction. Overall, the Club netted nearly \$350 from the auctions.

I spent some time talking to Alan Ward at the party. Many of you are familiar with Ward & Deane springs for 105 cars. Alan confided that he used 700# front / 200# rear spring rates as suggested by Trevor Harris. It turns out they were and are friends from way back. Speaking of springs, I bought some Dave Rugh springs for the Sprint. They are about twice as stiff as stock which makes the Sprint about as stiff as a stock 105 car. The ride is still quite soft and it still leans in the turns, but not like before.

Chris and I didn't make it to Monterey this year. She threw her back out and is recovering, but was not ready to risk a relapse. Word is the Little Car Show, the Pebble Tour, dinner at the Loose Noodle and the dinner party at the Clark's were all



*Il Prez, still smiling in this Official Portrait by Ken Sizemore.*

wonderful. Alfa Romeo participation at Concorso Italiano was down some this year. A few of us weren't happy when they moved the event to Saturday and apparently so were 30+ others. That said, the new venue is beautiful and there were some very nice '50s Maseratis this year.

September 13 brings up a new event that has not previously been on the calendar. We are holding our third and final 2014 Club Concours event of the year at the Autry National Center in Griffith Park. (See page 10 for more details.) If you have never toured the Autry, it is a worthy destination all by itself. Our Concours Chair, Jeff Srinivasan, has requested RSVPs for this event as parking is at a premium there. Please give him the courtesy

of RSVPing early so Jeff can give the museum a headcount.

The vintage car races in Coronado are the very next weekend. Last year, a small contingent scouted the event and made a favorable report. It's like the Monterey Historics, but imagine \$35 for a weekend pass! Everything is much more manageable with smaller crowds, less dirt, much less challenge getting hotel accommodations, and it's closer to home for most of us. The First Lady and I are signed up. If you aren't signed up yet, see page 12 and/or go to the AROSC website.

October 18 brings up the fall

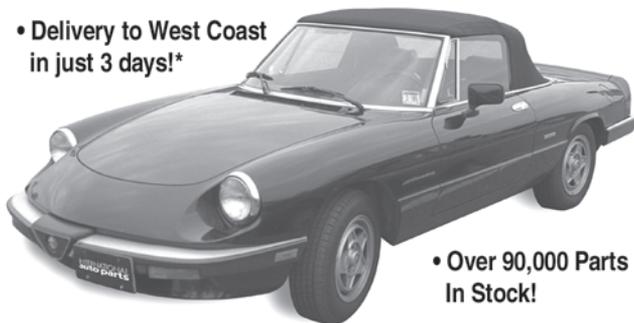
Dash and Dine. Steve Edelman will chart us a course along back roads to Palmdale which will bring us to lunch at Pat and Cindy Terrisse's. This is a Steve's third Day Tour, but it is sure to be an adventure for all of us. Please RSVP early.

It is election time again! We have managed to recruit 10 candidates for 9 positions, so do your civic duty and VOTE!

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— Mike and Chris

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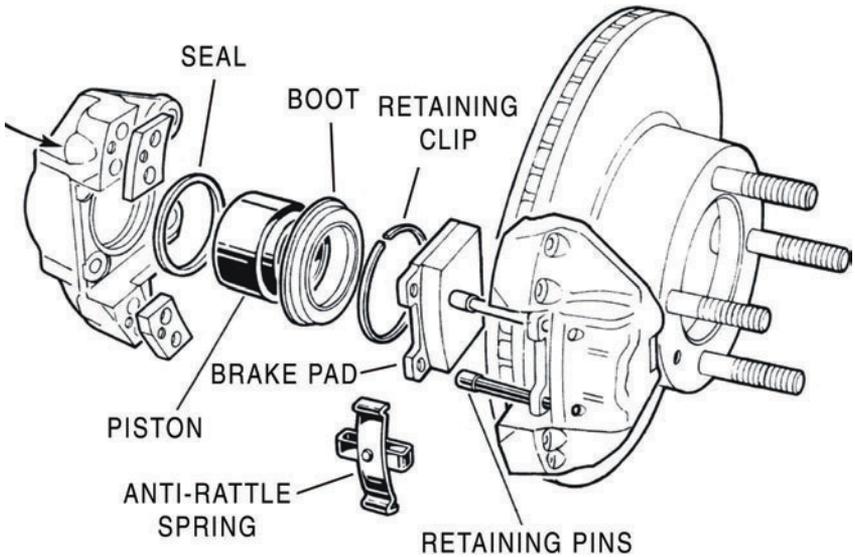
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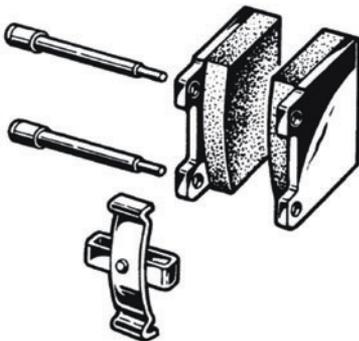
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# The Tech Guy ... *Braking Up Is Easy To Do, Part 2*



In the previous issue we disassembled the brake calipers and removed the old pads. All you need to do now is to insert the new pads, replace the anti-rattle spring and insert the retaining pins.

However, you probably noticed that the new pads will not fit into the space available. That is because as the pads wear, the pistons protrude farther and farther to compensate for the wear. It is necessary to push the pistons fully into the calipers before



you can insert the new pads. This is where the piston spreader comes in (see above). If you have one, insert the blades into the caliper on both sides of the rotor and turn the handle to open the blades, then push the pistons back into the caliper. They need to be pressed in all the way. Alternatively you can use a large screwdriver to pry between the rotor and the piston. I recommend the piston spreader; they are readily available for less than \$50.

By the way, pushing the pistons in moves brake fluid from the calipers to the master cylinder reservoir which may make the reservoir overflow, so you may need to remove some fluid from the reservoir first. Brake fluid will remove paint, so if it does overflow, wash it off with water immediately.

While the pistons are pressed in, take a look at the boots on the pistons. If they are torn it will be necessary to rebuild or replace the caliper. Assuming that they are okay, insert the new brake pads, install the anti-rattle spring and then insert the retaining pins. Use the hammer to fully insert the pins so that they don't fall out.

Repeat the above for the other side.

Replace the wheel, tighten down the lug nuts and lower the car to

the ground. Once the car is on the ground, retighten the lug nuts to the proper torque. Then check them again; having a wheel fall off can spoil any drive.

At this point you should press on the brake pedal a couple of times to take up any space in the system, and you should have a good firm pedal. Be careful the first couple of times you use the brakes after any brake work and listen for any unusual noises or pulling. If there is any problem, recheck everything and don't drive until it is fixed.

The AROC has copies of the official Alfa Romeo publications on ATE brakes. They are publications 1202 R1 and 1199 R1, available from the AROC website

– Gene Brown



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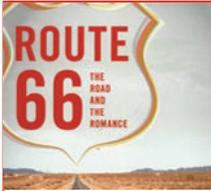
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# Special AROSC Club Concours

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***At The Autry National Center in Griffith Park  
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# CORONADO VINTAGE RACES

## Fleet Week Welcomes AROSC

### September 20-21



*Massive USN folding-wing turboprop transport on display. Photo by Jay Mackro.*

Remember how sportscar races used to be? Back in the 1950s, when they were held on military runways, when venues were uncrowded, easily accessible and reasonably priced? Well, you can discover, rediscover and enjoy that experience at the Coronado Speed Festival, September 20th-21st.

Drive an Alfa Romeo (or other collector car) and you can park right behind the grandstands; you'll need to obtain a corral pass in advance. The pits are open to spectators at Coronado, and the low-key nature of the competition allows the racers time to chat with spectators. Last fall, Alfa Romeo was well represented with about 20 racers among several paddocks full of comp cars. In addition to the races, there will be fixed wing aircraft, helicopters and amphibious vehicles on display, with military personnel who explain how they use this equipment.

Plan to stay in Old Town, San Diego, on Saturday night. You can leave the races when you are ready,

check in, enjoy the pool or just relax, and then get ready for dinner. At 6:30 we will walk into Old Town for a Mexican feast.

On Sunday you can return to the races (your corral pass is good for both days), explore Old Town on foot, or begin your drive home.

To attend this terrific event, you need to do four things:

- 1) Get your event tickets online at: <http://www.fleetweeksandiego.org/events/speed-fest.html>
  - 2) Book your hotel room by calling the Best Western Plus, 4041 Harney St. at 619.298.4707. There's no Club block due to the small size of this event; you're reserving individually.
  - 3) Request your corral pass from Hillary Griffith of AROC-SD at [hillarygriffith@cox.net](mailto:hillarygriffith@cox.net)
  - 4) Tell the AROSC who will be coming so we can give the restaurant a count by emailing: [info@arosc.org](mailto:info@arosc.org)
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*– Jay Mackro*

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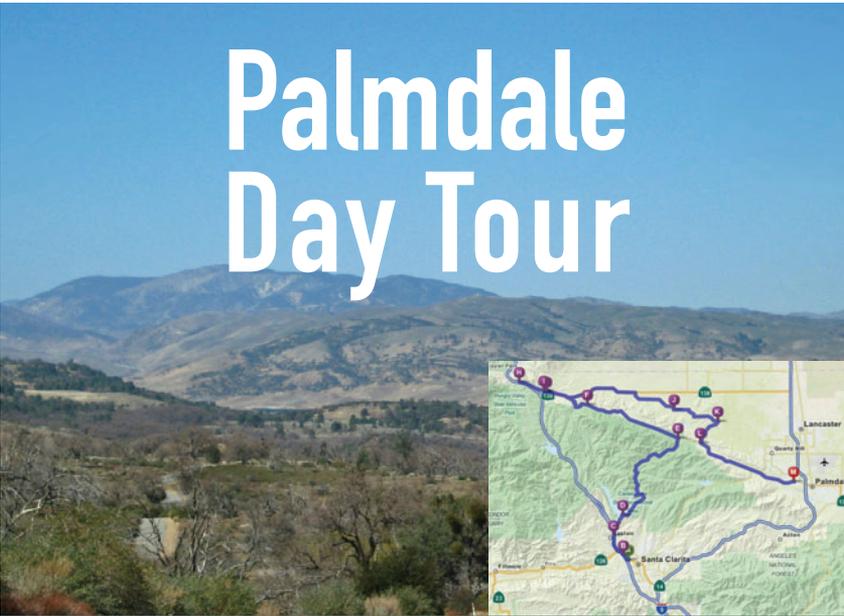
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*Italian Bread Sticks*

*Cheese Bread*

*Antipasto Salad*

*Pasta Fagioli Soup*

*Lasagna*

*Spaghetti*

*Spumoni Ice Cream*

*Tiramisu Cake*

Remember to bring a bottle of your favorite wine to share!

Please RSVP by October 3<sup>rd</sup> to Steve Edelman – [arsq90-ARSteve@yahoo.com](mailto:arsq90-ARSteve@yahoo.com)



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## 2014 Schedule

January 18-19 Big Willow - RACE-TT  
February 15-16 Streets of Willow - Driving School  
April 5-6 Chuckwalla - RACE-TT  
May 17-18 Cal Speedway Infield - RACE-TT  
September 27-28 Buttonwillow - RACE-TT  
November 8-9 Streets Of Willow - TBD - RACE-TT or School



**RACING** with AROSC is focused on having fun, competing with cars with similar speed potential. Car to car contact is NOT tolerated.



**TIME TRIALS** is a speed event similar to autocross, but run at higher speeds on a race track with other cars. All drivers compete for their best lap times. At these events, we offer HIGH-PERFORMANCE DRIVER ED sessions, open to drivers of all ages and skill levels. New drivers must attend classroom sessions. No competition is involved.



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upcoming track events at [www.aroschpd.org](http://www.aroschpd.org)

## Racing and School are Last Two Events of 2014

Registration is open for the races and time trials at Buttonwillow, September 27-28. Go to <http://tinyurl.com/ntgxfym> and sign up today.

Our November 8-9 event at Willow Springs will be another High Performance Driving School. Go to <http://tinyurl.com/mvxw993> to register now.

# Summer Party!!



*Chuck records sales as the crowd awaits the next lot. Margaret Napier photo.*

The 2014 AROSC Summer Party on Sunday, July 27th had 44 Alfisti in attendance, many of our regulars and several potential new members, plus out-of-staters Alan and Robyn Ward from Nevada, and Tina and Fred Firschein from Arizona. Guests arrived with so many good things to eat that we ran out of places to serve them – salads and pastas orbited around main courses on an overwhelmed dining room table, and desserts filled a corner of their own in the kitchen. Luckily, beverages could all be served outdoors.

New to the event this year was a silent auction that comprised a number of automotive magazine and book collections gleaned from donations found by Jan at the local Friends of the Library book store. It's amazing how many publications are donated to the Friends bookstore, often only

one step away from the dumpster. So Chuck reviews those that Jan drags home to determine their attractiveness for fellow Alfisti.



*Jan and Mary confer on silent auction items. T. Firschein photo.*

Our traditional White Turkey Auction was reprised, and Charlie Schwartz was kind enough to act as auctioneer for other treasures provided by guests. Charlie's energy and enthusiasm always makes for an entertaining auction. Items auctioned ranged from a Spica injection manifold, a battery box, a plethora of Mother's car care products, Alfa-related clothing, posters, plus a zucchini squash and two dozen eggs fresh from Jack and Jolene's SF Valley garden. We wish to thank Charlie again for keeping the auction moving and all of us engaged. Il Presidente reports on the funds raised elsewhere in this issue.

The monthly club meeting was short and informative as usual, emphasizing the schedule of upcoming activities and soliciting ideas for future events. And we look forward to seeing all of you again at those Club happenings.

– *Ciao, Jan and Chuck*



*The Paul, David and Fred Brain Trust solve the world's problems. Tina Firschein photo.*



*M.J., Jeff and Norm ask the Rhetorical Question of the Day: where are we? Sheila Kutkus photo.*



*Il Presidente conducts the general meeting. Sheila Kutkus photo.*



*Auction time, Carlo Schwartz presiding, and there are some great deals to be had. Steve Edelman photo.*



*Carlo calls the cucumber lot. Margaret Napier photo.*



*Chuck and Chuck check Jan's silent auction offerings. T. Firschein photo.*



*Jim and Dan review Fabio's fabulous auction find. Steve Edelman photo.*



*AROSC apparel going once ... going twice ... Steve Edelman photo.*



*Norm, Chuck Harget, Mike, Pat, Bruce, Fabio. Tina Firschein photo.photo.*



*Above: Luncheon is served, colorfully. Steve Edelman photo. Top right, Jayne, Norm and Fred, great lunch conversation. Lower right, David and Sheila. Tina Firschein photos.*



*Phyllis with Alan and Robyn Ward tell Fabio and the group stories of some fabulous Alfa race cars. Sheila Kutkus photo*



*Tina Firschein, Bonnie Schwartz and Cosa, Fred Firschein photo.*

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Although Club Concours #3 was held elsewhere this year, we'll have our Club Corral, plus a non-contest for a People's Choice Award. Come spend the day with us – bring lunch and a camera! Food is also available from vendors. All Alfas are welcome in our Club corral; if you want to park on the grounds with us the fee is \$20 in advance or \$25 at the gate. For full information and entry form please go to [www.franceanditaly.com](http://www.franceanditaly.com) before 10/25/14. See you there!

# Monterey Memories



*Alfa Romeo TZ3, AKA Viper at Concorso Italiano. All photos 22-23 by J&C Cline.*

## **We Came, We Saw, We Devoured Car Candy**

Monterey never ceases to impress, create memories and generate stories. This year's offerings were equal parts fun-with-friends, amazement and amusement. AROSC's contingent, from veterans to newbie-ish pilgrims,

chose their activities wisely, drove a variety of worthy vehicles and survived to tell their tales. A few of those observations follow.

## **AROSC Loose Noodle Pasta Dinner #9**

I am happy to report that Evelyn Silverman added another notch to



*Alfa Zagato 1900 CSS*



*Nice little Spider at the Little Car Show.*

her belt of successful Annual AROSC Loose Noodle Pasta Dinners. This ninth episode in the series added new members to our extended cast of amici de Alfisti with the attendance of Bernie and Diana Bennett from Texas. After suffering a series of automotive mishaps getting to the AROC National Convention, they enjoyed an uneventful drive to Monterey and were able to join us at the table. Welcome to the family!

In all, 40 or so friends and guests from ARA, Delta Sierra, Central Coast and San Diego chapters entertained each other and caught up on happenings over the past year. All were truly surprised with the arrival of a dear friend of AROSC – the penultimate car guy, Dick Messer, retired executive director (12 years from inception) of the Petersen Automotive Museum, and his equally charming wife JoAnna. Dick took to

the floor between dinner and dessert and started his stand-up routine with the story of attending an AROSC meeting in the middle of a major forest fire by showing up in his wood-framed MG.

We are looking forward to our 10th Annual Loose Noodle Pasta Dinner. The restaurant has been reserved, and we've started to contact potential surprise guests. – *Norman Silverman*



*Czech Tatra in the parking lot of the Borg Motel..*



*Above, 1939 Alfa Romeo Tipo 256 Cabriolet Sportivo at Gooding auction in Pebble Beach. Photo by Jeff Srinivasan.*

### **Little Car Show, Pebble Tour & Concorso Italiano**

We observed fewer vintage cars of all types on the roads and streets of Monterey than in years past. No one seems to be driving them anymore, thanks to auction fever.

We attended the Little Car Show in Pacific Grove. Two very nice Alfa Spiders were on view, a Giulietta Spider Veloce and a Giulia Spider. This is a friendly, low-key event and a great way to start your Monterey Week activities.

Viewing the start of the Pebble Beach Tour d'Elegance has been a favorite of ours for several years and includes a wide variety of cars. Few Alfas were in attendance, but a "preservation" level 1900 Zagato coupe was the most interesting Alfa. No pre-war Alfas were driven this

year. We saw Jay Leno on (not in) a White steamer with two passengers, and as always, lots of photographers were close by. Bruce and Raylene Meyer (currently co-vice president at the Petersen Automotive and now an Alfa owner, having recently acquired a TZ1) entered a Ferrari Testa Rossa. They sat in the car huddled under



*Jay Leno on his White steamer. J&C Cline photo*



*Alfa Romeo 4C on the lawn of the “Dream Cars” corral at the Pebble Beach Concours d’Elegance. Jeff Srinivasan photo.*

hoodies in the heavy mist as the engine warmed.

West and Maggie Clark hosted Alfisti of all stripes at their beautiful home in Pebble Beach. This again was a well-attended event, held on Friday so as not to conflict with post-Concorso Italiano activities on Saturday.

Concorso Italiano 2014 moved back to the Blackhorse Golf Course in Seaside. We counted 78 Alfas in attendance. The oldest car on the green was a 55 PF-bodied 1900. There were no pre-war cars displayed. There were few representatives from AROSC and San Diego, with the majority from NorCal (ARA, Delta Sierra). However, there were more Maseratis than we had seen at previous Concorsos; perhaps 50 in all, this being Maserati’s 100th anniversary. Our Mimi and

Lucinda made it onto the green in the celebratory driver class. As for Alfas, a ’62 Giulietta Sprint Speciale won best-of-marque honors. And it was the 60th anniversary of the Giulietta, but not a lot of hoopla was evident.

– Chuck & Jan Cline

### **Pebble Tour & Concors d’Elegance**

Monterey was a giddy place to be this year. From strolling (OK, really pushing your way) through the crowd on Ocean Avenue in Carmel-by-the-Sea on Thursday at noontime, staring at the wonderful Pebble Beach Concors cars, post-Tour d’Elegance, to walking among the amazing bounty that both Gooding’s and Bonham’s had on offer for auction, the delicious car-candy was seemingly endless.

However, the stunning machines that adorned the fairways and greens



*Our cover car again, the 1946 Alfa 6C2500S Pinin Farina Cabriolet Special. Below is its stunning all-leather interior. Boyh photos by Jeff Srinivasan.*

below the Lodge at Pebble Beach certainly topped them all and included several rare Alfa Romeos (see the 6C 2500 Special) and a sight for sore eyes (see the 4C!). And a 1954 Alfa Romeo 1900 SSZ Zagato Coupe won the Postwar Preservation Class!

I didn't even get to Concorso this year (but sent my son and his friend to park my Porsche Cayman S Sport in the Non-Italian Corral (yes, there is one at Concorso) to ogle the rows of Alfas and other Italian goodies.

*–Jeff Srinivasan*





# AROSC 14<sup>th</sup> Annual Clubhouse Holiday Party

Saturday, Dec 13<sup>th</sup>, Noon – 5

Hosted by: M.J. & Sheila in Redondo Beach

Join us and meet up with **old friends**, make **new friends**.



**Alfa folks** are the best in the world!



M.J. & Sheila will do a **Holiday BBQ:**

- Beef Tenderloin Filet on the Spit
- Grilled Chicken Romesco
- Steamed Salmon Rosemary

Bring your **specialty dish**, salad or dessert!



Wine tasting table,  
you bet!

**Bring your favorite  
wine to share!**



**Door Prizes**, oh yeah!

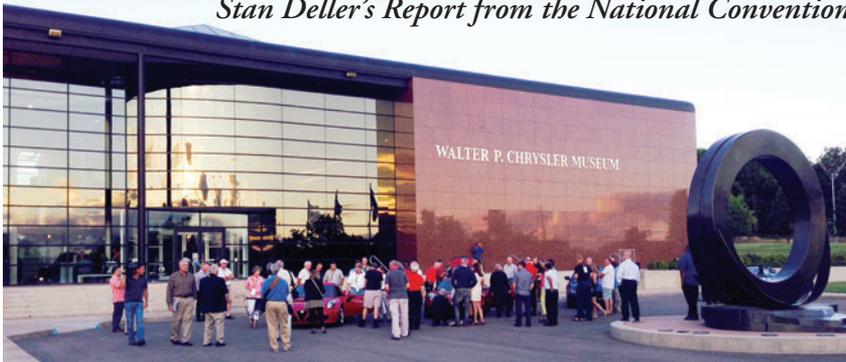
RSVP to Sheila for directions: [Sheila.k@verizon.net](mailto:Sheila.k@verizon.net)  
(or 310-542-3448 for those without email).

Let Sheila know how many in your party  
and what you will bring.

**Happy Holidays! See you at the party!!**

# Alfas Meet in Michigan

*Stan Deller's Report from the National Convention*



*Opening reception was at the Walter P. Chrysler Museum in Auburn Hills. All photos by Stan Deller.*

The 2014 AROC National Convention was billed as a “non-convention” and it lived up to that name. First of all, the location was announced at the 2013 convention as Detroit. However, it was really held at the Auburn Hills Marriott, which is located in Pontiac. For most of you there is no difference, but for some of us from the area (I was born in Pontiac), the difference was tremendous. For me, this meant

that the convention was truly going to be non-conventional.

On the first night, we were greeted by a bright red 4C out in front of the registration area. Not only did we get to touch the much talked about two-seater, but we could open the hood and trunk to get a good look at the latest Alfa has to offer. This a real Alfa, and a real Alfa that was to be sold here in the U.S.A.



The next day started with the pretty much traditional tire kicking of the other Alfas (and non-Alfas) that made it to the convention. The parking lot concours was too much fun. I saw some Alfas that I have seen before, but more interesting were the many other Alfas that I had never seen. A stunning SZ from Canada really caught my interest. I am a big fan of the 75/ Milano series, and the SZ represented the accumulation of every thing good about the 75 line of cars.

The opening reception was at the Walter P. Chrysler Museum in Chrysler Headquarters in Auburn Hills. The 4C again greeted us at the entrance, along with a new Maserati Quattroporte. However, the crowning part of the evening was seeing the special Chrysler, Hudson, Jeep, AMC and other Chrysler family cars that I had heard about but had never seen until now. The museum is not open to

the public, but was opened specially for the AROC convention. I was like a kid in a candy store. I will never forget being at the museum. My true Michigan heritage was really showing through.

The tour went to downtown Detroit, and I was very pleased to see that the core of Detroit is not only surviving but thriving. Detroit seems to be preserving whatever it can as the city recovers from the auto industry meltdown.

The banquet brought the convention to a close with not only awards for concours and track events but with time to talk to one another. I am amazed at how tight a group Alfa owners are, and how easy it is to talk to just about anyone no matter where they were from. We said our farewells and agreed to meet next year at the convention in the New York area.

— Stan Deller



*Left and right, two “Supers,” one in the parking lot concours, the other in the hotel.*

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**FOR SALE – 1989 ALFA ROMEO SPIDER** Excellent condition; 39,800 mi. Original paint, new top, perfect interior. Campagnolo wheels, factory A/C, new fuel cell. Car in Palm Desert, California; can ship worldwide. \$8500. Paul, 760.880.4474 or 925.788.0921.

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**FOR SALE – RONAL WHEELS FOR ALFETTA** 4 Ronal A1 wheels, 15" x 7" 4x98 pattern fits Alfetta, NOT earlier Alfas. Asking \$800 for the set. In Pasadena, delivery possible. Will Owen, nashwill912@earthlink.net



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## Our 2014 Calendar of Events

### *September*

13 Concoors #3 at Autry Center, Griffith Park, L.A.

20-21 Coronado Speed Festival, San Diego. Vintage racing, Navy ship tours, Club dinner.

27-28 TT and Race, Buttonwillow Raceway, Buttonwillow.

### *October*

18 Dash and Dine 2014. A day drive to Palmdale, with lunch at Pat and Cindy's.

### *November*

2 Best of France & Italy, Woodley Park, Van Nuys.

8-9 AROSC Driving School, HPDE, Time Trial & Race Instruction, Willow Springs.

22 Election and Tech Session  
TBD.

### *December*

13 Holiday Party, Redondo Beach. Ring out the year with wine tasting, door prizes and a sumptuous spread of culinary delights from your fellow members.