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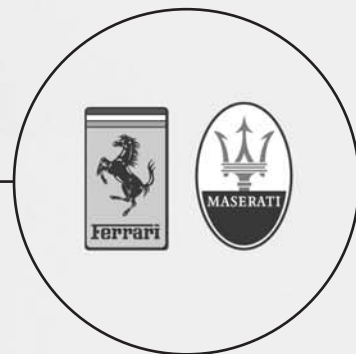
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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

### Dear FCA Members:

Since my last message in *Sempre*, I've had the privilege of working with our new board of directors. I have found them to be most enthusiastic, dynamic, and embracing of new ideas. There is a new level of professionalism and momentum that is evident to all involved.

Our year has already begun with many new events planned and most recently a ride & drive to San Diego with a private tour of the USS Midway. This was a terrific first time event aboard the historic aircraft carrier hosted by Lou Cortellini, Tom Brockmiller and Don West who all did a fantastic job. (Please see article included in this *Sempre Ferrari*.) The year ahead holds in store many more first time events for our region.

Here are some highlights of the new events and programs being planned for the upcoming year:

- Hollywood Haunt at the Roosevelt Hotel
- Queen Mary Holiday Party
- Autobook/Aerobooks Book Store Event
- Charity Event for the Children at the Girls and Boys Town
- New Annual Election Picnic Dinner and Concert will be moved to June at the Descanso Gardens
- Indoor Go-Kart Event at the Dromo 1 in Orange
- A new overnight Ride and Drive event to the giant Sequoias
- Annual Concours

We will also be bringing back many of our popular and successful events from prior years such as:

- Hearst Castle Ride and Drive
- Track Events at Willow Springs
- Go-Karting at Adams Speedway in October and April

I would also like to share a significant new development, which is the creation of "Area Coordinators" to head six geographical areas within our region. The purpose is to further reach out to our members and to plan easy, casual short events that are within your immediate community. We are currently selecting the coordinators for each area, which will be published in future *Sempres*. Events might include local ride and drives, social gatherings, and local tours.

Another area that we are focusing on is our Concours program. We are evaluating our judging process, awards, and publication of winning entries in an attempt to provide the most rewarding experience for all. We appreciate the work it takes to participate in the Concours events and we will continue to develop our program to meet the highest standards.

Lastly, you may have noticed on the cover of the October FCA National News Bulletin the announcement of their intent to publish a national directory. We would like to assure our region's members, that the board has voted and approved to continue with our current policy of safeguarding our members' privacy. Individual information is only available to the Southwest Region Membership Chairperson and Treasurer and will not be shared with any other members or officers. We will be notifying National of our continued policy to protect the privacy of our members and prohibit the publication of individual member information without their approval.

I look forward to sharing these exciting events and future developments with you as we are striving to create a banner year ahead!

See you on the road!

Walter Meyer  
President, Ferrari Club of America, Southwest Region





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Lou Cortellini and event chairperson Tom Brockmiller, our hosts aboard the magical Midway. Read Tom's article on page 9.

Cover photos: Tex K. Otto

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FCA Southwest Region events in **bold**

## November

- 5-6th Pantera Club Invites Ferrari Drivers to Willow Springs Raceway**  
Enjoy driving your Ferrari on an open track. All instruction and safety standards included.  
Info: Kevork Hazarian 818-755-9555. Contact Kevork for availability.
- 5th Woodley Park Italian Car Show** Saturday.
- 12th Southwest Region Board Meeting** 9:00AM.
- 19th Ferraris at Autobooks-Aerobooks** Burbank, CA. Bring your Ferrari for awards and a \$100 gift drawing to North America's oldest and largest automotive and aviation book store. Virtual GT racing simulators will be on hand. RSVP required.  
Info: Demetri Zafiris 818-774-1500 ext 203. Event information on pages R2 & R3.

## December

- 10th Southwest Region Board Meeting** 9:00AM.
- 17th Holiday Party at the Queen Mary** Celebrate the holidays with your fellow FCA SW members at the historic Queen Mary in Long Beach. A Behind-the-Scenes Tour with Reception and Dinner at Sir Winston's. Ferrari Corral self-parking included.  
Info: Marv Landon 818-971-3300, ext 2350. Event information page R4.

## January 2006

- 14th Southwest Region Board Meeting** 9:00AM.
- 28th Dromo 1 Endurance/Relay Kart Event** Orange, CA. Join fellow Club members for exhilarating Kart Team action for races of speed and strategy. All driving equipment furnished for a very fun time. Ferrari parking. Option of group drive from West LA to Dromo 1. Info: Tex K. Otto 310-453-4100, tex@synchronis.com. Event information page R5.

## February

- 11th Southwest Region Board Meeting** 9:00AM.
- 26th The Ortega Run** New event format with a revised route. Lunch at Thornton Winery includes a Roman Feast with Music and a Rare Car Display in the Fountain Courtyard. Limited space. Info: Tom Brockmiller 949-716-2395, ferrariracer@cox.net.  
Event information page R6.

## March

- 4-5th Pantera Club Invites Ferrari Drivers to Willow Springs Raceway**  
Enjoy driving your Ferrari on an open track. All instruction and safety standards included.  
Info: Kevork Hazarian 818-755-9555. Event information page R7.
- 11th Southwest Region Board Meeting** 9:00AM.

## April

- 8th Southwest Region Board Meeting** 9:00AM.

## May

- 13th Southwest Region Board Meeting** 9:00AM.
- 19-21st Sequoia Ride and Drive** Weekend drive to the magnificent giant forest. FCA/FOC joint event. Tino Mingori and Robert De Pietro Event co-Chairpersons. Details in the next issue of the *Sempre Ferrari*.

## June

- 10th Southwest Region Board Meeting** 9:00AM.
- 24th FCA SW Picnic and Election Meeting at Descanso Gardens** Tino Mingori and Jim Bindman Event Chairpersons. Details in a future issue of the *Sempre Ferrari*.

### **FCA Southwest Region Board Meetings - All Members Welcome!**

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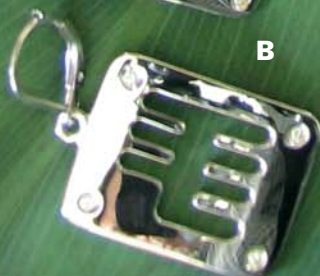
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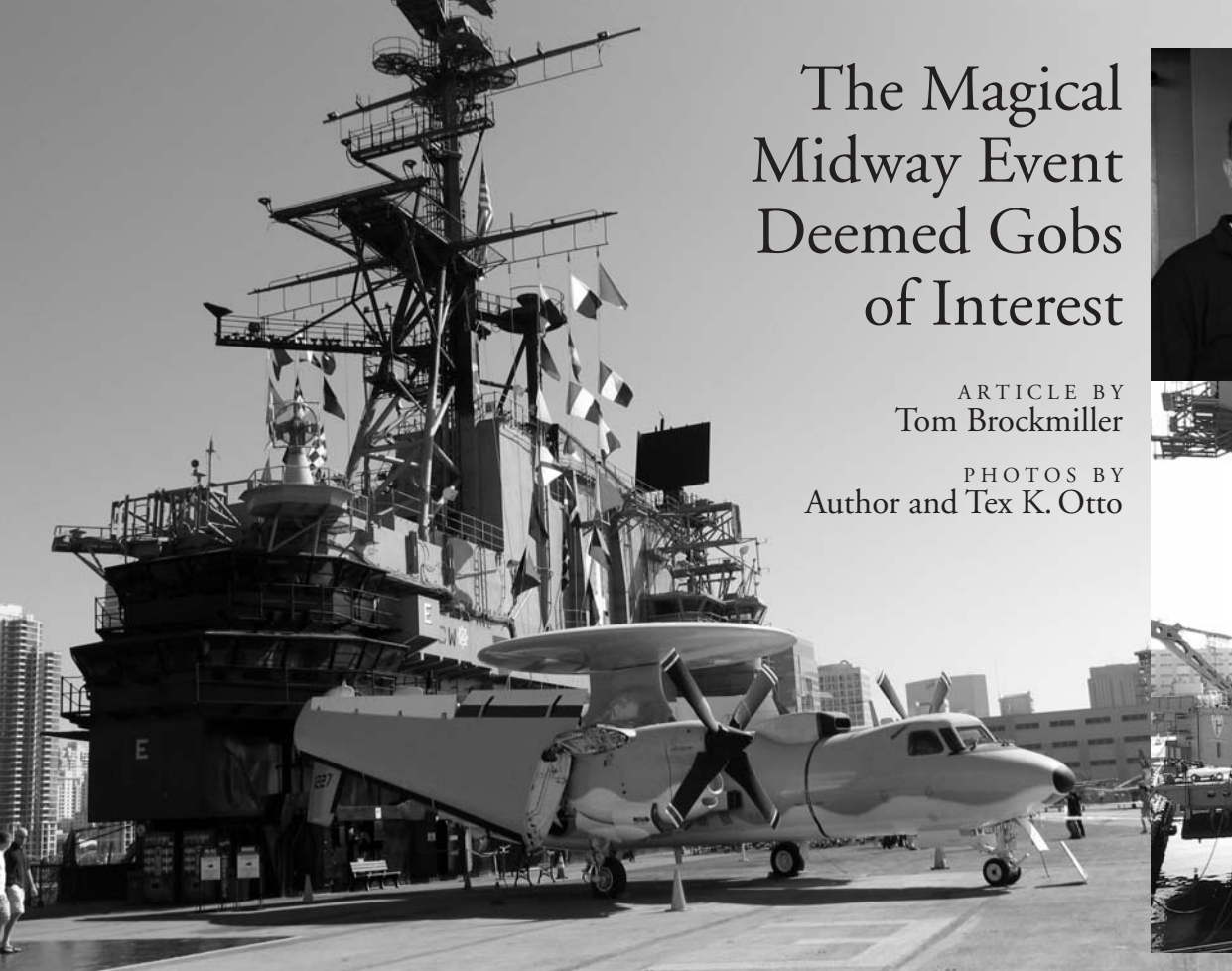
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# The Magical Midway Event Deemed Gobs of Interest

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Tom Brockmiller

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Author and Tex K. Otto



"Ahoy, you lubbers", come aboard the Magical Midway Aircraft Carrier Museum. Where upon 77 of your fellow members and guests, thanks profusely to Lou Cortellini for his extreme efforts, joined docents for a special pre-arranged, behind the scenes tour of this historic vessel. All agreed that seeing this tremendous flight deck and all that was required to berth, feed and entertain over 3000 men seemed monumental. Try as we would, it was impossible to capture in pictures what we saw, with the City of San Diego rising just abaft the stern.

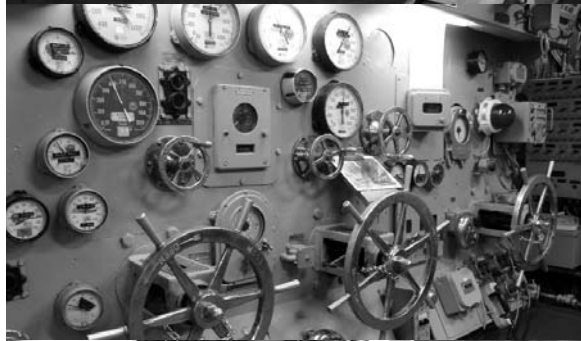
The docents were extraordinary in their first-hand knowledge of the ship and its workings. After the docents personal behind-the-scenes tours, some of us opted for the personal Audio Tour to see the balance of the ship in our own time while others wandered the many decks, alcoves and museum while visiting with fellow members. At 12 pm we were served a delightful box lunch with cold drinks on our own private deck, called a sponsoon, overlooking the San Diego bay. What a view!

The weather could not have been more perfect. The early morning drive uneventful and I would like to say I observed all hands having had a wonderful time. Specific Ferrari parking was enjoyed by no less than 16 of our steeds. The public was as interested in the cars as the Midway.

Good friends and long distance drivers like Debby Blanchard and Marco Serrato came all the way from Victorville.

Thanks again, Lou! **SF**

From top: The vastness of the Midway's the flight deck of the feels like you're at a small airport, not aboard a ship. Lou Cortellini with Event Chairman Tom Brockmiller. Towering side of the Midway. Walter Meyer and Carlos Amato give orders in the Control Room. Just a few of the many, many, many wheels, knobs and gauges which operate the Midway's redundant control systems. Our attendees absorbing the docent's knowledge of the ship's operation.



# SPECIAL EVENT FERRARIS AT JUVENILE HALL

Article by Don West  
Photos by Tom Brockmiller



*This event offered a rewarding experience to participating members. Troubled teens were offered alternatives to achieving their goals in life.*

Eighteen Ferraris and their owners on the lawn of Juvenile Hall of Los Angeles. Shady tents, lunch and refreshments were provided by the center.

Awaiting entrance to the hall were Alfonso & Paula Sanchez, Tambi & Tex Otto and Jim Bindman.

Don & Sally West presented mini FCA SW posters to each youth.

This past April 2005, F.C.A. Southwest Region was contacted by L.A. County Probation Department, Deputies Albert Gonzales and David Tate. They asked us if we could put on a Ferrari display inside the Juvenile Hall located in Lincoln Heights, on Saturday afternoon, August 27th.

This facility normally houses between 400 and 500 boys, years 8 to 18. Also on the site, in a separate area are 200 to 300 girls up to 18 years of age. The youths are confined two to a room, except when they attend school, exercise on the athletic field or have their meals in a common room in their dormitories. This is a very large facility.

In May, Tom Brockmiller and I were taken on a tour of the facility. Naturally we were concerned about the security of our cars and the safety of our members while inside the Juvenile Hall. It is not exactly Disneyland, but after the tour we felt confident enough to proceed with the event. The event was not promoted in the Sempre-Ferrari due to the short lead time after Monterey and we wanted to try it out and make sure everything went smoothly. Two emails were sent to all members asking them to attend.

On August 27th, it was 101 degrees as 18 Ferraris and 35 members including spouses assembled outside Juvenile Hall. We all turned in photo I.D.s and were taken through three electric security gates onto a large grass covered playing field where the cars were displayed. The deputies had set up chairs and tents to provide shade for everyone along with plenty of water, soft drinks, hamburgers, etc. It was a comfortable 85 degrees in the shade as the afternoon breeze came in. The boys were brought out in groups of 40 at a time with heavy supervision from the accompanying staff. Once the boys had all viewed the cars, it was the girls turn. None of the cars were touched and the owners who stood by the cars were encouraged to answer questions from the boys and girls alike.

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## FERRARIS AT JUVENILE HALL

This was a big event for the youths. They really enjoyed getting outside and seeing the cars up close and talking with the owners. After their viewing each youth voted for their favorite car. The winner's trophy was won by Joan & Doug Prestine with a fabulous display of their Hummer towing a trailer with their 360 inside. The sides of their trailer were opened to display the 360 sitting proudly inside.

This affair at the Juvenile Hall was a pure and simple civic charity event by the F.C.A. and its members. The deputies wanted to expose the kids to successful people in the establishment instead of the gang bangers and dope dealers they have always looked up to. After their sentencing, education and their release - they go back to the street where we can only hope to make better decisions. Too many return to the Hall while others enter the prison system where they seldom get out.

Deputies Gonzales and Tate were grateful for the F.C.A.'s participation in the event as were all of our members who participated. All who attended said they would do it again if asked; in cooler weather I might add. **SF**



Deputies Albert Gonzales and David Tate present Don West with an award of appreciation for coordinating an inspiring event for the youths at Juvenile Hall. Doug accepts from Deputy Gonzales his trophy for Joan and Doug's display of their H2 Hummer and 360 Modena. The youths enjoyed viewing the Ferraris and talking with owners about their cars and how they worked hard to own one.



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# Racing Into the Sunset



Article by Michael Sheehan

Photos by Kevork Hazarian, Sorin Kazangian and Michael Sheehan



While Go Karting in the US is a minor hobby; in Europe and South America Go Karting is the low cost ticket to lots of track time and very competitive racing; all in the hope that it leads to the IRL, Champ Cars or any of the many single seat series in Europe; hopefully culminating with a ride in F-1. Driver such as Michael Andretti and Al Unser Jr. in the US or Michael and Ralf Schumacher in Europe all started in Go Karts and indeed, virtually ALL of the current drivers in F-1 started in Go Karts. Kids can start Go Karting as young as 5 and quickly advance through the various Go Karts courses. Go Karting is also a great way for car-crazy dads to introduce their kids to the fun of driving, and even better, driving fast, in safety. It gets better; as the father of 13 years old twins, (boy-girl), I've priced the Barber, Russell and Bondurant school session in their basic single seats, and Go Karts are a lot cheaper! As an example Bondurant charges \$1,295 for the one-day "Intro To Racing" course in a single seater formula car while the one-day "Intro To Karting" is a more modest \$925 and a very wallet-friendly half-day "Intro to Karting" course is a mere \$300. When I read the July/August issue of *Sempre Ferrari* and saw the chance to go karting with the FCA-SW for a modest price per person, it was too good a chance to pass up.

As a side note, it is interesting to look back and note that the first Go Kart was made by Art Ingels in Los Angeles in the 1950's, fabricated from cheap metal tubes and powered by a lawn mower engine. Today's Go Karts are much faster and safer than their predecessors, with the best school Go Karts putting out close to 40 hp in a mini-hot-rod weighing only 200 pounds. Equipped with a 6-speed sequential gearbox and four wheel disc brakes, they will go from 0-100 mph in 6 seconds and from 0-100-0 in only 10 seconds!

On October 1st, 2005, 29 members of the FCA Southwest Region met in Riverside for a four hour event scheduled to start at 4:30 and run until 8:00 P.M. Event regular Steven Lattanzi came from Arizona to race again with our group. Kevork Hazarian / Track Chairman of the FCA-SW dedicated a substantial amount of his personal time to organize and coordinate the event and had wisely scheduled the event to start late in the afternoon as the mid-day Riverside heat was dissipating. The event



would also go into the early evening, so that all would have the chance to drive in the daylight, into the twilight and though into the dark. Fortunately the track was well lit for night racing.

The FCA-SW also provided a barbeque with chicken and ribs so the event was looking even more adult and kid friendly. The club made sure there were lots of cold drinks for the event which we all appreciated after coming back in from our sessions. As the sun was setting we were served a great barbeque dinner and ate by group, as one group was continually on track.

The event started on time with an educational walk of the complete track. The track instructor walked very quickly, giving us an overview of the race line; the turn in and apex points for each of the corner; track etiquette and firm advice on where and when to pass. Once we were back in the pits, our group divide ourselves up into different groups who would share a kart between four drivers. A Kart with the seat moved forward was provided for the smaller ladies and a kids kart was provided for the smaller kids. With track-talk over and safety gear on, we headed down to the track.

The first session went onto the track and most drove cautiously until they were comfortable with the karts and the track layout. The sessions continued with each group going back onto the track, trying harder and going faster. In our group of four, my daughter, my girlfriend's son and I all spun, multiple times, while my girlfriend plodded on, without a spin. Amusingly enough, had it been a real four-way race, she would have easily won, as she completed more laps, just at a slower pace! Although we were scheduled to stop at 8:00, the track allowed us to run until just before 9:00. All had a great time driving with several hours of running in daylight and the experience of racing into the setting sun along with another few hours of night driving under the lights. It was a new experience for most of the drivers and several said they felt that this event was like a short-form 12 hours of Sebring endurance race. I'll be going back to the track in the next few weeks for more track time and look forward to the next club event at the track. **SF**



Opposite: Carol Bray on track. Doug Magnon with his driving suit half down is hot and happy. Father & daughter Michael Cann & Sarah Cann. Peter Riley, Kevork Hazarian and Michael Sheehan. Kazangian family photo.

Above: Mike & Colleen Sheehan help Carol Bray get ready. Chris Bray about to go out.

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# 2 3 R D A N N U A L ATSC's CONCOURS d'ELEGANCE

ARTICLE AND PHOTOS BY  
Wally Clark



Several Dinosaurs were entered in the ATSC's Concours d'Elegance.

On Sunday, Oct. 2, 2005 the Newport Concours featured Ferrari as its Honorary Marque, with a Special Venue of micro cars (under 1,000 cc). There were over 40 Ferraris on the field along with other classes of pre-war classic cars, European sports cars, race cars, woodies and wagons, and a class for luxury touring cars. During the day we were treated to a special start up of Jim Busby's Ferrari Formula one car, the 1999 ex-Schumacher car and by a fly over of a World War 2 F8F Grumman Bearcat at about 300 feet over our heads!

There were six classes of Ferraris and a special display of an Enzo, an F50, F40 and 288GTO thanks to Gerald Barnes. Some of the notable cars on display were Bruce Meyer's 250 SWB, Charles Betz and Fred Peters' 250 Europa (fresh from Pebble Beach), the ex-Steve McQueen 250 GT Lusso now owned by Mike Regalia, Tom Shaughnessy's latest acquisition a 1948 166 Spyder Corsa sports racer, and two 340 Americas- Jack Croul's poster car (the 1952 Mille Miglia winner) and the ex-Jack McAfee Ghia-bodied Carrera Panamerica car.

Thanks to all the Ferrari owners who brought their cars and thanks to all the Ferrari judges who had their work cut out for them as there were some really close points winners.

SF



Winner of the Design Achievement award for a closed Ferrari went to the beautiful 250 Europa owned by Carol & Charles Betz and Fred Peters.

Michael Regalia took best 1955-1963 Ferrari with his ex-Steve McQueen Lusso.

Bruce Meyer was awarded the Phil Hill & Ken Vaughn Award for his 1961 SWB.





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Tom's 166 Spyder Corsa.



Chuck Lamb's McLaren M20  
Can Am Car.  
340 America poster car.



## A W A R D      W I N N E R S

### DESIGN ACHIEVEMENT (CLOSED)

1954 Ferrari 250 Europa  
Carol & Charles Betz /  
Fred Peters

### PHIL HILL & KEN VAUGHN AWARD

1961 Ferrari 250 SWB SEFAC  
Bruce Meyer

### FERRARI 1955 - 1963 (7B)

1963 Ferrari 250 GTL Lusso (1)  
Michael Regalia  
1960 Ferrari 250 GT Spyder (2)  
John Siroonian  
1957 Ferrari 250GT Ellena (3)  
Henry P. Camisasca

### FERRARI 1954 - 1971 V12 (7C)

1969 Ferrari 365 GTS (1)  
Tim Montgomery  
1965 Ferrari 275 GTS (2)  
Roger Groves  
1969 Ferrari 365GT 2+2 (3)  
Scott Oshry

### FERRARI 1972 - 1973 V12 (7D)

1973 Ferrari 365 Daytona Spyder (1)  
Susan & Barry Konier  
1972 Ferrari Daytona 365 GTB/4 (2)  
Gary Brutsch  
1973 Ferrari 365GTB/4 Daytona (3)  
Malcolm Schnee

### FERRARI DINO (7E)

1972 Ferrari 246GT (1)  
Robert J. Blattenberg  
1972 Ferrari Dino 246GTS (2)  
Sal Manzur  
1973 Ferrari Dino 246 GTS (3)  
George J. Paulos

### FERRARI 1975 - 1984 (7F)

1984 Ferrari 512 BBi (1)  
Jay Glaser  
1975 Ferrari 308 GT4 (2)  
Tate Casey  
1978 Ferrari 308 GT4 (3)  
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### Article & Picture by Tambi R. Otto

I wish to begin by thanking our many members who took part in the “Call to Protect” cell phone drive.

On behalf of the “Call to Protect” program, FCA-SW Region, the Wireless Foundation and National Coalition Against Domestic Violence, thank you for taking the time to support this program. Together, we are saving lives. In the time it will take you to read this a victim of domestic violence will be assaulted by their partner.

While this is a disturbing fact, the donations of your used cell phone will help protect and in some cases literally save the life of one of the 5000-plus victims who are beaten and abused every day.

In the hands of a victim, your old cell phone has a new life. Now it is a tool to help save a life. These phones are a lifeline enabling victims to call for assistance when faced with an emergency situation. Local carriers donate all airtime used by these emergency phones so victims are not burden with the cost of calls. And of course those who donated the phones are not charged, so this is as much of a win-win as it gets. Until the hopeful day when domestic violence is no longer a sad fact of life for the many victims who endure such treatment at the hands of another.

We are pleased to announce the club has collected approximately twenty cell phones and numerous accessories, such as chargers, cases, manuals, ear buds, etc. This collection has been sent to the Call To Protect organization to be refurbished and given to those in need. This may not seem like a lot but if you are one of the domestic violence victims your donated phone becomes a very precious item. These victims are certain to be thankful to the donor who thought enough to take a few moments of their time and a little postage to send in the precious phone which could save them from harm or death. Yes, it really is that serious!

Regardless if you know of someone who has been subjected to domestic violence or not, it is a great feeling that the members of the Ferrari Club of America Southwest Region can as a group can help those in need.

**Again, thank you to all the members who contributed to this great program.**

If you did not have a chance to donate your old cell phone, we are offering this as a continuing program. Donate today!

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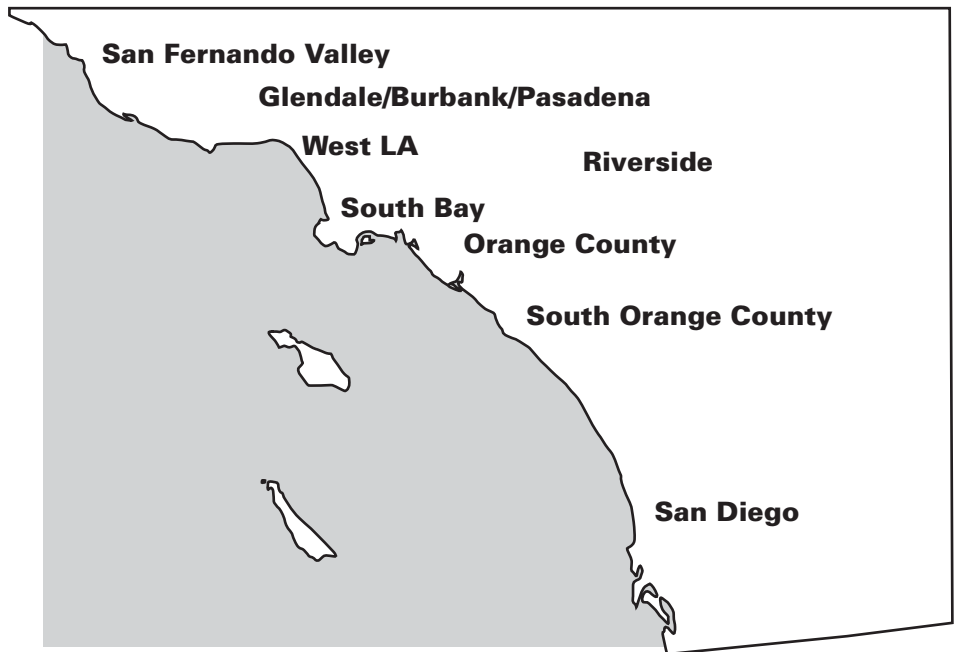
Part of that plan is to have our club organize a series of monthly low key events where members can gather for camaraderie of fellow members and meet new Ferrari enthusiasts in their area.

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I thought it was about time that someone put into print some of the real world benefits of Ferrari ownership and FCA affiliation.

of a Formula 1 driver. I watched him race around the corner of the sofa. Each and every time he entered the corner fast, "braked" hard, approached at just the right angle, hit the apex while brushing his side, and accelerated out of the turn. He floated out of the turn to the far opposite side of the "track" so as to not scrub off any speed. Amazing. Where was I when he was learning advanced driving theory? In direct contrast, I ran

hard into the corner, missed the apex, over ran the "track", and of course, never caught Sammy. Implementation of the skills I learned at the last Ferrari Club of America track event definitely improved my lap time, just not enough to overcome Sammy's low center of gravity and "slicks". Closer examination of the surface area of his "contact patch" relative to his body mass allowed me to estimate his tires are approximately 435's....times four....and yes, they were all quite warm.

After this revelation I began to notice how applicable my Willow Springs lessons were in other aspects of life. For example, I learned that if I require my daughter to have a pre-dating tech inspection, just before entering the "track", all sorts of irregularities can be discovered. Pants not too low, top in the right position, cell phone charged, and date fully instructed as to when he might be flagged in early, penalized, or sanctioned so that he might never return to the track again. I've explained to my daughter that my new found track etiquette can surely be blamed on my association with the FCA. If it's good enough for the FCA, it's certainly good enough for us!

While driving will always be a passion, I thought it was about time that someone put into print some of the real world benefits of Ferrari ownership and FCA affiliation. So, the next time someone makes a comment about the impracticality of Ferrari ownership, give them a wink, a little smile, and saunter away knowing just how much better a life you live, even when you're not behind the wheel! **SF**



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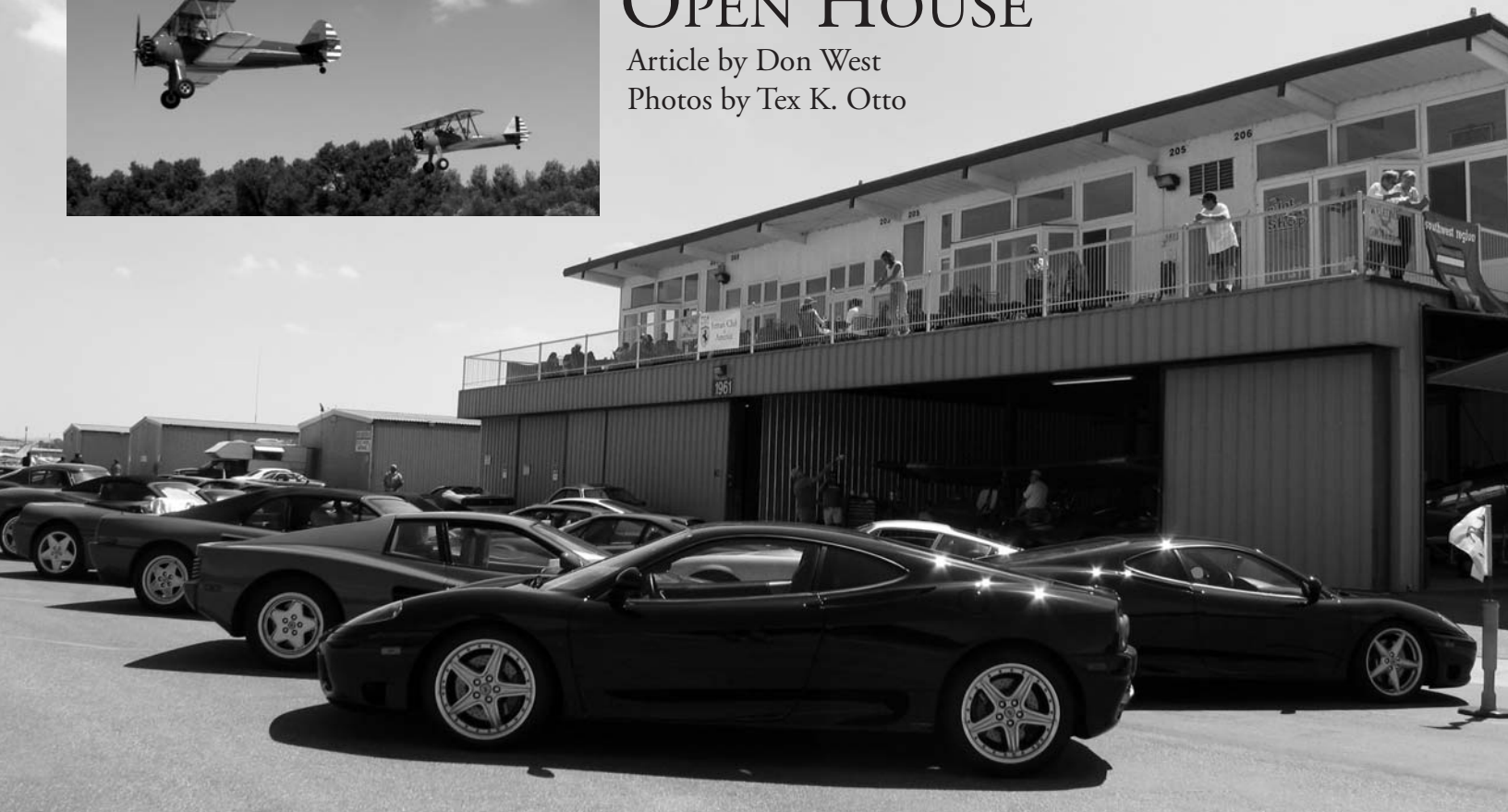
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# CORONA AIRPORT OPEN HOUSE

Article by Don West

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Sunday, September 11th turned out to be a beautiful (not too hot) day for FCA members Fred Peters and Charles Betz to open their facility to our members. We had 37 members and guests along with over 20 Ferraris. There was a wide variety of cars from 308s to 360s all in beautiful shape. Our hosts brought several '50s cars from their collection.

It has been three years since we had our first outing at Corona and the owner pilots could not have been more gracious in offering rides to any and all who wanted them. Pat Brunner had a very fast Lancair. There were two Stearmans (1940) bi-planes that saw a lot of service. Jeff Wilson took me up in his 1946 Stinson Voyager which he spent eight years restoring to pristine condition. Dave Stephenson gave rides in a blue and yellow Stearman and a beautiful aluminum low-wing 1930's Ryan trainer which he said took off, flew and landed at 90 miles an hour. He also flew an ultralight which looked like a purple open canoe under a yellow barn door wing powered by 2 pusher motors. With two on board it took off in about 60 feet, went up at a 40 degree angle and disappeared just over the tree tops of the adjacent woodlands. Fred Peters said Dave has flown just about every plane at the airport. He also drives a 308 GTS and he had a large grin on his face when someone let him drive a beautiful silver Maranello.

A lunch of home-made Mexican food was provided for all, featuring enchiladas, tamales, salads, rice, two kinds of beans and dessert. Many went back for seconds.

As the event was starting to wind down, five beautiful YAK Chinese fighter trainers arrived. They were flown by Ron Lee (FCA'er), Craig Ekberg and three of their pals from Santa Paula. They were late due to a mix-up in meeting at Chino - with a plan to attack us in Corona.

It was a great day, we had the weather with us, great food and plenty of rides from the airplane owners. Let's try and do it again in 2007. **SF**



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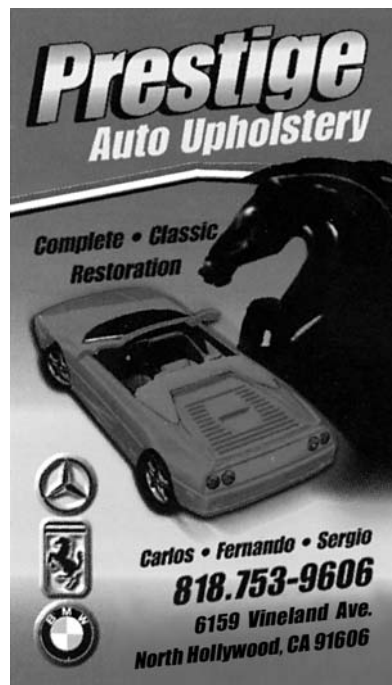
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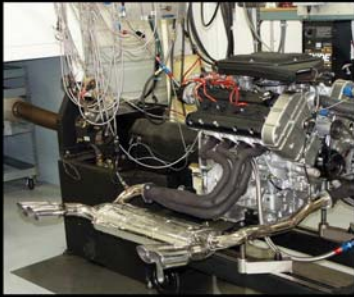
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