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# President's Message

#### **Dear FCA Members:**

As we forge into the New Year I would like to wish all of our members a healthy and happy New Year. Also, I would like to thank our Board of Directors and all those who contributed their time and effort in our Board meetings, organizing events, and behind the scenes to bring our club to a higher level in 2006. It was a great year with significant accomplishments both in our calendar of events and also in the infrastructure of our organization.

In that vein I would like to recognize some of the "Heavy Lifters" behind the scenes that make significant contributions to maintaining and moving our organization ahead. First, Demetri Zafiris, Treasurer and Brian Quadt, Membership Director who year after year have donated their extraordinary time covering the responsibilities of their respective roles. For years Kevork Hazarian has organized our track events, and most recently with assistance from Marshall Buck. Tom Brockmiller, who initiated the Area Coordinator concept for our club will be stepping down as Chairperson, with Mark Process stepping up to fill the role. Thank you Tom for creating the format for these great monthly drives. Lastly, to Don Meder and Jason Freeman and others who have come to contribute fresh ideas at our meetings.

As we look ahead 2007 promises to be a paramount year with many new diverse events and the election of new officers and board members. Some of our club's first time events include:

- Cupid's Valentine Rally, a "heart stopping" experience.
- The opening of the Ferrari Store at the Beverly Center in March, with adjacent streets blocked off for the running of select Formula 1 cars.
- A day and private tour of Greystone Mansion in Beverly Hills
- The FCA/CHP 11-99 Foundation fundraising golf tournament at Robinson Ranch Golf Club
- A ride and drive to Ojai in April just in time for the California wild flower season
- An overnight Ride and Drive and Concours in Montecito.
- Avila Beach Ride, Rally and Concours
- An inaugural Orange County Concours

With these new, and many other events already on the calendar, I look forward to a fantastic year attracting new participants and making new friends in the months to come.

See you on the road or autostrade!

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Walter B. Meyer President, Ferrari Club of America, Southwest Region 2005-2007



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These dedicated members organize events for our Club. Our thanks to them for providing us opportunities to enjoy our Ferraris and share the friendship of fellow Club members.



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forward

to your

participation

at our

events!



FCA Southwest Region events in **bold** 

January 2007

13th Southwest Region Board Meeting 9:00AM.

23rd - 28th Cavallino Classic in Palm Beach. Info: www.cavallino.com, 800-306-6937.

#### February

**10th Southwest Region Board Meeting** 9:00AM.

**11th Cupid's Valentine Rally** Sunday. A fun loving event for you, your significant other and oh, yes the Ferrari you love! Search for answers to mischievous clues as this adventure

takes you on a journey through the Greater L.A. area. This naughty, nice, racy and romantic relationship with Cupid will end with an award winning, unlimited Champagne Brunch & live jazz band at the Twin Palms Restaurant in the city of roses - Pasadena. Fabulous awards, goodie bags, gift favors for the ladies, car rally roundels & more. Special self-parking. Event Chairpersons: Tambi & Tex Otto, tambi@synchronis.com. Event information R2.

17th FOC Dromo 1 Kart Challenge. Info: Rich Adams 949-361-1101, hrsage@aol.com.

**The Ortega Run** Sunday. Thornton Winery, Temecula, CA. San Juan Capistrano starting

point. While the destination is meaningful, it is the journey that counts. This year's Ortega Run will provide both, once again a challenging road that will test driver and machine. Surprise stop of interest to all! Enjoy a wonderful buffet lunch served by Cafe Champagne while overlooking the vineyards from the Fountain Terrace. Cafe Champagne & Thornton Winery, Temecula's premier wine tasting experience. Exclusive Ferrari parking. Registration Form will be provided soon. Contact: Tom Brockmilller 949-716-2395. Event information R3.

#### March

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 Registration page R4.

**10th Southwest Region Board Meeting** 9:00AM.

25th Ferrari Store Grand Opening at the Beverly Center. Details to be announced.

April

**Greystone Mansion Tour and Luncheon** Exclusive unique behind-the-scenes tour of one of Los Angeles' most prestigious estates. The 50,000+ sq.ft. English Tudor Mansion is registered as a National Historic Landmark and owned by the city of Beverly Hills.

Event Registration page R5.

**14th Southwest Region Board Meeting** 9:00AM.

**15th Beverly Hills Concours** at Mercedes Benz of Beverly Hills. Details to be announced.

**20th FCA / CHP 11-99 Foundation Golf Tournament** at Robinson Ranch. A full day of Ferraris and golf starting with a CHP escort to golf club, a Ferrari corral at the golf course,

with many prize opportunities plus live and silent auctions. Event Registration page R6.

22nd Ojai Ride & Drive with Brunch A day of motoring through the spectacular California

landscape located a short distance North of Los Angeles. An interesting and scenic back road route has been selected where you can enjoy the beauty of the landscape and the performance of your favorite Italian machinery. Our destination will be the secluded Ranch House in beautiful Ojai Valley where a tempting Brunch will await our midday arrival.

Event Registration page R7.

May 12th

Southwest Region Board Meeting 9:00AM.

**12th Go Kart event at Adams Karting in Riverside.** Info: Kevork Hazarian 818-755-9555.

Event information in the next Sempre Ferrari.

19-20th Overnight Drive and Concorso Ferrari in Montecito Details to be announced.

FCA Southwest Region Board Meetings - All Members Welcome!

Held the second Saturday of each month at 9:00AM at the Petersen Automotive Museum, 6060 Wilshire Blvd (at Fairfax), Los Angeles CA 90036 unless otherwise specified.

9th

Southwest Region Board Meeting 9:00AM.

16-17th

Buttonwillow Track Event Info: Keyork Hazarian 818-755-9555. Details to be announced.

17th

Jack Queen FCA/FOC United State Grand Prix Formula 1 Viewing.

Details to be announced.

23rd

Annual Election Picnic Details to be announced.

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**Southwest Region Board Meeting 9:00AM.** 

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17-19th

**Monterey Weekend** 

29th -

FCA National, Watkins Glen, NY The Ferrari Club of America Annual Meet is a 5-day,

**Sept 2nd** national event surrounded by a renowned track, concours and hospitality center.

September

8th

Southwest Region Board Meeting 9:00AM

**TBD** 

Sherwood Concours 9:00AM

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13th

Southwest Region Board Meeting 9:00AM

26-28th

Avila Beach Ride, Rally and Concours Details to be announced.

# In Your Area - Reoccurring Monthly Events

#### MARK PROCESS TAKES HELM

Board member Mark Process has offered to chair the successful program of the Southwest Region known as "In Your Area".

With the advent of a large and geographically distant membership the need for localized meetings once a month to encourage participation in club activities pertaining to the Ferrari automobile and the Ferrari Club of America has been realized. There are five

organized monthly meeting places listed in Sempre Ferrari.

Tom Brockmiller is stepping down from this position in order to pursue other activities soon to be announced on behalf of the club. "Mark will make a wonderful contribution to the club and this activity with his sensitivity to the ever expanding needs of our members. I wish him every success and enjoyment along the way".

#### FCA SOUTHWEST REGION AREA COORDINATORS

Meet Ferrari friends at a designated spot each month for an informal gathering. Everyone is welcome.

#### San Fernando Valley/ Toluca Lake



**Mark Process** Area Coordinator Chairperson 818-906-2678 dszner35mm@juno.com

Meets: Second Sunday of each month at 8:30 a.m.

#### Location:

EuroSunday at the Village Coffee Roaster 23351 Mulholland Drive Woodland Hills, CA 91364.

#### Orange/Riverside/ San Diego Counties



Tom Brockmiller 949-716-2395 ferrariracer@cox.net

Meets: First Sunday of each month at 9:00 a.m. Optional brunch at 9:30 a.m. \$15 p/p payable at the door.

#### Location:

The Dana Point Yacht Club 24399 Dana Drive, Dana Point.

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**Doug Prestine** 310-472-1187 dprestine@msn.com

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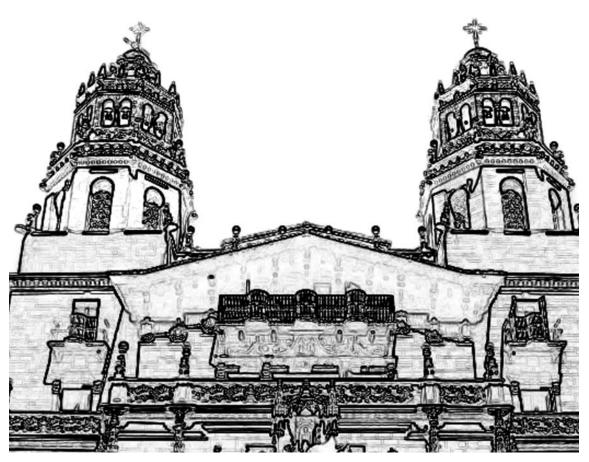


**Guy Browning** 805-654-0693 805-340-4225 Cell

Meets: First Sunday -August 6th at 10:00am

#### Location:

Guy and Kathy's Home: 2770 Sailor Avenue Ventura, CA 93001 (Ventura Keys).







THE FCA SOUTHWEST REGION RETURNS TO

# HEARST CASTLE

Article By
Carlos Amato

Photos By Richard Kidd

On Friday, September 22, approximately 30 FCA members and friends got together for the 2nd FCA Hearst Castle Ride and Drive run.

The weekend began in Calabasas where, after having breakfast and briefing drivers and co-pilots, the group took off towards the mountains. Little did we know that there was a huge fire burning half of Ojai and the roads we had planned were closed. Luckily, Doug Prestine was with us and stepped up guiding the group on a nice back road to Montecito where we stopped for lunch.

We continued onward to Morro Bay, where after checking in at the hotel, we were greeted by a very friendly staff who had prepared for us wonderful cocktails and hors d'oeuvres in a terrace overlooking the Bay. At sunset, we proceeded up the coast to the Castle for a private evening tour.

For those who have not been to Hearst Castle, especially at night, you should mark your calendars for next year and see it. It is a sight to behold.

The Evening Tour is a special tour that allows visitors to experience the Castle at night as one of Hearst's own visitors might have. Docents in period dress from the Living History Program with a newsreel shown in the Theater add life to the magnificent surroundings and take visitors back to the Castle's 1930s heyday.

Volunteers in 1930s dress recreate that time period,



lounging by the Neptune Pool or strolling through the rose-scented gardens and enjoying the spectacular sunset. For other sports-minded guests, a game of tennis might be planned prior to dinner. Indoors, guests might be playing poker in the Assembly Room or putting a jigsaw puzzle together.

A butler serves cocktails in the Assembly Room, while

















Opposite from top left: Casa Grande towers at Hearst Castle were inspired by a Spanish cathedral. We adhered to state laws. A 30K car - This is the end of the market.

This page from top left: Can you see the skyscrapers and smog? Driving Guru Wes Hatakeyama. The Hearst outside pool. Non Ferraris were welcome. View from our hotel. Special ladies. Volunteers offer a feeling of period living at the castle.

a maid hurries by with an armload of towels for the guest rooms. A movie star might try his hand at the grand piano in the corner, impressing an up-and-coming starlet, playing one of the popular tunes of the day. In the Billiard Room two Hearst editors are engrossed in a game. Meanwhile, the chef in the kitchen is busy preparing dinner for the large group.

Guests invited to William Randolph Hearst's estate at San Simeon in the 1930s were treated to a memorable weekend at "The Ranch." As with many country estates during the time period, visitors would often find all of their travel arrangements made for them, whether arriving by train, by car or later by airplane at his private landing strip. A relaxing weekend would include swimming in one of the two elegant pools, horseback riding, picnicking, tennis, or a relaxing afternoon spent browsing through the library. For Hearst's editors it would be a "working weekend" at the estate. Many notable guests visited the estate during this time period and enjoyed Mr. Hearst's hospitality.

The castle facts are mind-boggling. Consider this:

Total of 90,080 square feet including 41 fireplaces, 19 sitting rooms, 61 bathrooms and 56 bedrooms. In addition there was a private airport/airstrip and the largest private zoo in the world (now closed).

The evening drive back to our hotel was probably my favorite part. Late at night, top off, driving down Highway 1 with a full moon.

Saturday was a day off to enjoy the many attractions in Morro Bay. Some went bicycle riding, some hiking, or stayed at the hotel by the pool.

The hard-core driving group went for a "short" 250-mile drive around Atascadero led by local driving guru Wesley Hatakeyama. Now here is a guy that can teach you a lesson on performance driving. Good God! He drives a mid-60s 365 and folks with 430s could not keep up with him. Simply amazing!

On Sunday the group returned to Hearst Castle again for a day tour and afterwards we drove back to LA. We had a great time and we hope to see you again next year. Arrivederci Amici! **SF** 





#### THE BEST OF FRANCE AND ITALY

# Woodley Park

Mark Process

Photos By

Wally Clark and Stephen Villagrasa

In most cities across America the first weekend in November brings the onset of winter, but in Southern California it heralds the return of the annual the Best of France and Italy Motor Machinery exhibition. With near summertime temperatures, the throng of sports car enthusiasts making the pilgrimage to Woodley Park in Van Nuys were treated to a record showing of France and Italy's finest. More than 50 Ferraris accompanied the usual turnout of Alfas, Fiats, Lamborghinis, Maseratis and Renaults. The latter all reveling in their marque's second consecutive year of beating Ferrari for the World Grand Prix title. (We'll get them next year!)

A few of the standout entries at the show were a fully restored two-tone green Delahaye with a clear plexi steering wheel and dash controls, a fly yellow Matra, a rare Zagato race car which the designer himself had campaigned and Jay Leno's immaculate Topolino.

The Ferrari corral was headlined by Bruce Meyer's now famous 250 SWB competition berlinetta and a pair of elegant 250 PininFarina cabriolets. The rest of the field featured 330 GTCs, Daytonas, 550s and a 575 Maranello.

Along with the lineup of V12s were every variation of V8's up to a new F430 spyder. Even though this show is not a judged event for Ferrari entries, every car was presented in perfect concours condition, a real testimony to Ferrari pride of ownership and the enthusiasm of our FCA members.



From top: Row of 348s. Jay Leno's immaculate Fiat Topolino.

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his year, the Los Angeles Auto Show moved up a month on the calendar to separate it from the Detroit International Auto Show. Many times L.A. was delegated to last year's Detroit concepts which were sometimes well worn from a year's exposure to shows and journalist's reviews. Finally, the L.A. show can stand on it's own and be a forum where manufacturer's worldwide may debut a new model and garner focused attention from the motoring public.

The Ferrari display has progressively become more impressive over the past few years. A major percentage of their United States' market is in the southwest, so it's become increasingly important to present their sportscars in an engaging presentation given the intensifying competition for high performance luxury.

Ferrari's L.A. display offered two 599 Fiorano GTB's center stage, a 430 Spider and Challenge and a 612 Scaglietti among the available production models. A beautiful yellow 275 GTB long nose was displayed to promote their Ferrari Classiche program for authenticity certification plus full restoration of vintage Ferraris. Also on hand was a F1 car and engine to further communicate the racing heritage of the sports cars from Italy.

In a separate section of the vast Los Angeles Convention Center, Kentia Hall is where the tuner cars are presented. From installations of 12 DVD screens in a pimped-out Caddy Escalade, to a twin-turbo neon-glowing carbon-fibered Honda Civic, you can have a one-of-a-kind ride that will make you the most down wit' it driver in town. **SF** 









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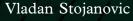
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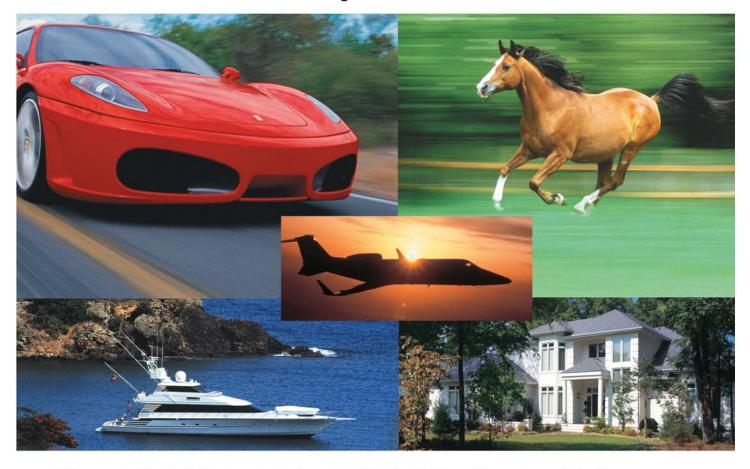
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#### WOODLEY PARK

If Woodley Park was not on your calendar this year, make a note for 2007 to check out this event. What started as a casual gathering of Alfas in an empty field 10 years ago, has now grown to a formidable showcase which includes an unusual variety of marques and models not seen in most concours events. **SF** 

#### From top:

A wide range of classic Ferraris were displayed in the Ferrari corral including a 246 Dino, 250 Lusso, a 328 and a 400 series. Classic V12s. Bruce Meyer's SWB. Row of mid-engined prancing horses.







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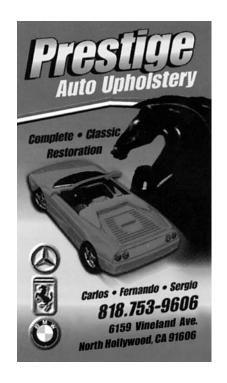
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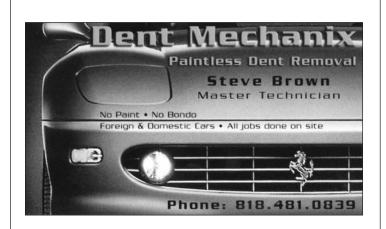
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By Mark Process



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Attended by car clubs of all marques: Japanese, American and Italian, the Agoura Hills location featured a delicious BBQ, an appearance by city councilman Dennis Zine and a raffle of more than 100 car hobby related prizes.

Our hats off to main man Dusty Troyan for putting together a show that was fun for all participants and the ultimate feel good event for the Christmas season. **SF** 







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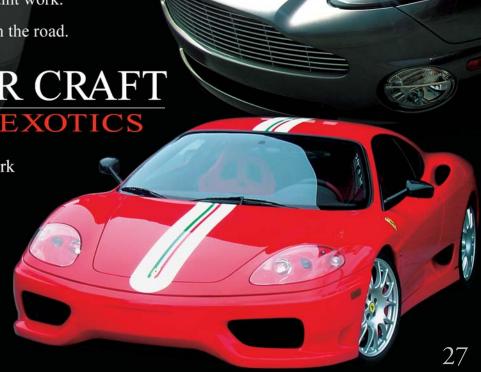
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