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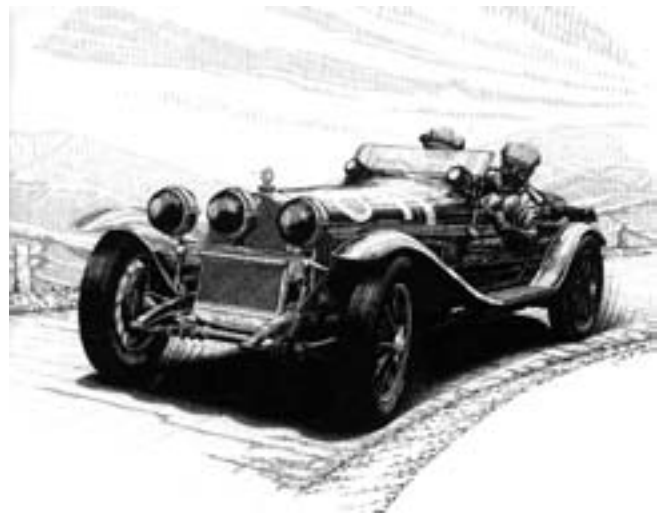
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## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

March 1	Desert Concours d'Elegance, Palm Springs
March 10	Board Meeting
March 16	Chili Cook-off, The Garrett's
March 29	Alfa Day, Cars and Coffee, Ford HQ, Irvine
April	Alan Taylor Restorations
April 20	Coronado Motorcars on Mainstreet
May 11	Dinner meeting 7:00 PM TBD
May	Event TBD
June	Nethercutt Museum, Sylmar, CA
July	Dinner and a Movie, Solana Beach
August	Auction meeting 7:00 PM location TBD
August 15	Concorso Italiano, Monterey
September	Oktoberfest, The Garrett's
Sept. 27-28	Coronado Festival of Speed
October	Little Italy Fest
November	Hollfelder Collection Tour
December	Christmas Party, The Hertigs

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Well, I guess you will have to put up with me for yet another year! For those of you who missed our Kick Off meeting at Filippi's in Mira Mesa, here are the results of the Board elections: I will remain as President; David Leyton returns to service as Vice President, Annie Kuzynski also returns to serve as Secretary, Hillary remains in charge of the treasury; Carl Rosenau and Sue Nelson will be Directors at Large.

My thanks to David Leyton, who immediately stepped into the role as Vice President in my absence. We had good turn out at the meeting and lots of good input to the Board for additional events.

We have several events in the next couple of months. Something for everyone, hopefully, but that doesn't mean that we won't take more suggestions. We can always use your help. If you are willing to volunteer to pull some of these events off, please let one of the board members know.

Romeo and Giulietta needs some advertisers. If you or your company is interested in supporting the newsletter with an ad please see the rate card on page 7. There is no better way to reach interested parties than direct advertising. We Alfisti are known for our loyalty to our brand and I'm sure that everybody is interested in supporting a friend and fellow Alfisti. We also have space for your classified ad, free to members, if you have a car or parts to sell.

Ciao!

Lance  
Il Presidente



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The Desert Classic Concours d'Elegance in Palm Springs is March 1, 2008. Held at the O'Donnell Golf Course in Palm Springs. Maserati is the featured marque, but the first Ferrari designed and built as a single seat Formula 1 race car, chassis number 01C, is to be displayed.

<http://www.desertconcours.com/>

The event begins at 9:00AM; the Car Club parking area opens at 6:30AM with the entrants. Admission for Car Club attendees is \$30 per person, parking included; otherwise it's \$25 per person and parking is outside the venue. We will have the ability to pitch our lawn chairs and picnic baskets next to our Alfas in the Club Corral.

I'm planning a drive from North County to Temecula. East on SR-79 to SR-371, through Anza and down to Palm Desert on Highway 74 then up to Palm Springs. It will take approximately 2 to 2.5 hours for the drive. If you are interested, contact Lance.

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## FROM THE DESK IN THE GARAGE



I will tell you the beginning of this story as it has yet to have an end.

At the age of seventy nine, I had figured to have done the last of my Alfa Romeo, resurrections. Glenna wanted me to divest the garage of all these boxes of various parts and pieces. Because she did not want to deal with them when I tipped over. I had made great inroads in transferring them to other owners thru Ebay and others.

Then came a call to change all. He made it with a lot of thought, but his heart came thru at the last. "Would you go over and look at this Giulia spider and see if you could help her out?" He had already had first dibs, but as his commitment to her, he gave me the opportunity to bring her home to my garage.

This is a good thing? Right?

Well, she had 94,000 on her clock, and every thing that could be worn out, was...

The two limit straps on the rear end were hanging in two pieces, the engine would not turn over with a starter or a socket on the crank nut. BUT, the body was not bad, there was the rusted out floor pan under the seats (2) the rusted out floor under the passengers floor. The wiper pivot on the driver's side did not.

It took hanging the engine on a hook to get the head to separate from the block.

Mind you now, I am still happy to be able to do this.

She is well worth all the effort that has gone into making her road worthy again.

I am not out to wow the world with her good looks, I just want to be able to drive by those that will not come out in the rain...





### Spring "To Do" Checklist

1. A few drops of oil on the door, hinges, trunk and hood will keep locks free and working smoothly.
2. A thin coating of silicone spray on weather-stripping keeps it supple and prevents sticking doors.
3. WASH CAR including underside and wheel wells and take it for a FAST drive to help dry out.
4. Replace/repair weather stripping that may allow water to lea into the car. Don't forget to check wheel well under spare tire. GTV's and Spiders (1966-93) watch for mud build-up behind the front tires in the wheel well. The interior panel comes out so be sure to check for wet dirt, which causes rot.
5. Clean and vacuum the interior sand and dirt hold moisture causing mats and seats to mold. Don't forget under the seats and trunk. Treat leather with a cleaner/preservative.
6. Complete a thorough seal and wax job on the paint.
7. Treat the rubbers! Tires and bumpers including the spare.
8. Plastic cleaner and polish works great on headlight covers and Spider rear window to remove build-up of dirt and hide and smooth scratches.
9. Polish all metal with Simichrome or equivalent.
10. Clean the glass making sure to open the window and get that edge line!

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## **AROCSD 2008 Chili Cook-off**

**The 2008 Chili Cook-off will take place 1:00 PM Sunday March 19 at Pat & Glenna Garrett's in Fallbrook.**

### **Categories:**

- 1. Red (with and without beans)**
- 2. Green (chili must contain green chile peppers and can be red or white chili)**
- 3. Vegetarian (no animal meat or animal meat stock used)**

Prepare your entry ahead of time. Judging by members in attendance will begin immediately.

Contestants should provide:

- 1. Descriptive placard and/or recipe.**
- 2. Sides to go with the chili, e.g. cornbread, tortillas, or whatever will enhance the chili eating experience.**

- 3. Heat source – crock-pot or hot plate or burner.**

Members attending the cook-off will taste and judge accordingly. When members have tried all, they will fill out a ballot.

The Club will provide the following:

- 1. Prize for 1<sup>st</sup> place per category and Grand Prize for Best Overall Chili.**
- 2. Club will provide condiments--**
  - Onion
  - Cheese
  - Sour cream
  - Extra hot sauce
- 3. Sodas, bottled water.**
- 4. Blues music.**

If you have question about the Cook-off or need directions email the [president@arocsd.org](mailto:president@arocsd.org) or call 760/798-1652.



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