ITALIAN AUTOMOBILE FESTIVAL OF SPEEDTM









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Space City Panteras, Lamborghini Club Texas, Houston Chapter of the Ferrari Club of America, the Pantera Club of North Texas, and the Fiat Club of North Texas, are proud to welcome you to The Italian Automobile Festival of SpeedTM (IAFS).

IAFS represents an ambitious coordination of the efforts of many of Texas' Italian car clubs to create a unique event that celebrates our cars at rest and in motion. The event is aimed at building comraderie amoung owners who share a passion for these wonderful automobiles. We are glad that you have joined us.

The following information will outline the IAFS event and help you negotiate the various activities.

IAFS ARRIVAL

The Italian Festival of SpeedTM will be held at Texas World Speedway, located on Texas Highway 6 approximately 7 miles south of College Station, Texas. Signs marking the TWS exit are visible coming from both the north and the south on SH-6. Upon entering the TWS compound, you will approach a manned check-point where you will be required to sign a liability waiver before entering the track facility. At times the entry line can be fairly long so allow 10 minutes or so for access into the track facility.

After clearing the check-point, drive through the tunnel under the speedway, then take an immediate left turn toward the garage and paddock area. Proceed straight through to the IAFS car show area, which is just north of the last (3rd) garage bay. Drive with caution through the paddocks as race cars may be entering and exiting the track at any time. If you are trailering your car or driving a non-show car, turn right through the chain link fence gate (immediately after passing the tire vendor and gas pumps) and park in the grassy area to the right (east) of the last paddock. Only registered cars entered in the IAFS Car Show will be allowed in the car show area. A map showing the TWS facility and the reserved IAFS area is below.

A manned IAFS registration table will be set up Saturday morning from 8:00 am until 9:30 am in one of the garage bays in the car show area.

Please note that TWS is hosting a large track event that takes place on both Saturday and Sunday. There will be many other cars utilizing other garage bays in the paddock area as well as cars entering and exiting the track. Only the designated area surrounding the 3rd garage bay is reserved for IAFS.

IAFS REGISTRATION PACKET

You will be able to pick up your IAFS registration packet at the Friday evening Arrival Reception or Saturday morning at the registration table at TWS. Your registration packet will contain:

IAFS event agenda
Activity coupons
TWS location map
Cenare's Restaurant location map
Italian Car Show Identification number and parking slot number
Italian Car Show Ballot
Track Safety/Tech Inspection Form

ARRIVAL RECEPTION (Friday, Feb. 27, 8:00 – 10:00 pm)

The Arrival Reception will be held Friday evening in the lounge area of the main office at Howard Johnsons in College Station (on State Highway 6). Please join us for complementary snacks and light refreshments.

ITALIAN CAR SHOW (Saturday, Feb. 28, 9:00 – 11:30 am)

The IAFS car show will be held on Saturday morning in the northern-most paddock at Texas World Speedway. Each registered car (or motorcycle) will be assigned a parking space that will serve as its official location for the car show. Note: All vehicles not participating in the car show, including tow vehicles and trailers, must park outside the area designated for the car show.

The attendees of the show will judge all vehicles entered in the Italian Car Show. The IAFS Car Show Ballot in your registration packet will allow you to vote for your favorites in various categories for each Italian marque. Please return your completed ballot to the ballot box at the registration table before 11:30 am Saturday.

Cars entered in the IAFS Car Show will be grouped by marque for convenient judging. Marque numbering is as follows.

101 – 199 Pantera
201 – 299 Lamborghini
301 – 399 Ferrari
401 – 499 Fiat and other Italian Marques
501 – 599 Motorcycles

TWS PHOTO SHOOT (Saturday, Feb. 28, 11:30 – 1:00 pm)

During the track lunch break on Saturday, IAFS registered vehicles will be staged onto the TWS front straightaway for group photos. The photo session will be marked by three loud blasts from an air horn. Proceed with your car to the grid near the TWS snack bar where cars prepare to enter the track. Cars of each mark will then be collectively positioned on the front straight for a group photo.

You will need the **Photo Coupon** in your registration packet to claim your 8" X 10" print at the photographer's trailer near Garage 1. You will not be able to redeem your photo coupon until Sunday morning at TWS. If you will not be at TWS on Sunday, then you will need to make other arrangements with the photographer in order to take delivery of your photo.

FOREST DRIVE (Saturday, Feb. 28, 1:00 – 4:00 pm)

Immediately following the photo session, registered IAFS participants will leave for a scenic drive through the surrounding countryside. The drive will be approximately 60 - 75 miles in length (depending on time) and will include several stops to allow the group to collect. A route map will be provided before departure Saturday morning. A chase truck (stocked with basic tools, jack, tow-strap, cell phone, etc.) will follow the group to provide logistical support during the drive.

The drive will culminate at the Messina Hof winery. Be sure and bring the Messina Hof Admission Coupon included in your registration packet with you on the Forest Drive as we will not be returning to the TWS track facility before the winery tour.

The Forest Drive is not a race or speed competition. Please exercise good judgment as the Forest Drive will utilize public roadways which must be shared with farm equipment, horseback riders, and bicyclists. Stay alert and drive safely. All participants are required by the State of Texas to observe posted speed limits.

MESSINA HOF WINERY TOUR/TASTING (Saturday, Feb. 28, 4:00 – 5:30 pm)

Experience a tour of the Messina Hof winery and orchard followed by a tasting of some of their best wines and ports. Be sure to bring your Messina Hof Admission Coupon/s with you.

AWARDS DINNER AT CENARE'S (Saturday, Feb 28, 7:00 pm)

The IAFS Awards Dinner will be held Saturday evening at Cenare's Restaurant. Dinner includes the meal, dessert, non-alcoholic beverages, gratuity and taxes. If you have pre-registered to attend the Awards Dinner, you will have the appropriate Awards Dinner Coupons in your registration packet. Drink coupons for wine and/or beer will be available at the registration table for \$4.00 each. Drink coupons must be purchased Saturday at the IAFS registration table and will not be available at the restaurant.

Walk-up capacity at Cenare's is extremely limited so please make your reservation through IAFS in advance.

TWS TRACK EVENT (Sunday, Feb 29, 8:00 am – 5:00 pm) (optional Saturday Feb 28, 8:00 am – 5:00 pm)

The TWS track event will begin with a driver's meeting at the track facility at 8 am Sunday morning (if you are registered for the optional Saturday track day then the driver's meeting will be Saturday morning at 8 am). In this meeting TWS officials will discuss the road course layout, rules of the track including passing restrictions, vehicle safety, signal flags, etc. You will also receive your TWS wristband that identifies your run group and allows you to enter the track. If you miss the drivers meeting you will not be allowed on the track. Drivers will be grouped according to driving experience as:

Green Group - little/no prior track experience **Yellow Group** - significant prior track experience

Red Group - extensive track experience and/or race prepped vehicle

TWS track personnel will assign drivers to individual run groups. Green Group drivers will be provided with a driving instructor. Passengers other than instructors are not permitted during the track event.

All track event drivers must wear a helmet (Snell 95 minimum) and full-length cotton clothing (no cutoffs, tank tops, or sandals permitted) or an approved racing suit. Seat belts or safety harnesses are required for both driver and passenger and must be in good condition. There can be no loose items of any kind in the passenger compartment (including camera gear that is not securely attached) or trunk while the

vehicle is on the track. Exposed glass headlamps or glass headlamp covers must be taped to prevent breakage. All vehicle windows must be fully lowered at all times while on the track.

Each track vehicle will be assigned a two or three digit identification number that must be prominently displayed (8" - 12" tall) on each side of the car. If you do not have permanent numbers then temporary numbers can be made using colored electrical tape that contrasts with the color of your vehicle.

A signed safety/tech inspection form for each track vehicle must be presented at or prior to the morning safety meeting. Safety/tech inspections would best be completed before track day by an inspector approved for each particular marque. However, vehicle inspection capability will be available on Saturday and Sunday. Prior to inspection time, thoroughly view the safety/tech inspection form carefully (one is included in your registration packet) and make sure that your vehicle is in the condition required to pass the safety/tech. The extremely limited repair resources available at the track facility or in College Station will likely make last-minute repairs/modifications difficult or impossible. Vehicles without a signed safety inspection form will not be allowed on the track.

The IAFS track event will take place rain or shine and track fees must be paid to TWS in advance. Therefore no refunds can be given.

CONTACT INFORMATION

Please direct any questions you may have regarding IAFS to any one of the contacts below:

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Or visit the IAFS section of the Space City Panteras web page at:

http://www.spacecitypanteras.com/IAFS/IAFS-2004/IAFS-2004-Announcement.htm

IAFS-2004 / Texas World Speedway Location Map

