

**CAROC**  
**February 19, 2023**  
**Meeting Notes**

On Sunday February 19, 2023, your Board of Directors conducted the first of its 4 scheduled meetings for 2023. Board Members present at Panera Bread in Palatine were: Dennis Sbertoli,, Sandy Ganun, Marco Battistoni, Dave Johnson, Chip Van Sant and Robert Clauss. George Mikail, Greg Korak and also participated.

The next scheduled Board Meeting will be June 4, 19, 2023 and we welcome any member's attendance. Unless otherwise noted, we will meet at Panera Bread 1603 N. Rand Road, Palatine, IL 60074. We truly want your input.

Matters under discussion      Calendar Generally

Name Badges: We did decide to go forward with the purchase of name badges bearing the ALFA logo and member names. Greg Korak has been the lead on this and has posted specifics to the web site. The cost will be \$10.00 for badges with magnetic clasps and \$9.00 for ones with pin fasteners. Contact Greg to place an order. Greg.korak@gmail.com

Spring Tour: Greg Korak volunteered to lead a tour. Destination will be The Farnsworth House in Plano and the date is April 22<sup>nd</sup>. We will meet in Geneva for a drive to Plano. Greg reserved 20 spots for us. Admission is \$25.00 through March 22<sup>nd</sup> and goes up to \$30.00 after that date. You can purchase tickets in advance at <https://edithfarnsworthhouse.org>. Greg would also need a head count in advance so he can apprise the curators. See the CAROC website for further details as it develops.

AROC National: Our own, Cindy Bennett has volunteered to run for a position on the National Board. Voting is open and many of us have cast our votes for her and we hope you do so as well.

National Convention: We concluded it's too late to submit a bid to host the 2024 convention and the 2025 hosting remains an option. Several members stated concerns regarding procuring a sufficient number of volunteers to put on a convention. We are considering the options of doing it and solicit input from the members as to your willingness to commit to such an undertaking.

Indoor Karting: We have set Saturday, March 11, 2023 as the date for our indoor karting event a K-1 in Buffalo Grove. Wayne Seely has taken the lead on this. Please RSVP Wayne as we need a headcount. Alfarace@visualhorizonsinc.com

Track day: We have booked our Blackhawk Farms track day for June 24th. Registration is now open and we have a number of people registered as of this writing. We again are producing it in conjunction with the Lotus Club.

Tony also advanced the idea of a second track event, possibly also in concert with the Lotus group. No details at this point. Could be as simple as several members meeting for a “test and tune” or a full blown track day. Details remain under discussion.

Model Car Night: We have set March 16 as our model car night. It will be at member, Gino Rago’s restaurant in Park Ridge. Paninos Pizzeria at 28 S. Fairview Avenue, Park Ridge, IL 60068. (847) 823-3450. <https://www.paninospizza.com> Paninos Pizzeria

Geneva Concours:

Though not discussed in detail, during our meeting the Geneva Concours is coming up on Sunday August 27, 2023. See [Www.genevaconcours.net](http://www.genevaconcours.net) for further details and forms. They do have club specific parking available in the lot behind the old Courthouse. We will have the opportunity to use it if we get sufficient interest.

Meadowdale:

The Meadowdale show will be Saturday September 9, 2023 this year. We generally have 5-6 ALFAs come in for this event. [Mirpa.org@gmail.com](mailto:Mirpa.org@gmail.com) for registration and details.

Naperville ALFA Dealer: Cindy recently delivered promotional items to the dealership so hopefully that will generate some interest in our group.

Monthly meetings:

We will continue our monthly meetings at Avanti Caffè the third Thursday of the Month meeting. Although the venue will be Paninos as noted above with a return to Avanti in April. 1900 S. Elmhurst Road, Mt. Prospect. (847) 437-6640

Election: There were no new submissions by members wishing to join the Chapter Board so it remains constituted as before: Dennis M. Sbertoli, President; Sandy Ganun, Vice President; Marco Battistoni, Secretary; Cindy Bennett, Treasurer; Tony Cavaliere, President *emeritus*; Trustees: Chip Van Sant, Robert Clauss, Doug Clark and Dave Johnson.

Finances:

Cindy Bennett reports that we have about \$14,400.00 in the bank at this time.

Other Outings:

Julie Fixler has also suggested some non-car type outings to include spouses and families. Possibilities include bowling, bocce ball and , of course her own “Tributo Tuesday.”

To the extent that our events are posted with tentative dates watch the CAROC Website

for further details. Additionally, we anticipate detailed email blasts to go out in advance of the events.

We are an all-volunteer organization and are always looking for more participation from our members. If you have an idea for an outing or event, let us know. If you have a special skill to contribute, let us know, we need everybody to make it a better group. Please consider offering your service as a board member. **We have not put out our newsletter, *The Sotto Veloce* for several years now and are looking for an editor. If you are willing to take on the task of publishing we definitely want to hear from you.**

Calendar Dates by month:

January:

No monthly meeting.  
28 Banquet

February:

16 Monthly meeting  
19 BoD

March:

11 Indoor karting at K1  
16 Monthly meeting, with Model Car night, Paninos Pizzeria, Park Ridge.

April:

20 Monthly meeting, Avanti Caffè', Mount Prospect.  
22 Spring Tour, Farnsworth House, Plano IL

May:

18 Monthly Meeting  
19-21 Road America SVRA

June:

4 BoD  
15 Monthly meeting  
15-18 Road America, Indy Cars  
17-25 Pre-Convention Tour and National Convention.  
23-25 Road America June Sprints  
24 Blackhawk Farms

July:

7-9 Road America Trans AM  
13-16 Road America, Redman

20 Monthly Meeting

August:

- 1-6 Road America, IMSA
- 17 Monthly Meeting
- 18-20 Road America, World Challenge
- 27 Geneva Concours

September:

- 9 Meadowdale Car show
- 10 Tour with Detroit Chapter
- 10 Board Meeting
- 15-17 Road America, VSCDA Vintage Fall Challenge
- 21 Monthly Meeting

October:

- 19 Monthly Meeting

November:

- 16 Monthly Meeting

December:

- 21 Monthly Meeting

January, 2024:

- 2024 Banquet, site and reservation to be determined. January 20 or 27, 2024

Respectfully,

Dennis