

# Alfa Notizia Piccola



Newsletter of the **FLORIDA ALFA CLUB**  
Tampa Bay Area, Florida

## **Meeting Thursday August 13th** **Jason's Deli (corner Enterprise & US 19)** **25801 US 19 North, Suite 1110, Clearwater**

*In the Cypress Point shopping center just South of corner of US 19 and Enterprise.  
Need directions, call the restaurant at (727) 793-0446 . Meeting starts 7:30 PM*

### **Back from Veloce Nel Verde**

*Don't have much coverage in this edition,  
but upcoming Alfa Owner will be expanded  
version for Convention Coverage.*

### **Greenes receive DiMatteo Award**

*Delmas and Polly Greene were awarded the  
Fred DiMatteo award for their tireless  
contributions and efforts, in the spirit of Fred.  
Also receiving the award this year was Bill  
and Marion Gillham. The board unanimously  
agreed that both couples were deserving of  
this special recognition!*

### **Dinner at the Greene's**

*See the information on page 2 - and be sure  
to call Polly and **RSVP no later than**  
**Wednesday August 26th** for the Saturday  
evening gathering at their home.*



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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

August, 2009

No Club meeting in July, so its time to get together again for our Thursday night, August 13th business meeting. Polly and I visited with many Alfa friends in Portland, Oregon and enjoyed catching up with Linda and John Rady who were in the middle of their seven weeks "around the USA" trip. They will have lots of stories to share with us.

Several interesting things were discussed at the "Board of Directors" meeting; remarkably, it was finished in time for the evening reception. Many activities were going on (some at the same time) throughout the weekend, so one had to set priorities. The 100th anniversary of Alfa Romeo will be the main theme at next year's Convention in Frederick, Maryland, June 20-25th, 2010. Hopefully, by then the Alfa/Chrysler merger will be far enough along that we may have some new Alfas around to inspect. The 2011 Convention will be at Lexington, Kentucky, in conjunction with the Keenland Concours d'Elegance. We have our own member, Ruggero Santilli to thank for suggesting to them to have our convention there. (He had met some of the Alfa Club members there at a car show last year)

Keep a look out for 2010 activities featuring Alfa Romeo's 100th anniversary. Alfa's new web site [www.alfiести.com](http://www.alfiести.com) should be available for viewing soon. I have a list started already, so it looks as if there are some exciting activities brewing in the USA as well; including Alfa as featured marque at Pebble Beach, Indianapolis 500, Watkins Glen and Amelia Island.

We have a lot of other exciting activities planned over the next few months, so keep track of our calendar of events on our web site: <http://www.floridaalfaclub.org>. You can also see the activities of the other Florida Alfa Clubs by clicking on their "links" on our web-site.

Delmas Greene, President

### Dinner At The Greene's - August 29, 2009

Make plans now for an evening of Italian food and good company at the Greene's house on **Saturday, August 29, 2009 from 7:00 PM on....** With all the hot weather these days, we thought that it would be nice to have a get together where we can be in air conditioning comfort and have time to catch up with each others lives! If you plan to attend, call Polly at 727-799-1486 to make reservations and to find out what you can bring to help with the meal. Polly and Delmas will be furnishing the meat, coffee, tea, and dessert, so salads, vegetables and breads are up for grabs! You are welcome to bring your choice of alcoholic beverages. Guys (and girls, too), find your favorite Car DVD or Video—there will be two televisions available that can be used to help entertain.

The Greene's address is 1410 Pineapple Lane, Clearwater. **Please RSVP by Wednesday Aug 26th** - If you don't know the directions, just ask when you make your reservations.

Hope to see you on the 29th!!

## Florida Alfa Club

Meeting Minutes- June 11, 2009

Present at meeting: Delmas & Polly Greene, John Picot, Dave Rigall, Mike Ward, Harmon & Jo Heed, Tom Pletta, Norm & Penny Sippel, & long ago member Gene Hausen.

Meeting called to order at 7:35 - Delmas welcomed Gene Hausen back to our area.

Polly gave the Treasurer's report.

- Polly reported that arrangements for Christmas dinner have been made with Alfano's in Clearwater for December 5. There will be a cash bar from 6 – 7PM, dinner at 7PM. Cost will be approximately \$35 - \$40 per person.

- Twelve Alfa people spent the weekend at Cedar Key. As seen in the newsletter, a good time had by all.

Upcoming events:

- British Car Club Starlight Dinner Cruise Clearwater.

- June 27 Brits by the Bay. Last year we had 3 Alfas..

- July activity – Old Towne, Kissimmee show, parade & dinner.

- August 8 – Winter Park show

- AROC Convention in Portland, OR in July.

- No regular FAC meeting in July.

- August 22 (moved to 29th)– Dinner at the Greene's. Meat & drinks provided. Call Polly to check on what to bring and Rsvp. 727-799-1486.

- Members voted to make donation to worthy cause. Passed by unanimous vote.

Odds-'n-ends:

- Dave Rigall working on his 164Q

- Norm Sippel mentioned a friend in Quincy, MA has 2600 Spider in need of major resto for sale.

Meeting adjourned at 8:15 PM.

**Please be sure to check the web site for up to date calendar!**

**Meeting Thursday June 11th  
@ 7:30 Jasons Deli  
25801 U.S. 19 N. Clearwater  
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### Next Up Event Details...

**2009 Florida Alfa Club CALENDAR OF EVENTS is available on our web site!**

Business Meetings: Held the second Thursday of each month, 7:30 p.m. at Jason's Deli, 25801 US 19 North, Clearwater, FL (Corner of Enterprise and US 19). Come early and have dinner with other enthusiasts. An \* by an event denotes it as an official FAC event.

**Thursday August 13, 2009 - 7:30 P.M.** Business Meeting \*

**Saturday August 29, 2009 - 7:00 PM** Dinner at the Greene's, meat and drinks provided: members bring a dish to share.

**Thursday September 10, 2009 - 7:30 P.M.** Business Meeting \*

**Sunday September 13, 2009 1:00-?** Tech Session \*

### ***Brief Coverage of the convention***

Sorry for such a light coverage, but none of have had time since the return to assemble much. So, here are some shots from Delmas. Top left, the Ron Tonkin collection, and personal time w/ Ron - What a treat this was! Top right - a collection of cars at the Thursday evening street dinner in downtown Portland. A city block was closed off just for us, with a 7 course Italian dinner!. Bottom Left - view from the Greene's room of the Colombia river, and on the other side Washington State!. Bottom right, picture from Friday night dinner boat cruise. The Greens, Chip, Casey Annis and the Edinburgs about to board for dinner! As usual, Portland executed a FANTASTIC convention. Chip





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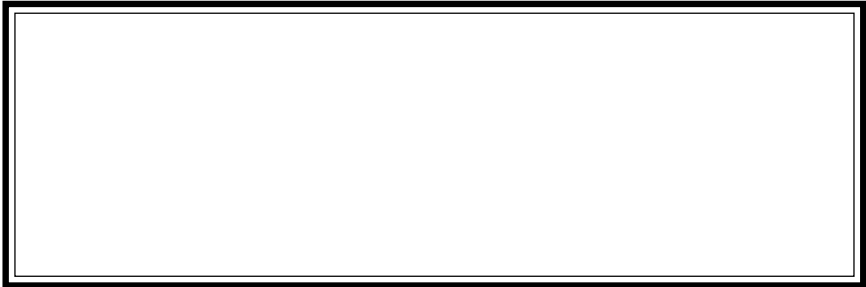
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