

MARCH

U.S.S. Iowa Tour

Palos Verdes C&C + Gladstone's Lunch

The *USS Iowa* is a retired battleship. She saw service in the Atlantic during WWII and off the coast of North Korea during the Korean War. We are

fortunate to have her docked in San Pedro with plenty of volunteers to inform us of her role in protecting our nation.

On March 4th, we can begin the day at an excellent Cars&Coffee held atop the parking structure for the "Promenade on the Peninsula" Rolling Hills Estates. This event is 7-9AM. See

<https://www.pvconcours.org/peninsula-cars-and-coffee>. Details on a twisty-road-ocean-view drive from there to the *USS Iowa* will be provided when you RSVP.

Or you can join us directly at the *USS Iowa* at 10AM. Everyone will need to get a General Access Pass. You can do so ahead of time at

<https://www.pacificbattleship.com/experiences/>. This year the pass costs \$19.95-23.95 depending on your age and military status. If you only buy the General Access Pass, you will be taking a self-guided tour of the ship.

There are some interesting, guided, add-on tours: Engineering Tour (8 people), Gun Tour (8 people), Guided Tour (10



people). If you are interested in one of these, you call the museum, specifically Catherine Moreno at 310-971-4462, x706 to reserve times, get

details, and pay for a spot on March 4th. Space is limited, so do this ASAP.

You must have a General Access Pass before purchasing any of the add-on tours.

All tours require that you be physically able to climb up and down ladders without delay. Closed toe shoes are required.

Please RSVP and seek clarifications via email at vgdietrich@cox.net. Let us know if you will be driving your Alfa. That way we can try to reserve a line of parking spaces at the Cars & Coffee and at the *USS Iowa*.

Lunch at Gladstone's: For those interested in lunch, we are planning on meeting at Gladstones in Long Beach around 1:00pm. This will take us across both the Vincent Thomas Bridge and the new Long Beach International Gateway Bridge.

– Val Dietrich

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