

WEST MICHIGAN CHAPTER

THE ARROWHEAD

Newsletter for the Pontiac Enthusiast

March 2016

West Michigan POCI 1586 Ridgecrest Dr. Zeeland, MI 49484



The Preamble

The West Michigan Chapter of the Pontiac-Oakland Club International is dedicated to the ownership and preservation of Pontiacs, all models and years. It is the goal of the chapter to encourage and unite area Pontiac enthusiasts in Chapter sponsored activities and events. The Arrowhead serves as one of the tools to which the Club can fulfill its goals as well as provide information and services to its members.

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Tuesday, March 1

Meet at Famous Dave's in Grandville

7:00 PM

Guest Speaker, Jay Follis,

Director of Marketing

Gilmore's Car Museum

Come early if you wish to eat.

Membership Info

Chapter Dues are to be paid January 1st \$25.00 payable to WMPOCI Please give to Terri Miller at the meeting, or mail them to: Terri Miller 8830 Taylor St. Zeeland, MI 49464

National Dues are YOUR responsibility. You must be a member of the National POCI to be a member of the West Michigan POCI. Log onto www.poci.org for more information or to register

WMPOCI MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Name		Spouse	
Address			
City	_ State	_ Zip	
Phone	Email		
Full Member (Chapter & POCI)			
If full member include your POCI#			
Non POCI member (Chapter only)			
Pontiac Owned			
Year	Model		
Style Motor			
National POCI # (must have)			
Birthday Spouse's Birthday			
Anniversary			
\$25.00 Payable to WMPOCI			

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February 21 – Gilmore Lecture Series – M22 Views (3PM)

March 1 – Meet at Famous Dave's. Guest speaker, Jay Follis,

Director of Marketing from the Gilmore Car Museum

April 5- (TENTATIVE) Shop Tour

- April 30 Spring dust-off cruise to see wood miniatures & flowers
- May 3– Guest speaker, Jim Mattison,

owner of Pontiac Historic Services

- June 8 Cruise to Gilmore Car Museum
- July 12-16– POCI National Convention in Bettendorf, Iowa
- July 23 Pontiac show at Bakers in Milford, MI
- Aug 2 Pre WMPOCI car show meeting at Famous Dave's
- Aug 12 WMPOCI car show at the Elhart car campus
- Sept 6 Picnic at Holland State Park
- Sept 16 & 17 Pure Stock Drags weekend
- Oct 8 Color Tour to Fenn Valley Winery, Fennville, MI
- Nov 1 Meet at the Van Zytveld's for our valve cover races and officer elections
- Dec 2 Christmas Party at the Double Tree in Holland, MI

Here are some additional events to consider attending this year.Sat., May 21, 10 AM– 2 PM "Hot Rods, Hogs and a Hog"
David's House Ministries Banner Dr SW, WyomingJuly 12-16 POCI National Convention in Bettendorf, IA
Go to www.poci.org for details and registration.August 5-7 is the Ames Show in Norwalk, OH.
Ames Performance Pontiac Nationals at
Summit Motorsports Park.August 19-20Woodward Dream CruiseAugust 26-27 is the Grand Rapids Metro CruiseSeptember 16-17 Pure Stock Muscle Car Drags, Stanton, MI
September 2322nd Annual All Makes Car Show

Ver Hage Motors, Holland

CHIEF'S CHATTER

Hello Everybody-

SNOW!! For the most part I dislike it. Oh sure it makes for a pretty landscape every now and then, but beyond that I have no real affinity for it. As I'm writing it's an absolute "snow globe" out my window right now. Some of you may be reading this thinking I've lost my mind, after all, there's hardly any-thing on the ground where you're at. That may be true, seems I only need to travel a few miles east to get away from it, but here along the Lakeshore within just a couple days I went from seeing green grass in my yard to having more than 14 inches of the white stuff in my driveway. Enough of my rant though, it's February in Michigan after all, I better learn to live with it for a couple more months.

Our February meeting/tour of the Zeeland BPW Plant was well attended, better than I expected actually. With so many members away on vacation, I expected a lack-luster turnout. Thank you for proving me wrong, and Thank you for inviting your friends. I hope everybody enjoyed themselves, and took something away from the tour. If you haven't thanked Doug Troost yet for arranging the night, please do so the next time you see him. It was really a unique opportunity.

After the plant tour we went to our Tour Guide's home for a short club meeting, and to check out his shop and train collection. Doug brought everybody some snacks and refreshments, Dale Garvelink, "Garv" had his shop warmed up for us and some fresh coffee on brew. At the meeting I announced that Jay Follis, Director of Marketing at the Gilmore Car Museum, had gotten back to me and will be coming to our March 1st meeting to give a presentation on the History and Future of the Gilmore Car Museum. The meeting will be held at Famous Dave's in Grandville with Jay's presentation starting at 7:00pm.

We also held our 50/50, and Member Participation drawings. Your's truly won the 50/50 drawing of \$11. Bob & Roxanne De Boer's name was pulled for the \$36 Participation drawing. Unfortunately for them, Bob decided to head home after the plant tour instead of coming to the meeting, so the pot rolls over. (I almost feel a little bad even putting this in the newsletter. Sorry Bob!!) On Sunday February 21st we will be going to the Gilmore Car Museum (weather permitting) for one of their "Lecture Series" events. The program starts at 3:00pm and the guest speakers are Tom Wilson and Christine Byron, they'll be sharing their knowledge about "Vintage Views along Scenic M-22". Given that the Club has driven M-22 a few times in the past as part of our Fall Color tour, I'm excited to hear what they have to share. The cost for the lecture series is \$5 per person, or free with a \$12 Museum Pass. If you're planning to attend we'll be meeting at the Marathon Gas Station on 100th Street (Just south of Byron Center) at 2:00pm, from there we'll head down to the Museum as a group. This is Exit 72 off of US 131 south, and is the same location where we've met in the past fot our summer cruises to the museum. Hope to see you there.

At this time I'm working on getting a shop tour arranged for our April meeting, I'll keep you informed if this develops.

Until next time, grab another gear and stomp it to floor.

Scott van Tamelen

February 2016 Meeting Report

Our faithful Secretary, Dan Jensen, did not attend so here is a snapshot of our February meeting and outing. We met on a very rainy evening, February 2, at the Zeeland Power Plant. Doug Troost introduced us to Dale Garvelink who gave us a tour and explained the sizes and power capacities of the various generators that they have. He even had one of the generators started so we could hear and feel the power.

We then drove the country roads in the hard rain out to Dale's home northeast of Zeeland. He had chairs set up in his garage/workshop and Doug Troost brought some bakery goodies so we had refreshments and held our brief meeting.

Our Treasurer's report, sent from Arizona, was that we have \$969.43 in the bank.

Dale then took us into the basement of his house and showed us his model train layout and collection of trains.

CARE CORNER

Thoughts and Prayers go to the following because of recent deaths in their families:

Nancy Baker's dad. Rick Ploeg's dad Karen Arnoldink's brother

We intend to include such announcements whenever we learn of a serious illness, accident, surgery, or death of a close relative of one of our members. Please inform a Board Member if you have an item to share in our "Care Corner."

ITEMS FOR SALE

Cary Hirdes has this set of four Pontiac Hub Caps. The red center is mostly gone on one. Otherwise in good shape. Make an offer. 616-212-0059 Cary also has this single Pontiac Hub Cap. Make an offer. 616-212-0059





Pontiac Water Pump. Includes gasket. Make an offer Cary Hirdes 616-212-0059



Pontiac Water Pump. No gasket. Make an offer. Cary Hirdes 616-212-0059





