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**PONTIAC-OAKLAND
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THE ARROWHEAD

Newsletter for the Pontiac Enthusiast

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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.

Club Officers

President	Doug Troost	616-399-1423
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Treasurer	Terri Miller	616-875-8069
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December 6
Christmas Dinner
Doubletree Inn
Holland
Social Hour @ 6:00
Dinner @ 6:30
650 East 24th Street

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 POI to be a member of the West Michigan POI. 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 & POI) _____

If full member include your POI# _____

Non POI member (Chapter only) _____

Pontiac Owned _____

Year _____ Model _____

Style _____ Motor _____

National POI # (must have) _____

Birthday _____ Spouse's Birthday _____

Anniversary _____

\$25.00 Payable to WMPOCI

CHIEF'S CHATTER

This is an excerpt from a donation request form from the Wounded Warrior Project. I'm sure you have heard of the Wounded Warrior Project but maybe weren't sure just what they provide for our returning veterans.

Thanks to caring Americans like you, WWP has helped tens of thousands of injured veterans through a wide variety of programs and services, including:

- **WWP Backpacks**, presented to injured warriors upon their arrival at military trauma centers, are filled with clothing, toiletries, and comfort items.

- **Project Odyssey** rehabilitative retreats and the online resource **Restore Warriors**, both of which help veterans cope with post-traumatic stress disorder and other invisible wounds of war.

- **TRACK**, the first education center in America designed specifically for injured warriors, providing academic, vocational, and life-skills training.

- **Soldier Ride** rehabilitative cycling events, which help wounded veterans regain their physical strength and confidence.

2014 Schedule

Help us fill in this space with your ideas!! :)

It's hard to believe that another car season is over and that I just finished putting the last one of my cars away. The whole year has passed by very quickly.

I missed last month's meeting but from what I heard all went well and I would like to congratulate the new leaders of the club and thank those who helped out in every way this year. Thank you to our past leaders, Carl Thorwall (Vice Pres), Dan Jensen (Secretary), Terri Miller (Treasurer) and Elaine VanZytveld (newsletter editor). Thanks to Doug and Linda Kamphuis and Pam and Gary Laarman for the dust off trip to Shippie and Cary and Judy Hirdes for being the ring leaders for the Car Show and to Scott and Michelle Van Tamelen for the ice cream cruise and the fall color tour to Pentwater. A big thank you to my side kick Carl Thorwall for filling in for me while I was gone a couple of times and for the tour of the Holland Board of Public Works and showing the Power Tour video at a club meeting. Thanks to Bob DeBoer for his presentation on car cleaning products and detailing and Dan Jensen for his presentation of how the pure stock muscle car race got started and for his efforts in getting us to have Jim Matteson as a speaker for one of our meetings. Thanks to Ron and Elaine VanZytveld for the Poker Run with one of the stops being a veterans memorial park and the Hudsonville Winery and ending up at their place for our meeting and dessert. And lastly thanks to everyone who attended meetings without you we would not have a successful club. If I have forgotten anyone my apologies. It is not intentional, my memory is not always as good as I would like it to be.

One of the accomplishments we had as a club this year was to get a website up and running. The seed was planted and thanks to Scott and Carl they accomplished it. I think we have a fantastic website. We also now have club business cards to hand out to fellow Pontiac enthusiasts. As everyone knows it takes the hands of many to make a successful Club.

Next month put on your party best because it is our annual Christmas Party. Come out for an evening of fun and fellowship and entertainment. This also is your chance to donate to this year's chosen Christmas Charity, which is the "Wounded Warrior of Michigan Association." This will be your chance to give back to the ones who gave so much for our freedom.

While this is a long Chief's Chatter it is my farewell message as President. Just wanted to thank each of you for your help and support this past year. It was jam packed with good times and memories, thanks for letting me be a part of a great club with great people!!

Doug

December 2013 Meeting Report

The meeting was held at the VanZytveld's where the valve cover races were held. There were 28 members present. We began the night with Vitale's pizza, a wonderful salad and a few munchies, followed by three great desserts. Carl Thorwall, our vice president led our short meeting after everyone had eaten.

Terri Miller gave the treasurers report citing the expenses that we incurred from the color tour, the valve cover races and the cost of business cards. We also had income from new dues and a donation from the popcorn vendor at the car show and Dan's generous donation from the drag races.

A charity was chosen for our Christmas donation. This year we will be collecting money at the dinner for The Wounded Warriors Project.

We also had elections for new officers for the next year. First the club would like to thank Doug Troost for serving as our President this past year! Carl Thorwall agreed to move up to the President position and Gary Laarman graciously accepted the position of Vice President. Teri Miller, Dan Jensen and myself agreed to stay on as Treasurer, Secretary and Editor respectively.

Anyone who has ideas for meetings for the coming year please let one of the officers know. We could use the help to fill up eleven months worth of meetings that everyone would enjoy.

The 50/50 raffle was won by Roxanne DeBoer, \$17.00. The attendance pot was won by Bruce and Debbie Hayes, who were not present, it was a whopping \$119.00 which now rolls over to next months pot.

After the meeting we held our races in which the competition was fierce. All the race cars were newly polished and wheels greased, in the end Wendell Miller took first place with Tom Ensing taking second. Each received a \$10.00 gift card to Famous Dave's. The runner-ups received a \$5.00 gift card. Best of Show was won by Ron VZ.

CHRISTMAS DINNER INFORMATION

Our dinner will be at the Doubletree in Holland. The address is 650 East 24th Street.

Reservations can still be made by sending \$10.00 per person to Terri Miller by November 27. Social hour is at 6:00 with dinner served at 6:30. Come and enjoy a festive time with fellow club members.

We will be having Nate Roberts from Hope College for this years entertainment. He sings, plays guitar, banjo and mandolin. He will be doing a variety of Standard Christmas songs and more seasonal gospel songs. He will be performing at 8:00.

FOOD FOR THOUGHT

Give a man a car and he's happy for a day,

Give a man a woman and he's happy for a night,

Give a man a woman that likes cars and he's happy for life.

If you do the things you need to do when you need to do them

Then

Someday you can do the things you want to do when you want to do them.