



**PONTIAC-OAKLAND
CLUB INTERNATIONAL**

WEST MICHIGAN
CHAPTER

THE ARROWHEAD

NEWSLETTER FOR THE PONTIAC ENTHUSIAST

AUGUST 2005

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CHIEF'S CHATTER

OUR JULY PICNIC WAS VERY WELL ATTENDED. WE HAVE ONE NEW MEMBER AGAIN THIS MONTH, TERRY SCHUT, WELCOME TO THE CLUB! TERRY HAS A NICE TRANS AM THAT HE GOT WHEN HE GRADUATED FROM HIGH SCHOOL, HIS FIRST CAR.

FOR THOSE THAT ATTENDED THE POCI CONVENTION, I HOPE THAT YOU HAD A GOOD TIME, AND AGAIN I HEARD WE AS A CLUB WERE IN GOOD ATTENDANCE.

REMEMBER AUGUST 3 IS OUR MEETING WITH THE WIDE TRACKERS FOR A PICNIC. PLEASE SEE DAN'S MINUTES FOR INFORMATION ON HOW TO GET THERE, ETC. LET'S HAVE A GOOD TURN OUT TO SHOW THEM OUR NICE CARS.

AUGUST 5 IS ALSO A BIG NIGHT FOR OUR CLUB. IT IS OUR ANNUAL FRIDAY NIGHT SHOW AT ELHART PONTIAC IN HOLLAND. PLEASE COME OUT TO HELP AND ATTEND OUR ONLY FUNDRAISER FOR THE SUMMER. TELL YOUR FRIENDS TO COME AND BRING THEIR CARS.

'TIL NEXT MONTH...
...KEEP THE RUBBER SIDE DOWN

BOB

July Hager Park Picnic



F U N



Food!



Friends

All the makings of a great picnic

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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.

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CLUB CELEBRATIONS

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Norman Czurak	Aug 3	Cary Hirdes	Aug 12
Brian Broekema	Aug 5	Todd Kane	Aug 21
Roxanne DeBoer	Aug 9	William Tripp	Aug 21
Terry Schut	Aug 10	Carl Weller	Aug 22
		Michael Brower	Aug 26

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

Doug & Linda Kamphuis	Aug 3	Larry & Karen Riley	Aug 25
Brian & Deb Broekema	Aug 9	Cary & Judy Hirdes	Aug 26
Michael & Nancy Korte	Aug 20	Rowland & Janet Beute	Aug 28

MEMBERSHIP INFO

Chapter Dues are to be paid January 1st

\$15.00 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.

Pontiac-Oakland Club International, Inc

PO Box 9569 Bradenton, FL 34206

Membership Application

Name _____ Spouse _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone _____

Email _____

Pontiac Owned _____

Year _____ Model _____

Style _____ Motor _____

National POCI # (must have) _____

Birthday _____ Spouse's Birthday _____

Anniversary _____

\$15.00 PAYABLE TO WMPOCI

PONTIAC JULY MINUTES

- The first Pontiac went on sale in:
 - 1926
 - 1916
 - 1920
 - 1932
- The bird's head of the Trans Am hood decal always faced to the right until this model year:
 - 1977
 - 1978
 - 1979
 - 1980
- It was the only Pontiac model with factory-installed hood pins:
 - Can AM
 - Firebird H.O.
 - GT-37
 - Le Mans Sprint
- "The Judge" model was almost named:
 - Bengal
 - Woodward Special
 - Wide Tracker
 - E.T.
- Fiero production took place at this plant:
 - Pontiac, Michigan
 - Wentzville, Missouri
 - Van Nuys, California
 - Baltimore, Maryland

Quiz questions taken from *Pontiac Enthusiast* July/August 2005 Issue

Wow! What great weather we had for a picnic at Hager Park in Jenison! Sunshine and temps in the 80's. Plus the great food! Brats, hot dogs, beans, potatoes, salads, pasta dishes, breads, desserts (chocolate!), and more! I'd say we had between 30 and 40 people show up. Plus, just about everyone drove a Pontiac, both old and new. A lot of pedestrians stopped to ask about the cars and the club! Maybe we'll get some new members in the future.

Speaking of new members, we did have a couple with us at our picnic. We wish to welcome Terry Schut and his wife to our club. They drove their beautiful '78 Trans Am to the picnic. Terry is the original owner of his TA, and it shows! We hope to see both of you at our future events.

Many of you went to the POCI Nats in South Carolina. Hopefully you had a great time and brought home some trophies!

A reminder, our August 3rd meeting is another picnic. This one will be held at Fitzgerald Park in Grand Ledge, MI. For those of you who don't know, Grand Ledge is a nice small town just west of Lansing. We have a pavilion reserved just in case the weather doesn't want to cooperate with us. We will be meeting up with the Wide Tracker club from the other side of the state! Bring a dish to pass, and your own table service. Our club will provide the meat (brats, hotdogs) for our members. The plans are for our members to meet at the bottom of Portland Exit #77, off I-96. As you get off the highway, you will see Vollman Ford adjacent to the exit. At the bottom of the exit, turn right, and then another immediate right, into Vollman's driveway. Just as you pull in, there is a parking lot to the left for the American Legion Hall. That is where we will meet before taking off for Grand Ledge, which is another 10-12 miles. Please be at the parking lot by 6:30 PM. We leave for the park at 6:45 sharp!

Don't forget that our annual Friday evening car show at Elhart Pontiac is August 5th. Please support our show, bring a car, and help out where you can!

One more picnic reminder! (Is this the year of the picnic or what?) Our September 7th meeting/picnic will be held at Ottawa State Park. It's always lots of fun, and my only chance to go to the beach all year!

One last thing, with the Pure Stock Drags coming up September 16 & 17, I'll be passing around a work detail sign up sheet at the next couple meetings. Remember, the more who work, the less work you have to do. If you'd like to sign up, but can't make it to the meetings, please give me a call at (517) 647-2474, or email me at dajensen@voyager.net. Thanks to those who already signed up at Hager Park!

See everyone here in Portland August 3rd!

Dan Jensen

UPCOMING MEETINGS AND EVENTS

WEDNESDAY AUGUST 3 MEET AT 6:30 PM

This is the night for our picnic with the Wide Trackers Chapter. This will be a great time getting to know our fellow POCI members. You will get a chance to see some different cars and swap new and old stories. We hope to see a lot of you there so we are nicely represented. It should be a great time of fun and fellowship. For more details on where to meet and how to get there, please see July's Meeting Minutes. Please bring your own table setting, beverage and a dish to pass. The club is providing hotdogs and brats for dinner.

FRIDAY NIGHT AUGUST 5 6-9 PM

The Car show is quickly approaching. Everything seems to be in order, we just need club members to help with the usual duties. As in years past we will be doing door prizes. **Please bring a door prize for the show and take it to the registration table when you arrive.** Feel free to come early to get things ready. Cars came early last year (and the year before) to get registered so please come when you are able.

WEDNESDAY SEPTEMBER 7

Who knew that one summer could hold so many picnics! Our final picnic will be our Ottawa Beach cook out! One more chance to do what we do best, relax and EAT!. Additional details in next month's newsletter.

SEPTEMBER 16 & 17

Pure Stock Muscle Car Drag Races!! See the note in July's Meeting Minutes.

SAVE THE DATE: SATURDAY DECEMBER 10

Christmas Party at the Beechwood Inn, Holland Michigan
Plan to attend this holiday celebration!

TRIVIA FUN

6. The original GeeTO Tiger touring campaign began this year:
 - A. 1964
 - B. 1965
 - C. 1966
 - D. 1967
7. This footwear company offered a GTO shoe in 1966:
 - A. Thom McAn
 - B. Hush Puppies
 - C. Red Wings
 - D. Buster Brown
8. The first production Pontiac V-8 engine displaced:
 - A. 317 ci
 - B. 265 ci
 - C. 389 ci
 - D. 287 ci
9. The horsepower rating for the original Tri-Power-equipped production engine was:
 - A. 255
 - B. 270
 - C. 275
 - D. 290
10. This Pontiac never served as an Indy 500 pace car:
 - A. 1980 Turbo Trans Am
 - B. 1984 Fiero
 - C. 1989 Turbo Trans Am
 - D. 2002 Trans Am WS6

Muscle Car Trivia

Last Month's Q&A: Which Pontiac vehicle was one time named "the Pegasus"? The Fiero

A Final Note from the Editors...

What a summer! It is flying by. It seems like it was just yesterday that we were sending in our registration for the 2005 convention, and now it has come and gone. What a trip! Despite the threat of rain and storms, the convention went on and was great for all who attended. In the next issue of the Arrowhead we will be featuring the convention highlights. Many trophies came home, and one particularly special one rode home with the Walkers, be sure to ask them about it at the August Meeting, or read about it next month here (I think we'll get the "exclusive"!)

Time to get this thing to the presses and out in the mail. Stay tuned for next month's issue!

The sound of motors and the smell of rubber & exhaust ...

...has been running across the county!!

See you at the August Picnic!

NEXT MONTH'S NEWSLETTER FEATURES:

2005 CONVENTION ISSUE

SEE THE PICTURES, HEAR THE STORIES

PLAN TO ATTEND IN 2006

MEET OUR NEWEST MEMBERS IN THE
"MEMBER SPOTLIGHT"

HEAR MORE ABOUT THE UPCOMING
FALL EVENTS

WONDERING WHAT TO DO THIS WEEK?

any night That There isn't a POCI meeting,
There is still a Lot going on! check out one or ALL of
The weekly car shows and have Fun ALL summer Long!

Tuesday

Fantasy Twirl Ice Cream—Located 7 miles west of Dorr May-September

Wednesday

Rosie's Diner— Located on 14 Mile Rd East of US-131, Rockford MI May-Oct
George & Sally's—Gilmore's Red Barns Brand Original Frozen Custard May-Sept

Deanos' Pizza & Ice Cream—1604 N M-40, Allegan April-Sept

Thursday

Dairy Ranch—Located on 142nd Ave. between US 131 and the town of Dorr May-Sept

Friday & Saturday

Mr C's - located on 44th St. by US 131 - Wyoming

Saturday

DJ's Pizza—Hudsonville, MI Gemmans Hardware Parking lot May-Sept

Sunday

Steak & Shake James & US-31 Holland, MI May-October