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**PONTIAC-OAKLAND
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THE ARROWHEAD

Newsletter for the Pontiac Enthusiast

December 2011

November 2011 Meeting Report

Our November Meeting was held at Van's Delivery Service on Turner Ave. NW because it offered more room for our valve cover races. I'm sure more than a couple employees wondered what was going on in the offices with these strangers turning the big open area into a race track! As the track was being set up, valve covers of many shapes, colors, and features started showing up. I didn't count, but I think we had around nine cars, more than at prior year's races!

Before the races, we sat down to chow on pizzas from Pizza Hut and some delicious desserts that some of the ladies made! I don't think anyone went home hungry!

President Ron VanZytveld held a brief meeting. Judy Howes brought in an idea for this year's charity donation. A Rockford family's young daughter has been battling leukemia, and thank fully it has been eradicated, but the parents are now buried in hospital bills. Their hardship has been reported about in the newspapers and a couple articles were passed around. The club membership present agreed to make a donation to help out the family. The amount will be determined by the club board members, and Judy is going to get more information.

Terri Miller gave us her Treasurer's report. Deposits were income from the Pure Stock Drags. Expenses were for meeting costs, flowers for members, and down payment for the Christmas Banquet.

November is election month, or better known to us as the WMPOCI Railroad! Oh, it's not quite that bad. Ron asked for any nominations for President and Bob DeBoer's name was called out. Roxanne DeBoer said they were expecting it and she and Bob accepted the nomination and office! That was too simple! Then when Ron asked if anyone wanted to volunteer for VP, Doug Troost raised his hand for that post. The membership accepted both Bob and Doug to their new positions. Terri Miller agreed to keep her position as Treasurer, as did Elaine VanZytveld as newsletter editor, and I as secretary. It was too easy this year!

Lastly, Ron read his eulogy for his and Elaine's big stuffed bear (Bernie or Bernice - depending on your mood at that moment) that bit the dust when he/she fell from their truck on I96 and subsequently littered the highway! He'll (she'll?) be missed at all the car shows and camping trips!

On to the races. After some practice runs, the ladies choose the pair ups. In the end Tom Ensing won with his "race cover" and I came in as runner up. Herb Howes won the consolation race and Wendell Miller was runner up there. I was a newbie, and I had a lot more fun than I expected. I encourage those who don't have a "race cover" yet to get a wheel kit (for pinewood derby cars) from a hobby store, dig up any old valve cover (preferably a Pontiac) and build it for next year's race!

Bob and Roxanne DeBoer won the 50/50 raffle of \$15 and the VanZytvelds won the club attendance lotto of \$68! Congratulations!

Next month's meeting on Saturday, December 3rd, is our annual Christmas Party. It is going to be held at the Double Tree in Holland. Social hour begins at 6:00 PM, and the buffet style dinner will be ready for us around 6:30. The cost is \$10 per person, and if you want to go, send your money to Linda Kamphuis, 86 Birchwood Ave, Holland, MI, 49423.

See you there!

Dan Jensen

Here's the scoop on the Christmas Party:

It will be in Holland at the Double Tree Hotel, on 24th street and US31.

Happy Hour is 6PM (Punchbowl and snack mix)

Dinner @ 6:30 (Grilled Pineapple Glazed Chicken, Top Round Pot Roast with Stewed Vegetables, Green Beans with Almonds, & Wild Rice). Also includes mixed green salad, dinner rolls, coffee, tea or soft drinks with New York Style Cheese cake with either Chocolate Drizzle or Raspberry Drizzle for dessert.

Entertainment - we have a Magician coming also we hope to have music entertainment before dinner.

All this for the low cost of \$10.00 a person. The club will be picking up the rest. **We need to know if you are coming and have your money by Nov. 29.** No refunds after that date. We can add people up until Dec. 2 we just can't subtract people once we give them a count on the 29th of Nov. Please send your money to Linda Kamphuis at 86 Birchwood Ave., Holland MI 49423

CHIEF'S CHATTER

November is a great time to pause and reflect over the past year. To take time and remember the fun times we had with our families and friends. Even with the down economy we still are so richly blessed. When we see conditions in third world countries it's hard to complain when we look around us.

One thing that impressed me about this car club when we joined was the giving nature of everyone. It's amazing when you think of the thousands of dollars we have given to Hospice of Holland and every year at our Christmas party we give to a different local charity or family in need.

Kudos to Judy Howes on her suggestion for this year. We have chosen to donate money toward a Meijer gift certificate for a young girl's family in Rockford. Her name is Maddie Tomasko. She was diagnosed with acute myelocytic leukemia in April. She received a bone marrow transplant earlier this year. Her prognosis is good, but her treatment has left her family in a financial pinch.

We will collect the money at the Christmas dinner and purchase the gift card for the family. If you can't make it to the dinner you can give it along with any other club member or send it to Terri Miller and we will include it in our gift.

At our last meeting we had a great time racing our valve cover race cars and as usual we had a great time eating pizza and homemade desserts.

We also elected officers and the club is in great hands for the next year. Bob DeBoer was elected president, Doug Troost vice president, Dan Jensen is continuing as secretary as is Terri Miller as treasurer. As my term winds down, I would like to say "Thank You" to everyone that stepped up and helped make this such a great club. I encourage some of the new members to come to our meetings as well as some of the old members that we haven't seen in a while. We are a group that loves to have fun and eat! This club is about more than just cars. I guarantee you will make new friends and will want to come each month. Ron



Valve cover races

2011 SCHEDULE OF MEETINGS AND ACTIVITIES

Dec: Christmas Party - Dec. 3 at the **Double Tree** - Holland
6:00 Social Hour 6:30 Dinner

You can now check out our [WMPOCI chapter on Facebook](#). Be sure and sign up as a friend.

THE ARROWHEAD

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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DECEMBER 3

**CHRISTMAS PARTY AT THE DOUBLE TREE
HOTEL**

**24TH STREET AND US31 IN HOLLAND
PUNCH BOWL AT 6:00**

**DINNER 6:30
ENTERTAINMENT**

**ALSO COLLECTING FOR CHRISTMAS CHARITY
SEE DETAILS IN CHIEF'S CHATTER**

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 _____

Pontiac Owned _____

Year _____ Model _____

Style _____ Motor _____

National POCI # (must have) _____

Birthday _____ Spouse's Birthday _____

Anniversary _____

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