



**PONTIAC-OAKLAND
CLUB INTERNATIONAL**

WEST MICHIGAN CHAPTER

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.

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November 3

Valve Cover Races @ VanZytveld's

4101 Byron Rd. Hudsonville

Dust off those race cars!!

We will be having pulled pork buns and various side dishes

Test and tune 6:00 dinner 6:30 and bracket racing to follow.

\$5.00 per couple

Ladies bring a glue gun if you have one for a craft while the
boys race.

CHIEF'S CHATTER

Hello Everybody-

It's here!! What is it?

It's that time of year when those of us in the Mid-West begin to wind down another car season.

As a club we held what was probably our last event of the year where many of us will have our cars out, the Fall Color Tour. For the first time in several

years it didn't rain!! Which also meant many of us drove our Pontiacs, we had about 10-12 cars on the tour. It was fun to watch other passer-by's reactions to the cars. We were given several thumbs-up along the way. I want to give a

big thank-You to Bob & Karen Arnoldink for setting up the John Force shop tour. The tour was awesome!

The next day we traveled over to the Indianapolis Motor Speedway where we took a bus tour around the track, and then toured the museum. From there we headed over to Steve Hamilton's place to check out his collection of Fire-

birds. After we finished up at Steve's we stopped for a bite to eat, and then headed home. I think everybody enjoyed themselves, like many of our events there was plenty to laugh about, but all in all it was a fun time. Check out the website for photos from the event.

As you begin to put the cars away, and look towards those "winter projects" don't forget to drop us a note of what you're working on. I'd love to see us share your projects in upcoming newsletters.

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

Scott

October 2015 Meeting Report

. We did hold a brief club meeting in the lobby of the Spring Hill Marriott after a filling meal at the local Max & Erma's restaurant led by our president, Scott Van Tamelen. Terri Miller gave us her Treasurer's report. We had no income, but had minor expenses for the Elhart car show, GR Metro Cruise, September picnic and our GR newspaper ad. However, we still have a healthy account balance.

Remember, November is our Valve Cover Races, held at Ron and Elaine VanZytveld's "activities center". We also hold our officer's election. So if you are getting more involved with the club, come to the meeting and throw your name in the hat!

We will have our annual Christmas Party at the Double Tree Inn in Holland the first Friday in December, which is the 4th.

The 50/50 raffle was won by Gary and Pam Laarman! The pot was \$23. if I recall correctly. No one won the attendance drawing of \$83, so the pot increases for the November meeting.

We had about 10 cars and 20 club members show up in Indianapolis for our Fall Color Tour cruise. I wasn't able to get on the road early enough on Friday (the 9th) to go to the John Force "factory" tour. I know I missed something special based on the pictures others showed me that evening. After the tour there, everyone safely made their way to the hotel, where we had some cheese and crackers before eating over to Max & Erma's for dinner.

After breakfast on Saturday, in beautiful sunshine, we gathered in the hotel parking lot and discussed our route to the Indianapolis motor Speedway Museum. Saturday morning traffic on the highways was still a bit hectic, but we made it safely and all of us in one piece. We had enough people to fill a tour bus for one lap of the speedway and then had about an hour to walk about the museum. Around noon, we gathered in the parking lot and again, discussed our route to our last stop, Steve Hamilton's Firebird collection.

We made it to Steve's place around 1 PM, where he was in the driveway, ready to take us on an impressive tour of his several (four?) large garages, holding almost 90 Firebirds and two older, original fire trucks! We all left there in amazement.

We left Steve's place and headed to a nearby Wendy's for a quick lunch before finally heading home.

See everyone at the November meeting.

Dan Jensen

2016 POCI Board of Directors Call for Applicants

POCI needs a few good men and women for the upcoming Board of Directors elections! The world's largest Pontiac Club is seeking individuals who are interested in guiding our club to a vibrant future. Openings exist in all Divisions. Board

seats will be open to all incumbent and selected new candidates in all POCI geographic regions – Northeast, Central East, Southern, Great Lakes, Midwest, Western, and Inter-

national. If you are a POCI member and feel you have the talent, ideas, and drive to move POCI forward, please contact a member of the Nominating Committee listed below!

All potential candidates are urged to request and complete applications/questionnaires with a current photo and bio, received no later than November 30, 2015 (the sooner the better). Some general information: Must be an active POCI Member in good standing for at least one year; Officer or Chairperson experience is encouraged, but not required; convention experience is a plus; completed candidate application with bio and photo must be received no later than November 30, 2015. Please refer to the POCI Constitution and Bylaws for further details on the POCI web site, www.POCI.org.

DID YOU KNOW

Thirty years ago in the movie Back to the Future 2, October 21, 2015 was the date that Doc Brown, Marty McFly and Jennifer descended on Hill Valley

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Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

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Full Member (Chapter & POCI) _____

If full member include your POCI# _____

Non POCI member (Chapter only) _____

Pontiac Owned _____

Year _____ Model _____

Style _____ Motor _____

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