



## 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.

## Club Officers

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President	Ryan Snyder	269-598-6105
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## **NEXT MEETING**

Christmas Dinner Friday, December 8, 6:30-8:30 PM

Main St. Pub in Allendale (Coach's Corner) 11240 University Pkwy (Just west of 48th Ave & north of M-45) We can choose from 3 entrees.

Cost is \$10/person and must be paid to Terri Miller by November 30.

Benjamin's Hope is our Christmas Charity.
Benjamin's Hope is a "live, work, play, worship"
intentional community especially for those with autism
in which people of all abilities
are transformed by the love of Christ.
Please bring cash or checks to the Christmas Dinner.
See Page 6 for more details.

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## **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	S <sub>I</sub>	pouse		
Address				
City				
Phone	Email			
Full Member (Chapter & POCI)				
If full member include your POCI#				
Non POCI member (Chapter only)				
Pontiac Owned				
Year				
Style	Motor			
National POCI # (must have)				
Birthday	_ Spouse's Birthday			
Anniversary				

\$25.00 Payable to WMPOCI

# SAVE THE DATE! We are planning our Spring Dust Off for May 5, 2018.

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You may also bring items which we will bring to the Grand Rapids Veterans Home for the residents.

They no longer accept Gift Cards.

Here is a list of basic things they can use:

Coffee K-Cups

Candy Bars: Fun or Fun Size (no nuts)

Individual Sized Variety Chips

Snack Sized Package of Cookies

Book of US Postage Stamps (Forever Stamps)

**Bic Lighters** 

Batteries (Alkaline)

**Body Wash** 

Deodorant

**Shaving Cream** 

Alcohol Free Mouthwash

Polident & Fixodent Denture Adhesive

Disposable Razors (3+ blades preferred)

DVD's (New Movie Releases)

White T-Shirts (S-5X)

Colored Pocket T-Shirts (XL-5X)

Baseball Hats (Military or Team Logo

Sweat Pants (2X—5X) Light & Heavy Weight)

PLEASE CHECK your information in the club directory and notify Terri Miller if you find any details that are no longer correct. E-mail to: govoyage43@gmail.com

## **CHIEF'S CHATTER**

I wanted to start off this chatter first by saying thank you to all the officers for continuing to do the jobs needed for our club to run smoothly. Our meeting this month went well, a lot was discussed and our Christmas charity decided.

It was good to see more people participating in the valve cover races. The more cars that we get to participate, the more fun it is, even though I did not win. I do have some ideas to make my racer a little (hopefully a lot) faster for next year.

I have been busy getting many cars ready for this winter season. Now that our daughter and her cousins are driving their own cars, it seems that my garage and calendar have been filled up. They found out very quickly that I am cheaper then the repair shop to get their exhaust, brakes, oil changes and other maintenance done on their cars. I think they are going to have to start putting more of their own elbow grease in to keeping their cars running.

Until next time, get out and drive

Ryan Snyder







### BRING YOUR IDEAS

for meetings and outings to the January meeting so we can plan our schedule for 2018 as soon as possible.



## **REMEMBER YOUR ANNUAL DUES OF \$25**

Should be paid to Terri Miller by the January meeting.

## **November 2017 Meeting Report**

Twentysix WMPOCI members made it out to Ron and Elaine VanZytveld's "family cave" for our November meeting. Unfortunatey, Ron and Elaine couldn't attend because Ron's father was in the hospital. We are praying for his recovery. The club provided pizzas and several members brought side dishes and desserts. President Ryan Snyder started off the meeting by introducing a new member to our club, Jan Bosma, who owns a 2009 G6 convertible. Welcome to the club Jan!

Ryan got an email from Bill Schultz concerning the June 17, 2018, Eyes on Design show. They are looking for a 1977 Pontiac Can Am for display. If you know of a nice one, and the owner would be willing to show it at the Edsel and Eleanor Ford House on Father's Day next year, contact Ryan please.

Herb Howes passed around a reproduction of a 1941 Pontiac advertisement from an April 1, 1941 newspaper he had kept for many years. He can make color copies of it for only \$3. Framed, it would make a great Christmas gift for the car lover in your family. Contact Herb if you are interested.

On behalf of the Pure Stock Drags crew, I presented a check to the club in the amount of \$1250 for all your hard work performed at this year's race. Thank you for your help! A lot of the racers tell us that they notice and appreciate what you do for them. Thank you!

Terry Miller gave us her Treasurer's Report. For the month of October, we had no income, and we had expenses including a thank-you gift and the newsletter expense.

For those who want to attend the Christmas Party in December, the cost is \$10 per person and Terri Miller is collecting the money.

Tom Ensing is making a WMPOCI History Board which will show our activities, past and present. He is looking for help from members for pictures, but also what they recall, especially from our early days in the 1980's. He also wants to show the various charities we have contributed to. The history board will be displayed at all of our future activities to show the public who we are and what we've done all these years. If you have anything to contribute, please give Tom a call or send him an email.

Next we had to decide on what charity to donate to at this year's Christmas Party. The five organizations suggested were Benjamin's Hope (they work with autistic children and adults and need funds for a greenhouse), Women in Transition (need gifts for them or their kids), Meals on Wheels, Shields of Hope (help out hurt firemen), and the Veteran's Home (gifts for the vets). After voting, it was decided to donate to Benjamin's Hope this year. A basket will be passed around at the Christmas Party, and the club will kick in to help meet our goal.

As you all know, our November meeting is also for our officer elections. Usually the room falls pretty quiet when it is time to make nominations for the various positions. Well, this year, no one had to hold their breaths because all our officers volunteered to stay on for 2018. Thanks everyone!

The Millers won the attendance award of \$91 and Kay Postma won the 50/50 raffle of \$33! Congratulations to you guys!

Our November meeting means one more activity, our annual Valve Cover Races! This year two of our dozen racers were ladies! In the first round, Catie Snyder beat Tom Ensing, Cary Hirdes beat Nancy Baker, Bruce Anderson beat Dan Baker, Wendell Miller beat Doug Troost, Doug Kamphuis beat Gary Laarman, and Herb Howes beat Ryan Snyder. In the second round, Cary Hirdes beat Catie Snyder, Wendell Miller beat Bruce Anderson, and Herb Howes beat Doug Kamphuis.

In the semi-finals, Herb got the bi-run, and Wendell beat Cary. The finals were between Wendell and Herb. When the chocks dropped for the best 2 out of 3 competition, Wendell's car nosed out Herb's by inches both times to take first place! Congratulations Wendell!

Afterwards, all the cars were parked side by side on the track so we could vote for best of show. Everyone was given and ticket and then asked to place in on their favorite car. In the end, Bruce Anderson's car received the most votes. There was a four way tie for second between the cars of Catie Snyder, Nancy Baker, Doug Kamphuis, and Gary Laarman. Congrats to everyone!

See you all at the Christmas Party!

Dan Jensen

Thank you to the club for the gift card and cute salt and pepper set given to us for using the "cave" for several of our meetings.

Ron & Elaine Van Zytveld

## Care Corner

Ron Van Zytveld's dad, Phil, has been in poor health for the past several weeks. He is now at Waterford for continued care and has improved some recently.

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We intend to include 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.

We now have a Facebook Page:
West Michigan Pontiac Club
<a href="https://www.facebook.com/search/top/?">https://www.facebook.com/search/top/?</a>



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Check it out!