

The Arrowhead



**PONTIAC-OAKLAND
CLUB INTERNATIONAL**

West Michigan Chapter

Established in 1987

Newsletter for the Pontiac Enthusiast

JULY 2023

Chief's Chatter

Cary Hirdes-WMPOCI President

Missing last month's meeting was a bummer, but with all my coughing nobody would have been able to understand me. It took about 3 weeks to get rid of the Crud.

Thank you to Bob McCarthy for taking over for me on such a short notice. Word is the time at ZZP went very well and the women that didn't want to go to ZZP met at the Russ'. I'm still bummed that I couldn't make it.

Since the 4th of July this year falls on our meeting night, and we don't usually meet in July we're trying to plan a car cruise on the 11th of July. Meeting at the Best Buy in Holland on US 31 at 5:15pm. From there we'll head up to Steve's Antique Auto Repair in Muskegon, Mi. Steve will be showing us around his shop, and explaining what they do.

For all those attending the POCI Convention, safe travels and wishing you an enjoyable time.

For the rest of us there are several car shows coming up in the area to attend.

So, in the meantime enjoy the sunshine and wind in your hair,

-Cary Hirdes



NEXT MEETING

Tuesday July 11th 5:15pm

Steve's Antique Auto Repair shop tour

Meet-up Location

3549 W Shore Dr, Holland, MI 49424

We'll be meeting at the Best Buy in Holland to head north to Muskegon where we'll tour Steve's Classic Auto Repair, and hear from Steve about some of the vehicles they are working on. We'll leave Best Buy at 5:30pm.

Those of you that would like to head directly to Steve's may do so, his shop address is below. Those leaving from Holland plan to arrive there around 6:00pm

Steve's Antique Auto Repair is a father-son run business, established in 1992. We specialize in the repair and restoration of vehicles 1972 and older and are capable of doing everything from maintenance and repairs of any size, up to partial or full restorations. We also have an in-house engine rebuilding facility, which includes all aspects of engine rebuilding, as well as babbitting. This should be a fun, and informative tour. Hope you can join us.

Steve's Antique Auto Repair address

590 Ottawa St, Muskegon, MI 49442



Upcoming Events

West Michigan Pontiac Monthly Meetings:

July: Usually no meeting because of the POCI National Convention. Open to ideas. Steve's Classic Auto Repair in Muskegon was suggested.

August 1st: Elhart Car Show planning meeting at John & Linda Walker's house.

August 11th: Elhart Car Show, Elhart Automotive Campus 822 Chicago Dr.-Holland, Mi

September 5th: Annual club picnic at Holland State Park

September 15-16: Pure Stock Muscle Car Drag Race at the Mid-Michigan Motorplex

October 3rd: Club officer nominations. Our annual Fall Color Cruise later in the month?

November 7th: Club officer elections, supper, and our annual Valve Cover Races at Ron & Elaine VanZytveld's.

December 8th: Christmas Party held at the Trestle Stop Restaurant again.

West Michigan Pontiac Official Events:

June 26th thru July 1st: Pontiac-Oakland Club Convention Murfreesboro, TN

August 11th: Elhart Car Show, Elhart Automotive Campus 822 Chicago Dr.-Holland, Mi

Other Automotive Events:

June 24th: Pullman Pride Car Show, Pullman, Mi 9am

June 24th: Sandy Pines Car Show, 2745 136th Ave, Hopkins, Mi 4pm

June 24th: MCACN Muscle Car Show, Gilmore Car Museum Hickory Corners, Mi

June 24th: Saturday Night Cruise Night, Houseman's Ice Cream Byron Center, Mi 5pm

June 24th: Del Shannon Car Show, Leila Arboretum-Battle Creek, Mi 9:30am-4pm

June 24th – 25th: Sloan Museum Auto Fair Flint, Mi 9am-5pm

July 1st: Cruise to the Fountain, Calhoun Cnty Fairgrounds-Marshall, Mi 8am-4pm

July 4th: Car Show and 4th of July Celebration, Graafschap Church, Graafschap, Mi 9am-Noon

July 9th: Kids Camp Car Show, Midway Chevrolet-Plainwell, Mi 1pm-5pm

July 16th: Charity Car Show, Packard Proving Grounds-Shelby Township, Mi 9am-3pm

July 21st-23rd: Ames Pontiac Nationals, Summit Motorsports Park-Norwalk, Oh

July 22nd: Paw Paw Days Car Show-Downtown Paw Paw, Mi 9am-3pm

Sept 9th: Paw Paw Wine & Harvest Festival Classic Car Show-Paw Paw, Mi 8am-3pm

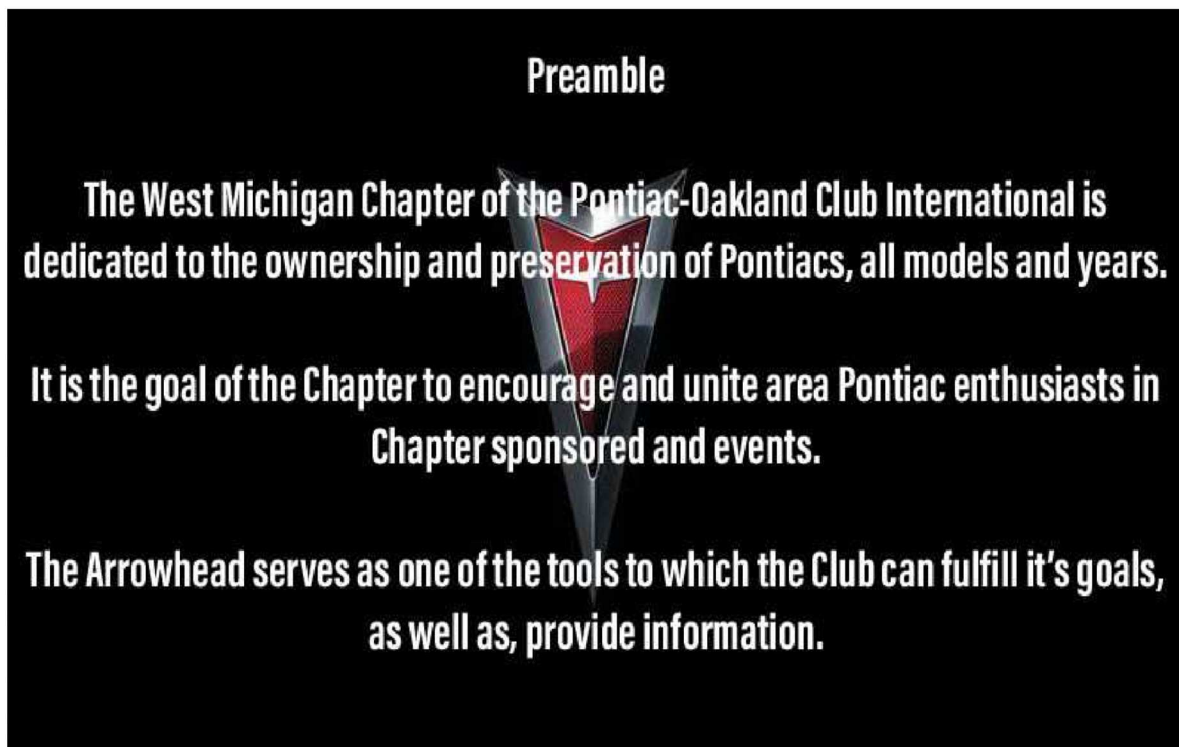
Meetings:

The West Michigan Pontiac Club holds monthly meetings throughout the year. Most often those meetings are held at a local restaurant in the West Michigan area, but there are instances when that may vary, so please see the upcoming events page, or check out our website for specific times and locations.

WMPOCI Officers:

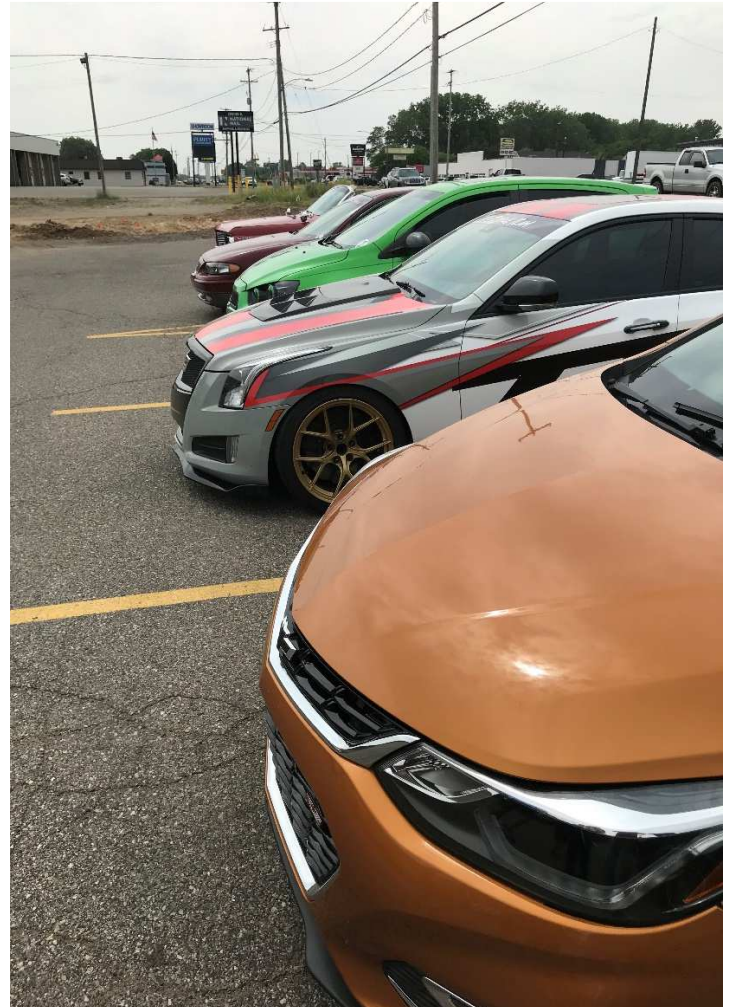
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Check out our latest events and activities on our website www.wmpontiac.com.



Pictures from our ZZP tour

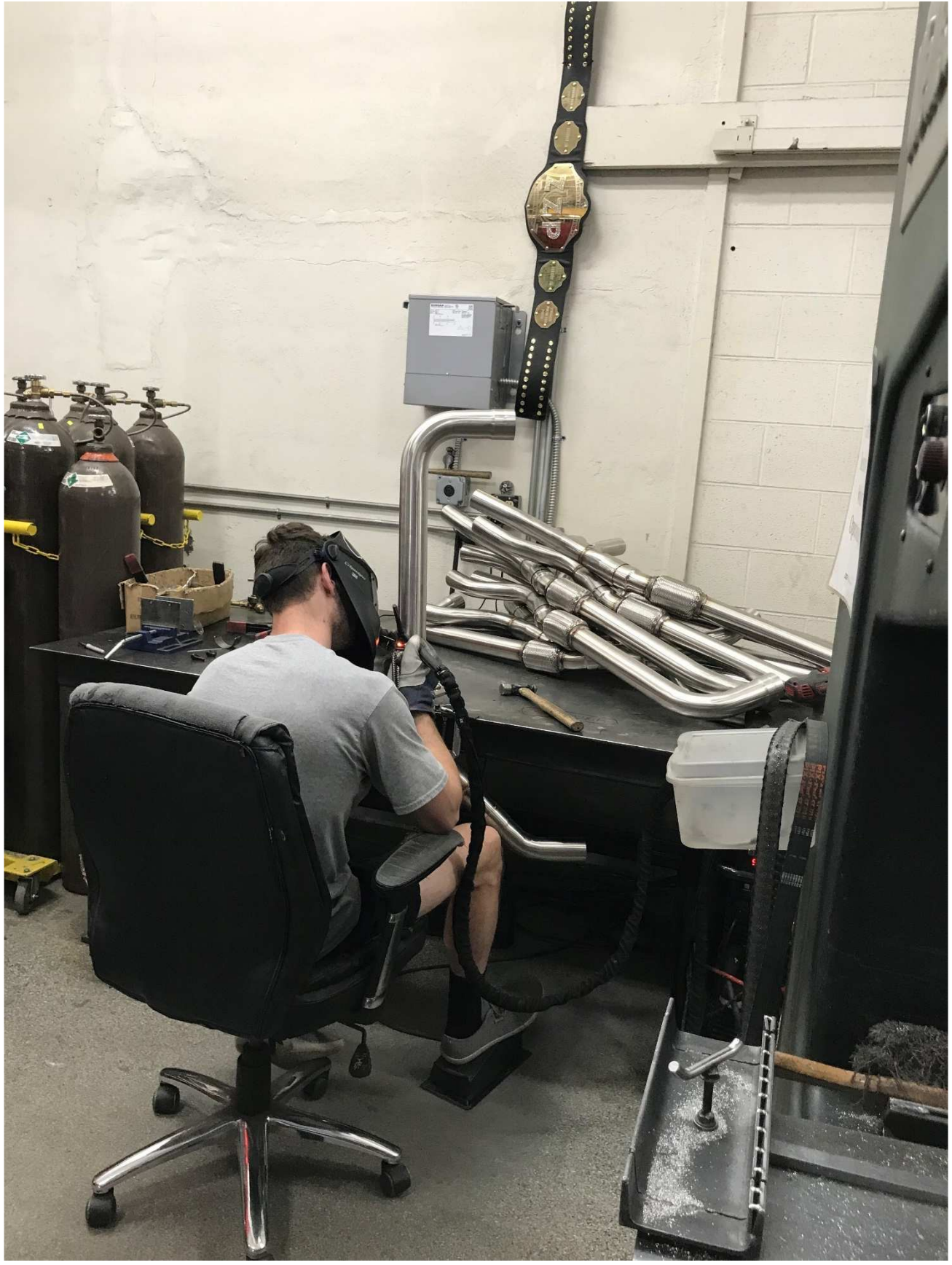
Our June monthly meeting had us touring the ZZP facility. A good time was had, and the weather allowed some of us to drive our cars. After our guided tour we went down the street to Russ' for dinner and a short meeting.

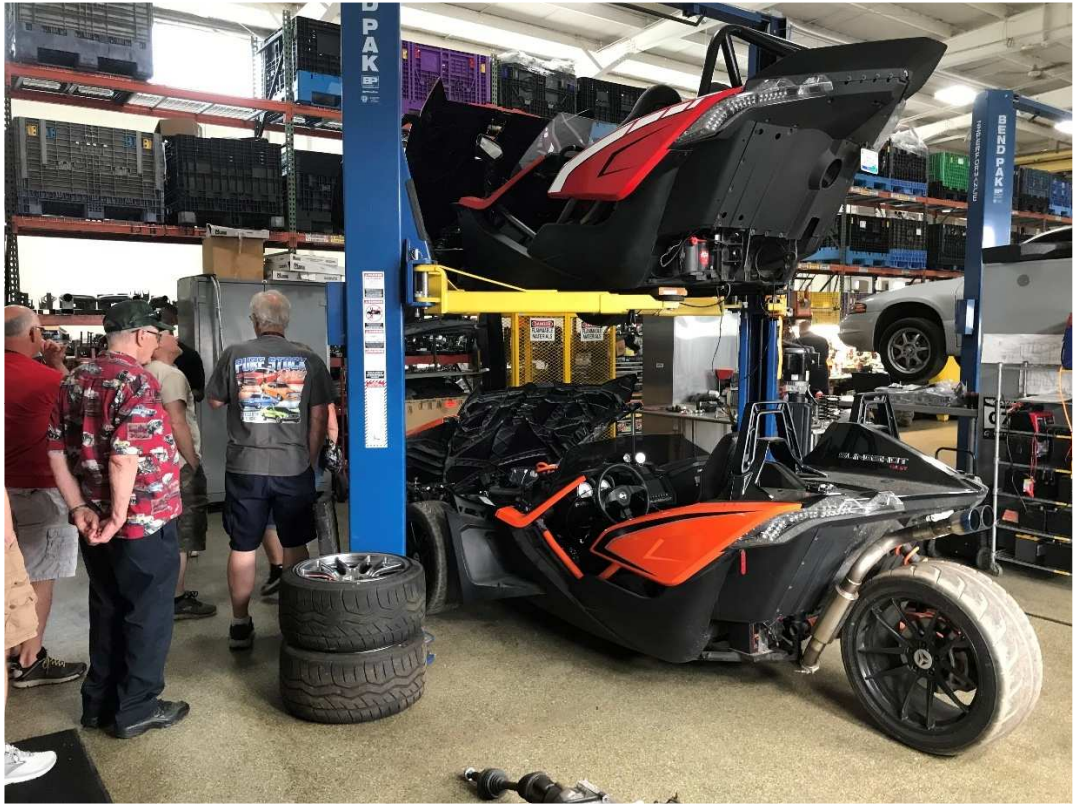












Monthly Meeting Minutes

June 2023 Meeting Report

We had close to 20 members show up at the ZZP Performance in Wyoming, MI. They specialize in making and installing their performance products on the late 90s/early 00s supercharged Grand Prixs, and its sister GM Division's cars. They are also making products for the later model GM Turbo-charged cars from Chevys to Cadillacs. Mainly of the inline four variety. The facility is huge, and they are in the process of adding on. They will bring their chassis dyno in-house, instead of across the street. We got to see the entire operation including shipping and receiving, mail order dept., mandrel exhaust pipe bending, design and engineering, extensive inventory, and work bays. To say we were very impressed is an understatement!

President Cary Hirdes was under the weather, so VP Bob McCarthy took over the business meeting at the nearby Russ' Restaurant. First, Bob wanted to thank the organizers of our Spring Dust Off Cruise to Fair Oaks Farms in Fair Oaks, IN, Doug and Joan Troost, Ron and Elaine VanZytveld, and Wendell and Terri Miller. Ten cars participated in the overnight cruise. This year, the weather behaved! Tour guides took our group around the farm, which raises dairy cattle and hogs. The milk from the cows is natural, not pasteurized. The farm is now 20,000 acres large!

Linda Walker gave us her Treasurer's Report. We had income from dues and trophy donations. Expenditures included pizza and water (for last month's meeting at David's House), gift cards, printing car show flyers, postage, and supplies. Plus, we have some cash on hand. Membership stands at 52!

Our Elhart Car Show is on Friday, August 11. We have more trophies than classes, so we need to come up with suggestions. Linda had flyers for everyone to take and hand out over the next couple months.

We usually do not have a July meeting due to the POCI National Convention. However, for those who are not going, it has been suggested that we cruise to Muskegon to tour Steve's Classic Auto Repair. Because the first Tuesday in July is the 4th, we would meet on the 11th.

The 50/50 drawing was worth \$37. It was won by Gina Fischer. The Attendance drawing was worth \$87. Eric Jensen's name was drawn, but he wasn't present. So, the pot grows for our next meeting.

Dan Jensen

Care Corner

As far as we know everyone is healthy and doing well. No *Care Corner* news to report at this time.

For Sale Section

Wanted

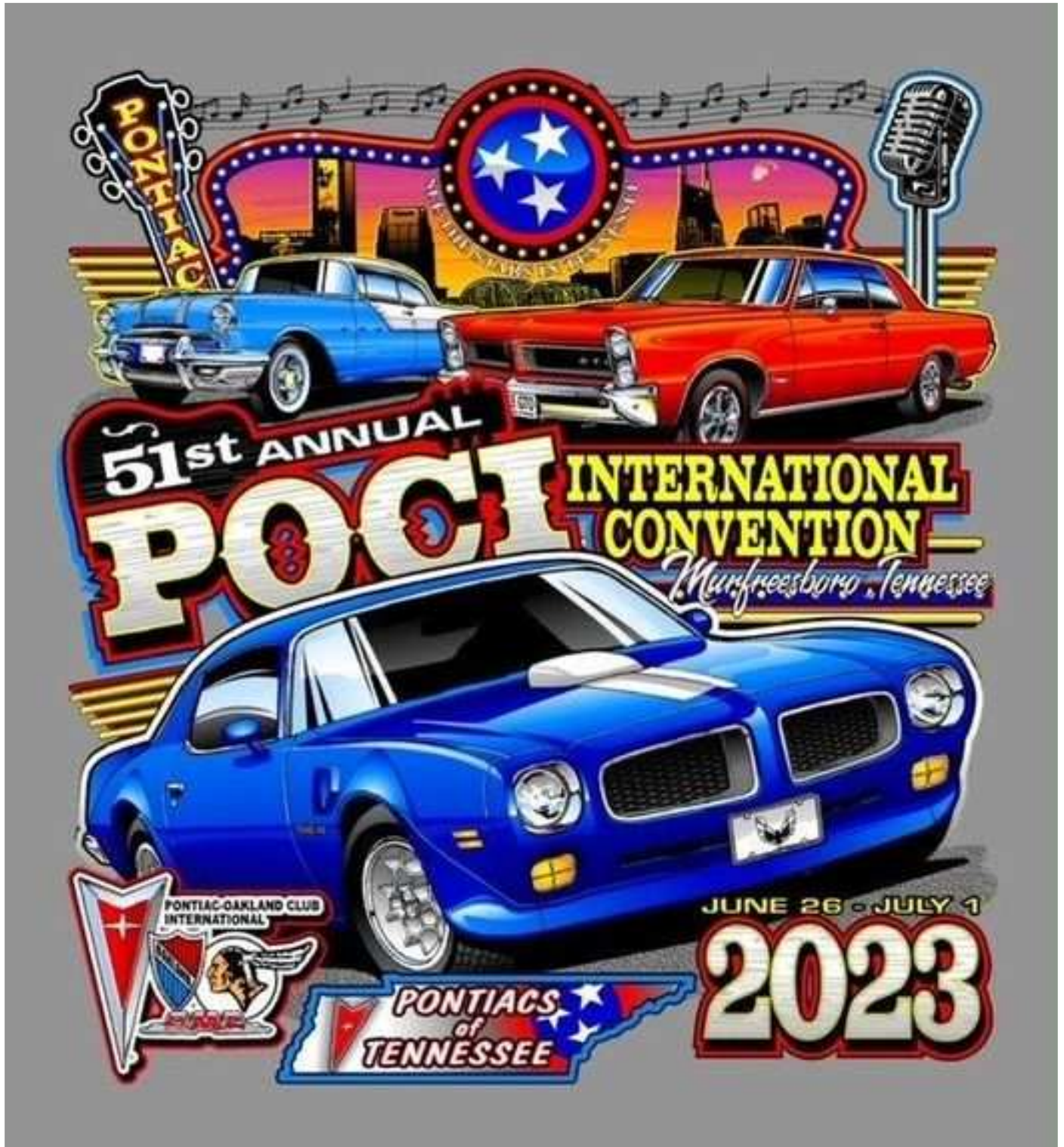
Looking for two carburetors: The first is a 1969 Quadra-Jet carb in rebuildable condition, and the second is a 1971 Quadra-Jet carb that can be used for parts.

Please call Greg Jordan 616-460-7950

For Sale

1965 Pontiac Catalina parts for sale: Hood with the tach, red in color. Four-barrel carburetor on the intake. Two sets of hubcaps, and a transmission for 421. Call Steve Wallace 586-873-2244

The 2023 Convention is here!! Hope to see you there!



Mark your Calendars!!

The GM Club Council is setting up an ALL-GM show at Gilmore Museum this coming September, and like our help in recruiting chapter members and non-members to attend? Mark your calendars and spread the word! Maybe we can get a group of members to attend the show together.

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CELEBRATING GM MOTORAMA
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Don't forget to promote our Friday night Car Show coming up in August!!

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PONTIAC CLUB**
and
**ELHART AUTOMOTIVE
CAMPUS**

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Enjoy hearing lots of
Oldies Music while
viewing a huge variety
of classic vehicles



LOCATION:

**ELHART AUTOMOTIVE CAMPUS
822 CHICAGO DR., HOLLAND, MI
(JUST EAST OF WAVERLY RD AND US-31)**

Check out our website
to learn more about
our club and for any
additional details on
our annual car show.
www.wmpontiac.com

FOOD & REFRESHMENTS PROVIDED BY:



Orlando & Co. Caterers
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Cole Slaw, Baked Beans
Chips, Drinks



SMiles Little Ice Cream Truck
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Part of proceeds
will be shared with
Hospice of Holland
and the
Wayne Elhart Memorial Fund
"Be Nice" Campaign

Sponsor Selected
Awards will be
presented at 8:30 PM

Extra fliers will be available at the next meeting if you'd like some to hand out.