



**PONTIAC-OAKLAND
CLUB INTERNATIONAL**

**WEST MICHIGAN
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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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January 7 @ Famous Dave's

Club member Doug Mesman will be our speaker for the evening. Meeting is at 7:00, come earlier for a bite to eat.

CHIEF'S CHATTER

I would like to start my first Chief's Chatter by thanking Doug Troost for his service as Club President last year and to all of the elected club leaders and volunteers that arranged and lead so many great activities. It was a fantastic year for the club with so many fun meetings and events. I anticipate this New Year to be equally as exciting.

To start the New Year off Club Member Doug Mesman, Chief Assistant Prosecuting attorney of Ottawa County, will be speaking at our January meeting. I'm really excited to hear about Ottawa County's Prosecuting methods and maybe even hear some stories. In addition to January's meeting we are currently developing meeting and club outing ideas. If you have a great idea for a speaker, topic, or destination please let me know. I really enjoyed the variety of topics and speakers in 2013 and hope we can continue the variety into this coming year.

It is still December as I write this and I would be lying if I did not admit I am currently suffering from PPCSD (Post Cruising Season Depression). It seemed as though winter came early this year with snow falling in November. Since the roads were salted, I didn't even get to go on my unofficial "Annual Thanksgiving Day Cruise" this year. However, this has given me the opportunity to think about getting an early start on my winter project rebuilding the Muncie 4 speed in my Tempest. If successful, we may even see a topic on that this year at one of the meetings and maybe if it isn't it may yield some entertainment as well.

Stay warm and enjoy those garages, barns and workshops!

Carl

December 2013 Report

Our annual Christmas Party is held in lieu of our regular December meeting. Thus it was so on Friday, December 6th, at the Doubletree Inn in Holland. About 25 WMPOCI members made reservations and began to gather around 6 PM in the banquet room (and the adjacent bar). Dinner was ready to be served around 6:30, and we sat down to a fine meal which included a salad, rolls, vegetables, au gratin potatoes, chicken cordon blue, roast beef, and a choice of two generously-sized desserts! Personally, I can usually go for seconds, but it wasn't necessary this year!

Outgoing President Doug Troost held a short business meeting. He thanked everyone for supporting him during his tenure as our club president, and welcomed our new President, Carl Thorwall, and Vice President, Gary Laarman. Doug also expressed thanks and recognition to the rest of the board members including our treasurer, Terri Miller, newsletter editor, Elaine VanZytveld, and secretary, Dan Jensen. We are all looking forward to the next year!

Our charity this year was the Wounded Warriors of Michigan Association. Our donations are one small way to give back to those who so bravely sacrificed life and limb to protect our freedoms.

Our entertainment for the evening was Nate Roberts from Hope College, where he teaches music. Nate brought three stringed instruments to play for us, starting off with the mandolin, then the banjo, and then the classical guitar. Nate sang many traditional holiday and seasonal songs. His talent on these instruments was simply amazing! He also shared with us the history of each. So not only did we enjoy his talents, but we all learned some music history!

After the entertainment, everyone hung around for a while to talk and exchange Holiday wishes. Leaving the building, we were greeted with a gentle snow falling, lightly covering the ground and the cars. How appropriate!

Merry Christmas to all, and see you at the next meeting.

Dan Jensen

KALAMAZOO

Where: Kalamazoo
2900 Lake Street
When: February 1
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GRAND RAPIDS

When: January 23
Where: DeVos Place
www.GrandRapids

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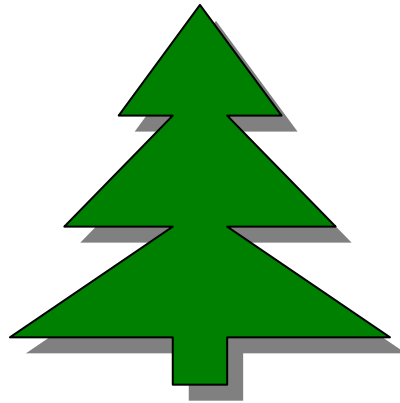
When: February 1 through February 2
Where: Kalamazoo County Expo Center & Fairgrounds
2900 Lake St. Kalamazoo MI
Contact Info: (269) 375-3669
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Merry Christmas



**We want to wish everyone a Very Happy and
Blessed New Year!**



**We will be holding our planning meeting January 4 so if you have any
ideas for meetings for the coming year please contact one of the officers.
Please give us your input.**

2014 Schedule

Jan. 7 - Meeting at Famous Dave's - speaker Doug Mesman

Watch the schedule for changes and updates.

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 POI to be a member of the West Michigan POI. Log onto www.poci.org for more information or to register

WMPOCI MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Name _____ Spouse _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone _____ Email _____

Full Member (Chapter & POI) _____

If full member include your POI# _____

Non POI member (Chapter only) _____

Pontiac Owned _____

Year _____ Model _____

Style _____ Motor _____

National POI # (must have) _____

Birthday _____ Spouse's Birthday _____

Anniversary _____

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