

# WEST MICHIGAN CHAPTER

# THE ARROWHEAD

**Newsletter for the Pontiac Enthusiast** 

March 2012

### February 2012 Meeting Report

President Bob DeBoer opened the meeting by welcoming new members, Rick and Cheryl Ploeg, who own a 1928 Pontiac 4-door. They have replaced all the wood in the car, worked on the interior, and the car is sitting in primer. If all goes to plan, it will hit the roads this coming summer. Welcome Rick and Cheryl, and best of luck getting the old Pontiac on the road!

Bob presented Ron VanZytveld with a gift of appreciation for his two years of hard work being our President. You did a great job Ron, and every member thanks you!

A lot of our members couldn't be at the meeting because they are in warmer climates, including our Treasurer, Terri Miller. She did email her Treasurer's Report to Bob and he passed out copies to those present at the meeting.

The March meeting will take place at the GR Auto Gallery. Look for a map elsewhere in this newsletter. We will meet there at 7 PM, so we won't be eating dinner together prior to our meeting this time. We may go to Culvers nearby for dessert.

For our April meeting we will tour Hospice of Holland. They are located at 445 104<sup>th</sup> St.

The May meeting will be an overnight Dust Off cruise to the Pontiac Museum in Pontiac, Illinois.

The Michigan Widetrackers gave us flyers for their 24<sup>th</sup> Annual Spring Dust Off car show in Davisburg, MI. It will be held Saturday June 9 at the Springfield Oaks County Park (12451 Andersonville Rd, Davisburg, MI 48350).

Our guest speaker was a detective from the Ottawa County Sheriffs Office. He gave us an informative "walk through" of the Sheriffs buildings, as well as explained all the different divisions that comprise their staff. Brad works fraud cases and explained that 70% of them stem from the Internet. He personally prioritizes those cases that involve fraud committed on the elderly since they are some of the most vulnerable to these crimes. We certainly have a lot of respect for the great work the Ottawa County Sheriffs Office does for their citizens, and it was great to see a little bit of what goes on inside their organization. Thank you Brad!

The winner of our 50/50 raffle was Dan Karczewski. Congratulations!

The names pulled for our attendance raffle were Janet and Rowland Beute, but they weren't at the meeting, so the pot grows for next month's meeting!

See you at the GR Auto Gallery!

## 24TH ANNUAL LANE AUTOMOTIVE CAR SHOW AND CRUISE-IN

IS MAY 25 - 26

In Watervliet, MI

Register on-line at www.laneautomotive.com

MICHIGAN WIDETRACKERS ARE HAVING THEIR 24TH

ANNUAL SPRING DUST-OFF @ SPRINGFIELD OAKS COUNTY PARK

**SATURDAY JUNE, 9 2012** 

12451 Andersonville Rd., Davisburg, MI Show info and updates @ www.widetrackers.com

### MAY DUST-OFF INFO

Remember to sign up for the West Michigan Pontiac Club Dust-off on May 5&6. It is about 250 miles from Grand Rapids. It promises to be a fun filled week-end. We will be showing a 7 minute DVD of Pontiac IL either at the March meeting or April meeting.

There are four museums. The Route 66 Hall of Fame & Museum (largest collection of Route 66 memorabilia), Walldog Mural Museum (an entire museum dedicated to the history and preservation of the art of wall and barn advertising and mural paintings, artifacts painted signs which are for sale in there gift shop), Livingston county War Museum (designed to honor the men and women of Livingston County ranging from World War I to present) and last but not least The Pontiac Oakland Automobile Museum (one of the world's greatest and most expansive collections of Pontiac and Oakland automobile

Artifacts.

We possibly might be able to have a guided tour of the The Jones House or The Yost House, both built in the mid 1800's, travel on route 66 for a bit. Pontiac, IL is the only town in the Midwest to boast of three Swinging Bridges dating back to the late 1800's. Simply a must to walk across one. They have around 30 restaurants eager to serve us.

Ellie our tour director from Pontiac, IL has secured 20 rooms for us at a cost of \$80.74 each. 10 rooms with king size beds and 10 rooms with doubles at the newly remodeled Best Western.

Please let Joan Troost know what kind of room you would prefer at the March or April Meeting.

We hope you'll make this one of your choice outings this year. Any questions please contact Rox/Bob DeBoer or Joan/Doug Troost.

#### **TENTATIVE SCHEDULE FOR 2012**

February - Detective - Presentation on Fraud Awareness

March - Tour of GR Auto Gallery

April - Tour of Hospice facility that the club donates to.

May - 5 - 6 Dust Off - Pontiac Illinois

June - Progressive Drive/Progressive Dinner to club members homes.

July - no meeting (Convention: St. Charles Illinois - July 17 - 21)

August - Club Car Show on the 10th at Elhart

September 4 - Beach Picnic

October -

**November - Valve Cover Races** 

December - Dec. 7 Christmas Party

This is a tentative schedule with slots to be filled in so watch your newsletter for changes and additions.

You can now check out our WMPOCI chapter on **Facebook.** Be sure and sign up as a friend.

# CHIEF'S CHATTER

Hi Club Members:

Attendance was down some this month because we have a few members gone to their winter homes. Hope you're all having a great time and we look forward to your homecoming.

I want to thank Doug and Joan Troost for finding our speaker for us. Brad Nieboer from the Ottawa County Sheriff Department Fraud Division. He was very informative and we thank him for updating us on the things that the Sheriff Department does for us. In his talk Brad mentioned the cost of uniforms for the Honor Guard. For his services the club will donate a sum of money toward this cause.

We welcomed in new members to the club this month - Rick and Sheryl Ploeg, they are working on a 1928 Pontiac. If anyone knows of some parts to help them along their way please let them know.

Until we meet again,

Keep the Rubber Side Down

Bob

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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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## **MARCH 6**

WE WILL BE TOURING GR AUTO GALLERY
PLAN TO MEET THERE AT 7:00
PLEASE EAT BEFORE HAND, WE CAN GO
OUT FOR DESSERT AFTERWARDS

### **Directions:**

Auto Gallery is located at 3851 Model Ct. which runs west off M37 (Broadmoor) about half way between 36th and 44th Sts. They are around the NW side of the building they share with Granite Direct. There is a long banner on the front of the building.

There is a map on their website www.grautogallery.com

# **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

Spouse		
State Zip_		
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National POCI # (must have)		
	State Zip Email  _ Model Motor	

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