

# west michigan chapter

### the arrowhead

Newsletter for the Pontiac Enthusiast

June 2007

## Chief's Chatter

They always told me that as you got older the more free time you have. That being the case, something is definitely broke in my life. I guess I'll have to try and fix that.

Gosh, I can't believe it's the middle of June and I haven't been to a car show yet. I hope the rest of you have been to one.

As you all know our CAR SHOW is coming up on August 3rd, 2007. This is our main fundraiser and our treasury fund is down, so we need the entire club to participate in volunteering to make this show a success. Be sure to hold that night open and tell all your car friends and neighbors. What a better way to spend a Friday night than helping out to support Hospice and our Club. Half of the profit will go to Hospice. This is a charity that at some point will touch all of our lives or someone we know. The other half goes to our club to support the club for next year. Two great reasons to get excited and tell everyone to "come on down".

In July there will be no meeting due to the convention in Tulsa, OK during the week of July 10. It's never too late to think about going. I hear that there are still rooms available in nearby hotels and you can always sign up for events at registration.

The August meeting will be at BRANN'S (8/1/07, 7:30PM) with guest speaker Jim Degraaf from Elhart Pontiac. Hopefully Jim can give us some insight on what's on the horizon for the Pontiac Group. We will also have a sign up sheet at the meeting for the different jobs at the car show. We especially need some people to sign up to come early to the show (like 4PM) for any finalizing plans that will need to be done.

Lastly, if you go somewhere and Fred Murray is there, hang around with him. Fred has to be the luckiest person I know. Not only did he win a GTO a few years back but twice in 6

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months his name was pulled for the membership lotto. Too bad he was not there to collect the money. Oh well, Fred's loss is someone else's gain as the pot rolls over and gets larger.

That's all for now. See you in Tulsa!

Doug

P.S. For those of you who know we are leaving for Savannah to bid farewell to our son-in-law leaving for Iraq, it is now 11:15AM and we were suppose to be on the road 15 minutes ago. We almost made our schedule.— Joan

# June Meeting Minutes

Our June 6th meeting was held at Hagar Park in Hudsonville. The threat of rain was present, but luckily, it stayed away while we chowed down on hot dogs, brats, and various delicious side dishes. Thanks to Wendell Miller and Bob DeBoer for handling the grilling chores! Also, we had a special guest present. Bob's brother David came along to share in food and fun!

President Doug Troost kicked off the short business meeting by congratulating Terri and Wendell Miller on their retirements! Now they can play full time! We also learned that Bruce Hayes was in the hospital, but is now recuperating nicely. Get well fast Bruce!

Four couples made it to the Midland swap meet and car show.

Remember, there will be no July meeting!

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# June Meeting Minutes

Jim DeGraaf from Elhart Pontiac in Holland will be our guest speaker at our August meeting at Brann's Restaurant. He will be talking about the new cars the dealership sells, as well as what's new in the pipeline. It promises to be interesting!

Also, a couple days after the August meeting is our annual Friday evening car show at Elhart Pontiac. Please plan on coming out to help, and if you do come, please bring a door prize for us to give away.

The September meeting will be our annual picnic at the Holland State Park. It's a lot of fun, plus it's a beautiful sight to watch the sun set over Lake Michigan!

Bob and Kay Postma won the 50/50 raffle!

Melanie Thorwall needs articles for the newsletter. Write a story about your Pontiac or the one that got away, or even about a Pontiac car show you went to. Just about any topic is fair game! (Send it to gmthor@T2comm.net)

We concluded our evening by going on a mystery tour where everyone driving is allowed to lead the pack for five minutes with no destination in mind. Eventually, we ended up at an ice cream parlor in Byron Center which was a fitting end to our picnic!

Enjoy your summer and see you all at the August meeting and the Elhart car show!

Dan Jensen

# Upcoming Glub Events

July 10-14: National POCI Convention, Tulsa, OK

August 3: Car Show at Elhart Pontiac in Holland.
Volunteers are needed. This is our only club fundraiser.

Sept 14 & 15: Pure Stock Muscle Car Drag Race-Dan Jensen, volunteers needed

October (date to be determined): Color Tour– Covered Bridges in Indiana– Tom and Wanda Plochocki (616-292-4007)

#### 2007 West Michigan POCI Meeting Schedule for July, August, & Sept.

July 4.....No Meeting.

August 1.....Jim DeGraaf from Elhart will speak, along with final details of the Car Show.

Sept 5.....Picnic at the Holland State Park

The West Michigan Chapter of the Pontiac Oakland Club International has its own website at: WWW.POCI.ORG To access our site, go to the above site and simply click on the word 'links'. This will bring you to a list of POCI chapters. Click on our site. So check it out.

# THE ARROWHEAD

#### 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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# Important Notice

We will NOT be having a club meeting in July.

Please make a note to come to the August meeting on 8/01 at Brann's (7:30pm) and sign up to volunteer for the Car Show at Elhart Pontiac in Holland. A signup sheet will be at the meeting.

All club members are encouraged to bring a \$10 door prize to the car show or if you are unable to make the car show, please bring the door prize to the club meeting in August!

#### 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.

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