

WEST MICHIGAN CHAPTER

# THE ARROWHEAD

Newsletter for the Pontiac Enthusiast

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West Michigan POCI 1586 Ridgecrest Dr. Zeeland, MI 49464



### 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**

President	Ryan Snyder	269-598-6105
Vice President	Tom Ensing	6 1 6 - 8 2 6 - 8 5 5 4
Treasurer	Terri Miller	6 1 6 - 8 7 5 - 8 0 6 9
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# NEXT MEETING

Tuesday, January 3 7 PM (Come earlier if you wish to eat supper)

## Famous Dave's in Grandville

Come with ideas for outings and events for 2017.



# 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	Spouse			
Address				
City				
Phone	Email			
Full Member (Chapter & POCI)				
If full member include your POCI#				
Non POCI member (Chapter only)				
Pontiac Owned				
Year	Model			
Style	_Motor			
National POCI # (must have)				
Birthday	Spouse's Birthday			
Anniversary				

\$25.00 Payable to WMPOCI



Doug and Joan Troost and Wendell and Terri Miller showing some of the items they purchased with our Christmas donations. for the residents at the Grand Rapids Veterans Home.

## **CHIEF'S CHATTER**

Hello everyone,

We are at the end of anther year. Scott has decided to step down from being president of the club and I am sure that I speak for everyone when I say: Thank you, for all your time and effort that you have put into making our club as great as it is. This is not the role I was expecting to fill when I joined the club. It seems "smartallelic /jokester" has already been filled, by more than one person, ha ha. But, I am looking forward to the opportunity ahead.

Going forward, one of my biggest goals is to have more member involvement / attendance at club events. The first step in doing this is having events members want to attend and be a part of. And to do that we need your input. Our next meeting, in January, will be our planning meeting for the year. So, start thinking of the events you would like to see us have and do. I encourage all members to attend, so that we can choose the events you want to go to. For all the "snow-birds" going south for the winter and those not able to make the meeting, you are welcome and encouraged to pass any event suggestions to another member or myself.

The annual Christmas party has just wrapped up. A big thank you to Terri for all the work she did to make sure we enjoyed our time and meal. Another big thank you to Scott for all the work put into the slide show and bringing back all the memories through the years. I am sure more of the details will be in this newsletter.

I also want to give some recognition to our membership for giving more than \$250 to the Veterans home of Grand Rapids. I know that you and your families have many causes that are fighting for your attention, especially during the holidays, and your donations will definitely be appreciated by our Veterans.

Until next time, get out and drive.

Ryan Snyder

#### December 2016 Christmas Party

About 30 WMPOCI'ers attended our annual Christmas Party, held at the Holland Double Tree hotel on Friday, December 2<sup>nd</sup>. The weather was cool, but dry, so travel to and from the party was fortunately, uneventful. Most everyone showed up before the 6:30 meal time for some drinks and socializing. Then we sat down to a delicious meal, which included salad, prime rib, chicken breasts, asparagus, and au-gratin potatoes. Several kinds of desserts were laid out on the tables including cheese cake, carrot cake, and chocolate cake.

After dinner, Scott VanTamelen presented us with a wonderful slide show of our club's activities for the two years he served as our president. You did a great job leading us Scott! Thank you for your hard work!

After the slide show we reminisced about our club's origins, and memorable events we either held or had participated in, and the members that have come and gone. We all realized that the club is more than just about our Pontiacs, it's the friends we've all become! Scott asked Doug Troost and I to come up and stand with him. He presented to each of us, a beautiful framed photograph of the early 60's Pontiac arrowhead logo (with the gold shields, and three "star chief" crosses at the top) for our years of dedication to the club. (Scott took the photo himself, the emblem on a 1963 Super Duty Catalina that Scott Tiemann restored.) All I can say is that we were humbled by the recognition and there isn't a better group of folks to be involved with! Thank you very much!

Every year at our Christmas party we pick a charity to donate to. This year's recipient was the Veteran's Home, and after the basket was passed around, we counted out \$258! Thank you for your generosity! It feels good knowing that there will be a lot of our veterans having a happier holiday season.

Our next meeting will be Tuesday, January 3<sup>rd</sup> at Famous Dave's Restaurant in Grandville. Let's all give our new president, Ryan Snyder, a big welcome there! Also, bring ideas of activities you want to see the club participate in. We will be planning what we do for 2017!

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to you all! Dan Jensen

# *Care Corner*

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.

#### REMEMBER TO PAY YOUR ANNUAL DUES \$25.00 PER COUPLE Send to Terri Miller 8330 Taylor St., Zeeland, MI 49464 or give to her at the next meeting.

For those of us not heading south to warmer climates for the next month or two, we can dream about this scene.For those of you traveling to warmer states, we wish you safe travels and good health while you are away.

