



## WEST MICHIGAN CHAPTER

## 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.

## Club Officers

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## **NEXT MEETING**

Tuesday, February 6
7 PM
Famous Dave's BBQ, Grandville
We will work on more details for this year's events.
Come early and enjoy supper with the group.

GILMORE CAR MUSEUM	_2018 Winter Lecture Series
Here are a couple of the upc	oming lectures you might be interested in.

For the complete listing go to their website:

https://www.gilmorecarmuseum.org/events-calendar/

Jan. 28 Can-Am 50th Anniversary: The Best Stories and Photos Feb. 4 Your Muscle Car Memories

## **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 Birth	nday	
Anniversary			

\$25.00 Payable to WMPOCI

2018 Tentative Schedule

February 6 Regular Meeting March 9 (Friday)Chili Cook-Off

April 3

May 5 Spring Dust-Off

(Muskegon Mansions Tour)

June 3 Regular Meeting

**Tour Benjamin's Hope** 

June 24-28 POCI Convention—Wisconsin Dells

July Attend a White Caps Game?

August 7 Regular meeting

August 10 Car Show

September 4 Picnic at Holland State Park

October 2 Regular Meeting

**Fall Color Tour** 

November 6 Valve Cover Races
December Christmas Party

#### **SPRING DUST OFF CRUISE**

The club is reserved to tour the Hackley and Hume Mansions in Muskegon on Saturday, May 5. We will have tour guides for this event. Cost is \$8.00 for seniors, \$10.00 for others, if we have 20 or more cost is \$8.00 each. Meeting at 9am at Career Line Tech on the corner of US31 and Port Sheldon, lunch after the tours, place to be determined at a later time. A possible garage tour on the way home.

PLEASE CHECK your information in the club directory and notify Terri Miller if you find any details that are no longer correct. E-mail to: govoyage43@gmail.com

## **CHIEF'S CHATTER**

Thanks to those that were able to make it out to our January meeting. We still have some items to finalize at the next meeting. Hope to see you all there.

Well, with the snow coming down, it is time I stop playing around with my snow plow and actually get it running. I inherited this plow from my uncle about two years ago. It is actually an early 70's jeep that the body had fallen off of, so he made it into a one seater with a homemade cab on it. Last year I had to replace the starter and the battery was smaller than what is needed to turn the engine over in the cold. Now I pull the battery out of my Firebird and put it in the plow for the winter. I don't plan on using the Firebird and plow during the same months anyway. Now I get the cranking amps it needs, and it will keep the battery charged up over the winter. This year the plow did not want to start at all. So after getting a new carb, new fuel pump and putting in new plugs, it still did not want to run. With a little gas down the carb I could get it to fire, but not stay running. So, I emptied the gas tank and flushed the fuel line out with some new gas. Good thing I did. You could easily tell, by the color, when that new gas made it to the front of the line. With a little more elbow grease (gas down the carb) the plow started and stayed running on its own. Now that its been running I can put a new set of lights on it and fix some of the windows in the cab.

Until next time, get out and drive. Ryan Snyder

We would like to update our Membership Directory and include a picture of each couple/member. Please e-mail, text, snail mail a picture to Catie Snyder by the April meeting. (catie.snyder12@yahoo.com)

REMEMBER YOUR ANNUAL DUES OF \$25
Should be paid to Terri Miller ASAP

### **January 2018 Meeting Report**

Thirteen WMPOCI members braved the cold temps to attend the first meeting of 2018 at Famous Dave's Restaurant. We were in the middle of an extended cold snap, so we were lucky to not be hit with lake effect snow that evening!

President Ryan Snyder started the business part of the evening off by mentioning that Grand Rapids Auto Show tickets are available at a discount but you have to buy at least 20 to get the reduced rate. The show is February 1<sup>st</sup> through 4<sup>th</sup>.

The club received a thank you letter from Benjamin's Hope recently. (look for a portion of it on page 5) Ryan also dropped off the donated gifts at the Veterans Home.

Our January meeting is when we try to lay out our tentative activities schedule for the rest of the year. Here is what we came up with:

February 6: regular meeting to fine in June this year, so maybe get in tune our 2018 activities March 9 A Friday, our Chili Cook Off and meeting at Ryan and Catie August: regular meeting and later, Snyder's house April: to be determined May: regular meeting and later, our Dust Off Cruise, maybe to Muskegon on Saturday the 5<sup>th</sup>. The Motor City Pontiac Club has their Dust Off show on May 6<sup>th</sup> (?) in Davisburg, MI. June: regular meeting and later, on later our Fall Color Tour – to be a Saturday, cruise to Benjamin's Hope to tour their facilities and show off our cars, go for ice cream afterwards. POCI Nats are June24th – 28th. The Widetrackers Club has their show at Bakers in Milford, on June 9th. July: usually no meeting due to POCI national convention, but it's

a White Caps game? Maybe a meeting too?

our Car Show at the Elhart campus on the Friday the 10<sup>th</sup>. Maybe get in a cruise to Gilmores on a Wednesday evening.

September: Picnic and meeting at Ottawa Beach, and later, the Pure Stock Drags.

October: regular meeting, and determined

November: regular meeting with board member elections and our Valve Cover Races

December: our Christmas Party, same location as 2017, but maybe use the banquet room for more space.

Ryan passed out Terri Miller's Treasurer's Report. We had income from the Pure Stock Drags and dues. Expenses consisted of Valve Cover Race prizes & dinner, Christmas dinner, the club Memory Board, and the donation to Benjamin's Hope.

Terri Miller also needs everyone's mug shots for the Roster Books. She needs them by April.

Ryan suggested that we, as a club, consider a new WMPOCI logo for shirts, jackets, hats, banners, and our website.

If anyone is going to the Kalamazoo Swap Meet early Saturday February 3, we would like them to take our Elhart Car Show flyers for the tables.

Ryan and Catie Snyder won the Attendance Drawing worth \$32! Ron and Elaine VanZvtveld won the 50/50 drawing, worth \$13. Congrats to both couples!

Ryan had some extra gift cards left over from 2017. Cards were won by the Bakers. VanZvtvelds, and me.

The next meeting is February 6<sup>th</sup> at Famous Dave's. Hope to see you there. Dan Jensen

West Michigan POCI

Dear Friends.

I am writing to thank you for your recent gift of \$600 to support Benjamin's Hope

It is because of faithful supporters like you that Benjamin's Hope has grown into a beautiful place where men and women impacted by disability can live, work, play and worship. Every day we witness the beautiful ways God has provided for us through the generosity of our friends, and the impact those gifts are making.

By giving from your heart, you have become an important part of this growth and the lives of those we serve. We are so grateful for your partnership in this important work. On behalf of the men and women who live at Benjamin's Hope. their families and the 80+ staff who have the joy of sharing in their lives, we send our warmest thank you.

Grace and Peace, Krista A Mason, Executive Director

# 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.

We now have a Facebook Page: West Michigan Pontiac Club



https://www.facebook.com/search/top/? g=west%20michigan%20pontiac%20club

Check it out!