The Arrowhead



West Michigan Chapter

Established in 1987

Newsletter for the Pontiac Enthusiast

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Chief's Chatten

Cary Hirdes-WMPOCI President

It has taken May a long time to warm up, but it sounds like it's headed to the 90s in the next week, good cruising weather.

First a big thank you for the Dust-Off planning group. It was a lot of fun, and a good time was had. Other than being the lost sheep a couple of times, and needing Ron's assistance to get us back on track Judy and I arrived with everyone. Fair Oaks is quite the place to operate, and it appeared to be the destination of many others. Weather was good traveling, food was good, and the time together was great. We did have rain during the night, but the sun was out for us to travel home in. We stopped at the Three Blondes in South Haven for lunch on our way back to West Michigan, afterwards we dispersed to our respective homes.

Next Friday, June 2, the Holland Vintage Car Club will host their annual *Remember When Show* at 124 E. 8th Street in Holland. If we want to park as a group we have to arrive together so watch for an email from Scott with details on where and when we'll be meeting before heading into the show. We have a few days to figure that out.

Our next meeting is at ZZP in Wyoming. More information is in the newsletter. We've been told if we want to see cars being worked on to be there around 4pm to tour the facility. Afterwards we'll meet at Russ' on 28th Street just east of ZZP Performance.

-Cary Hirdes



Tuesday June 6th at 4:00pm

ZZP Performance shop tour

Location

2450 28th St SW, Wyoming, MI 49519

ZZP Performance has been known around the country as one of the premiere performance shops for the 3800 Supercharged V6 used in the late model Grand Prix GTP's, and other GM W-body cars. They have showcased and successfully raced a Grand Prix GTP for many years. They have several cars that run into the 9's in a ¼ mile. In 2003, ZZP Performance became the first front wheel drive Grand Prix to ever get into the 1.5sec 60-foot time. Their 1997 M90 GTP currently holds the FWD 60' record with a 1.54 60-foot time! Seeing what they do to these cars, and the others the build should be a sight to see.

After the tour we will go to the nearby Russ' for dinner and our meeting.

2nd Location

2340 28th St SW, Wyoming, MI 49519

There is no set time on when we will arrive here.



West Michigan Pontiac Monthly Meetings:

June 6th: ZZP Performance shop tour- Wyoming, Mi

July: Usually no meeting because of the POCI National Convention. Open to ideas. Steve's Classic Auto Repair in Muskegon was suggested.

August 1st: Elhart Car Show planning meeting at John & Linda Walker's house.

August 11th: Elhart Car Show, Elhart Automotive Campus 822 Chicago Dr.-Holland, Mi

September 5th: Annual club picnic at Holland State Park

September 15-16: Pure Stock Muscle Car Drag Race at the Mid-Michigan Motorplex

October 3rd: Club officer nominations. Our annual Fall Color Cruise later in the month?

November 7th: Club officer elections, supper, and our annual Valve Cover Races at Ron & Elaine VanZytveld's.

December 8th: Christmas Party held at the Trestle Stop Restaurant again.

West Michigan Pontiac Official Events:

June 26th thru July 1st: Pontiac-Oakland Club Convention Murfreesboro, TN

August 11th: Elhart Car Show, Elhart Automotive Campus 822 Chicago Dr.-Holland, Mi

Other Automotive Events:

June 2nd: Remember When Car Show-Downtown Holland

June 2nd: Cruise-In for Kids Burn Camp, Salem Township Park-Burnips, Mi 6pm-9pm

June 8th: Pullman Pride Car Show, 925 65th Pullman, Mi 9am-3pm

June 10th: Vicksburg Old Car Festival, Vicksburg Mi 9am-3pm

June 16th: Harvest Bible Chapel Car Show, Spring Lake Mi 5pm-9pm

June 17th: Billy Pease Foundation Car Show, Arby's 8508 Shaver Rd Portage Mi 11am-2pm

June 18th: Charlton Park Car Show Hasting, Mi 8am-4pm

June 24th: Del Shannon Car Show, Leila Arboretum-Battle Creek, Mi 9:30am-4pm

June 24th – 25th: Sloan Museum Auto Fair Flint, Mi 9am-5pm

July 1st: Cruise to the Fountain, Calhoun Cunty Fairgrounds-Marshall, Mi 8am-4pm

July 4th: Car Show and 4th of July Celebration, Graafschap Church, Graafschap, Mi 9am-Noon

July 9th: Kids Camp Car Show, Midway Chevrolet-Plainwell, Mi 1pm-5pm

July 16th: Charity Car Show, Packard Proving Grounds-Shelby Township, Mi 9am-3pm

July 21st-23rd: Ames Pontiac Nationals, Summit Motorsports Park-Norwalk, Oh

July 22nd: Paw Paw Days Car Show-Downtown Paw Paw, Mi 9am-3pm

Sept 9th: Paw Paw Wine & Harvest Festival Classic Car Show-Paw Paw, Mi 8am-3pm

Meetings:

The West Michigan Pontiac Club holds monthly meetings throughout the year. Most often those meetings are held at a local restaurant in the West Michigan area, but there are instances when that may vary, so please see the upcoming events page, or check out our website for specific times and locations.

WMPOCI Officers:

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Check out our latest events and activities on our website www.wmpontiac.com.

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 and events.

The Arrowhead serves as one of the tools to which the Club can fulfill it's goals, as well as, provide information.

Pictures from our Gilmore Visit

On Thursday April 27th we met up with members of the Motor City Chapter and the Widetrackers Chapter at the Gilmore Car Museum. A good time was had, and the weather allowed many of us from our group to drive our cars. After our guided tour our Vice-President, Bob McCarthy, took us on a short drive to the Rail Car Café for lunch.







Monthly Meeting Minutes

May 2023 Meeting Report

We met at David's House Ministry in their Administration building. Roxanne brought in several pizzas for us to share for supper. The weather was not good for eating or meeting outside. Several members did bring their classic cars and a few residents walked around to check them out.

Casey Kuperus, President, shared a video of their work and spoke about it. They now have 8 homes in the area. This ministry to disabled adults was started by Bob De Boer's parents, Jay and Lois De Boer, for their son, David, 36 years ago. The first house had ten residents of which six still live in this community. They now serve more than 70 individuals with developmental disabilities.

As we were beginning our meeting we had 6 deer wander up near the building so that was our additional entertainment for a few minutes.

We had a nice attendance for the tour at Gilmore's last Thursday. The weather was great and the lunch at the Club Car Grill worked out well, too.

Bob De Boer invited us to visit their former son-in-law, Matt's business called ZZP Performance at our next meeting on June 6. It is located at 2450 28th Street SW, Wyoming. They build high performance cars from standard engines. We will meet there at 5 PM so we can hopefully see them doing their work. We will go to the Russ" Restaurant just down the street for supper afterwards and our meeting.

We were reminded of the Holland Vintage Car Club show on Friday, June 2, 124 E. 8th Street, Holland. You do need to register in advance. Contact John/Dee Baumann to register by e-mail: johnscougars@gmail.com or phone 616-396-0390.

On Saturday, June 10, the Michigan Widetrackers will have a show at Golling Buick GMC, 1491 Lapeer Road, Lake Orion, MI 48360. Contact Cary Hirdes for a flier or more information.

The 50/50 drawing was won by Bob De Boer and he donated it back to the club. We drew the name of Dan and Nancy Baker in the Attendance Drawing. They were not there so the pot grows.

Care Corner

As far as we know everyone is healthy and doing well. No *Care Corner* news to report at this time.

For Sale Section

Wanted

Looking for two carburetors: The first is a 1969 Quadra-Jet carb in rebuildable condition, and the second is a 1971 Quadra-Jet carb that can be used for parts.

Please call Greg Jordan 616-460-7950

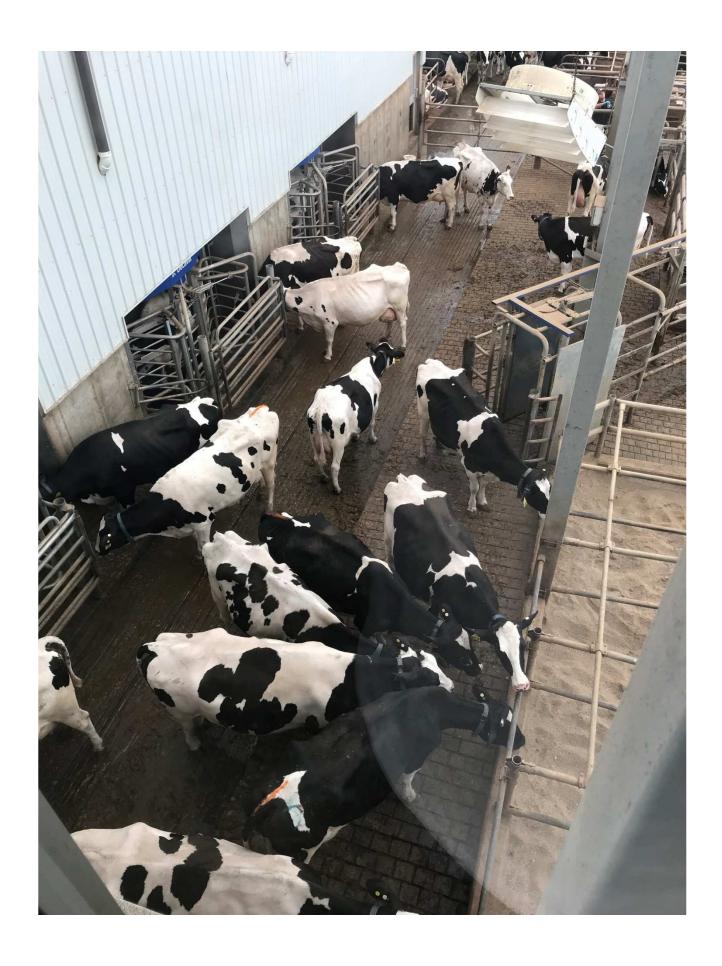
For Sale

1965 Pontiac Catalina parts for sale: Hood with the tach, red in color. Four-barrel carburetor on the intake. Two sets of hubcaps, and a transmission for 421. Call Steve Wallace 586-873-2244

Pictures from our Spring Dust-Off















The pig's nostrils are on its leathery snout, which is very sensitive to touch. The pig uses the snout to search, or root, for food. Pigs are among the smartest of all domesticated animals and are even smarter than dogs.

A pig can smell up to 7 miles away

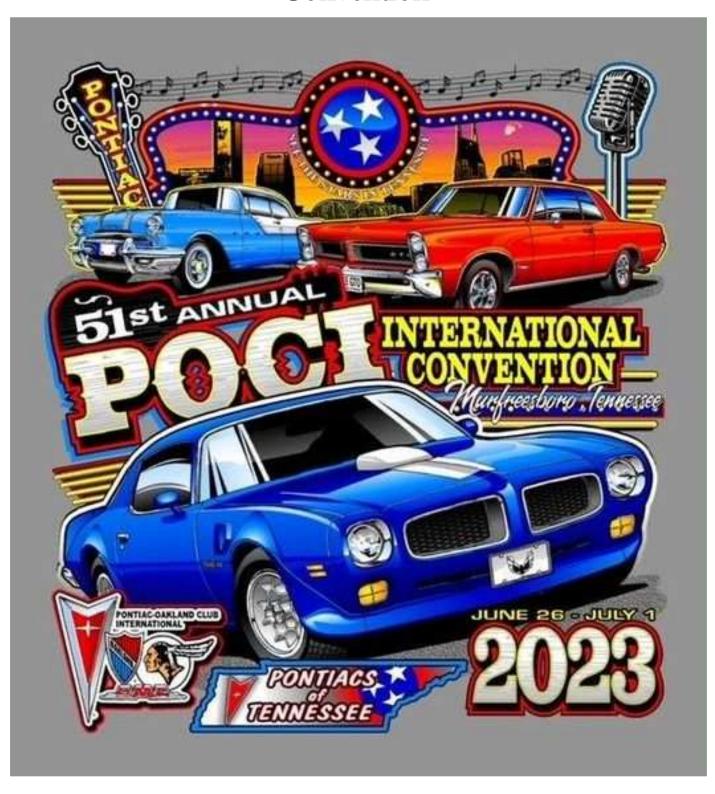




Contrary to common belief, pigs are actually very clean animals and do not smell. The smells associated with pigs is actually just from their waste.

WHAT IS YOUR FAVORITE SMELL? LIKE PIGS, HUMANS ARE INTICED BY THE SMELL OF FOODS

Hurry!! Sign-up now!! Don't miss the 2023 Convention



Mark your Calendars!!

The GM Club Council is setting up an ALL-GM show at Gilmore Museum this coming September, and like our help in recruiting chapter members and non-members to attend? Mark your calendars and spread the word! Maybe we can get a group of members to attend the show together.

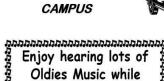


Don't forget to promote our Friday night Car Show coming up in August!!



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viewing a huge variety



Check out our website to learn more about our club and for any additional details on our annual car show. www.wmpontiac.com

CLASSIC CAR AND TRUCK SHOW FRIDAY, AUGUST 11, 2023 6-9 PM

Dash Plagues to the First 100 Vehicles!!

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LOCATION:

ELHART AUTOMOTIVE CAMPUS 822 CHICAGO DR., HOLLAND, MI

(JUST EAST OF WAVERLY RD AND US-31)

FOOD & REFRESHMENTS PROVIDED BY:



Orlando & Co. Caterers **BBQ Pork & Chicken** Cole Slaw, Baked Beans Chips, Drinks



SMiles Little Ice Cream Truck **Ice Cream Novelty Treats**

Part of proceeds will be shared with Hospice of Holland and the Wayne Elhart Memorial Fund "Be Nice" Campaign

Sponsor Selected Awards will be presented at 8:30 PM

Extra fliers will be available at the next meeting if you'd like some to hand out.