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**THE ARROWHEAD**

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Newsletter for the Pontiac Enthusiast

March 2013

# 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

President	Doug Troost	616-399-1423
Vice President	Carl Thorwall	
Treasurer	Terri Miller	616-875-8069
Secretary	Dan Jensen	517-647-2474
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**March 5th**

**Meeting is at Famous Dave's  
Scott Van Tamelen will speak about insurance on  
our antique and vintage vehicles. The meeting will  
start at 7:00, come earlier to grab a bite to eat.**

## 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](http://www.poci.org) for more information or to register

## WMPOCI MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Spouse \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Pontiac Owned \_\_\_\_\_

Year \_\_\_\_\_ Model \_\_\_\_\_

Style \_\_\_\_\_ Motor \_\_\_\_\_

National POCI # (must have) \_\_\_\_\_

Birthday \_\_\_\_\_ Spouse's Birthday \_\_\_\_\_

Anniversary \_\_\_\_\_

\$25.00 Payable to WMPOCI

## REMINDER

It is a new year which means club dues are once again due. If you haven't already sent yours in please send them to Terri Miller whose address you can find on the club application form in this newsletter. If you've had any changes in your information please fill out the application form with the new info and send it with your dues. Thank you.

### Tentative Schedule for 2013

**January 8th** - Tour of the Holland Board of PublicWorks power plant by Carl Thorwall

Meet @ 6:30 @ Culver's on West Shore Dr. in Holland

**February 5th** - Meeting at Famous Dave's - Ken Harper will be giving a video presentation of his Salt Flat Racing.

**March 5th** - Meeting at Famous Dave's - Scott VanTamelen will give a presentation on insurance coverage for classic and antique cars.

**April 2nd** - Meeting at Famous Dave's - Bob DeBoer will be giving a presentation on car detailing.

**May 7th** - Jim Mattison - Pontiac Historic Services  
And our Dust Off

**June 4th** - Poker Run

**July** - No meeting in July - National POCI Convention in Dayton Ohio

**August 6th** - Carl Thorwall will give a presentation on his experience on the Power Tour.

**9th** - Club Car Show at Elhart

**September 3rd** - Picnic at the beach.

**October 1st** - ?  
Color Tour

**November 5th** - Valve Cover Races

**December 6th** - Christmas Party

**Watch the schedule for changes and updates.**

## CHIEF'S CHATTER

The winter is dragging on, however there were reports that people saw their shadows, does this mean only six more weeks of cold and snow? Well, the winter is good for having some quality time in the garage with our beloved Pontiacs or Brand X. Whether it be your own or someone else's as is my case.

NEWS FLASH - Our website is up and running...it is very cool and at the time of this writing it has had over 9000 hits. Check it out at [www.wmpontiac.com](http://www.wmpontiac.com). The webmaster has out done himself along with his side kick. Thanks Scott Van Tamelen and Carl Thorwall.

For those of you who were not at last months meeting you missed a really nice trip to the Utah Salt Flats. The scenery is breathtaking and the cars are really awesome. Thanks again to Ken Harper for the ride in the passengers seat for the 200MPH run on the salt.

By the time you read this we will be racing again so cheer on your favorite Nascar driver.

I won't be at the March meeting, but you all can still come out and learn the ins and outs of Auto Insurance for your Classic Car. The presentation will be given by club member Scott Van Tamelen.

Well, got to go....back to the garage, another coat of primer is needed.

Doug

## February 2013 Meeting Report

President Doug Troost kicked off the meeting at Famous Dave's by going over Terri Miller's Treasurer's Report. Terri and Wendell were out of town. Then we reviewed this year's meeting agenda/activities. May was one of the open months, but not any more. Our guest speaker for May will be Jim Matison of Pontiac Historic Services fame. No telling what he will talk about. It could range from the health of our hobby to vintage Trans Am racing! You'll have to come to find out.

Since the Grand Rapids Autorama is history, there was discussion about making a group trip to the Detroit Autorama. It is during the weekend of March 9<sup>th</sup>. Final details may be hashed out at the March meeting.

Our WMPOCI car show plans are moving forward. Doug Kamphuis reports that the Famous Dave's trailer will be there again. Also, flyers are ready so we can start getting the word out.

Our spring Dust Off Cruise to Indiana is still a work-in-progress at this point. More information will be available at a later date.

It's too early for any details about our fall color tour, but Scott VanTamelan says we will be heading east this year. Can't wait to hear the details.

Scott is also helping out setting up our new website. He will be needing pictures of our Pontiacs sent to him in the near future.

Former WMPOCI president Bob DeBoer was presented with a '57 Chevy Clock in appreciation for his work the past year. Thanks Bob!

Herb Howes is recuperating from his knee surgery. We hope to see him up and around when the car show and swap meet season starts! Get well soon Herb!

Our guest speaker was Ken Harper who is a member of the Trendway salt flats race team. They campaign a 1991 ZR-1 Corvette, trying to reach somewhere around 215 to 220 mph! They had problems on the first pass, hurting the engine in the process. They've learned from their mistakes and will be back to try again this summer. I can't wait to hear how they did!

The DeBoer's won the 50/50 raffle, amounting to \$16! The attendance drawing of \$77.50 would have been won by June Troost, but she wasn't at the

meeting to collect. It rolls over for the March meeting!

Our guest speaker for the March meeting at Famous Dave's will be our very own Scott VanTamelan. He will talk about insurance coverage on our collectible cars.

See ya March 5th!

Dan Jensen



Our Prez and his new clock

Some of you responded to the newsletter option but quite a few did not. It would make it easier if a list could be made of the mailing option. Please take the time to respond if you already haven't. Thanks



"Our Sympathies are extended to Gary & Pam Laarman in the passing of Pam's mother, Lorraine Lubbers on Feb 9, 2013."