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**PONTIAC-OAKLAND
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THE ARROWHEAD

Newsletter for the Pontiac Enthusiast

April 2016

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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

President	Scott VanTamelen	6 1 6 - 4 5 0 - 8 4 5 0
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Tuesday, April 5

Meet at Famous Dave's in Grandville

7:00 PM

Speaker:

Scott Van Tamelen will talk about the last generation of the Firebird.

Come early if you wish 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 POI to be a member of the West Michigan POI.
Log onto www.poci.org for more information or to register

WMPOCI MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Name _____ Spouse _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone _____ Email _____

Full Member (Chapter & POI) _____

If full member include your POI# _____

Non POI member (Chapter only) _____

Pontiac Owned _____

Year _____ Model _____

Style _____ Motor _____

National POI # (must have) _____

Birthday _____ Spouse's Birthday _____

Anniversary _____

\$25.00 Payable to WMPOCI

WMPOCI SCHEDULE FOR 2016

- April 5– Scott VT will talk about the last generation of the Firebird
April 30 – Spring dust-off cruise to see wood miniatures & flowers
May 3– Guest speaker, Jim Mattison,
owner of Pontiac Historic Services
June 8 – Cruise to Gilmore Car Museum
July 12-16– POCI National Convention in Bettendorf, Iowa
July 23 – Pontiac show at Bakers in Milford, MI
Aug 2 – Pre WMPOCI car show meeting at Famous Dave's
Aug 12 – WMPOCI car show at the Elhart car campus
Sept 6 – Picnic at Holland State Park
Sept 16 & 17 – Pure Stock Drags weekend
Oct 8 – Color Tour to Fenn Valley Winery, Fennville, MI
Nov 1 – Meet at the Van Zytveld's for our valve cover races
and officer elections
Dec 2 – Christmas Party at the Double Tree in Holland, MI

Here are some additional events to consider attending this year.

- July 12-16 POCI National Convention in Bettendorf, IA
Go to www.poci.org for details and registration.
August 5-7 is the Ames Show in Norwalk, OH.
Ames Performance Pontiac Nationals at
Summit Motorsports Park.
August 19-20 Woodward Dream Cruise
August 26-27 is the Grand Rapids Metro Cruise
September 16-17 Pure Stock Muscle Car Drags, Stanton, MI
September 23 22nd Annual All Makes Car Show
Ver Hage Motors, Holland

CHIEF'S CHATTER

Hello Everybody-

I don't know what I dislike more, mowing the grass or plowing the driveway? As I look out the window I can tell the first mowing isn't far away, and unlike like plowing, my mowing never seems to end. I usually have to mow two or three times a week, all season long. By the time fall arrives I'm over it.

One thing I do enjoy about mowing, is that it gives me an opportunity to think. The task is so repetitive that I can cruise along the yard and contemplate life. Think about the past, the future, and just "zone-out" from the present. Consider the things I've done, the things I want to do, the places where I've been, the places I still want to see. It becomes relaxing after a while.

I don't know about you, but I get that same relaxing feeling when cruising in my Pontiac. I seldom ever have the radio playing while driving one of the Firebirds. I'd rather listen to the music the machine is making. The exhaust note, the sound of the engine, heck, even the road noise are all relaxing sounds. Before long I find myself in leisurely contemplation of the scenery passing by. I love cruising a quiet back road, and just "zoning out." When I'm behind the wheel of my favorite Pontiac I find myself reminiscing about the past, considering the future, recalling places I've been, and places I still want to go.

So, although I look out the window and see grass that will soon need mowing, I also hear the open road calling for my Pontiac. I hope you're as excited about that opportunity to get back behind the wheel of your favorite Pontiac or GMC as I am.

If the weather continues warming I wouldn't be surprised to see some of those Pontiacs at our April meeting.

Until next time, grab another gear and stomp it to the floor.

Scott



March 2016 Meeting Report

Because of very snowy conditions the March 1 meeting was cancelled. Our speaker from Gilmore's Car Museum was unable to travel to Grandville.

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

REMEMBER TO VOTE!

A ballot form was in the February issue of *Smoke Signals* to vote for Directors of POCI. Our club could win CASH for the biggest percentage of votes submitted. The deadline to submit your vote is March 31.

Cary Hirdes has the following Pontiac parts for sale. Phone 616-212-0059
E-Mail: hirdeshtg@att.net

Set of four Pontiac Hub Caps.
The red center is mostly gone on one.
Otherwise in good shape.
Make an offer.



Single Pontiac Hub Cap. Make an offer.



Pontiac Water Pump.
Includes gasket



Pontiac Water Pump.
No gasket.
Make an offer