

WEST MICHIGAN CHAPTER

THE ARROWHEAD

Newsletter for the Pontiac Enthusiast

January 2011

DUES

It's that time again. The yearly dues are due for 2011. Please take the time to mail your dues to our treasurer, Terri Miller, her address is on the next page.

2011 SCHEDULE OF MEETINGS AND ACTIVITES

Jan: Famous Dave's

Feb:

March:

April:

May 7 - Dust Off - W.K. Kellogg Manor House - tour and lunch. More

info later

June: Mooville - Hastings

July: NO Meeting (convention)

Aug: Gilmore Museum

(Elhart Car Show)

Sept: Holland State Park - Picnic Meeting also Dan's Drags later in the

month

Oct:

Nov: Valve Cover Races

Dec: Christmas Party

CHIEF'S CHATTER

I hope everyone had a wonderful Christmas. If you weren't at the Christmas dinner, you missed a good time. The food was excellent and the entertainment - The Panning Family - were fantastic.

Looking toward the New Year I want to wish everyone good health, safe cruising and God's blessings on the New Year.

In planning for the New Year we need your help. This is your club and we want to do the things that you want to do, so we need your input! Please take the time to fill out the questionnaire in this newsletter and either return it to me or bring it along to the Jan. meeting. If everyone brought just one idea for a meeting we would have enough ideas for 2 years. If you know someone with an interesting hobby or job and they would like to share it with us, let us know. It doesn't have to be car related. As you can see by the schedule in this newsletter we have quite a few months to fill in!

We would also like to get a web page up again for the club. If anyone out there is Web savvy and could help us, please let us know.

We will miss you snowbirds that are heading south again for the winter. I wish you safe travel and warm weather on your trip. We all look forward to seeing you when you return.

I would like to thank all those that helped me during my first year as President and I look forward to working with you again this year.

Ron

P.S. The National POCI board is inviting members to become "friends" of POCI on their **Facebook page** (Pontiac Oakland Club) and to subscribe to the **POCI Blog** at pontiacoaklandclub.wordpress.com



These two cars belong to one of our newest members, Ben Siedlecki. The top one is a 1973 GTO and is the REAL DEAL. It is one of 544 with the '455' the other 4,806 cars produced were 400's. It has 76,000 miles on it, when purchased it had 57,000. Ben has eight years into the restoration, replacing, rebuilding, redoing



with repro parts or NOS parts. The car has numbers matching block with 4x heads that runs 352HP on pump gas. Ben hopes to replace the honeycomb wheels this winter and re-detail the engine compartment and maybe fix the sunroof.

The second picture is a 1973 LeMans that Ben turned into a '73 Tribute/clone. It was purchased in '04 with 32,000 miles. It now has 57,000. It is a numbers matching 350 V-8/w points & the original power steering belt still working. He added the GTO option (appearance only) & the Craggers. It was repainted in '07. Exhaust, shocks, etc. followed. Ben also has an '84 that is in bad shape & probably doesn't have a bright future. His '73 GrandAm which is pretty much a race car with 400HP and slicks had a little accident with a tree so it has sat most of '09-'10. Thanks Ben, for the info and pictures!

THANK YOU

A big thank you to Roxanne DeBoer for planning the Christmas dinner and entertainment. Everyone had a wonderful evening. Also, thank you to all club members who generously donated to Elves and More. We were able to donate \$325.00! A total of 1100 bikes were given away to children on the north side of Grand Rapids on Saturday, December 18. Their excited faces were a joy to see.

MEMBERSHIP QUESTIONAIRE

1). Do you prefer meetings at Famous Dave's or going somewhere e.g. Ken Faber's vintage RV's.									

2). Do you know of anyone with an interesting hobby, job or activity that would like to share it with us.

3). What kind of activities would you like to see us do as a club either for a meeting or a weekend activity.

4). This is your club. We need your help and input to keep our meetings interesting and informative. We have a whole year to fill and are in dire need of ideas.

PLEASE MAIL THIS PAGE BACK TO ME OR TAKE IT ALONG TO THE JAN. MEETING AT FAMOUS DAVE'S

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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.

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!!HAPPY NEW YEAR EVERYONE!!

Next Meeting

January 4 @ Famous Dave's. Come early for a bite of

dinner or dessert before the meeting begins @ 7:30ish.

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	State Zip			
Phone	Email			
Pontiac Owned				_
Year	Model			
Style	Motor		-	
National POCI # (must have)				_
Birthday	_ Spouse's Birthday			
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