



# WEST MICHIGAN CHAPTER

# THE ARROWHEAD

**Newsletter for the Pontiac Enthusiast** 

**July 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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# No Regular Meeting in July

For those attending the National Convention we wish you safe travels and a good time.

July 23 is the show at Baker's in Milford

Next Regular Meeting is Tuesday, August 2

# **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	Sp	ouse		
Address				
City	State	Zip		
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 Birthday			
Anniversary				

\$25.00 Payable to WMPOCI

#### WMPOCI SCHEDULE FOR 2016

July 12-16– POCI National Convention in Bettendorf, Iowa

Go to www.poci.org for details and registration.

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.

Saturday, July 2, Graafschap Car Show (south of Holland) Benefits a local young couple who are both battling kidney issues

Saturday, July 9 Zeeland Show & Shine 9 AM—2 PM (cars are shown along Main Ave. downtown)

August 5-7 is the Ames Show in Norwalk, OH.

August 19-20 Woodward Dream Cruise

August 26-27 Grand Rapids Metro Cruise

September 23 22nd Annual All Makes Car Show Ver Hage Motors, Holland







# **CHIEF'S CHATTER**

Hey Everybody-

Hope this newsletter finds you doing well, and enjoying your Pontiac or GMC. We had a good turnout for our "Cruise to Gilmore", I think I counted 10 cars and we had a couple more meet up with us once we got to Gilmore. This is becoming one of my favorite club events, the cruise to the museum is always an enjoyable time, and then seeing all the different cars once we're there is a bonus too. Thank you to everybody that came out!!

Speaking of cruising together, it was suggested that the club attend one of the Das Essenhaus Cruise-in's this summer. For those who are not aware of what the Das Essenhaus is, it's a Dutch restaurant in Middlebury, Indiana and every Thursday night during the summer they host a cruise-in night. I understand they can get upwards to 500 cars on that single night. Watch future newsletters for details on when we might going there.

In this newsletter you should see details about the Fall Color Tour. Please make note that if you plan to attend you need to let Jane Dowling or Tom Ensing know before the end of this month, and make arrangements for getting payment for the event to them before then. It sounds like they have a great event planned for us!!

Last week Dan Jensen and I drove over to Davisburg, Michigan to check out the Widetracker's Chapter spring dust-off. This was my first time going, and I must say I enjoyed it. It's not a large show, but the quality of the Pontiacs attending was impressive. I would encourage us to consider making this a group event next year.

Check the schedule of events below to see what's coming up for the club between now and August. Be attentive to the plan we have for attending the Motor City Chapter's All-Pontiac show on Saturday July 23rd. I'll have further details (as to where we're meeting to drive over together) in next month's newsletter, and on the website sooner. If you're planning to attend it wouldn't hurt to check out their website for a preregistration form.

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

Scott

## June 2016 Meeting Report

About 20 WMPOCI members, a dozen Pontiacs, and great weather were present for our June 8<sup>th</sup> cruise to the Gilmore Car Museum. We all gathered at the Marathon Gas Station located at US131 and 100<sup>th</sup> Street. Shortly after 6 PM, we were heading south on 131, taking the Shelbyville exit, going through said town, traversing around the south side of Gun Lake, and finally pulling onto the museum grounds. There were already a couple hundred cars parked on the grass amongst all the cool barns and buildings. The cruise is over at 8 PM, so we had only about an hour to look at cars, pass out flyers for our car show, get some food, and have a brief meeting.

President Scott VanTamelen started the meeting of by reminding us of the Wide Tracker's Dust Off show on June 11<sup>th</sup> in Davisburg, MI.

In July the POCI National Convention will be held in Iowa, thus no meeting for us. Also, there is the all Pontiac car show at Bakers Restaurant in Milford.

Scott mentioned that the website doesn't have to be updated to the new version until 2017, but he'll get to it before then.

Terri Miller gave her Treasurer's report. We had more income from dues than the expenses from our May meeting, giving us a higher balance for the start of June.

Tom Ensing gave us an update on our fall cruise (Oct 8<sup>th</sup>) to the Fenn Valley Winery Tour. Those wishing to go must send \$10 (per person) to Jane Dowling by June 29<sup>th</sup>. Afterwards, Tom has invited us to his place. Judy Hirdes said she will be emailing us all the details.

Cary Hirdes said he is still looking for more sponsors for our August 12<sup>th</sup> car show at the Elhart Car Campus. Sponsorships cost only \$50.

Our 50/50 raffle was won by Bob and Robin McCarthy and the Millers once again won the attendance drawing. Congratulations to both couples!

With that, we were done with our meeting and all the cars were exiting the grounds. With the weather picture perfect, hopefully everyone had a pleasant cruise home.

Hope to see many of you at the Bakers show in Milford.

Dan Jensen

#### **FOR SALE**

1960 Bonneville Convertible: 389, auto, rare beauty- pride of the Woodward Ave Dream Cruise! All original, 60K miles, Skymist Blue exterior, tritone blue interior, white top. PS, PB, PW. Currently in storage. Asking \$45,000. Betty Kessel, (248) 770- 0994 (MI)

Our annual Fall get- together will be held at the Fenn Valley Winery, 6130 122nd Ave., Fennville, MI 49408 on Saturday, October 8, 2016.

This tour is being coordinated by Jane Dowling and Tom Ensing. The tour will include a tour of the vineyards on a specially designed wagon pulled by a tractor during the height of the growing season. Our tour guide will cover the basics of grape growing and wine making, all while sampling wine and grapes to illustrate the points being made. Admission includes the tour, wine tasting, a logo wine glass to take home and a coupon for \$5.00 that may be redeemed with the purchase of 4 or more bottles of wine.

Because this is a private tour for our car club members, there are limited slots available and the winery will only be able to accommodate up to 22 people for our group. Therefore, sign-up will be on a first-come, first-served basis. The cost for the tour is \$10.00/person and must be submitted to Jane Dowling or Tom Ensing no later than Wednesday, June 29th. The exact time of the tour on October 8th, will be announced at a later date.

Members should submit their \$10.00 per person payment to Jane or Tom ASAP but no later than June 29th. Their mailing address is: 2474 Orchard Valley Drive, Fennville, MI 49408.

Jane's email address is: <u>janeann25@hotmail.com</u> and her phone is: 616.826.2927.

In addition to the wine tour, there will be a get-together at Jane & Tom's house following the tour as well as a short cruise around the area. More

### 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.