

West Michigan POCI
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The Arrowhead

West Michigan Chapter



March 2021

Chief's Chatter

Scott Van Tamelen- WMPOCI President

Hello Everyone! Hope you're staying safe and warm. For those who have retreated to warmer climates you'll be happy to know you're the smart ones. LOL! As I write this we're experiencing some of the coldest days of the year here, Grand Rapids had a low temperature of -12 today. Burr!!!

Soon though the warm months will be upon us, and we'll be behind the wheel of our beloved Pontiacs again. I'm hoping to get a couple of the Firebirds on the road that I haven't had out of the barn in a while. I'm already looking forward to cruising together with everyone.

We still have some planning that needs to happen for club events this year. Probably the most important is club meetings. It's going to be a struggle to find a restaurant to host us under the current Health Department guidelines. That being the case we're going to pass on holding a March meeting. I apologize that we have to keep doing this, but at this point I don't see any other option. Hopefully as April draws closer we see some changes in the government guidelines, or the weather turns warm enough that we can do something outside.

As many of you are receiving your March Smoke Signals, don't forget to read through the bios of everyone running for a POCI Director position, and make sure to get your vote in before the deadline. As I said last month it would be really cool if we could win the Chapter Participation award, so even if you don't vote for me, get that ballot in.

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

Here are a few car shows scheduled for this summer:

Date/Time Event

06/15/2021

4:00 pm - 9:00 pm Auto Body Xperts Hudsonville Car Show at Gemmen's *Gemmen's Hardware, Hudsonville MI*

06/15/2021

5:00 pm - 8:45 pm Miss Auto Body Xperts Pin-Up Contest
Gemmen's Ace Hardware, Hudsonville MI

(Pin up girl contest for ladies and little ladies!! We immortalize the 40's and 50's era. With our pin curls, petticoats, lashes, and, wiggle dresses)

07/31/2021

9:00 am - 2:00 pm Auto Body Xperts Wayland Car Show at Gun Lake Casino *Gun Lake Casino, Wayland MI*

09/19/2021

All Day Auto Body Xperts Allendale Fall Festival

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

ANNUAL ELECTION

In your February *Smoke Signals* is the ballot for the annual POCI election for Directors.

NOTE: Our own Scott Van Tamelen is on the ballot for the Great Lakes Division.

Be sure to list our Chapter affiliation as West Michigan.

Ballots MUST be postmarked by 3/31/2021.

Membership Info

Chapter Dues are to be paid January 1st

\$25.00 payable to WMPOCI

Please give to Brian Martinie at the meeting, or mail them to:

West Michigan Pontiac Club

430 E 8th St, PMB 157

Holland, MI. 49423

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 _____

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 West Michigan Pontiac Club

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.

REMINDER!!

The annual dues of \$25 for the West Michigan Pontiac Club are due in January. Since there is no meeting you should mail them to Brian Martinie at the following address.

**West Michigan Pontiac Club
430 E 8th St, PMB 157
Holland, MI. 49423**

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.

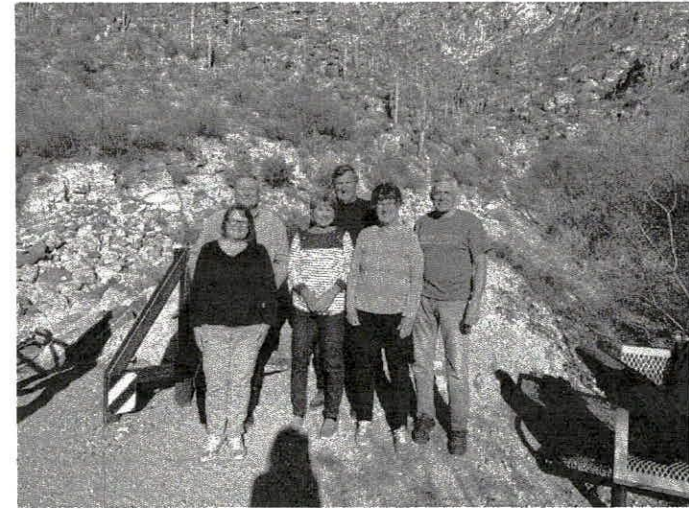
It is the goal of the chapter to encourage and unite area Pontiac enthusiasts in Chapter sponsored activities and events.

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

Club Officers

President	Scott Van Tamelen	616-450-8450
Vice President	Bob Walker	616-293-9308
Treasurer	Brian Martinie	616-836-6040
Secretary	Dan Jensen	517-896-0398
Arrowhead Editor	Judy Hirdes	616-772-5494

The Van Zytvelds and Martinies met up with the Millers in Tucson, AZ this past week.



Here is the Car Club group that was able to get together in Florida. De Boers, Troosts, Kamphuis, Kay Postma and Al, De Jongs, Ver Meulens, Plochockis, Ensings, and Troost's Florida neighbors.

Club Member, Tom Schneider, is on a scouting mission for a few things.

1st - I have had a pattern for a set of mag rim center caps at a metal shop for a while now with no result. They are 1/8 inch stainless or similar, cut with flow jet or other. Just flat stock. If anybody has a better channel than me, let me know.

2nd - I have a personal project that I have been working on. It is a game, it is a puzzle, it is a puzzle/game. Some of the puzzle pictures can be cars. If you would like a picture of your car on a puzzle- find one that would look good at about the size of a 'calendar' picture. I do not have all the details yet, but let me know, hang on to it, and we can talk later.
Call him at 616-772-9713 with any help or questions.



CLUB EVENTS

A schedule for 2021 will be developed by the new Board as soon as possible.

If you have a suggestion for a meeting topic or an event to consider for this year, please contact any board member with the information.

GILMORE CAR MUSEUM— WINTER LECTURE SERIES 2021

The Gilmore Car Museum's annual Winter Lecture Series is highly anticipated every year! Every Sunday afternoon at 3 pm January through April visitors can enjoy a different guest presenter speaking on a variety of intriguing topics. Admission to each lecture FREE for members, included in general admission and is just \$5/person if you're only coming to take in the Lecture!

For the full schedule go to:

[Gilmore Car Museum.org/events-calendar/lecture-series/](http://GilmoreCarMuseum.org/events-calendar/lecture-series/)

Here are the topics for the next few weeks:

February 28 - "MG - An Interdisciplinary Education" by John Twist --MG Expert

March 7 - "The Wright Brothers: The Power Of Persistence" by Cameron S. Brown -- Former State Senator (NO Facebook Live Stream)

March 14 - "Ford Icons: The Thunderbird Story" by John Clore -- Ford Motor Company

March 21 - "The Design and Build of the 1969 and '70 Shelby Mustang" by Chris Engeman -- Design Detailer - Shelby Mustang

NEXT MEETING

As stated in Scott's Chief's Chatter there will be no meeting in March, because of the COVID regulations.