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**PONTIAC-OAKLAND
CLUB INTERNATIONAL**

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THE ARROWHEAD

Newsletter for the Pontiac Enthusiast

January 2019

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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

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NEXT MEETING

Tuesday, January 8, 2019, 7 PM

(NOTE The change because of the
New Year's Holiday)

At Famous Dave's in Grandville
We will explore ideas for the coming year.

Come early for supper if you wish.

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 _____

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 _____

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THANKS FOR YOUR GENEROSITY

Here is a Thank You Note from Doug & Joan Troost's daughter, Kerrie, in Panama City, Florida. She posted this on Facebook.

It is time to thank some amazing people that have helped my family and so many others at the police department, neighbors, and all the littles at my school!! Thank you Joan Troost(my mama), and my dad who doesn't have Facebook lol, Stacy E Shramek, Jan Bosma, Jackie Spencer, David and Beth Morin, David Morin's Sister, the **West Michigan Pontiac Club** (who sponsored officers) Herb and Karen VanTimmeren, the VanZytvelds, Fern Fern Bel Compton and City Church, Jessica N Kegan Wise, Betsy Smith, Lance Livingston, Jakob Raven, Melissa Fraser Edrington, and I know I missed people. Thank you from the bottom of our hearts. We truly appreciate all the help you have provided!! As my parents saw this week, we surely needed it!!! Thanks again to everyone because this Michael guy wasn't playin around!!! **Kerrie Raffield**

The money that was collected the night of our Christmas party was spent on gas gift cards. There are 80 children in Palm Bay Charter school where Kerrie is a resource officer that are homeless. She is giving them to 4 families of the children who are living and sleeping in their cars as their homes were destroyed. It has been 29-40 degrees at night so they need to run their cars to stay warm.

Brian & Amy Martinie report that we collected about 20 coats at the Christmas Party that will be donated in the Pullman area.

CHIEF'S CHATTER

Merry Christmas everyone. It was good to see so many of you at the Christmas Party. If you were not able to make it, you missed out on some good food and great entertainment.

There is no snow at my house right now. I blame this on me being able to get some work done on my snow plow. I got the windows and door fixed and it is finally ready to go, now that there is no snow, of course. I think Catie is planning on letting the air out of the tires or removing a bolt or two to improve her chances of getting a white Christmas.

We just got back from our youngest daughter's first Christmas pageant. They sang some Christmas songs and served cookies and juice after. We also got to go see our oldest daughter's last winter orchestra concert. They were both very excited to see us there. So, in this holiday season, be sure you give your family the best gift of all (your time).

Because of the holiday falling on January first. We will have our January meeting on the second Tuesday, January 8th at Famous Dave's. Hope to see you all there.

Until next time, get out and drive.
Ryan

REMEMBER it is time to pay your dues for 2019. Brian Martinie is our new treasurer and will accept them at the meeting, or you can mail to:
664 Wilshire Ct., Holland, MI 49423

December 2018 Christmas Party

Our annual Christmas Party was held on Saturday, December 8th at the Beechwood Grill, in Holland, MI. The weather was cool (of course since it is December) and dry, great for driving safely to and from the restaurant, especially for the long-distance folks. I didn't take a head count, but I'd estimate between 25 and 30 members were in attendance, plus our entertainment, who joined us for dinner too.

Speaking of dinner, it was served family style. It included roast beef, chicken, fish, mashed potatoes, green beans, CA vegetables, side salad, and rolls. There were deep fried mushrooms and onion rings for appetizers, and ice cream sundaes for dessert. Even if you took a small amount of each dish, you had a heaping plate in front of you. I know I was stuffed after having the dessert!

After dinner, we jumped right into the entertainment for the evening. I'm sorry, but I didn't get his name, but he is a friend of the Kamphuis' as well as others in the club. He is a multi-talented man, treating us to Christmas songs on the trumpet and the dulcimer. Then for his main act, he did his ventriloquism with two dummies. It was quite entertaining while he and the dummies sang the Twelve Days of Christmas.

Every year at our Christmas Party we like to donate to a party in need. This year we had two parties to donate to. First was to our entertainer's son who had suffered from a debilitating stroke. Second was to the police department down in Panama City, FL, after the devastation from Hurricane Michael. We also donated clean, used winter coats to the Martinie's church project. I'd say that the Christmas Party was a big success this year. It's an honor to be part of a group of people who are generous in so many ways. I hope everyone has (or had) a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

See you at the January 8th meeting at Famous Dave's! (Weather permitting, of course!) Bring ideas of activities we could do next year.

Dan Jensen

WINTER LECTURE SERIES AT GILMORE CAR MUSEUM

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January 13, 2019 "1968-69 Looking Back Half A Century On Two Historic Years" Tony Ettwein, Author and Historian

January 20, 2019 "Stories From The Men That Made Henry Ford Famous" Don LaCombe, Automotive Historian

January 27, 2019 "The Good Roads Movement" Jim Craft, Author and Historian

February 3, 2019 "The Silver Streak: And The Gypsy Coeds: aka The Bradford Model T Girls" John Butte, Author and Collector

February 10, 2019 "Built in Battle Creek: Threshers And Steam Traction Engines" Robb Gillespie, Historian

February 17, 2019 "Profiles In Citizenship: A Portrait Of Henry Knox And Rosa Parks" Cameron Brown, Former State Senator

February 24, 2019 "Barn Finds: Automotive Archaeology" Ryan Brutt, Automotive Archaeologist and Author

Care Corner

Rick Ploeg submitted to surgery on his back on December 12.

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.

Here is another site to check out for events all around the area: www.motorcitypoci.com/events/

We have a Facebook Page:

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Check it out!

