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THE ARROWHEAD

Newsletter for the Pontiac Enthusiast

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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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Treasurer	Terri Miller	6 1 6 - 8 7 5 - 8 0 6 9
Secretary	Dan Jensen	5 1 7 - 6 4 7 - 2 4 7 4
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Next Meeting

Fall Cruise and Wine Tour

Saturday, October 8

1:30 PM Meet at Tom and Jane's house,
2474 Orchard Valley Drive, Fennville
(You can drop off your dish for the potluck)

2 PM we will take a short cruise to Fenn Valley Winery

3 PM Board the wagon for the Tour

5 PM (approx.) End of tour.

Take time to purchase and/or more sampling if you wish.

5:30-6 PM Return to Tom and Jane's for potluck.

They will serve hamburgs and pulled pork sandwiches.

Please bring your favorite beverage and a dish to pass.

Call Jane if you have questions 616-826-2927.

If you did not sign up, you are welcome to do wine tasting at the Winery and join the potluck.

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

- Oct 8 – Color Tour to Fenn Valley Winery, Fennville, MI
(As of now all the spaces are filled for this outing)
- 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 is one additional event to consider attending this year.

September 23, 4:30-7:30 PM 22nd Annual All Makes Car Show
Ver Hage Motors, Holland
Benefits Holland Rescue Mission—Cruise to Zeeland



A few pictures from our
September meeting at
Holland State Park.
We had a great turnout.

CHIEF'S CHATTER

Hello Everybody!

Hope this newsletter finds you doing well. We had good weather for our annual Holland State Park picnic, and it was good to see so many of you there. During the picnic we gave our annual donation to the Hospice Representative who showed up, and we had another check to given to the Wayne Elhart Memorial Fund. It's great to be part of a club that so graciously gives back the community. I'm proud to part of this club, and you guys should be too.

During the picnic we heard from Tom and Jane about the plans they have laid out for our Fall Color Tour, make sure you see the details further on in this newsletter. I hope to see many you of there. The color tour could be the last chance we get to enjoy our cars before putting them into hibernation for the long winter. We'll hold the October club meeting during the Color Tour.

It's crazy to think how fast this year has passed by already. Make sure you get out and enjoy your Pontiac or GMC a few more times before the car season ends.

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

Scott Van Tamelen



Four of our Pontiacs on display at
Berger Chevrolet during the Metro Cruise.

September 2016 Meeting Report

The weather was sunny, hot, and humid in central Michigan when I started out for Ottawa State Park for our annual September picnic at the beach. However, once I got to the lake, it was still sunny, but not as hot, and definitely not humid. It's amazing how different Michigan climate can be at the lake versus inland! It was a perfect evening for a picnic, and 30 WMPOCI members were in attendance for some good food and good company.

After our meal, Scott VanTamelon started off the business meeting with Cary Hirdes presenting a check to the Holland Hospice representative of \$400. She gave us a brief talk about Hospice and mentioned that the West Michigan Pontiac Club has been the most faithful donor to their organization. That's something for us to be proud of! We also have a check of \$400 which will be made to the Wayne Elhart Memorial Fund. Their representative was not able to be present at the picnic to accept the check.

Terri Miller gave us her Treasurer's Report. We had income from show sponsors, show entries, raffle, and donations. Expenses were for show flyers, dash plaques, porta-jons, picnic, seed funds and newspaper ad. After all was said and done, we were in a position to donate \$400 to both Holland Hospice and the Wayne Elhart Memorial Fund, and still have a healthy account balance.

We are ready for the Pure Stock Drags. Shirts are in, but the artist didn't quite get our design ideas we were laying in front of him, so shirt sales might be more of a challenge this year. I hope I'm wrong. All we really care about is the weather, so let's hope for the best. I'm looking forward to seeing all of you who volunteered to help out. Dennis, Lyndon, and I thank you from the bottom of our hearts!

Judy Hirdes gave us an update on the Arnoldink. It was good to hear that both Karen and Bob are making good progress with their health struggles. We hope to see them soon.

Scott said our Pontiac display at Berger was a success and we were asked to be back next year! I understand that we had a few full size Pontiacs and a GTO on display. I wish I could attend the GR Metro Cruise, but it always conflicts with the TA Nationals.

Our club received a letter from a gentleman on the east side of the state who has various Pontiacs for sale including a '80 Sunbird, '72 LeMans 2-door, '65 LeMans 4-door, '69 LeMans 4-door, and a '85 Grand Prix. Look for contact info elsewhere in the newsletter.

Tom Ensing and Jane Dowling gave us an update on the October 8th Fall Color Cruise. We will be going to the Fenn Valley Vineyard Tour (at 3 PM), and then having a potluck dinner at Tom and Jane's home afterwards. The itinerary should be listed elsewhere in the newsletter.

Our November meeting will host our annual Valve Cover Races as well as our annual board member elections. Scott said he will be stepping down as our president after two successful years at our helm. So start considering the positions for President and Vice President.

Doug and Judy Mesman won the 50/50 drawing valued at \$21! Doug and Joan Troost won the club attendance drawing of \$46! Congrats to both couples.

I'll see you either at the Pure Stock Drags, the next meeting, or both!
Dan Jensen

Here is a list that was sent to Scott VT of some vehicles that are for sale:

- 1980 Pontiac Sunbird, 4 cyl., Manual Trans, 2 door
- 1972 Pontiac Lemans, 8 cyl, 350 cu in., automatic, 2 door
- 1965 Pontiac Lemans, 8 cyl, 326 cu in., automatic, 4 door
- 1969 Pontiac Lemans, 8 cyl, 350 cu in. automatic, 4 door
- 1985 Pontiac Grand Prix, 8 cyl, automatic, 2 door, wire wheels, power windows, A/C

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These vehicles have all been stored inside for decades.

Care Corner

Karen Arnoldink is doing much better. The new skin is looking good. She has been able to get out a few times lately.

Herb Howes became ill at the Pure Stock Muscle Car Drags on Saturday and was taken to the Greenville Hospital. He is being tested and observed and hopes to be home in the next few days.

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.



Presenting the \$400 check to Kaylee from Hospice of Holland at the September meeting at the beach.



Cary and Judy presented the check for \$400 to Jeff Elhart for the Wayne Elhart Memorial Fund "Be Nice" Campaign. Jeff apologized for not attending the picnic on Tuesday. He said that amount will train 800 students and parents through their campaign. That is a big impact!