The Arrowhead



West Michigan Chapter

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Newsletter for the Pontiac Enthusiast

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Chief's Chatten

Bob DeBoer-WMPOCI President

Greetings everyone... your West Michigan Pontiac Club is off to a new year, holding our meeting in a new place; thank you Greg Jordan for finding "Butchers Block Social". We had very good attendance, in very snowy conditions driving to Caledonia. People seemed to be please with the room, food, and service.

As mentioned in the January newsletter, the board officers met at our house on January 5th for a working dinner. After a meal of lasagna and all the trimmings we got right down to work, creating the Calendar of Events for 2024. Remember to make the club work, we also need your ideas. Please note: If you haven't paid your dues yet, they are due now.

We began our meeting with presenting Scott Van Tamelen with a gift card for being our club newsletter editor for the past couple of years. Thanks Scott!!! We then congratulated several of our MILESTONE MEMBERS:

20 years: Vincent Rasch & Ron VanZytveld

30 years: Kay Postma

35 years: Bob Walker & Bob McCarthy

While going over the calendar of events, we decided to modify a couple of dates. Our April meeting will be held on 9th in the hopes that our snowbirds will be home to attend and the November meeting was changed to the 12th due to the national presidential election. We also welcomed two news member: Joe Birtles and his wife Lisa, along with Mike Morse and his wife Ryn.

Our next meeting will be held at our new digs "Butcher Block Social", eating around 6:00 pm, with our meeting to begin at 7:00 pm. Bring your model cars, trains, tractors, airplanes, etc.... you get the drift, for our annual mini model die-cast show. We also may have a guest speaker. So, until we meet again in February, please get your snow shovels out and help your neighbors.

Chief Bob

Tuesday, February 6th 6:00pm

Butcher Block Social

We will be meeting at the Butcher Block Social Restaurant at 9900 Cherry Valley Ave SE Caledonia, Mi 49316. We'll be arriving at 6:00pm to eat together. Club meeting will begin at 7:00pm.

Location:

9900 Cherry Valley Ave SE Caledonia, Mi 49316

Annual Dues

You can mail in your payment to the following address:

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

Also, if you singed up after July of 2023 you do not have to pay again already. Your next payment will not be until January 2025

Please be sure to include your POCI number when renewing as well.

Meetings:

The West Michigan Pontiac Club holds monthly meetings throughout the year. Most often those meetings are held at a local restaurant in the West Michigan area, but there are instances when that may vary, so please see the upcoming events page, or check out our website for specific times and locations.

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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 and events.

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



West Michigan Pontiac Monthly Meetings:

February 6th: Club Meeting- We will be meeting at the Butcher Block Social Restaurant at 9900 Cherry Valley Ave SE Caledonia, Mi 49316. We'll be arriving at 6:00 pm to eat together. Club meeting will begin at 7:00 pm. Remember to bring your models for our Mini-Model Die Cast Show.

March 5th: Club Meeting – We will be meeting at the home of John & Linda Walker at 2814 Air Park Dr. Zeeland, MI 49464. We'll be arriving at 6:00 pm for our **Annual Chili/Soup Cook Off**. Everyone is asked to bring chairs. Club meeting will begin at 7:00 pm. Whoever was last years winner, please bring the spoon back to be passed on to this years' winner.

April 9th: Club Meeting – TBD (please put on your thinking caps and bring your ideas to our next meeting)

May 4th & 5th: Spring Dust Off – with a possible overnight stay being planned for in Traverse City. Also to include a tour of the Frankfort Car Museum and other places of interest in Traverse City.

June 4th: Cruise to Muskegon – to tour a Custom Engine Builders facility. Out to dinner/ice cream after.

July 12th: Zeeland Car Cruise (this is a Friday night) Line up starts at 5:00 pm at the Zeeland Football Fields on Riley St. with the cruise starting at 6:00 pm. Going for ice cream after the cruise is a good possibility.

August 6th: Club Meeting – We will again be meeting at the Butcher Block Social Restaurant at 9900 Cherry Valley Ave SE Caledonia, MI 49316. We'll be arriving at 6:00 pm to eat together. Club meeting will begin at 7:00 pm. The upcoming Car Show will be discussed.

August 9th: Annual WMPOC Car Show – this years' show will be held at Ridge Point Church in Holland on 104th Ave. off of Adams/16th St. There are 3 large parking lots so we will be able to control the flow of traffic and have plenty of room for spectator parking. Linda is working on getting new signs and fliers made for advertising. She is also having a new banner made for us to park by. The caterer from previous years will be returning, the church has offered the use of their PA System and there may possibly be a band.

September 3rd: Picnic at Holland State Park – We will arrive at 6:00 pm to eat together with the Club meeting to begin at 7:00 pm. Charity gifts will be discussed.

September 13th & 14th: Pure Stock Drags (more details to come)

October 1st: Club Meeting – We will again be meeting at the Butcher Block Social Restaurant to eat together at 6:00 pm and the meeting will begin at 7:00 pm. Board Nominations to discuss.

October 12th: Fall Color Tour Cruise – hoping to go to Gilmore Car Museum and a Farm Market for some Fall Goodies. More details later.

November 12th: Annual Valve Cover Car Races – We will be meeting at the home of Ron & Elaine VanZytveld at 4101 Byron Rd. Hudsonville, MI 49426. We'll be arriving at 6:00 pm to eat together. At 7:00 pm we will have a quick meeting and then the competition will begin. Polish off or create those unique valve cover cars!

December 13th: Christmas Party to be held at Trestle Stop Restaurant in Hamilton. Possible entertainment this year. More details later.

West Michigan Pontiac Official Events:

January 26th: Self – Guided Tour at Henry Ford Museum Meet in the lobby of the Museum at 9:30 am. If you're interested in this you can find more information on their website at: www.poci.org.

Be sure to Like and Follow our club on Facebook and on our website at: www.wmpontiac.com

The 2024 Convention: Springdale, Arkansas!

