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Kenny G's Message

President

I'm not sure all of the members have heard that we became a 501C3 Charitable organization recently. This should help to collect even more money from our sponsors for our car show, since this allows any donations to be a tax write-off for them.

But with this change, the rules that we govern the club with are much stricter. We must have a set of By-Laws and a Constitution that we follow. This also requires us to have Scheduled board meetings throughout the year as well as scheduled membership meetings. We can't be as loose as we were before and our board meetings have to stay focused and disciplined. Our personal feelings should be put on hold and if anyone has an issue with a fellow club member, they should handle it outside the confines of the club meetings. I'd like to think there's no reason why we still can't have fun though and continue to do fun things as a club. We just have to be more focused on the requirements.

I'd like to thank our previous secretary, Ray Santo for the excellent job he did for us and wish him well in the future. We've been lucky enough though to recruit new member, Doug Cook to take his place.



Ramblings of an Irishman

Editor: Brian Dougherty

I'd also like to welcome Doug Cook as our new secretary and value his knowledge and experience in running car clubs and car shows.

He is currently the President of the Lake Street Cruise-In Car show committee and the all day Motorfest car show on Saturday, July 29th in South Lyon (See flyers at the end of the newsletter). Keep in mind, we are one of the sponsored clubs for the Aug 23, Wednesday Lake street Cruise In, in downtown South Lyon and all members are encouraged to be there.

I'd also like to thank the board for their continued support of the ChadTough charity. The following is an article that Mike Cushing sent me from an event on Feb 27, 2023.

Motor City POCI, Chapter 91 based in Milford, Michigan, continued its consistent support of charities, particularly children's charities, on February 27. Every year, Motor City conducts fundraisers for two major such charities, one of which is the ChadTough/Defeat DIPG Foundation.

Established in 2015, ChadTough focuses on necessary research to eliminate DIPG (Diffuse intrinsic Pontine Glioma). Chad Carr, grandson of former University of Michigan head football coach Lloyd Carr, lost his battle earlier in 2015. Soon after, his parents, Tammi and Jason Carr of Saline, Michigan, established the foundation to research, arrest the development of, and eradicate DIPG. A particularly lethal form of pediatric cancer, **the current survival rate is zero.** After establishing the Foundation, Researchers have become confident that a cure is quite possible within twenty years, as the Foundation has garnered national attention. In the photo, Tammi Carr is accepting one of several yearly ChadTough donations made by the

Motor City club, represented by Mike Cushing, Events Coordinator, Ray Golota, Treasurer, and Kenny Galdes, Motor City Chapter President.

For additional information, please see **chadtough.org.** Tammi Car is scheduled to speak at the Summer Roundup event hosted by the Motor City chapter, at Baker's restaurant in Milford Michigan on July 8, 2023.



Treasurer's notes:

Ray Golota

For those of you who are not members of Pontiac-Oakland Club International (POCI) of which we are Chapter 91, here is a link to join https://secure.poci.org

POCI Membership.cfm.

If you are a member and don't see your number listed in the membership file, please send me your POCI number.

(Some of you might've sent me your POCI#, but I might have accidentally misplaced it)



Our website, www.motorcitypoci.com has been updated.

Highlights - Membership

Have 34 members - (1 Honorary) 33 paying members (2 members were deleted because dues were not paid).

Highlights - Financial

- Motor City balance \$6,091.37
- Mike Cushing balance \$1450.00
- Total \$7541.37
- We now have our 501(c)(3) certification.

Our car show is July 8th at Bakers in Milford - flyer attached We are still looking for 2 Directors. Let Ken Galdes or myself know if you are interested

Widetrackers car show is June 10th. go to: https://motorcitypoci.com/forms-2023/ their for forms are there.

Ray Golota Treasurer MC POCI

Activities Coordinator:

Mike Cushing

On Tuesday, March 14, Director Mike Cushing and his wife Sheila visited the National Parts Depot in Ocala, Florida, The primary reason for this visit was to meet Colin Date, Director of Marketing, and thank him for NPD's generous and consistent support of the ChadTough/Defeat DIPG Foundation, as well as the Kocur Foundation, two of the primary charities supported by Motor City. NPD writes a nice check for our charities every year, and has contributed gift certificates, as well as "goodies" to distribute at the 2023 Summer Roundup event to be held July 8th.



The bonus was the fact that the Ocala location houses and features a great collection of approximately 220 cars, all owned by NPD, and featuring some very interesting cars with extremely low mileage and/or seldom seen combinations of options. More than a handful of these cars had fewer than 100 miles, some having never been sold, titled, nor dealer prepped. One second generation Trans Am had five miles, while a '68 Torino GT had no wipers (because they were still in the trunk to be dealer installed).

Other examples: a '69 Mustang 429 Sportsroof with every option except the Mach 1 package; a Mach 1 with a shaker hood but a two barrel carburetor; a '58 Mercury Turnpike Cruiser that had a continental kit that was enormous (but



stock); and several early Buick Rivieras that were in perfect condition.

Colin is happy to support Motor City, and felt that any charity that supports kids is a great fit for National Parts Depot. Hats off to National Parts, and our great supporter Colin Date! The following pictures are only a handful of some of the interesting cars that NPD has in their collection!









Club Upcoming Events:

Since Ray Golota is distributing a very nice events calendar around the first of every month and is far better than the one I do in the newsletter as well as more up to date, please refer to the latest schedule that he emails to all current members.

Club Historical story: (Story and pictures from our 2010 Woodward spot)

John Berzsenyi editor

A Blast From Our Past...

I was going through some old files on my computer and found some pictures from our gathering on Woodward in 2010. You may recognize some of the faces in these photos! You never realize the value of a photo until the person or persons are not around to share them with anymore. These are priceless!



Upper left picture shows original member Keith Wilson (in hat) talking to **Ben Harrison** (white shirt), cocreater of most of our beloved Pontiacs. Bottom left shows past club president, Gains McDonald by his 77 Grand Prix. Sadly, both Keith and Ben are no longer with us and Gains is no longer a member due to distance.

GM Milford Proving Grounds Fun Facts:

In a three-part series, the Detroit Free Press will take you behind the curtain of GM's Milford Proving Ground, a unique place where environmentalism meets technology and engineers risk their lives — some have even lost their lives — making sure a car is road-ready.

GM Proving Ground in Milford is full of secrets — and few employees get to see





Detroit Free Press Published March 5th, 2023

Most Michiganders will never set foot on the property known as General Motors Milford Proving Ground. In fact, few GM employees even make it onto the site. The grounds at Milford, located about 45 miles northwest of Detroit, are heavily guarded by security working 24/7, 365 days a year.

The Proving Ground holds the key to the company's future, housing GM's secret plans for vehicles to come and the proprietary technology to transform the automaker into a zeroemissions car company.

The historic site, which GM opened nearly 100 years ago, is full of test courses and racetracks that mimic parts of the famous Nurburgring in Germany. There are secret labs with state-of-the-art virtual technology that GM's betting will give it a competitive edge in the development of electric and autonomous vehicles.

It is where GM conducts experiments on future technology for both earthly vehicles and moon buggies. All of GM's prototypes of future cars are at Milford, cleverly hidden from spy photographers either behind closed doors, under camouflage tape or — for super topsecret projects — tested only in the dark of night to shield them from drone photos. And, the engineers who work at the grounds are trained like professional race car drivers so that they can test vehicles to the limits to ensure the car performs the way it was engineered.

"It's some combination of Dr. Moreau's island and Frankenstein's lab," said Larry Webster of the Proving Ground. Webster is senior vice president of media at Hagerty, an automotive media and specialty insurance company. "As an enthusiast and car lover, I think Milford is one of the best things about GM."

The above excerpt is only to peak your interest in learning more about the Prov-

ing Grounds. Type or copy the following url into your browser to get the full ar-

ticle:

https://www.hometownlife.com/story/money/cars/generalmotors/2023/03/05/gm-milford-proving-ground/69627290007/

GM to Release EV Corvette Crossover SUV and Four-Door

Sedans

The Corvette name will soon be immersed in battery-electric SUVs and

Sedans

<u>Tara Hurlin</u>

03/02/2023

It's official: The rumors of General Motors introducing an all-electric SUV and a four-door model under the Corvette name are true. As much as this news might hit some nerves, it doesn't come as a surprise. SUVs have been taking a sports car-inspired route for some time, with Porsche, Ferrari, Lamborghini, Maserati, Aston Martin, and Lotus already proving suc-

cess. Then there's the Mustang Mach-E, perhaps the most controversial repurposed nameplate that came well before the EV Corvette. Despite some of the negative feedback from diehard muscle and pony car fans, Ford's Mustang Mach-E sold 39,458 units in 2022 and is the company's top



selling battery-electric vehicle (BEV) by volume. From a business sense standpoint, Chevrolet would be taking a risk of losing out on trending sales if the brand didn't at least attempt to capitalize on the Corvette name.

According to AutoForecast Solutions and a second anonymous source, the BEV 'Vettes will be built on an entirely new chassis unique to the car and optimized for performance. Power will come from the latest GM modular Ultium battery packs.

New Members:

Art and Jackie Boucher of South Lyon joined 2-7-2023

Tim and Sandy Zombeck of Commerce joined 3-1-2023

Dave and Linda Olshesky of Royal Oak joined 3-5-2023

Chuck and Clarice Humphrey of Clarkston joined 4-20-2023

Welcome to the best and most generous Pontiac club in the country. Be sure to join us at the scheduled meetings at Baker's of Milford and other club events to meet everyone and to get the full club experience. Visit our fabulous website for the most up to date information and meeting times!

Member Happenings:

On Saturday, February 4, the Motor City Club traveled to Chesterfield, MI for a visit to the Stahls Automotive Foundation, where we joined friends and family for a look at the fascinating Stahls collection of vintage vehicles, music machines, gas pumps and antique signs. Stahls features 125 classic cars from the Brass, Depression, Pre/Post War and Modern Eras, including treasures such as a 1948 Tucker, 1928 O.W. Bentley, and 1926 A.C. Roadster. The facility also boasts a 1928 Wurlitzer pipe organ, original

Route 66 signage, vintage neon lights, a drive in theatre, a 50's diner, among many other displays.

As with any visit such as this one, everyone had a favorite car, but our group loved the visit, and took this opportunity to give them all "a good look." From the '37 Cord roadster to the '57 Thunderbird to the '63 Turbine Car, or even Ed "Big Daddy" Roth's Mysterion, Stahl's has something for all tastes.

Motor City POCI will continue to offer interesting excursions, but your **support and ide**as are important! If you'd like to attend an

event, please remember that guests are always welcome!

Call or email anytime with suggestions about forthcoming trip ideas!

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This fortune teller to the left greets visitors as they arrive and enter the front display room full of interesting things.

The 2 pictures below are automated player machines featuring violins. The one on the left has 2 violins that can play simultaneously!



These are the very impressive pipes mounted on the wall for the "big" organ that is computerized and can play just about anything programmed in to it. We heard it throughout our visit.







Here's the Chitty Chitty Bang Bang car that was in one of my favorite movies from the 60's! The movie starred Dick Van-Dyke and other talented actors.





Above is one of the wonderful examples in the collection.

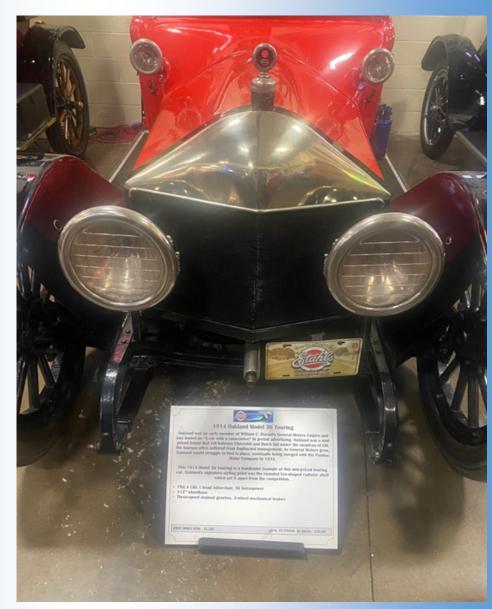
To the left is the great "Mysterion" Mike mentioned in his article.





A very eclectic collection of automobiles from the early era's. Notice the "mother in law" seat attached to the above car.











1914 Rauch & Lang Electric Model J4

Rauch & Lang was a former carriage company who found its way into the automotive age when it became the Cleveland agents for Buffalo Electric in 1903. By 1905, Rauch & Lang had developed an electric car of its own, and would go on to build some of the most expensive, beautifully built electric cars of the era.

During its heyday, Rauch & Lang electrics were quite expensive, and they offered numerous body styles and options. They were popular with wealthy women as an electric car did not require the sometimes dangerous act of starting with a crank, and it was only the wealthiest city dwellers who could afford the electricity to charge the batteries.

This vehicle travels between 1-22 mph and up to 75 miles on one charge.

In production from 1905-1928

Worm drive rear axle Bevel gear transmission

COST WHEN NEW

The auto to the left used stored hydraulics to give the car a boost when starting up. I believe it also helped start the car, since the electric starter had not been invented by GM yet.

A lot of people are not aware that electric vehicles were developed and created early on in the development of the automobile, but they were plagued by the same issues as today, not enough battery juice to go great distances, therefore the ICE won out!

Our group was not the only one there as you can see. There were church groups in attendance as well as other car groups!







The word "SUPERCHARGER" says it all! It's amazing to me how many companies used the American Indian or the "Chief" as their symbol in the early 1900's, as shown.

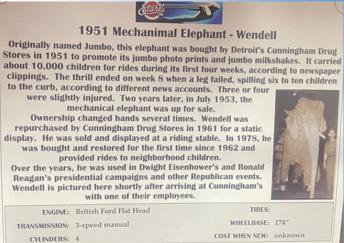




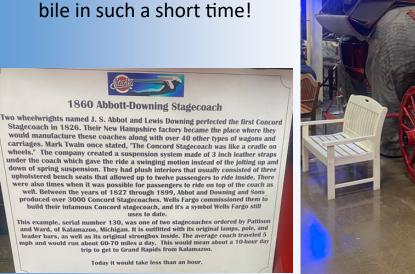




They even had an elephant, albeit a mechanical one. See story below.



Talk about a mobility museum. They even had an original stagecoach. Hard to believe we went from that to the automobile in such a short time!





I'm sure I bored many members with my stories of my current house starting life as a stagecoach stop and railway stop in 1880, so it was awesome to see an original one inperson and not one just in the movies. Makes me wonder did this one stop at my house or one similar to it?







Pubs and antique outboard motors. Organs and player music machines. And surprisingly, automobiles in an automobile museum. Definitely, something for everyone.



I love the instruments on the old cars and took lots of photos of them, but ran out of room to show them all.



Interesting Stuff:

Cohort Pic(k) of the Day: 1951 Pontiac Streamliner Eight – The Tail End of the Streamliner and Straight Eight Era

PAUL NIEDERMEYER - POSTED ON FEBRUARY 1, 2021



(Update: this appears to be a 1950 with a 1951 front end). We're back in the Netherlands with another of Corey Behrens' finds, and it's a gem. It's a final year Pontiac Streamliner, the end of the road for GM's flirtations with streamlining. And it's surprisingly late, really, to be building fastbacks in 1951; seems like that era had ended pretty quickly after the war.



There's just one question in my mind: was this an original import in 1951, when American cars were still very popular imports, or like so many, imported later? I'm pretty sure this is an eight, but I could be wrong. It does have the amber hood ornament that glows when the headlights are on. That hood ornament is a classic, and has been for quite some years. They don't make them like this anymore, and for more reason than one.

Pontiacs came with either a 239 ci flathead six, rated at 90 hp (manual) and 100 hp with the optional Hydramatic .

The Inline flathead eight would soldier along through 1954, making it the very last of its kind. It had 268 ci, and was rated 116/120 hp, also depending on the transmission. I ran across an old SIA comparison of two '52 Pontiacs, one a six with manual transmission, and the other with the eight and Hydramatic. They pointed out that no less than 87% of eights came with the HM: that's an impressively high number. And only some 23% of the sixes did, which



is not surprising, given that it appealed to the thriftier crowd. The Pontiac was the lowest -cost GM car available with the HM.

That's not to say it's exactly fast. I found two 0-60 times for the eight with HM: 20.12 and 18.8 seconds. The HM did impose a penalty on absolute performance, due to hydraulic slippage. I also found a 0-60 time for the six with manual transmission, at a scorching 13.9 seconds, achieved by Tom McCahill, who had a rep for the fastest times thanks to his very aggressive techniques.

Of course it's a classic GM BA-Body, meaning a Chevy with a longer front end, re-

sulting in a 120" wheelbase. That had been the formula since the very first Pontiac in 1926, the first instance of actual body sharing at GM. It was essentially a Chevy with a longer front end to make room for a six. And soon after Chevy got its six in 1929, Pontiac had to start offering an eight, in 1933. That inline eight



was the same engine still being used in these through 1954, when it was finally replaced by the new ohv V8.

Technical Story:

11 checks to make before your classic's first spring drive

Rob Siegel

04 April 2023

With warmer weather finally arriving in many parts of the country, spring driving season is once again upon us. This article originally published in 2020, but these checks were as relevant then as they are today. Here's to many more miles this year! –Ed.

If you're reading this, you almost certainly have a non-daily-driven enthusiast car somewhere in a locked garage. It's time to unlock the door, let that puppy out, fire it up, and drive it. But you need to check a few things first.

I assume that the car has been sitting over the winter—say, three to six months. If the car's been sitting for years instead of months, you get into a whole other level of issues like bad gas, clogged fuel lines, corroded cooling-system components, and failed brake and clutch hydraulic seals. But for a season's sit, the list below should be pretty good.

Enabling the rollout

The cars that I store offsite are in rented, traditional, one-car-per-roll-up-garage-bay spaces and thus can be brought out at a moment's notice, but at my house I have a shoebox-proportioned garage with a single door into which four cars are stuffed in two rows, nose-to-tail.

The car immediately behind the door can be pulled out easily, and the one behind that (on the midrise lift) is next in line, but the other two are typically blocked in by a winter's worth of tools and parts.

Once that Maginot Line is cleared, I need to slide a car to the right on wheel dollies. This turns my space from a four-car, winter garage to a three-car, three-season garage, which it remains until first snow. It also means that one formerly garaged car must go somewhere, creating a chain reaction that sets off a shuffle in the other places where I store cars.

<u>Tires</u>

If, when you roll open the garage door for the first time in months, one of your car's tires is wheelon-the-cement flat, you kind of *have* to start with the tires, so let's. Obviously, if that's the case, you need to air that tire up before you can move the car. If you don't have an air compressor in the garage, buy a portable one that runs off the cigarette-lighter socket, or better yet, runs off 12V DC or a 120VAC adapter.

I'll air up the tire and then see what it's going to do. If you immediately hear it hissing from a puncture or a bad valve stem, then you need to stop everything, jack up the car, pull the wheel off, and either swap on another wheel and tire or get this one fixed. But if you don't, you can see whether the leak deflates the tire over hours or days. Just remember that it deflated over the winter, so it's going to do it again.

Then, check the air pressure of all four tires. While you're doing that, it's a good idea to inspect the tire sidewalls for cracking. Odds are that if the car is stored indoors, the tires aren't going to get much worse over a single winter, but it's easy for 10 years to go by one winter at a time and the tires to cross from old-but-OK to sheeh-I-don't-want-to-drive-farther-than-to-the-gas-station-on-those.

Battery

We'll come back to the battery in cranking (below), but here's where I talk about what you *should've* done when you put the car away last fall. If the battery has been on a tender or

trickle-charger for the winter, it's probably fine. Since I store several of my cars in a remote garage without electricity, I can't trickle-charge them, so instead I simply unhook the negative battery terminal over the winter. Most of the time, when I reconnect it three or four or six months later, the engine turns right over.

But if you didn't do either of these things, you'll probably have a problem.

You can take a multimeter, set it to measure voltage, and put the two probes on the battery terminals. If it reads 12.6 volts, or near it, the battery is fully charged, and if it's in good health and the cable connections are good, it should turn the engine over. But with every 0.2-volt drop, the battery loses about 25 percent of its cranking power, so if it's reading closer to 12 volts than 12.6, it's is unlikely to crank the engine over without being connected to a good three-stage charger for several hours. So measure the battery's voltage, and if you need to charge it, charge it.

Fluids inside

Check the oil, coolant, and brake fluid levels. I'm pretty bad at keeping track of which car had an oil change when, so I do it more by the seat of my pants. If the oil looks black, I make a note to

change it soon. I give a quick look inside the radiator or expansion tank to both check the level and see if there's any oil in there indicating a weakening head gasket.

Fluids outside

Next, look under the engine compartment for evidence of leaks. Hopefully all you find is a few dots of oil from where the car's been leaking out the front timing cover for the last 40 years and nothing more.

Anything green is antifreeze, and its source should be identified before you drive the car, as a minor leak can quickly mushroom into a gusher. Blue liquid can be either antifreeze or washer fluid. Clear liquids are usually power steering or



Check for soft hoses. Rob Siegel

brake fluid. I'm not above doing the pinky-in-the-fluid-and-tongue-touch-to-the-pinky test (antifreeze is sickly sweet), but I'm old and cannot be easily killed.

Move to the back of the car where the fuel tank is, schooch under, look, and sniff. Vintage cars have metal fuel tanks, and they can leak from age, particularly with ethanol's propensity for attracting water. Since it's good practice to store a car with a full tank of gas (this eliminates the chance for humid air to get into the tank and contaminate the gas with water), if you find the tank leaking, it ruins your day, since you now need to drain it. Gas can also leak from rotted or cracked rubber fuel lines.

Gasoline isn't like oil or antifreeze; there should be a zero-tolerance policy for *any* amount of fuel leakage. You should also sniff in the engine compartment to be certain gas isn't leaking there.

The critter check

If your garage has an affinity for rodents and they've made your car home, they can deposit a lot of material in the air cleaner in a short amount of time. It's good insurance to pop the top off the air cleaner and have a quick look.

Hoses and belts

Give the hoses and belts a quick inspection. Squeeze the hoses. If any of them are pillowy soft, order replacements. Inspect the belts for cracks and cuts and put a thumb on each of them to check the tension. If they're obviously loose, take a moment and tighten them.

The crank-over

If the car has passed the above checks, the engine is ready to be cranked. As I said above, if the battery is fully charged and registering about 12.6 volts, it should crank when you turn the key. If it doesn't crank, clean the battery and cable terminals and try again.

If the voltage is a little low, you can jump-start the car, but if the battery is deeply drained (turn the key and you get a click of the starter but that's all), or worse, flatlined (less than 10.5 volts, or the car's dash lights barely even turn on), it's best to replace it before you drive the car. Alternators aren't designed to charge deeply discharged batteries. Although old analog cars often don't seem to mind, post-OBDII cars with a proliferation of electronic control modules can do very odd things, including bucking and dying, if a deeply discharged battery is jump-started and the car is driven.

If the car is fuel-injected, it will likely start in just a few seconds when the starter is cranked. If it doesn't, the fuel pump may not be running, either due to a popped fuse, stuck relay, or the pump itself.

Carbureted cars often take much longer to start due to the lower fuel pump pressure, the need to refill the float bowls, the far less precise air/fuel metering, and the lack of direct spray into the cylinders. A short blast of starting fluid into the carburetor throat can coax the engine to life. If a carbureted car still won't start after sitting, the problem is often that an old fuel line has become dry-rotted and is sucking air rather than fuel.

The eyeballs-on idle

Once the engine is running, let it idle for about a minute. Then shut it off and look under the engine for any fluid dripping or streaming out.

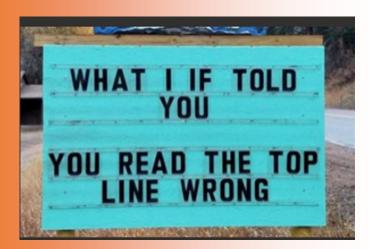
Twice around the block

It's common for brake pads to stick to rotors from sitting. If the car has been stored indoors, the rotors probably won't have rusted much, but still you want to scope it out. Take the car for an easy lap around the block. Brake gently to verify that the brake pedal is firm and functional, then more firmly. Pick up speed and do it again. Note any brake-pedal shudder (pulsation), pulling to one side, or steering-wheel shimmy. Pull back into the driveway and check again for any fluid leakage.

A real test drive

Take the car up onto the highway or other road where you can build speed. Verify that it comes up to operating temperature in about the middle of the gauge and stays there. Continue to test the brakes for shuddering or pulling. If the brake pedal is still pulsating, there are still unwiped deposits on it. A series of hard braking exercises (first verifying that no one is behind you) may wipe the rotors clean, or you may find that it doesn't go away and you need to buy new rotors. If there's steering-wheel shimmy that wasn't there in the fall, it's likely the tires are flat-spotted from sitting. It may go away. It may not. Come home, recheck for fluid leakage, and check again the next morning.

If the car passes these tests, I feel pretty good about thinking that it's in about the same condition it was in when put away in the fall and I'm ready to begin to enjoy it in the spring. But keep in mind that successfully emerging from storage doesn't mean that the car has been healed of any known problems. Cars are not biological systems; they don't mend themselves with a good long winter's nap!



Even though we're way past St. Pat's day, I thought I'd share some Irish humor that

Ray S. found.

All over the world, people get upset about bird droppings on their car...



Meanwhile in Canada

Irish Craic and Humour

lf you're drinking to forget, please **pay in advance.** It doesn't matter how big your house is, how much money you have, or that you wear expensive clothes. Our graves will be the same size. Stay humble.

irishcraicandhumour.com

Irish Craic and Humour What did our parents do when they were bored with no Internet?

I asked my 18 brothers and sisters, and they didn't know either. Irish Craic and Humour FRIENDSHIP is when people know all about you... but like you anyway irishcraicandhumour.com



He JUST left
 € 2.50
 He Hasn't Been Here All Night
 € 5.00
 Not Seen Him in Weeks
 € 9.00
 He Never Comes Here Anymore
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Classifieds:

Wanted:

For a 1967 GTO with Disc brakes, I need four 14" x 6" steel wheels that will clear the disc brakes.

Wheels stamped HB are original, so looking for HB steel wheels.

I'm told that wheels stamped HF will also work. Perhaps others will too.

Also need 14" x 6" steel wheels stamped G for 1967 GTO drum brake cars.

Tom Sidlik

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For Sale:

1968 Ram Air II Heads/Exhaust Manifolds, \$4500

1968 WS Block, \$450

1973-74 Super Duty Heads/Block, \$10,000

1967 HO/RA Exhaust Manifolds, \$400

62 Casting Rebuilt Heads, \$600

1965-79 Performer Intake, \$200

1961-64 Aluminum Intake, \$500,

1964 GTO Bumpers- good cores, \$600 pr.

1964-65 front inner wells, \$200 pr.

1962-65 GM Front Bucket Seats, \$400 pr.

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Kevin Yash 248 470 4040



Pre-registration \$15.00 (includes eligibility*) Must be Postmarked By June 30, 2023 Make Check payable to: Motor City POCI Mail to: Motor City POCI 1595 Vanstone Dr., Commerce Twp., MI 48382 Model Make Year Pre-registration makes you Name eligible for some terrific prizes. Address over and above door prizes. See other side City_____State____Zip____ Email Phone I accept and assume full liability for any loss to me and /or my property. I release the sponsors and their agents from liability from such loss or injury and agree to provide my own insurance. Date: Signature:

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EXCITING NEWS!

Please join Motor City POCI in supporting the

Joe Kocur Foundation for Children!

www.joekocurfoundation.org/charities.html



Please join Motor City POCI in supporting the ChadTough Defeat DIPG Foundation!

www.chadtough.org

From August 2013 to March 1, 2023, we have donated <u>\$62,836</u> to various organizations. www.motorcitypoci.com under "OUR DONATIONS" under OUR DONATIONS

*Pre-registration eligibility

As a club we thought let's try something different instead of having a show shirt if you preregistered. If you pre-register, your car number will be placed in a bucket. Once registration ends at 10:30, at least 5 (maybe more) numbers will be called to claim your prize. You must bring up your show card to receive your prize. You will still be eligible for various door prizes.

Pre-register owners will get a of list items and the number of drawings of 5 (maybe more) to take place.

Prizes will include an 1800 psi electric power washer, Rigid shop vac, and other valuable items.

Must be present to Win



2022 Best of Show – Mike Bogos 1965 Olds 442 Convertible

You don't have to own a Pontiac to Win Best of Show





New Location

Michigan Widetrackers

Chapter # 16 of the P. O. C. I.

ANNUAL SPRING DUST-OFF

Golling Buick GMC, 1491 Lapeer Road, Lake Orion, MI 48360 Saturday – June 10th, 2023

Pontiac - Oakland - GMC - Buick - Oldsmobile

Vehicles of all Ages

Featuring:

Award Plaques for Top 30 Vehicles and Best of Show Trophy

\$25 Driver Ticket prize every half hour

Swap Area, Vendor Displays, Car Corral, Food Available, (NO RAIN DATE) Dash Plaques - Door Prizes - 50/50 Raffle - Chinese Raffle "Good Stuff"

Registration – Admission Pre-Registered Vehicles: \$15 Pre-Registered Vendor / Swap Space: \$20 Day of Show Vehicle Registration: \$20 Day of Show Vendor / Swap Space: \$30 Car Corral: \$10 Spectator Admission: \$4 Jr. Cruisers (15 Years and Under): Free

| Schedule of Events | |
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| Registration | 12:00pm |
| Vendor & Exhibit Setup | 8:00am |
| Spectator Gate Open | 9:00am |
| Voting Ends | 1:00pm |
| 50/50 Drawing | 2:15pm |
| Other Raffle(s) Drawing(s) | 2:20pm |
| Awards Presentation | 2:30pm |

SHOW CONTACT: Dan Kane / 248-395-6848 / dandan13@comcast.net VENDOR CONTACT: Jim Larson / 248-877-1963 / larson1025@comcast.net

| Pre-Registration End | is JUNE 5th, 2023 | Show Updates @ www.miwidetrackers16.org | ٦ |
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Katelynn Freese
brmcarclub@gmail.com> To: Ken Galdes <kengaldes@gmail.com> Fri, Feb 17, 2023 at 4:48 PM

12 Mar Martin

We are supporting Developing K.I.D.S (Kingdoms in Different Stages). This young charitable organization conducts after school programming, college support, youth programming, and family resources for Detroit families. This is the link to their website: Home - Developing

The BRM Car Clubs is a student-run club at Marian High School (Bloomfield Hills). The proceeds from our Charity Car Show will go to support Developing K.I.D.S., in the form of a cash donation. We raise money through show car entry fees, sponsors, and other fundraising

I personally met with the CEO of Developing K.I.D.S, Mrs. Johnson, at a car show with Competition Corvette Club of Michigan (CCCoM) last year. Being raised in Detroit, Mrs. Johnson was motivated to elevate the families within the communities. Her efforts are at

charity is doing amazing things to make a positive difference here in Michigan.

I hope this helps and your club will choose to join us at the show! Please let me know if you have any questions. If you would like to speak to an adult, I can provide you with the contact

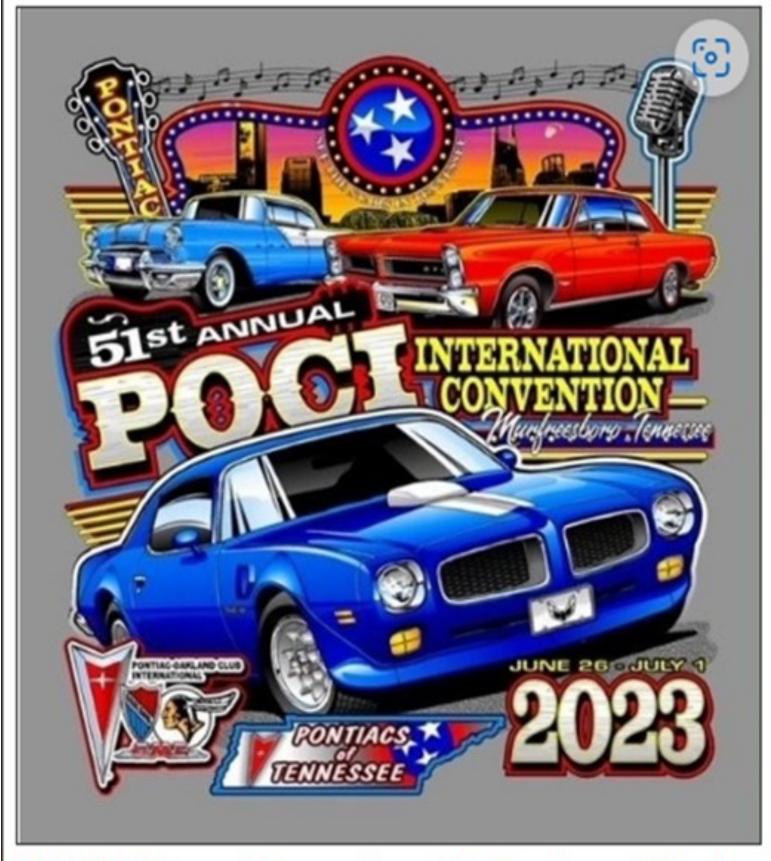
Have a good weekend,

Katelynn Freese

Junior - Marian High School

On Fri, Feb 17, 2023 at 1:12 PM Ken Galdes <kengaldes@gmail.com> wrote: Hi Katelynn I have the flyer you sent me for the show. Because I have so many show's to

support it. Thanks



2023 POCI Annual Convention ~ Murfreesboro, TN ~ June 26 - July 1, 2023

RECRUITERS WANTED: WINAFIVE NIGHT STAY AT THE POCI CONVENTION 2023!

1ST PLACE -5 NIGHT STAY AT THE HOST HOTEL, FREE CONVENTION REGISTRATION, AND TWO (2) TICKETS TO THE AWARDS BANQUET OR \$300 CLUB STORE OFT CERTIFICATE 2ND PLACE -FREE CONVENTION REGISTRATION AND TWO (2) TICKETS TO THE AWARDS BANQUET OR \$200 CLUB STORE OFT CERTIFICATE

3RDPLACE - \$100 GIFT CERTIFICATE FOR POCI CLUB STORE GIFT CERTIFICATE
LUCKY WINNER - ALL NON WINNERS ENTER A DRAW INDFOR \$100 GIFT CERTIFICATE

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Make checks payable to: POCI . Mail to: POCI World HQ, PO Box 421, Long Lake, MN 55356

PHONE: ()______ REFERRED BY (Name & Member #): _____

Number_____

Signature ____

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| Pontiac Oakland Club International - Chapter 91 | | |
| Dedicated to the Preservation, Restoration, and Enjoyment of Oakland, Pontiac & GMC Vehicles | | |
| Today's Date | | |
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| Classic Cars Owned: Year, Make, and Model | | |
| Membership dues are \$20.00 per year (starting in 2024 it will be \$25.00). Dues are to be paid | | |
| the first day of each January. Please pay membership by one of the following methods: | | |
| cash or check at one of the monthly meetings by check made out to Motor City POCI and sent to the address below. | | |
| MOTOR CITY POCI 1595 Vanstone Dr. Commerce Twp, MI 48382 E-mail: raygolota@gmail.com | | |
| ******Please read back page***** | | |
| *We encourage all members to join the Pontiac Oakland Club International (POCI). Applications are available on line at <u>www.poci.org</u> *Active Member (United States) - An Active Member (United States) is afforded all the rights and privileges of full membership and receives Smoke Signals magazine via mail for a period of one year is \$45.00. | | |

Motor City POCI Membership Expectations

- Paid dues every January and payable in person or by mail with a check. You will be notified by email in December.
- We have one event for the year that raises money for a charity of our choosing. We expect
 all members to attend if possible and be a <u>paid participant</u> at the show. We are working towards giving as much as possible to the **charities we support**^{*} and would like participation
 from all.
- Attend/Participate and be signed in at as many of our meetings as possible. We usually
 have <u>6 to 7</u> meetings during the year, on the third Thursday of the month, at Baker's
 Restaurant in Milford, MI. <u>You will be notified by email approx. the first of the month,
 prior to the meeting taking place.</u>
- Be mindful that our club has officers with a one year commitment and look to all members to share in the responsibilities of being leaders of our club.
- We value input from members in how to improve the club, car show, and membership
 meetings including topics. Suggestions for club events are always needed.
- It's a short list, but very important to the success of your club. You are joining Motor City
 POCI, now be an active member and help to grow this club into what you want it to be!
- Visit our website: www.motorcitypoci.com
- Join us on Facebook: <u>www.facebook.com/groups/207583652591972</u>, or type in the search bar Motor City POCI
- *We support The Joe Kocur Foundation for Children: www.joekocurfoundation.org/charities.html
- *We support ChadTough: <u>www.chadtough.org</u>
- We also have planned events throughout the year. Go to our website: <u>www.motorcitypoci.com</u> under EVENTS to see past events. You will be notified by email on all future events.
- We also have a club winter Holiday season dinner. <u>Depending on the financial status</u> of the club, the club usually pays.

WELCOME TO THE CLUB!

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WEDNESDAY THURSDAY, APRIL 20, 2023

Club officers and members of the show committee met at Bakers of Milford restaurant at 6:00pm.

In attendance; Kenny Galdes, Ray Golota, Brian Doughterty, Mike Cushing, Doug Cook, Don Masch, Kevin Yash

Kenny kicked off the meeting by introducing the new Secretary, Doug Cook. He asked Doug to give the group some background information.

Doug was born in 1951 and raised in Detroit. He worked for Michigan Bell from 1970-2000, retired and worked part time at Sellers Buick-GMC, 2000-2021. During his tenure at Sellers, he put on the Sellers Annual Indian Summer car shows from 2007-2022, sans the covid year 2020. He is also the President of the 501[c](4) Lake Street Cruise-In Car Show committee.

Old Business

Club T-shirts. There was much discussion regarding the club t-shirts that are given to a new member and whether they should be offered to a new members spouse or associate. The problem is having a supply of shirts versus ordering on an as needed basis, which is more costly. And while buying in bulk is cheaper, having the incorrect sizes, could lead to unused shirts.

One thought was to set up a link to our t-shirt supplier and have the new member us that link to order any additional shirts direct from the supplier at the new member expense.

The consensus of the members in attendance was to remove the "spouse or associate shirt" option off the MCPOCI membership form.

Pontiac Transportation Museum (PTM) bricks. Ray offered up a suggestion regarding the engraver paver bricks for the PTM entry way. Ray suggested the club look to purchase 8"x 8" pavers engraved with the MCPOCI logo size to be determined. An 8" x 8" paver is \$250. If we wanted one the size of 24" x 32" utilizing 12 pavers, cost would be \$3000. An 16" x 24" utilizing 6 pavers, cost would be\$1500, and 4"x8' (\$100) member purchased bricks could be installed around the club brick. No decision was made at this meeting. This has been talked about in the past.

Old Business con't

Tri-Pontiac Show car shows punch card. It was determined prior to this meeting that, because of the uncertainty of the change of ownership at Sellers Buick-GMC, that there would even be a third show this year, we would suspend the 2023 version of this tri-show attendance incentive and see what shakes out at Fox Motors Buick-GMC in Farmington Hills.

New Business

Ray Golota distributed the evening's agenda;

1-2) Judging results from survey. Much time and effort has been put into this subject; independent judges, classes versus no classes, participant voting, etc. After much discussion and additional comments provided by Jeff Golota through an email, the consensus and final vote was to continue to have independent judges pick the show award winners.

3) Flyer. It was the consensus of the members present, that we not add Cadillac to the car show mix. Doug stated that there was some reluctance from the three shows to adding Oldsmobile at the time that change was considered, fearing that it could become an orphan model car show. However, there was some rational for adding Oldsmobile, is that it was more closely aligned to Pontiac and Buick.

Top 30. It was the consensus of the members present, that the awards be trimmed back to 25, keeping the following awards; 'Best of Show', 'People's Choice', 'Bakers Award', 'Kocur Award', 'ChadTough Award', 'Curtis Excavating' and the 'LaFontaine Award'. The 'John Deloren Award' would be dropped along with the three 'Sponsor' awards.

4) Dash Plaques. Ray Golota provided a print copy of the artwork for a magnetic version of the '2023 9th Annual Pontiac Summer Roundup' dash plaque. Looks like 100 3"x4" will be ordered.

5) Top 30 decals. See item 3 above, reduced to 25.

6) Past top winners in all categories, are they eligible for an award. Not discussed at this meeting, tabled until next meeting in May.

7) Incentive to pre-register, items from big box stores of 5 (maybe more) (value \$50 to \$100 ea). These would be specific items that would be awarded via a blind draw of the pre-registered participant car number. Obviously, these 'pre-register' incentive items would need to be advertised on the flyer or other media.

8) Door prizes as of 4/20/23-approximately 25. Ray Golota noted that he annually donates 15 door prizes valued at about \$150. He also procures items from big box stores, Lowes, Home Depot, such as; fire extinguishers, \$40, storage compartment trays, \$35, etc.

Discussion centered the elimination of the silent auction that was discussed at the November 22nd meeting and how to handle door prizes at the 2023 show.

New Business con't

Some suggestions included; a Chinese Auction where tickets are purchased and dropped into a box, or some other vessel, at the item the ticket purchaser would like to win. These items would be lower in value that the pre-registered incentive items.

9) 50/50 cash. This is always an option, and can be lucrative if tickets are priced correctly.

10) Pay Drawing. Again, another option is for all to take a chance on a larger, more expensive, value to be determined, 'Grand Prize'.

11) DJ with Bluetooth speakers in parking area. Unknown at this time if DJ Paul Peters will have Bluetooth style speakers for the parking area. Suggest he play a more diverse selection of music from all era's.

This concludes the meeting minutes.

Other news;

Thank you Ray Golota for the publishing the MCPOCI 2023 Event Calendar. This will be very useful to have an orderly, concise listing of club and other local events.

Mike Cushing gave a status report on the April 27 event at the Gilmore Car Museum, everything is on track for a great event.

The meeting was called by Kenny and concluded around 8:30pm.

Submitted by, Doug Cook, Secretary