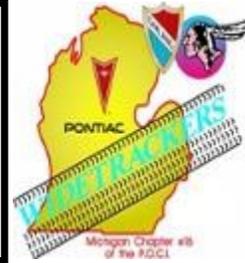




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## **PRESIDENTS COLUMN**

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**Hello Widetrackers,**

**I hope everyone who escaped the cold grasp of winter and basked in warmer climates, has or will be on their way home safely. I hope you all had an enjoyable winter and are rested and ready for this year's shows and cruises.**

**It is time to get those leftover projects done and the cars all prepped and ready to go. I myself have a few things to do to get ready myself. So let's get back on those projects and get them wrapped up. Summer will be here before you know it.**

**It has been a quite winter so far with little club activity. For those who have been away, we have had reasonable good turnout at the meetings and as usual fantastic food and an enjoyable time with our fellow members.**

**March brought the Detroit Autorama which was a great event. I will send pictures of the beautiful Pontiacs I saw at the show. Met a few folks and talked cars and learned a lot . There is always so much history and cool stories with each car. Always a good time and well worth the price of admission.**

**PRESIDENTS COLUMN**

We are always looking for volunteers to help with the dust-off so even if you can't help you can still get on the committee and offer your incite on things. It never hurts to have new ideas to bounce around. This year we will have a new DJ. It is Scott Kuhl, some of you may recognize him since he does the Sloan Museum show as well as the Back to the Bricks Dust'em Off and Back to the Bricks. I have been to several shows he has done and I think he will be a perfect fit for us.

The lovely Clarice has asked that members send inn a picture of yourself with your car if you have one so we can add them to the website. As usual, Dave Todd has done a wonderful job with that as well as the Tracker so check them out if you get time.

That's all I have for now so hope to see you all at the meetings, shows, cruises and the Dust-Off of course.

Respectfully,

Tim Mays

## AUTORAMA!

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We are so fortunate in Michigan to have many great automotive events to keep us entertained. Autorama was once again bursting at the seams with quality vehicles of all types. And that includes many nice looking Pontiac products. Here are some of them.

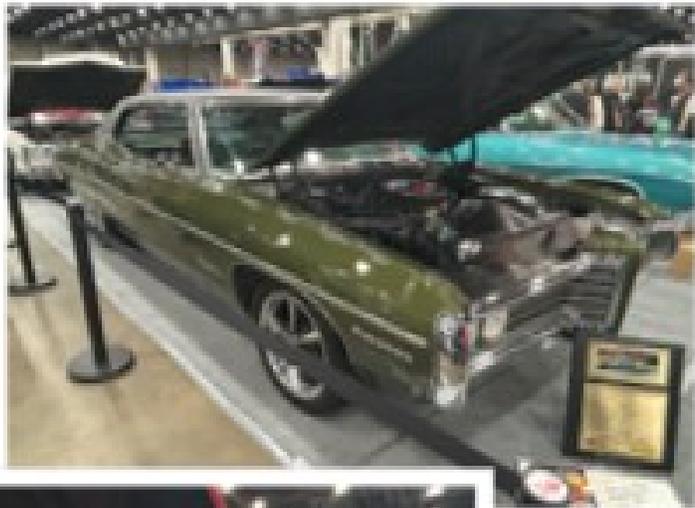


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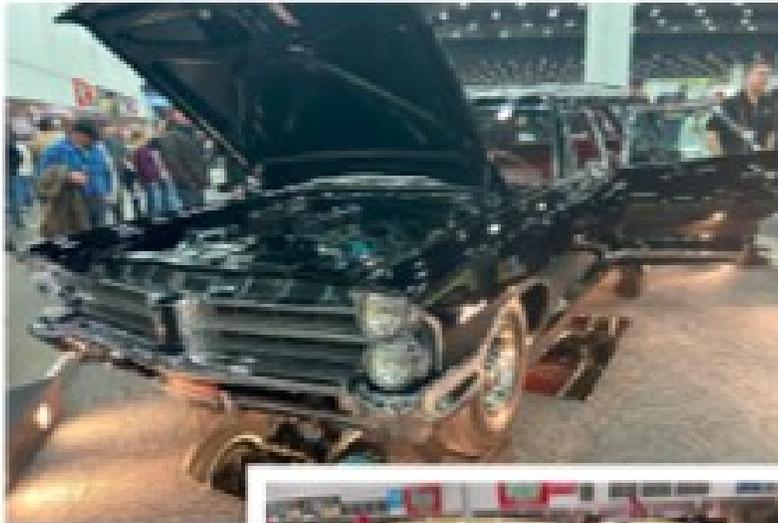


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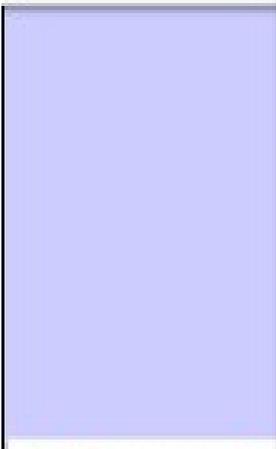


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## PTM WHEELS OF TIME



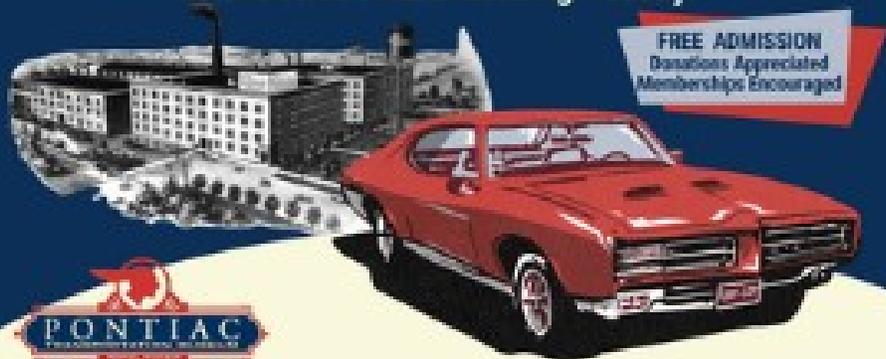
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### WHEELS OF TIME: EXPLORING PONTIAC'S HISTORY

FIRST THURSDAYS 7 - 8:30 PM  
TALKS - TOURS - Q & A

Join us as we explore the legacy and impact of Pontiac's  
historic vehicle manufacturing industry.



**FREE ADMISSION**  
Donations Appreciated  
Memberships Encouraged

#### **MAY 1: *The Pontiac Automobile - The Successful Creation and Early History*, Larry Mihalko**

Exploring the launch of the Pontiac brand in 1926, highlighting the car's immediate success, the construction of the Pontiac factory on the north side of town, and the rapid advances in design and technology through the mid-1930s.

#### **JUNE 5: *Notable Knights of the Draw Knife: Stories of Pontiac's Earliest Vehicle Makers*, Carol Egbo**

**PONTIAC TRANSPORTATION MUSEUM ~ 250 W PIKE ST, PONTIAC**

My wife and I had another chance to attend a great presentation at the PTM. If you haven't been to one of these, I would encourage you to attend.

Hop on board...these guys will make sure you find a good seat!



PTM WHEELS OF TIME: PRESENTATION - "THE PEOPLE MOVERS FROM PONTIAC"



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## PTM PHASE II FANFARE!

**PONTIAC TRANSPORTATION MUSEUM**  
 PONTIAC TRANSPORTATION MUSEUM, INC.  
 250 W. PIKE STREET, PONTIAC, MI  
 MUSEUM HOURS: THU - SAT 10AM - 6PM  
 SUNDAY NOON - 5 PM

Announces our **Phase II** SAT. MAY 17th ALL DAY GRAND OPENING!  
**FANFARE!**

Join the PTM Crew to Celebrate what's NEW!

HERE'S YOUR CLUE: Museum space x TWO!

**START THE DAY w/ the PTM CAR CAFE @ 9:00 AM**  
 You're invited to jumpstart the FIRST PTM CAR CAFE! Join us in the PTM Parking Lot\*\* before the Museum opens for some FREE Coffee, Cakes, Donuts and CAR TALK! (at outdoor bar)

**PTM PHASE II OPENING FESTIVITIES @ NOON!**  
 YES! It's been a First Year but we have another Museum Milestone to Celebrate! Join us for Official Opening Remarks and Ceremony with Guest Speakers.

**MAY 17th ONLY**  
 Come & See Phase II Museum Expansion for ORIGINAL PHASE I ADMISSION!!  
 Non-Member Admission increases Sunday, May 18th

**FOOD TRUCKS\* LOCAL FARE 1:00-5:00 PM**

**LIVE MUSIC! + SPECIAL GUESTS!**

\*\*CLASSIC PONTIAC, OAKLAND, GMC BRANDS ARE WELCOME TO SHOW OFF ON PTM GROUNDS. First Come & As Space Allows!

Outside Festivities and Gift Shop entry are FREE. However, \*Food Truck & Beverages, Merch, and Museum Admission are as per Priced. Follow us for more details: [f](#) [@](#)

From PTM: “Another installment of our “Wheels of Time” series leads off a busy May for PTM. Upcoming on Thursday May 1, this installment focuses on the hugely successful introduction and early years of the Pontiac brand.

Saturday May 17th will celebrate the opening of PTM's Phase 2 - effectively doubling our exhibit floorspace!. This step happens on the 1st anniversary of PTM's initial opening last spring. During that year more than 4500 people, from an aggregate 16 countries and most states, got exposed to the deep legacy of wheeled vehicles in Pontiac. We invite you to celebrate this significant milestone with us!”

# 36TH ANNUAL SPRING DUST-OFF

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## Michigan Widetrackers

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

### 36th ANNUAL SPRING DUST-OFF

Golling Buick GMC, 1491 Lapeer Road, Lake Orion, MI 48360

Saturday – June 14<sup>th</sup>, 2025

**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

Music with D.J. Scott Kool

Swap Area, Vendor Displays, Car Corral, Food Available, (NO RAIN DATE)

Dash Plaques - Door Prizes – 50/50 Raffle – Chinese Raffle "Good Stuff"

Registration – Admission	Schedule of Events
Pre-Registered Vehicles: \$15	Registration..... 8:00am - 12:00pm
Pre-Registered Vendor / Swap Space: \$20	Vendor & Exhibit Setup ..... 8:00am
Day of Show Vehicle Registration: \$20	Spectator Gate Open ..... 9:00am
Day of Show Vendor / Swap Space: \$30	Voting Ends ..... 1:00pm
Car Corral: \$10	50/50 Drawing ..... 2:15pm
Spectator Admission: \$4	Other Raffle(s) Drawing(s) ..... 2:20pm
Jr. Cruisers (15 Years and Under): Free	Awards Presentation ..... 2:30pm

SHOW CONTACT: Dan Kane / 248-396-6848 / [kanedanielx@gmail.com](mailto:kanedanielx@gmail.com)

VENDOR CONTACT: Jim Larson / 248-877-1963 / [larson1026@comcast.net](mailto:larson1026@comcast.net)

Pre-Registration Ends JUNE 7, 2025      Show Updates @ [www.miwidetrackers16.org](http://www.miwidetrackers16.org)

Vehicle Year: \_\_\_\_\_ Make: Pontiac / Oakland / GMC / Buick / Oldsmobile (circle one) Model: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

# Swap Space(s) \_\_\_\_\_, # Corral Vehicle(s) \_\_\_\_\_ \*\* AMOUNT ENCLOSED: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

I accept and assume full liability for any loss to me and /or my property.  
I release the sponsors and their agents from such loss or injury and agree to provide my own insurance.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Make Checks Payable To: MICHIGAN WIDETRACKERS    Mail Form/ Check To: Clarice Humphrey, 4993 E. Harvard Ave.,  
Clarkston, MI 48348

You can also view and download the flier on our website at <https://miwidetrackers16.org/>

**36TH ANNUAL SPRING DUST-OFF****Golling****Buick GMC**[www.gollingbuick-gmc.com](http://www.gollingbuick-gmc.com)

248-693-5900

**ColTer****Precision, Inc**[www.colterprecision.com](http://www.colterprecision.com)

248-274-9569

**Addison Tree and Outdoor****Services**[www.addisontree@gmail.com](mailto:www.addisontree@gmail.com)

248-830-1080

**1<sup>st</sup> Car Show of the Perfecta Pontiac Car Shows**

Michigan Widetrackers Annual Spring Dust-Off,  
Motor City POCI Summer Roundup,  
(Prizes awarded for attendance)

**Charities Supported by Show Proceeds**

Oxford/Orion FISH Pantry

The Refuge - Lapeer

Gleaners Food Bank

Grace Centers of Hope

Forgotten Harvest

Veterans Esteem Team

Light House Emergency Services - Clarkston

Stone Soup Food Pantry

Orion Veterans Memorial

Easter Seals

Lake Orion Police Association

Stahls Automotive Foundation

Lake Orion Lighted Parade Group

**Participant Judged Show****Widetrackers Members not eligible to vote...**

## FOR SALE

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### FOR SALE

1965 Tri Power. Professionally rebuilt carburetor. Ready to bolt on. Comes with manifolds, gas lines, and intake. **\$1850**

**Call Ken Orłowski (586) 243-5398**

### FOR SALE:

1979 301 engine \$250 OBO

'67-69 Firebird/Camaro Used radiator shroud. Good condition. \$80. Electric Fan only...like new \$30.

**Contact Arnold at 248-330-0209**

### Parts Wanted:

1969 Pontiac Grand Prix door panels manual windows, A/C setup from condenser to evaporator.

**Bill Gupton**

**810-338-4196**

### 1933 Pontiac Parts Wanted

1 Radiator - 1 pair of front fender marker lamps - ANY rumble seat components - Thanks!

**Joe Tonietto - Tel: 248.761.9942**

**j.tonietto@gmail.com**

### For Sale

1933 Straight 8 engines including transmissions and one high compression head.

**Robert\_patchett@sbcglobal.net**

**810-721-8282 home 317-498-6126 cell**

## FOR SALE

### FOR SALE:

'67 GTO Ring and Pinion Carrier AXLE to AXLE 390 gear ratio, number matching '67 GTO.

Came out of my '69 GTO. Not positive traction. Guaranteed. \$300.00.

**Call Ken Vanniman (810) 664-2576 Lapeer**

### FOR SALE:

1968/1969 GTO parts. Some chrome, cylinder heads, air conditioning parts (no condenser), convertible interior parts, quarter extension chrome, etc.

Also 1st and 2nd generation Firebird parts. Call for details.

**Call Don Smith 248-709-6857**

### Do you have something you would like to sell?

Whole cars, parts, memorabilia? Making extra room in the shop for a winter project? No matter how big or small the item, all Widetracker members are allowed to advertise for free in the tracker.

Simply e-mail the tracker at:

poci16tracker@gmail.com with the details and photos. The ad will appear in the next available issue.

1. Floor jack with set of 4 stands. \$65.00
2. Trailer with tandem axles, 10' x 4', Michelin tires with matching spare. Wheels from 2002 Grand Marquis. \$1,200

**Contact Bill Coombe**

**WANTED: 1998 Pontiac Trans Am--side skirts green color preferred but any color is fine.**

**Contact Alex Azarovitz at 248-953-2585**



POCI CONVENTION



## WIDETRACKER ADMINISTRATION

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For those who don't know her, this is the lovely lady who takes care of all things paperwork for us! (We love you, Clarice!)

Anyone needing membership packets, contact Clarice Humphrey at (248)245-5401 or email [clarice.humphrey@yahoo.com](mailto:clarice.humphrey@yahoo.com).

Reminder: Send Clarice your POCI number if you have one and it's not listed on the Membership Roster. Thanks!



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Hardship requests must be sent to the President, Tim Mays, in writing at: [TMAYS247@GMAIL.COM](mailto:TMAYS247@GMAIL.COM)

## CLUB MERCHANDISE FOR SALE

Before you know it, Christmas will be here! Why not celebrate with some Widetracker apparel? The club can help you out! Just see Robin to place your order. Or, you can always bring in your own items to get the club logo put on them. You can have your items nicely embroidered, or silkscreened. It's a great way to show your Pontiac love, advertise the club and bring in new members!

**Contact Robyn Marsh**

**(810) 348-4619**

[horsesitter1@yahoo.com](mailto:horsesitter1@yahoo.com)

### NAMETAGS!



Are you new? Do people keep asking you who you are? Do you need a nametag? New or replacement magnetic backed nametags can be ordered from Bill Coombe for a nominal cost of \$11. ***We order the week before the monthly meeting, and you can either pick yours up there, or ask a friend to grab it for you if you can't attend in person. Sorry, but we don't send them through the post.*** (We'd hate to see them damaged!!)

See him at the meetings, or contact him by phone at 586-293-0662 or via email at: [bcgrandmarquis@gmail.com](mailto:bcgrandmarquis@gmail.com)

## A PSA From POCI



### Help us KEEP THE PONTIAC LEGACY ALIVE!

If you are not yet a member of POCI and would like to check out our monthly magazine, *Smoke Signals*, please email or call the club office and we'll mail you a free copy and an application form to join up.

POCI is the largest Pontiac club in the world! Our monthly magazine has great articles, you will get access to our technical advisors and the best classified ads (on-line and in our magazine) for Pontiac, Oakland and GMC vehicles and parts for sale and wanted.

See more details on our website [www.poci.org](http://www.poci.org). Call 877-368-3454 or email [pociworldhq@aol.com](mailto:pociworldhq@aol.com) (say: Free Smoke Signals please! and include your name and mailing address).

Paul Bergstrom

POCI Club Office Manager

## CLUB EVENTS

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Second  
Saturday of  
Each Month

### WIDETRACKER'S CLUB MEETING 5:30pm

(Contact an officer to con-  
firm dates)

Golling Buick GMC,  
Lake Orion, MI

May 3rd,  
8am-5pm

### 52nd GLR Fowlerville Swap Meet

Fowlerville Fair-  
grounds 8800 W  
Grand River,  
Fowlerville, MI,  
United States

May 3rd  
5pm-8pm

### Halo Burger Cruise Night

Halo Burger G-3388  
S Linden Road,  
Flint, MI, United  
States

May 5th

### Lapeer Car Cruise

Downtown Lapeer,  
MI

June 14th

### Michigan Widetracker's 36th Annual Spring Dust-Off

Golling Buick GMC,  
Lake Orion, MI



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These great folks  
make our club run!  
Thank them when  
you see them.

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# MICHIGAN WIDETRACKERS



CHAPTER #16 of POCI

## MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Primary Member: \_\_\_\_\_ Birth Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Spouse/Associate Member: \_\_\_\_\_ Birth Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell: \_\_\_\_\_  
 City: \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Children: \_\_\_\_\_

**MICHIGAN WIDETRACKERS MEMBERSHIP** - [www.miwidetrackers16.org](http://www.miwidetrackers16.org)

Dues are \$20.00 per year due each May 1st. (If joining for the first time, dues will be pro-rated at \$1.70 per month)

Please complete and return this application along with payment made out to "Michigan Widetrackers":

### MICHIGAN WIDETRACKERS

4993 E. Harvard Ave  
 Clarkston, MI 48348  
 Attn: Membership

INDICATE: NEW MEMBER or RENEWAL; CASH or CHECK (Check # \_\_\_\_\_) Amount Enclosed: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date Paid: \_\_\_\_\_

New Member (ONE) Shirt, Available sizes: S / M / L / XL / 2XL / 3XL Shirt Size: \_\_\_\_\_

Please provide your Classic or Collector Vehicle information (if needed, use the other side):

YEAR MAKE MODEL COLOR

\*Michigan Widetrackers Chapter #16 of POCI encourages POCI membership for all club members.  
 Please visit their website ([www.poci.org](http://www.poci.org)) to review "Why Join POCI?"

### PONTIAC OAKLAND CLUB INTERNATIONAL MEMBERSHIP - [www.poci.org](http://www.poci.org)

*"Why Join POCI? POCI's full-color, monthly magazine "Scene Seeker", which is devoted to Pontiac, Oakland, and GMC vehicles and their owner; access the newly updated website [www.poci.org](http://www.poci.org) for a wealth of information; the POCI Technical Advisor Program; the POCI Library, a massive collection of Pontiac, Oakland and GMC literature and the Annual POCI Convention which rotates annually to various locations in the USA attracting members and cars from all over the world.*

The POCI Membership application is available online; please visit their website ([www.poci.org](http://www.poci.org)). Annual USA Membership: \$45.00; Canadian \$74; includes two free Associate Memberships (except E-memberships), including mailing our SMOKE SIGNALS monthly magazine.

Electronic membership (e-membership): \$25.00 per year (USA funds).

Payment may be made online with Credit Card or Pay Pal or make a Check or Money Order payable to "POCI".

Mail to: POCI World HQ, PO Box 68, Maple Plain, MN 55359 USA along with the POCI application.

For our records, please notify our Membership Coordinator when you receive your POCI#.

POCI #: \_\_\_\_\_ POCI# Renewal Date: \_\_\_\_\_



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