



# Pontiac GMC Club of Central New York.

## Officers

President: Art Johnston; Vice President: Steve Eymer,  
Secretary/Newsletter Editor: Heath Thomas; Treasurer: Tim Nichols  
Web Editor: Chris Lorence; Activities: Albert Finocchiaro

**Date:** 04/26/2026

**Location:** Flo's Diner

**Members in Attendance:** 17. Art Johnson, Lauri DeSalvia, Heath Thomas, Tim & Estre Nichols, Bernie & Cheryl Tufts, Don & Connie DeGroat, Joe & Jennette Olmsted, Albert Finocchiaro, Rick Kunz, George Rink, Steve Eymer, Melanie O'hara & Paul Buck

**New Members:** None

**Guests:** None

**Lunch started 1215 pm ish: Meeting called to order at 1:30 pm:**

## Topics of Discussion (New Business):

### 1) PRESIDENT'S REPORT:

- a) 2025 SIX NATIONS (CNY PONTIAC GMC) Chapter # 52 Report was submitted to POCI National
  - (1) Membership
    - (a) Total Members = 68
    - (b) Chapter members that are also POCI members – 23
  - (2) Activities
    - (a) 5 cruises
    - (b) 1 show
    - (c) 1 picnic
    - (d) 10 meetings
    - (e) 1 guest speaker
    - (f) 8 junk yard tours
    - (g) 4 community service (nursing home) visits
    - (h) 8 tours of local car collections
- b) April CCA meeting discussion items:
  - i) 2026 CNY Car show schedule released
  - ii) 2026 CNY cruise night schedule still pending – check CNYCCA website for release
  - iii) Pete Mayo from the Munson car show in Utica is looking for 18 concourse (points condition) quality 1960's vintage Pontiacs to show at the upcoming 7/11/2026 show. Gran Prix, Bonneville, Catalinas, 1<sup>st</sup> Gen Firebirds, etc. The cars must be excellent condition. Contact Art for further information
- c) The local nursing home visits are starting, and the schedule will be distributed soon. A fantastic way to spend an afternoon. The visits are extremely appreciated by the residents
- d) **41<sup>st</sup> PONTIAC GMC SUPER SHOW**
  - i) **Will be held at RAPP GMC dealership**
  - ii) **Sunday, 14<sup>th</sup> June 2026**
  - iii) Joe & Jennette Olmsted have graciously volunteered to be our show chairpersons again
  - iv) **SUPER SHOW ADVERTISING IN PROCESS**
    - (1) Art submitted SUPER SHOW dates to POCI Smoke Signals and to GTOAA
    - (2) Heath is finding POCs for local paper and TV community events to advertise the show
    - (3) CNYCCA distributed the original 2026 CNY Car show schedule listing the SUPER SHOW location incorrectly. The mistake has been corrected but that original schedule was sent everywhere. The corrected schedule can be found on our website and FB page and was sent to your email addresses. Please print a couple copies of it and take them with you. If you see the erroneous show schedule posted somewhere...change it out with the corrected version
- v) **SHOW INSURANCE IN PROCESS.** Art submitted the insurance request to POCI, but has not received coverage confirmation yet
- vi) **DJ COMPLETE.** Tim confirmed attendance by DJ Tim Musgrove of TuneTastic
- vii) **Food Truck INCOMPLETE – Tim has FORAC**
  - (1) The Camden lady Food truck has not yet obtained necessary permits. Tim will contact her and tell her she has until 5/3/2026 to obtain necessary permits or we will look for a different vendor.
  - (2) Possible options for other food vendors are Brian Lang or Clear Path for Veterans

- viii) **Dash Plaques COMPLETE.** The Dash Plaques look great with the photo of Gary Nastasi's GTO. Thanks Joe/Jennette!
- ix) **Show Award Plaques COMPLETE** – Joe/Jennette did a GREAT JOB!
- x) **Longest Distance Trophy COMPLETE**
- xi) **SHOW FLYER DISTRIBUTION IN PROCESS.** Melanie has FORAC. SUPER SHOW flyer has been printed and is ready for distribution
  - (1) Unfortunately, the original flyer had an error on it regarding Class 2 years. That FLYER was distributed to some places. The updated and correct Show Flyer is on our website and FB page. It has also been sent to your email addresses via separate correspondence. Please ensure you are distributing the CORRECT SHOW FLYER that lists Class 2 years as 1965 – 1979
- xii) **Show Pre-registration is STAGNATE.** Advertise, share the info!! Tell a friend. Let everyone know that the 1<sup>st</sup> 25 registrants that are not club officers or show volunteers will have their names placed in a raffle to win a \$25 dollar Byrne Dairy gift card
- xiii) **Movie Night at Rapp GMC IN PROCESS.** George R has the lead to see if we can bring back this wonderful event the night prior to our show. Joe O has volunteered to assist him with this fun event
- xiv) **Show Survey for Participants IN PROCESS.** 2-3 questions will be provided on the back of the participant judging form
- xv) The CHINESE auction will return this year by popular demand. Tim & Estre are eagerly soliciting ANY automobile related stuff you have around the house to place on silent auction at the show. Don't give them junk but if you have stuff sitting around the house, garage, or barn...GET IT TO THEM. This often makes the chapter a significant amount of money!!
- xvi) Parking will be by class

2) **SECRETARY'S REPORT:**

- a) Sickness and Distress
  - i) We were informed that Chris Wheeler was just recently released from the hospital. If you get the chance, drop him a line. Word is he's still not quite back to 100% yet. Thoughts and prayers with you Chris!!!
  - ii) Corresponded with Jim Patterson recently. He's keeping busy working on his 1941 Coupe. He hopes to be able to take it to the POCI convention this year. Jim says his health is stable but difficult and expensive to maintain. It's good to see him back in action again!
- b) Congratulations to Albert Finocchiaro for being recognized for his dedicated volunteer service to the Cavalcade of Cars and the Syracuse Nationals. Albert was presented an award while volunteering at the Cavalcade of Cars
- c) ROSTER UPDATE:
  - i) Chapter roster has been updated. 21 previous members were removed for non-payment of dues. The chapter now stands at 43 individual or family memberships
- d) Chapter Secretary DEPARTING. Well, it finally happened. I have sold my house and will be departing New York in August of this year. **Seeking someone to take over as Chapter Secretary**

3) **NEW MEMBERS:** Nothing to Report

4) **VICE PRESIDENT REPORT:** Nothing to Report

5) **NEWSLETTER EDITOR REPORT:** Nothing to Report

6) **TREASURER REPORT.**

- a) Chapter bank account is just over \$2000. All bills are paid
  - i) The Camden MNT bank branch closed
  - ii) We moved our chapter bank account to the Community Bank branch office in Camden
- b) **2026 Chapter Membership DUES ARE DUE. Thank you to those that have paid your 2026 dues!!**
  - i) Preferable way to pay dues is in person. We'd love to see you at any of our monthly meetings or annual functions but understandably we all have various time/priority conflicts, so dues may be mailed by check to Tim Nichols:

Nichols	Tim	56 Harden Blvd.	Camden	NY	13316
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7) **EVENTS REPORT.**

- a) 4/18-4/19. Cavalcade of Cars report
  - i) Attended by Albert, Art, Joe & Jennette
    - (1) Approx 3000 attendees on Saturday and approx. 1000 attendees on Sunday
    - (2) Variety of cars, trucks and motorcycles. New and classic. Monster Trucks
  - ii) Albert Finocchiaro received an outstanding volunteer award for his service at the Cavalcade of Cars and Syracuse Nationals events
- b) 4/25/2026. Saratoga Automobile Museum report
  - i) Attended by Albert, Art and George
    - (1) Still under construction but there was a very nice collection of Pontiacs. Highly recommended to see. See the website and FB page for the 2026 event schedule. While in Albany, they also visited the New York State Museum in Albany. It is FREE and had many interesting exhibitions. Of particular interest to George was the Barbie: A Cultural Icon Exhibition. He found it fascinating!!

## 8) UPCOMING EVENTS

- a) 5/17. Sunday. Spring Rust Buster cruise. Departing Dennys on Elwood Davis Road off 7<sup>th</sup> North Street. at 10 am. Turnpike to Waterloo Exit for a pitstop, then driving south to Romulus to see a private 22 car collection. Then stop at 3 Brothers for lunch. Followed by a possible “mystery” stop in Seneca Falls. MUST RSVP to Albert by 5/13 so he can provide headcount to 3 Brothers for lunch seating. Albert - 315-382-3758
- b) 5/21. Sylvan Beach Memorial Day cruise/show
- c) **6/14. 41<sup>st</sup> CNY PONTIAC GMC POCI SUPER SHOW**
- d) Syracuse Nationals
  - i) 7/16 -7/18. Note change of days. Now runs Thursday to Saturday
  - ii) Online Registration is open
  - iii) Volunteer list. If interested Volunteer working contact Albert. = FREE admission for 2 peeps per day and car
  - iv) Jim Smith is the POC for special cars parking in EXPO center. No longer parking special cars in the Horticulture center
- e) 10/4. FALL RUN. Jim Patterson collection in Camillus, NY. Details to follow

## Old Business:

- We have yellow Pontiac T-shirts in various sizes and Blue Medium for Men. We have Blue and Pink Women’s shirts in various sizes and a few hats left as well. Shirts and/or hat makes a great Christmas present for your Pontiac lover. Shirts are \$20 and hats are \$25...contact Tim Nichols (Treasurer) for purchase
- Chapter patches for sale. They are \$5 each



50/50. \$60 dollars total. George Rink won \$30

Meeting Adjourned: 3:00 pm

**NOTE MEETING DAY AND TIME CHANGE FOR NEXT MEETING**  
**Next Meeting: SATURDAY, MAY 9<sup>th</sup>, 2026 at Flo's Diner at 12 pm, lunch**  
**before**

## Classifieds

1. George Disque has the following 1966 GTO parts for sale:

### '66 GTO Parts for sale.

All these parts were operating fine when I removed them in 1993.

These are from my 1966 GTO that I removed to convert to 4 speed and tri-power. 4 barrel manifold \$175, 4 barrel carb Carter AFB \$400, flexplate \$79, transmission coolant lines \$61, 2 speed auto transmission and converter \$300, factory automatic shifter with neutral & backup light switches \$400, shifter cable \$42, steel torque converter cover \$75, automatic floor console \$750(includes original plastic base, original die cast console top plate, shifter plate, gear selector plate&indicator lamp, rear console lamp), 4 barrel louvered air cleaner lid& base&filter screen \$300, original chrome valve covers \$139/pr, opened hood scope \$99, automatic brake pedal \$50.

### Other parts for sale

Pontiac V8 Engine cradle Ames Perf P/N V360 \$179, Trim Rings 14x6 Brushed (Never Used) Ames Perf P/N T110F \$279, Windshield Washer pump \$59, Transmission cross member \$189, used Driveshaft assembly \$200, transmission yoke \$119.

Contact George Disque. [gtogeorge66@gmail.com](mailto:gtogeorge66@gmail.com) 413-221-6450

Can be seen at my house in Belchertown, MA

Shipping is extra!

