



Pontiac GMC Club of Central New York.

Officers

President: Art Johnston; Vice President: George Rink;
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Web Editor: Chris Lorence; Activities: Albert Finocchiaro

Date: 03-09-2025

HAPPY ST PATRICK'S DAY

Location: Flo's Diner, Canastota, NY

Members in Attendance: Art Johnston, Lauri DeSalvia, Heath Thomas, Tim & Estre Nichols, Albert Finocchiaro, Don & Connie DeGroat, Chris Wheeler, Gary Nastasi, Bob Conniff, Joe & Jennette Olmsted, and Vince & Tara St James.

New Members: None

Guests: Special guests were: Joe & Jennette's granddaughter Ella and Vince & Tara's daughter Gabby.

Lunch started 12:15 pm ish: Meeting called to order at 1:00 pm:

Topics of Discussion (New Business):

1. PRESIDENT REPORT:

- **40th SUPER SHOW** will be held in conjunction with the 11th GATHERING OF ORPHAN VEHICLES show
 1. New information regarding show registration. You will be able to register your car for **BOTH** our SUPER SHOW and the ORPHAN show for judging and trophies. You must register / pay for each show separately and the ORPHAN show has a mandatory PRE-REGISTRATION requirement.
 2. We have decided that while we **HIGHLY ENCOURAGE PRE-REGISTRATION** for our show, it will **NOT BE MANDATORY**, however, the registration cost will be higher the day of.
 - a. **DATE** – 08/16/2025. This is a Saturday.
 - b. **LOCATION** – Lewis Park, Village of Minoa
 - c. **COST** - Pre-registration cost will be the same \$\$\$ as pre-registration cost for the ORPHAN show. Day of registration cost for our SUPER SHOW will be more. Exact costs will be provided by next month's meeting, and the information will be posted / sent to everyone.
 - d. We will have a 50/50 drawing at the show
 - e. We will (probably) have door prizes at the show. Still to be determined.
 - f. **WE NEED YOUR HELP!!!!** Tim & Estre will not be able to attend our show this year due to a scheduling conflict with a family event. They WILL NOT be manning our "Chinese" Raffle. Please contact me if you are willing to STEP in to HELP run the raffle this year.
 - i. Tim says it's not that hard to do. Set items on table. Set up bags/buckets for people to put tickets in. SELL the raffle tickets. Draw / announce winners. The Nichols and the club will support getting the raffle items like always.
 - g. Super Show planning document will be promulgated soon.
 - i. A few items in work already:
 1. Show insurance certificate – Art Johnston FORAC
 2. Dash Plaques –
 - a. Mike Leibl's 1980 GMC Indy 500 Pace Truck was selected for our 40th SUPER SHOW Dash Plaque. **CONGRATS MIKE!!!**
 - i. Art, Joe & Jennette will work with Mike and the vendor to get his GMC on the plaques
 3. 40th Super Show Flyers. Art Johnston will work with AAG to design and print show flyers. Art Johnston FORAC.
- **2025 Syracuse Nationals July 18-20, 2025 at the NYS Fairgrounds update:** Nothing new to report

2. **VICE PRESIDENT REPORT:** Nothing to Report.

3. **NEWSLETTER EDITOR REPORT:** Nothing to Report

4. **TREASURER REPORT.** Thanks to the members that have paid their chapter dues!!!!

- 50/50 drawing was held. Connie DeGroat won \$27. \$27 went to the club.
- We have 62 members on the roster. 13 have not yet paid their 2025 dues (that's not terrible, it's only March) but another 11 have not paid their 2024 or 2025 dues. So that is 24 members with outstanding dues for a total of \$525.
- 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 & Estre	56 Harden Blvd.	Camden	NY	13316
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5. SECRETARY REPORT.

- Happy Birthday to Lauri DeSalvia!!!!
- I received correspondence from Jim Patterson. He's getting along ok. His chemo treatments are showing benefits, and his condition is in a "controlled" state. He says he's receiving excellent care from the Hematology Oncology Associates of CNY. He hopes to be in good enough shape to do a bit of work of some of his many cars by this summer.
- **JACKETS** - It looks like we will be ordering a type of wind breaker – light jacket instead of another order of the heavier jackets like last time. I have no idea of cost at this time but with leads from Albert and Jennette I hope to have some more info to you on style and cost by the time of our show in August.
- 2025 Membership dues paid since last meeting. Thank you:

Phil Benton	Eric Bunker	Paul Dillon	John Downing
Albert Finocchiaro	Rich Flanagan	Vince St James	Mike Leibl
Chris Lorence	Luke Mitchell	Fred Schell	Guy Zipp

6. EVENTS REPORT.

- 03/22-23/2025 is the Syracuse Cavalcade of Cars at the NYS Fairgrounds. The sponsors need Volunteers to work the show and they WANT Pontiacs to participate. Registration is open. See www.cavalcadeofcarsny.com for registration and info. Contact Albert for additional info on volunteering.
 - i. Fast Eddy's Custom Shop has a car trailer available to transport any cars registered for the Syracuse COC. Contact Albert for details if you want to use this service to get your registered car to the show.
- 03/22/2025 is the Camden St Patrick's Day Parade. Contact Tim Nichols if interested in participating.
- 04/??/2025. Spring Garage Run to Bouckville to see private collection including the Chitty, Chitty Bang Bang car. Albert will send out exact date in a further email.
- 05/24/2025 will be the Spring Run. Destination will be to Courtland to see separate Truck, Tractor and Homeowner Museums. Albert will provide additional details in a further email.
- 05/17/2025 is the Marcellus High School Crystal Ball and they need cars to participate. Contact Albert if interested (315-382-3758).
- 6/8 – 6/13 2025. POCI National show in Louisville, KY. Any chapter members interested in attending please contact Bob Conniff at rconniff@verizon.net
- 10/05/2025 will be the Fall Garage Run. Location, attraction and time TBD.
- 10/11/2025. Glimmer Glass State Park is having their Bicentennial celebration of their Covered Bridge and are requesting any cars from the 1930s and 1940s to participate as backdrop for the celebration. POC for the event is Denise and can be reached at denisebower@parks.ny.gov or 607-547-8662

Old Business: Albert has chapter patches for sale. They are \$5 each



Activities & Events: We expect the CNYCCA to release the car show and cruise schedule sometime after the Cavalcade of Cars show on 3/22/2025. I'll send it out as soon as we get a copy of it.

Meeting Adjourned: 3:00 pm

Next Meeting: Sunday April 27, 2025 at Flo's Diner at 1 pm, lunch before