



## Pontiac GMC Club of Central New York.

### Officers

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

Date: 02-16-2025

### Happy Valentines Day

Location: Flo's Diner, Canastota, NY

Members in Attendance: Art Johnston, Lauri DeSalvia, George Rink, Heath Thomas, Albert Finocchiaro, Don & Connie DeGroat, Chris Wheeler, Gary Nastasi, Bob Coniff

New Members: None

Guests: None

Lunch started 12:30 pm ish: Meeting called to order at 1:45 pm:

### Topics of Discussion (New Business):

#### 1. PRESIDENT REPORT:

- **MAJOR ANNOUNCEMENT:**

- i. **The 2025 40<sup>th</sup> SUPER SHOW DATE AND LOCATION HAVE CHANGED**

- 1. Our 2025 40<sup>th</sup> SUPER SHOW will be held in conjunction with the 11<sup>th</sup> GATHERING OF ORPHAN VEHICLES. Pontiac is the featured orphan vehicle for the 2025 Orphan Show so we will have our SUPER SHOW in conjunction with the ORPHAN SHOW. We will hold our car show at the same venue and on the same day as the Orphan Show, but we will hold it and judge it independently from the Orphan Show. Our support of the Orphan Show as the feature Orphan car is important and provides mutual support for both of our shows.
      - a. DATE – 08/16/2025
      - b. LOCATION – Lewis Park, Village of Minoa
      - c. Jennette Olmsted has again volunteered to be our Super Show Chairwoman (La Jefe)
      - d. AAG will still sponsor our 40<sup>th</sup> Super Show & will buy the trophies as they have in the past.
      - e. **This year's Super Show will ONLY permit PRE-REGISTERED participants. You MUST pre-register to have your car judged at this year's show.** This is different than previous years but to coordinate parking space with the other groups (Orphan Show and Oneida Lakes Region AACA this must be done.
        - i. Registration information will be posted soon on our Face Book page, our website and will be emailed to you
        - ii. Super Show Registration will ONLY be for the cars you want judged for the 40<sup>th</sup> CNY POCI-GMC Super Show. This registration will NOT be good for the Orphan Show judging or the OLRAACA judging.
      - f. 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. We are looking for this year's Dash Plaque car. If your car has not been on any of our Dash Plaques in the last 10-years please contact me and submit 2 pics of your car for consideration.
            - b. We will vote on the car to be used for our Dash Plaques at our next meeting on March 9, 2025. So contact me ASAP and send me your car pics for consideration! ALL CHAPTER MEMBERS FORAC. Suspense date – 3/8/2025.

3. 40<sup>th</sup> 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:**

- i. Registration is currently available ONLINE. Early registration is \$55 prior to 6/1/2025 and then will cost \$70. Only cars older than model year 2000. BIG change to registration credential packet pick-up this year. Registration packets will ONLY be available for pickup at GATE 7 of the NYS State Fairgrounds. **There will NOT be any events happening at the Destiny Mall parking lots or hotel.** See www.syracusenationals.com for more info.
- ii. The NATS have reserved blocks of reservations at many hotels in the Syracuse area for the show in an effort to keep the price gouging costs down to a minimum. I do not know what hotels are participating but if you know of anyone coming in for the show and they need a hotel, please let them know to ask the event coordinators about this.
- iii. Burn out competition. Once again I believe it is ESTA that will sponsor the Burn Out competition at the NATS. Most likely Saturday night. More info to follow when we get it.

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

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

4. **TREASURER REPORT.**

- We have 62 members on the roster. 25 have not yet paid their 2025 dues (that's not terrible, it's only February) but another 12 have not paid their 2024 or 2025 dues. So that is 37 members with outstanding dues for a total of \$735.
- 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.**

- At our meeting, I raised the issue of dropping members for Non Payment of Dues (NPD) after being delinquent for 2 years. I have only been tracking our membership for the last 2 years and did not have accurate information prior to that. This process is pretty standard amongst the many organizations I am part of and helps the chapter, secretary and treasurer to keep a proper and current accounting of our membership.
- After additional discussion a motion was presented by Don DeGroat to "**Drop the membership of any member that has not paid their dues for 2 years.**" This motion was seconded by Connie DeGroat. The motion passed unanimously by the members present. Going into the 3rd year of non-payment of membership dues the chapter secretary will contact the member either by phone or email directly to determine if the NPD was by oversight, financial hardship or the member no longer wishes to be part of the chapter. Subsequent action will be taken dependent upon the answers given.
- 2025 Membership dues paid since last meeting. Thank you:
 

Lauri DeSalvia	Frank Bergin	Natalie DiBiase	Steve Eymer	Chris Kumanowski
Melanie O'hara	Scott Heiland	Jim Patterson	Tim Nichols	Steve Kumanowski
Joe Pavone				Peter Kumanowski
- What do your membership dues help pay for? \$15 is not much but where does it go? Our typical annual chapter expenditures are:
  - \$1000 donated to charities (\$200 donation made to each of 5 charities).
  - Summer picnic food / venue paid for
  - Christmas party food cost offset or paid for
  - Costs for DJ and other items for annual Super Show
  - Start-up money to fund orders for shirts, hats, patches until cost can be recovered from sales
  - Annual CNY Car Club Association dues
  - Chapter website domain fee
  - Administrative / postage costs
  - Discount on any merchandise sold (hats, shirts, etc..)

6. **EVENTS REPORT.**

- Albert had a limited number of limited edition 2025 Syracuse Nationals Pre-Event posters that he gave out. These are different than the actual NATS posters that will be given out at the show. If you are a poster collector and would like one, contact him directly.

- 03/22-23/2025 is the Syracuse Cavalcade of Cars at the NYS Fairgrounds. The owners of the Syracuse Nationals have purchased ownership rights of the Syracuse Cavalcade of Cars. They need participant cars. Registration is open. See [www.cavalcadeofcarsny.com](http://www.cavalcadeofcarsny.com) for registration and info. Contact Albert for additional info.
  - i. Fast Eddy's Custom Shop has a covered 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.
- 05/??/2025 will be the Spring Garage Run. Destination will be the Courtland Museums. Date & Time TBD.
- 05/17/2025 is the Marcellus High School Crystal Ball and they need cars to participate. Contact Albert if interested (315-382-3758).
- 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](mailto:denisebower@parks.ny.gov) or 607-547-8662
- Albert has chapter patches for sale. They are \$5 each.



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**Old Business:** Nothing to report

**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: 3:30 pm**

**Next Meeting: Sunday March 9, 2025 at Flo's Diner at 1 pm, lunch before.**

