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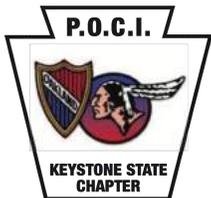
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# From The Chief

Hello, Members,

Well, here we are in the first month of 2020. Where did 2019 go?

In any event, as you all know we had a majorly terrific 2019, and it will be tough to better it in 2020, but we will give it a heck of a try. The Club is off and running as we had over 30 members attend our annual business meeting on January 12th. The meeting was 4 hours long (a bit longer than I had intended), but we had some wonderful conversations and I think we put together a fun-filled calander for 2020.

Please go on the web site to check out our 2020 schedule. Some of the highlights will include a car collection tour in March/April. Our legendary Spring Show is scheduled for May 31st in McCungie and known as "GM on Display." I am really hoping that we have a good turnout. Please look at your calendars and let's see if we can get all members/friends of the club to come out to help support this show and club event. It is the week after Memorial Day this year, so I am hoping that we can count on some good weather. Please tell all your friends, neighbors, other clubs and car show pals to help support this year's show/event.

We have a club outing in June to the Burdette Show in Hyattstown, Maryland, hosted by the National Capital Chapter on June 7th. This is going to be their last show at this historic location, and we are hoping many club members/friends can attend this show. The show application can be found on our web site.

Other events to keep in mind are a club outing to the AACA Grand National event in Bethel in July, our club picnic at Knoebels in August (look for something special this year at our picnic), and don't forget Awk Fescht and Duryea Days. Our Fall Pontiac/GMC show in late September at Ebersole's Buick/GMC dealership in Lebanon is going to be special this year as we are opening the show to Buick, Oldsmobile, and Cadillac as well. Look for details on a possible weekend event to the Eastern Maryland Shore. Then, as winter months approach we have the annual Junkyard Tour and our terrific Christmas Party. Please keep checking out our Newsletters, Facebook Page or Web Site, as well as emails from Dick or myself for additional events and specific times and dates.

At our annual business meeting we decided to put \$15,000 profits from last year's convention into a CD; the club will make 1% interest for the next 15 months. We also decided to purchase a Club Brick(s) at the new Pontiac Transportation Museum in Detroit. We will have some new features in the newsletter. Please let me know what you think.

As you may remember from my previous president and the 2019 Christmas Party messages, my goal and the clubs initiative in 2020 is to grow the club membership. Please tell your friends and fellow Pontiac fans to think about joining an exciting club that provides activities as well as good fellowship. If you need our new membership application card that can easily be placed under a windshield wiper or on a car seat, please contact me. The form has been simplified and can be filled out quickly.

Don't forget, we still have some left-over from the convention--tee shirts, hat pins, dash plaques and hex signs; if interested, check out our web site or contact Jim Martin. Contact me anytime via email or phone if you have suggestions, questions or comments. Again, thank you to all members that work so hard to make this club successful and fun.

Tom Wright, President, tommyjw22@yahoo.com, 610-587-3468

***Keystone State Junkyard Tour 2019; November 29, 2019 Black Friday.***

KSC's Junkyard tour was well attended with a contingent of Garden State members joining us. A clear day with clouds later made for a decent day to roam the carcasses of old cars. We had about 21 people show up for Breakfast with about 6 or more choosing to go directly to the yard. Kenneth Jones, our host, entertained our crew with realistic prices and an, ask before you pull policy. One of the pieces pulled showed up on Facebook marketplace the next day. We got a little history on the yard. It seems that Ken's Dad bought the property in 1986. (That's the Ritt Jones that was seen on the side of some of the old wreckers in the yard.) He has since passed. Mom still lives in the house on the property. They pretty much populated the mostly empty acreage since then. Everybody I talked to through the day seemed pleased with the yard in general. One guy from GSC said he drives by the place almost every day. Always wanted to check it out. There are still parts left to be harvested. Sure some of the stuff has been there over 30 years, but there are still some salvageable, not reproduced parts there. This yard has a Facebook marketplace site. Kenneth R. Jones, cars & parts from the 50's to the 90's.

We are already looking towards 2020. See 'ya in the yards; Stephan Liebert





# 2020 CALENDAR OF EVENTS



DATE	DAY	EVENT
March		Possible tour of Train Collection, Car Catcher Museum, and Wings of Freedom at Willow Grove
Mid-April		America on Wheels
May 31st	Sunday	GM on Display
June 7th	Sunday	National Capital Area Show, Hyattstown, MD; LAST SHOW AT BURDETTE BROS.
July 7-11		National Convention (48th) – Catoosa, OK
July 25th	Saturday	Attend (as spectators) AACA Grand National Show at Bulgari Collection facility in Allentown
August 2nd	Sunday	Das Awkscht Fescht, Macungie (PA) Memorial Park; club day. Go to <a href="http://www.awkscht.com">www.awkscht.com</a> then select “Registration” then Sunday on left
August 15	Saturday	Knobels Grove; Picnic and rides, no Board meeting; Pavilion “H”; contact Ralph Keller at; <a href="mailto:rjkeller203@gmail.com">rjkeller203@gmail.com</a> or 570-326-9237
September 20	Sunday	Fall Meet – Ebersole – 46th annual show, 100 Anniv., possible combined Buick, Cadillac, Olds, Pontiac, GMC show
Mid-October		Possible 2-day tour near Salisbury, MD
Nov 27th	Friday	Black Friday Junk Yard Tour, TBD
Dec 5th	Saturday	Christmas Party, Bird-In-Hand Restaurant, 12:30 pm; contact Jim Martin at: <a href="mailto:jamesamartin@comcast.net">jamesamartin@comcast.net</a> or 717-940-0529
Jan. 10, 2021	Sunday	Board/Planning Meeting, Bird-In-Hand Fire House, 12noon



*SEE [www.kscpoci.org](http://www.kscpoci.org) UNDER **CURRENT EVENTS** FOR ALL THE DETAILS and REGISTRATION INFO*

## **CHRISTMAS PARTY**

On December 7th, your Keystone State Chapter of POCI put a huge Explanation Mark on the end of an outstanding and fantastic 2019. Our annual Christmas party was held at the Bird-in-Hand Restaurant and Family Inn in Bird-in-Hand, PA with 70 attendees. This year's party was focused on thanking and expressing our appreciation to everyone who assisted with the planning, coordinating, and executing our highly successful 2019 POCI Convention at Gettysburg in July. President Tom Wright made introductory remarks and asked Dick Stover to offer a Prayer of Thanks prior to our enjoying the bountiful dinner feast that was so well prepared by the restaurant staff. I know the meal was a hit because the serving staff was kept hustling to keep the turkey and ham balls trays full. After enjoying a scrumptious selection of deserts, we all sat back to reminisce in the years accomplishments and the fellowship we all enjoyed. Jim Martin gave a short summary of each major convention event and presented the final financial information. He also thanked everyone for their dedication and hard work in making this one of the most successful POCI conventions ever held.



Tom Wright then presented an extensive pictorial review of each convention event with a focus on some of the phenomenal contributions made by members of each event team. Because many folks were focused on their individual tasks, Tom's presentation was a great overview of the convention program and gave us a chance to see and enjoy our efforts in totality. Christmas presents were passed out to the children in attendance and, as in the past, Lenny the Groove Machine kept us in the Christmas Spirit with his selection of Holiday music as we finished the afternoon by visiting and enjoying each other's company.



# 42<sup>ND</sup> ANNUAL GM ON DISPLAY



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## EXHIBITION OF GENERAL MOTORS CARS, TRUCKS, COMMERCIAL VEHICLES, & A FLEA MARKET FOR GENERAL MOTORS PARTS

- LOCATION** - Macungie Memorial Park (home of Das Awkscht Fescht), Rt. 100, center of Macungie, Pa.
- DATE/TIME** Notice the New Date: **Sunday, May 31, 2020 (Rain or Shine) Registration 9 am -Noon**
- CLASSES** - The show is open to all General Motors cars and trucks.  
**Cars will be grouped by age and body design. NO EXCEPTIONS!!!**
- AWARDS** - No judging or trophies. High quality dash plaques for the **first 100 registered vehicles** excluding cars for sale. Door prizes will be awarded by drawing.
- VENDORS** - Flea market featuring General Motors parts and literature.
- FOR SALE** - For Sale signs are not permitted on the show field. Vehicles for sale will be the same price as show vehicles and parked in the Car Corral
- FOOD** - Coffee, donuts, and a hot breakfast will be available in the park until 11 AM. A variety of hot and cold lunch items will be served after 11 AM.
- MUSIC** - A variety of music will be provided by our DJ.
- INFO** - Rosemary & Don Haley, 9 Beryl Rd.; Paoli, PA 19301.  
Phone: (610) 608-7904 Email: gmondisplay@gmail.com
- REGISTER** - Show vehicles \$10.00 pre-registered, \$12.00 day of show. Cars for Sale same price. Flea market spaces 20'x20' \$15.00 pre-registered, \$20.00 day of show. Vendors must furnish tables. **Pre-registration deadline is May 22, 2020**

**NEW THIS YEAR:** Parking will be in the order you arrive, not by classes

Keep the top and send the registration form only

### GENERAL MOTORS ON DISPLAY - PRE-REGISTRATION ONLY

I am unable to attend   
please keep me on your mailing list

DEADLINE: Detach and return by May 22, 2020  
SEND Checks/Money Order  
PAYABLE TO: Keystone State Chapter P.O.C.I.  
MAIL TO: Rosemary & Don Haley, 9 Beryl Road, Paoli, PA 19301  
ENCLOSE: \$10.00 per vehicle, \$15.00 per 20'x20' vendor space

By signing below you are stating that you will not hold the Keystone State Chapter P.O.C.I. responsible for personal injury, property damage, or other liability.

NAME \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

CITY: \_\_\_\_\_ STATE: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

YEAR \_\_\_\_\_ CAR MAKE \_\_\_\_\_  
MODEL \_\_\_\_\_ BODYSTYLE \_\_\_\_\_

SHOW CARS (ABOVE) \_\_\_ @ \$10.00 CARS FOR SALE \_\_\_ @ \$10.00 FLEA MARKET SPACES \_\_\_ @ \$15.00

TOTAL ENCLOSED \$ \_\_\_\_\_ SIGNATURE: \_\_\_\_\_



## MEMBER PROFILE



Hello my name is Tom Wright and I'm currently President of the Keystone Chapter of POCI. Lucky for me I was asked by our newsletter editor to be the inaugural story. I have lived in Southeastern PA now for a little over 20 years, but originally hail from the Pittsburgh area and Western PA. I have been married for 40 years to my wife Cathy, a local area elementary school teacher. We have a daughter Cayla (a new Keystone member) and a 6 year old grandson Brice. We reside in Royersford, Pa. I have worked in the sales profession for 40 years and recently retired in 2019.

I started to notice and fall in love with Pontiac when as a salesman I traveled extensively. and was lucky to be able to order a new Bonneville every two years or so beginning in the mid 80's. I currently own a 2002 40th Anniversary Grand Prix GT, 2003 Bonneville SSEi, 2004 Bonneville GXP and a 2005 GTO. I am also very much into trucks and currently own a 1956 Ford F100 and a 1963 C30 Chevrolet.

I belong to several clubs beside Keystone as I am a member of AACA Pottstown Chapter, Antique Truck Club of America and American Truck Historical Society. Something very special for me is that for the past 5 years I have been Chairman of the historic Duryea Day Car Show held each Labor Day weekend.

I am an avid collector of various automobillia items, especially Gulf Oil, truck and Pontiac history items, Much of what I have has been aquired while attending local flea markets as well as Carlisle and Hershey events. The highlight of my car and auto collection years was playing a major role in the recent 2019 POCI convention and being ask to be President of the finest (bias opinion) car club in the tri-state area. I hope you enjoy this new story segment and would enjoy any feedback. Thank you.....Tom Wright



## **NEW MEMBER PROFILE**

Victoria Burbage is the newest and probably youngest addition to our chapter. In the interest of full disclosure, I will say upfront Vicki is my daughter and has never been hounded into liking any particular make or model. I swear! Early on, Vicki was attracted somewhat to street rods whenever we visited a car show. As time passed, her interests became more general and no particular make or model appealed over others. The story of this car began late September 2019. Scouring Craigslist and eBay, Vicki found her car. When she first mentioned it to her mom (Amy), she simply said she liked the car, comparing it to the Batmobile. We were initially skeptical about her buying a sports car at her age, but it was her money she worked hard to earn, so we agreed and everybody's excitement grew quickly.

The dealer's ad stated the car was in Franklinville, New Jersey. We had no idea where the town is, but quickly discovered it was 12 miles east of nowhere and was just about 50 miles one way. Having made arrangements with the dealer, Vicki came down to my office in Philly and we headed out after work and we finally arrived what seemed to be roughly 7 hours on the road. The only things in the area are the police station, trees, and some abandoned business. Yikes.

Roger, our salesman, was very nice and showed us the car. Of course Vicki was in love with it, but I had to exercise due diligence and give it the once-over. It has some road rash, a little over 100K miles, and a worn driver's seat; otherwise, the car is in decent shape. The pans and frame are excellent and the T-tops are tight. When I asked to take a test drive, Roger offered to let me take it for an hour or two and maybe run some errands with it. (Huh?) We declined and Roger came along. During the test, I asked how long the car was on the lot and almost crashed when he said six months. The car sat so long because it had a six instead of an eight. He said the car would not have been sold a long time ago if the power plant were different. My alarm didn't go off when I heard his explanation and we told Roger we'd take the car. This past Columbus Day, we finished the deal. The car runs great!

Vicki's goals for her Firebird are simple: take her to shows and cruise when weather permits. She is decent with a wrench and she will do some of the work on it, too. Vicki lets mom, who used to have an '88 Firebird, have a turn behind the wheel – once in a while.

At a glance:

- Age: 18
- Vehicle(s): Black 2002 Firebird, V-6, automatic
- Town: Langhorne, Pennsylvania





## Membership Form for 2020

Please check the box below that applies

**Annual Renewal**  
**\$20.00**

**New Member**  
**See Line Below**

New Members only check appropriate box below: (New member's dues are pro-rated on a semi-annual basis.)

Jan. through June 30 <sup>th</sup>	\$20.00	June 30 <sup>th</sup> through December 31 <sup>st</sup>	\$10.00
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Please print the following information.

**NAME:** \_\_\_\_\_

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**Your KSC Number (if you know it):** \_\_\_\_\_

**Your P.O.C.I. Number (if you know it):** \_\_\_\_\_

**How do you wish to receive the Newsletter?** Please check the box below that applies

**Electronic Copy**

**US Mail**

Please supply an email address so you are notified of Chapter newsletters, updates, information and events.

**EMAIL:** \_\_\_\_\_

Please list all your vehicles in the table below.

**PONTIAC / OAKLAND / GMC VEHICLES OWNED:**

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Dues are \$20.00 per year and are due in January.

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Mail To: Brenda Steinhauer, 48 Shillington Road, Sinking Spring, PA 19608

Be sure to check our website [www.kscpoci.org](http://www.kscpoci.org) for the latest updates and information

**NEW:** We are accepting donations for the Pontiac-Oakland Museum and Resource Center located at 205 North Mill Street Pontiac, IL 61764. Their web address is:

<http://www.pontiacoaklandmuseum.org/>.

If you wish to make a donation, please add your donation with your dues on one check and indicate in the line below the value of your donation. \$\_\_\_\_\_.

Do you wish to have your information on this form to be shared with membership? Yes  No

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