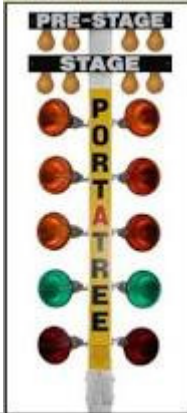


FALL 2013 NEWSLETTER

The Original *Pontiaction* Chapter... The **Keystone State Chapter** **Pontiac Oakland Club International**



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*Two cars
committed to
registering on the
Richter Scale.*



63 Super Duty Muscle

FROM THE CHIEF

From Jim Martin

Touring season is coming to an end! Fall is my favorite season for enjoying our beautiful country, especially with good friends, family, and old cars. With the final big late summer and fall car shows over it's getting close to that time of the year when we have to put our favorite old timer away.

But... that doesn't mean that we can't enjoy them one last time before the snow flies and we get ready for the guy with a white beard and red suit riding his magic sleigh.

Al Golden and Larry Goodman did a super job hosting our fall show (Frank you deserve a lot of credit as well) and we thank them and all participants for what I understand was a wonder day. As I write this we are getting ready to go on our fall tour to Altoona led by Ralph and Peggy. I'm sure this will be a great trip as they always go out of their way to make thing enjoyable and educational.

To end the year, it appears that we will have a change to our initial plan for the "Junk Yard" tour. Scott is coordinating with Klinger's in Pine Grove because our original site is no longer in existence. Scott will give us the final information very soon, but the plan is to meet at the Red Lion Cafe for breakfast.

The Christmas party is coordinated and I would like to ask everyone to call or e-mail me so that we can give the Bird-in-Hand Restaurant a good count. Our menu will be very similar to last year and I am looking for some interesting PONTI ACTION for our entertainment.

Our final event of the year... no our initial event for 2014, will be the membership and Board of Directors meeting in January at the Bird-in-Hand Fire Company. I hope to see as many of you as possible at one of our final 2013 events or in January. Meanwhile, don't forget to prepare your favorite ride for winter storage so that next spring we can all start the car season in good shape and ready to ride.

If we don't have an opportunity to see you between now and the end of the year, Elke and I wish everyone a safe and prosperous Holiday Season.



2013-14 UPCOMING EVENTS

**YOUR BEST SOURCE OF THE LATEST INFO IS THE CLUB WEBSITE—
www.ksepoci.org**

Nov 29: Junkyard tour, Scott Shuman in charge, details on the web site

Dec 7 (Saturday): Christmas Party; Bird-In-Hand Family Restaurant, east of Bird-In-Hand and the underpass on HY-340; 12:30-4pm, dinner at 1, \$22.50/person, \$10 12 & under; contact Jim Martin at 717-393-3031

Jan 5, 2014: Board and Membership Meeting; 1pm, Bird-In-Hand Fire Co., at the underpass on HY 340; contact Jim Martin at 717-393-3031

OTHER UPCOMING EVENTS TO PUT ON YOUR CALENDAR



2014 Flathead Reunion

September 4 - 6

Canandaigua, NY

[http://](http://www.earlytimeschapter.org/)

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57th ANNUAL ANTIQUE & CLASSIC CAR MEET

2014 Stowe VT Show

AUGUST 8-10, 2014

http://www.vtauto.org/stowe_show.php

Dick Stover: I stumbled across this show when I was in VT 2 years ago while visiting my son in VT. I saw an incredibly wide range of antique cars. Note 2014 will be the 57th year, so they must be doing something right. I am hoping to attend in 2014 and would welcome some more folks to come along.

39TH ANNUAL FALL MEET

By Frank Kemp

The 39th Annual Fall Meet was held Sunday, September 22. It was a beautiful day for a car show at the AW Golden Fastrack location in Reading. Our feature car this year was a 1963 Lemans race car owned by Jim Stuempfle.

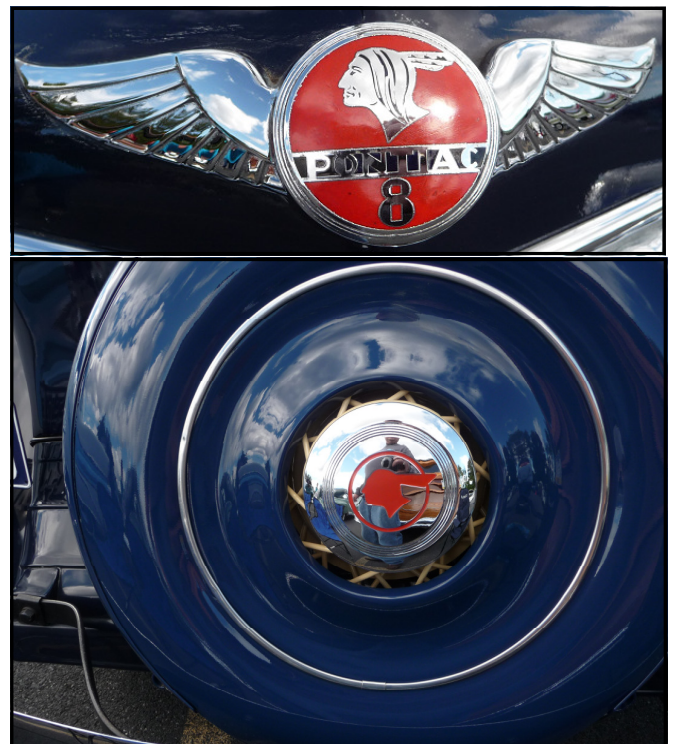
We started the day with 22 preregistered cars. When registration closed there were 70 show cars on the field in addition to our feature car and the 10 cars being displayed by the Golden family. This was the largest Fall Meet ever for our chapter. Many of the cars this year were first time show participants. Trophies and plaques were awarded in 10 judged and 3 popular vote classes. George Weaver was awarded the Best of Show trophy for his beautiful 1957 two-tone green Star Chief. This award is picked by the show participants. Larry Green's 1959 Catalina convertible received the Dealer's Choice Award. The Beatrice Landis Memorial Award was presented to Brenda Steinhauer for her 1965 LeMans. Look for a complete list of all class winners elsewhere in this issue.

Our DJ Johnny once again provided music during the show. He also interviewed many of the car owners asking questions about their show cars.

A BIG "Thank You" to the many chapter members who helped with show field layout, show parking, registration, judging, and vote tabulation. Special "Thank Yous" to Richard Stover who once again served as Chief Judge and to Albert Golden & Larry Goodman for hosting this event. We are fortunate to have the support of these dedicated car enthusiasts. Without all these people this show would not be the success it is.

Our 40th Annual Fall Meet is scheduled for Sunday, September 21, 2014. Hope to see you there.

PS—see all the pictures on the club website



2013 POCI FALL TOUR

On Saturday, October 26th, a small but enthusiastic group of members gathered at the Swigart Auto Museum, in Huntingdon, Pa., for our Fall tour. These included President Jim and Elke Martin, Marlin Quigley, Merle and Betsy Wright, Jim and Linda Kreider with guests Bill and Ann Seifrit, and Ralph and Peggy Keller, our hosts. We were fortunate to have cool, but very nice weather for the weekend. We began with a guided tour of the museum, and our guide Jerry was both knowledgeable of the collection, and very personable. Although not a large building, they have some very interesting cars. They have 4 one of a kind vehicles, that are either the only one ever built, or the last known surviving car of that make. The collection starts with a curved dash Olds, complete with a small Salesman's sample car. It contains a few usual cars, such as Ford and Plymouth, but most are lesser known grand old vehicles in very good condition, and most impressive. They also have a unique Duisenberg sportster which is quite stunning. They are the only Museum to have 2 Tuckers on display, including the original 1947 Tin Goose prototype, used for the sales promotion tours, and a production car. They also claim to have the largest assortment of license plates around, and the largest collection of various car badges and emblems, and those displays are quite extensive and impressive.

After the tour, we moved on to Altoona for the night, and had a very cordial dinner at the nearby Longhorn Steak House.

Sunday started with a tour of the PA Railroad Museum in downtown Altoona. This very nice, interactive Museum is located in one of the old PRR workshops. It contains 3 floors of very interesting exhibits and memorabilia, which were enjoyed by all. Our final stop was a trip to world famous PRR Horseshoe Curve. We were fortunate to view several trains while in the viewing area. A great time was had by all, with suggestions already being made for next years event.

By Ralph Keller



**Two Tuckers at the
Swigart Museum in
Altoona, PA**

Fall Tour Gang



On November 2nd I attended the 16th Annual **Vargo Dragway Reunion** in Perkasio, PA. The drags strip was built by Jake Vargo and opened in 1960 as an 1/8 mile track and within the same year was extended to a 1/4 mile. It was built to accommodate the Lehigh Valley Timing Association who had lost the privilege of racing at Convair Field Airport. Along with local drag racers Vargo Dragway became a major track hosting such drag racing greats as Ronnie Sox, K. S. Pittman, Don Garlits, Frank Bash, Dick Landy, and Stone Woods & Cook to name a few. Although the track is located in the countryside of Bucks County it was forced to close in 1969 due to nine years of pressure from neighbors and neighboring farmers who did not like the noise and increased traffic on their rural roads.

Although I never raced there (I was too young) I had heard many stories from guys who attended every week either as spectators or racers. The first reunion was held in 1998 at the track now owned by AGA Farms. The track was still in place and now being used as a private airstrip. The reunions are filled with stories and cars that are part of the history of this track. This show is open to not only drag cars, but also to street rods, customs, muscle cars and restored vehicles. Over the past 16 years that the reunion has been held I have seen such vehicles as Stone Woods & Cook 1941 Willys Coupe, Jake Vargo's 1963 Ford "Flying Chestnut", Ronnie Evans 1962 Chevy Impala "Wildfire", K. S. Pittman 1933 Willys Coupe, and "The Boss" a 1939 Studebaker Coupe. The whole length of 1/4 mile strip was lined with cars on both sides. Additionally there were a number of cars that had to park in side rows after the strip was full. The nice weather this year was a big factor in making this show one of the most well attended over the 16 years of this reunion.

By Tim Britton



This unrestored Pontiac convertible had the trophies to prove it use to run at Vargo



The way its was: exposed tranny between you legs, skinny clutch peddle, accelerator peddle with a toe strap so you could pull back if the throttle stuck open, hand brake with the chute release switch on the handle.

Odds and Ends



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