

The Original *Pontiaction* Chapter...

The **Keystone State Chapter** **Pontiac Oakland Club International**



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I know, it is not a Pontiac, but this 33 Chrysler Rumble seat Roadster is still COOL, with its suicide Doors, hinged split front window, and dual side mounts



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From the Chief

Hello, Fellow Members,

As we work through another Northeast winter eagerly awaiting spring and another car season, our club remains active preparing for that season.

We recently had our annual business meeting. There were almost 40 members in attendance, and we discussed many important issues. A slate of candidates was nominated and voted on to fill positions for the next two years. Issues regarding our constitution and by-laws were discussed. A committee was formed to work on updating areas that have not been addressed since our club's inception 50 years ago! Karen Britton was added to the leadership team as the club's Secretary. A vote occurred to initiate filling a board seat and the results will be announced soon. We discussed the treasurer report, merchandise report, and an overview of our club shows in 2022.

Our first show of 2023 "GM on Display" will occur in early June. A flyer is included in this newsletter. We are receiving help from Aurora Kapp with contacting vendors to help solicit door prizes for the shows. Thank you, Aurora. Also included in this newsletter is our 2023 calendar of events. There are a lot of good activities planned for 2023, so please check out the calendar.

We had some good debate around a number of topics, none more important than a bus trip being offered, possibly, for October, and whether or not a portion of the clubs' funds should be used to help defray the cost of the trip. Given the success of our 2022 fall trip to Chincoteague, Virginia, we would like to offer another fall trip for 2023. There will be additional discussion before any final call is made.

As you can see, this club continues to focus on activities that will garner membership participation. So, look for the calendar, and please make plans to join us in Don't forget to vote for our own George Burbage in this month's Smoke Signal as he runs for a seat on the national board to POCI. We strongly recommend you support George with your vote.

See ya down the road! Tom

Vintage Race Car Collection in Langhorne: <https://photos.app.goo.gl/Sag9eBaJAhChRRex8>

Jon St.Pierre's 69 Firebird

I've lived in Macungie Pa with my family since 2005, relocated for work, previously lived in lower bucks county. Got started into cars in late teens. I had a few friends and class-mates that had pretty cool cars; camaro, firebird, mustang and I was driving a \$400 '73 montego; not too cool ☹️. So I started saving money, loved building and fixing things and was hoping to get my own cool car to work on and enjoy. Since I didn't know much about cars I asked a neighbor guy who was several years older and was always working on cars including his big block 69 chevelle if he new anyone selling anything. I got talking to him and he said he would help me locate a project car and help me do some work. \$750 later we brought home the 69 Firebird, 350HO, 4 speed, 10 bolt posi, parchment deluxe interior that I have had for the past 4 decades. It wasn't much at the time; had lots of rust, ripped up interior, rod knock, but at least it was drivable. He drove it home for me since at that time I couldn't even drive a manual trans. ☹️.

So that started the addiction; it was all I thought about. Over the next few years saved money and built a 400 for it [the 350 needed a bore job plus I wanted more HP-typical kid]. Several years later saved enough money and a guy recommended a body shop in Langhorne he said did good paint, so I took it there and they were willing to do the body. They had it for a little over a year and after lots of new body parts and paint I was able to bring it home looking awesome. I put it back in the garage/s [a couple different house moves] where it sat, except for the occasional semi annual startup, for a large number of years. Life got in the way; college, marriage, kids. Then a couple years ago my wife said "its time to get that thing on the road; kids are grown and we have a few bucks in the bank". Worked with a couple local sources to get some work done, got it inspected and finally realized my dream after all these years. It still isn't quite done as I am trying to get the interior completed; having a heck of time trying to find someone experienced with those old style headliners, but we take it out every couple weeks for a nice drive reliving my childhood dream. Hope to bring it to the GM show in Macungie this year and looking forward to spending time with others at POCI talking Pontiac shop and sharing memories.



2023 UPCOMING EVENTS

GET EVENT INFO AND PRE-REGISTER AT THE CLUB WEBSITE—

www.kscpoci.org

Jan. 29, Sunday: Board and Planning meeting; Bird-In-Hand Fire House; 12:30 start. Food Provided.

March, April & May: In the works

June 4, Sunday: 44th GM on Display; Macungie Memorial Park, Macungie, PA; there will be a **pre-registration & pay on the website (see flyer in this newsletter)**

June 18, Saturday (Sunday also) Golden Age Air Museum, Bethel, PA (off I-78) Biplanes, Bands, & Cruise In, Free admission for Classic Cars. <https://www.goldenageair.org/> Low key chance to show off our cars and enjoy a great museum and vintage planes coming and going. (not club sponsored)

June 26-July 1, National Convention (51st) – Murfreesboro, TN; www.poc.org

July 22, Saturday: Knoebels, details coming.

August 6, Sunday: Club Day at Das Awkscht Fescht; **Pre-registration only by July 1, get form for Sunday at: www.awkscht.com**

Oct. 1, Sunday: ALL GM show, PADRE PIO SHRINE, Bally, PA

Oct. 14? Saturday: The 12th annual *Flemington Speedway Historical Society Car Show*, Hunterdon County (NJ) Fair Grounds, 1207 NJ-179, Lambertville, NJ 08530 (between Lambertville and Flemington on NJ-179). 600+ of everything you could think of on wheels. Low key chance to show off our cars and enjoy cars, trucks, and race cars, plus flea market. (not club sponsored)

Oct. 14 & 15: Fall Tour in October: In the works; see page 6

November 24, Friday: Black Friday Junk Yard Tour, TBD

December 2, Saturday: Christmas Party, Bird-In-Hand Restaurant, 12:30-4

January (late) 2024, Sunday: Board & Planning Meeting, Bird-In-Hand Fire House; 12:30 start

50 yr

**Richard Stover
George Weaver
Paul Waxmonsky**

45 yr

Mike Krammer

40 yr

**Steve Edling
Chuck Lohrfink
Brenda Steinhauer**

35 yr

**Robert Di Gironimo
Karl Fisher JR
Gary Green**

30 yr

**AJ Koszi
Thomas Wright**

20yr

Mark Wetzel

Celebrating the Long Termers



Welcome New Members

William Carpenter

Dale Merrill

Yvonne & Bob Musser

**Jon St. Pierre
(see his article on pg 3)**

**AND long time MIA
member:
William Ewing III**



October 2-day Tour

Plans are being made for our 2 day bus tour this Fall. Save the dates of Oct 14 & 15th!

We tried to book a trip to the Flight 93 memorial, but hotels were already sold out in the area for WE ARE! PENN STATE! So we will try that trip next year with the hopes of away football games.

So, I then set my sight on everyone's 2nd choice and everything is coming together great. We will be adding a 2nd pick up location this year in Hershey with the 1st pick up at the Boyertown Museum, as was the case in 2022. Hopefully our members from the central part of the state can join us there.

We will spend the first day in Hershey at the museum, the library and the back working buildings of AACA. Sunday we will head south to the National Aquarium in Baltimore and then Fort McHenry, before we head back to Hershey for stop one and then to Boyertown for stop two. Details to follow.

If interested or if you have any questions email or call me, Karen Britton at kscpocimembership@gmail.com or by phone at 267-374-2799

EDITOR'S NOTE:

Your no doubt noticed two extra car shows listed on the Calendar of Events. One is at the Golden Age Air Museum in Bethal, PA. This is an operating grass airport with the museum. The other is the show at the Hunterdon County (NJ) Fairgrounds. Although these are not club sponsored events, the planners felt these represented special opportunities to "show the flag" for Oakland, Pontiac, and GMC as well as be part of outstanding events.

See you on the show field, Dick



44th Annual General Motors on Display



Cadillac



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

LOCATION - Macungie Memorial Park (home of Das Awkscht Fesch), Rt. 100, center of Macungie, Pa.

DATE/TIME **Sunday, June 4, 2023 (Rain or Shine) Registration 9:00 am -12:00 Noon**

CLASSES - The show is open to all General Motors cars and trucks.
Cars will be parked in the order they arrive, special requests will be considered

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, \$15.00 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 24, 2023 Keep the top and send the registration form only

You can also pre-register on-line at <http://www.kscpoci.org>

GENERAL MOTORS ON DISPLAY - PRE-REGISTRATION Form I am unable to attend please keep me on your mailing list

DEADLINE: Detach and return by May 24, 2023 **SEND** Checks/Money Order or pre-register on-line

PAYABLE TO: Keystone State Chapter P.O.C.I. **MAIL TO:** Don Haley, 9 Beryl Road, Paoli, PA 19301

ENCLOSE: \$10.00 per vehicle, \$15.00 per 20'x20 vendor space

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:** _____

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