

SUMMER 2012 NEWSLETTER

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CHAPTER



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FROM THE CHIEF

By Scott Shuman

I haven't had much time to do anything recreational this summer but I did learn how to be the "bad" uncle. Let me explain. My niece and nephew, 12 and 14, who I haven't seen in almost ten years came to visit with my Sister and Brother in law. His mother had emailed ahead that my nephew who love to drive a tractor. I need to add that he is a San Diego/California kid, not from Kansas or Iowa. Stef drove my Oliver 60 so I figured a 14 year old boy would have no trouble. So I get him in the seat and show the basics, brakes, ignition, clutch. Start it up and with me standing on the tractor right next to him, off we go. He is doing really well so I jump off and watch for a while. Acres of room for him to tool around at maybe 2 miles per hour. He is a natural. My Niece wanted a ride in the convertible, so I took her and her Mom for a ride. Came back to my Nephew still tooling around at 2 mph, grinning from ear to ear. Less than a minute later, as I stood in the lane talking to my Sister in law, I turn to see my Nephew drive my farm implement right into the side of his fathers rental car! Uh Oh! It looked bad from my angle. I guess it looked bad from every angle. I run over to the scene to find his Father screaming at him. But the kid was good. he managed to hit the front tire of the rental car with the tricycle front of the tractor! Not a mark on the car. Lucky for me, and my Nephew. No more ear to ear grin. My Nephew learned a lesson about life, and I just learned how to be a bad Uncle.

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MAKE _____ MODEL _____ YEAR _____

2012 UPCOMING EVENTS

YOUR BEST SOURCE OF THE LATEST INFO IS THE CLUB WEBSITE—

www.kscpoci.org

Mar 17 (Sat): Spring Tour; America on Wheels near Allentown and Dave's Interior Restorations in Emmaus (see web site)

**May 6 (Sun.): GM on Display at Macungie, PA; Contact Don Haley at 610-640-7464.
Print the registration form from www.kscpoci.org**

June 3 ?? (Sunday): All Pontiac Show at Burdette Bros., 1909 Urbana Pick (Rt. 355); Hyattstown, MD; Hosted by Nat'l Capital Area Chapter POCI; Contact Joan Richardson at richardson13@cox.net

June 16 (Sat.) Performance Years All Pontiac Show and GTOAA Eastern Regional Meet in Lansdale, PA; Contact Steve Liebert 215-322-9636; Anyone planning on attending the Performance Years Pontiac Show, you will notice on the registration form a "promotional code" bottom right. When filling out the application and inserting the promotion code in the box you will receive and additional 5.00 off your pre-registration making the total 15.00. You must use the promotion code to receive the additional 5.00 off or your pre-reg will be 20.00. The promotional code is: **SVGTO** Day of show is 30.00 and the promotional code will **NOT** be honored. Pre-reg is highly suggested so adequate space can be allocated per class, at ½ off the day of show registration it will be worth it.
<http://pyopenhouse.eventbrite.com/>

June 30 (Sat.): Mid-year membership meeting (11am) and fun event; Pavilion 'P3' at Knoebels Grove, Rt 487 east of Elysburg PA and west of Sunbury, PA; contact Ralph Keller at 570-326-9237

July 17-21: POCI National Convention; St. Charles, IL; see POCI web site: www.poci.org

Aug 3, 4, & 5: NOTE: you must pre-register Das Awkscht Fescht at Macungie, PA; club day is Sunday Aug. 5 ; Contact Don Haley at 610-640-7464 or chiefpontiac1@aol.com

Aug 18: SVGTO's show Rain Date August 25, 2012; Amos Herr park in Landisville (Lancaster); Link to event: <http://svgto.com/2012allpontiacshow.htm>

Sept 23 (Sun.): Fall meet at AW Golden's FasTrack Car Care Center; north side of Reading, PA; 1/4 mi. north on HY61 from HY12; Contact Frank Kept at 610-367-6664 or fkemp@dejazzd.com

Oct 20 or 27: Fall Driving Tour; TBD; details on the web site

Nov 23: Junkyard tour, Friday after Thanksgiving—Wrightstown Auto in Penns Park, Pa. (no. of Richboro); contact Steve Liebert at 215-322-9636

Dec 1 (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, \$20/person; contact Jim Martin at 717-393-3031

Jan 6, 2013: Board and Membership Meeting; 1pm, Bird-In-Hand Fire Co., at the underpass on HY 340; contact Jim Martin at 717-393-3031

GM on Display

The weather forecast, sunny and 71 degrees, what did we get? Overcast and drizzly, maybe 60 degrees. Therefore, the weather put a real damper on our overall turnout. Even still, we drew 141 cars and 11 vendors on the show field. Thanks to all those who threw caution to the wind and brought out their prized possessions for all to enjoy.

Once again, we shared the show field with the Pet Show, and as last year, both events seemed to feed off each other. There was plenty of room for both events, and though unrelated, having an added interest for both car and pet fans, served to create an air of excitement for both sides.

All in all things ran smoothly, as we had a good crew, both at registration and on the show field. We would like to thank all the K.S.C. members who pitched in and lent a hand. It was a job well done.

Spread the word, our 35th Annual GM on Display will be held on Sunday May 5, 2013. This event will celebrate and present a featured class. Our choice for the 2013 season is CLASS 1 vehicles – 1897 – 1942. All pre-registered participants in this class will be recognized and receive a special certificate of participation.

Once again, K.S.C. Board members, as well as other chapter members (especially Brenda Steinhauer) out did themselves scouting local businesses for some awesome door prizes. We hope that you will support the following business for supporting the 34th Annual GM on Display:

Advanced Auto Parts, Shillington Road, Sinking Spring

Auto Zone, Penn Avenue, Sinking Spring

Auto Zone, 5th Highway, Reading

Meguiars

Pep boys, 5th Street Highway, Reading

Quigley Chevrolet, Bally, PA

We hope to see you all next year, same time, same place.

By co-chairs Don & Rosemary Haley



Performance Years Show - Saturday June 16, 2012

by Bill McIntosh

For the second year in a row, Performance Years Pontiac and Pypes Performance Exhaust sponsored its open house and, on Saturday, its combined All Pontiac, Mustang and hot rod show at its headquarters in Lansdale, Pennsylvania. The weather was perfect - sunny, crystal blue sky and temperatures in the mid-70's to low 80's. Having missed the show last year, I did not know what to expect and it was a wonderful surprise. I considered the show was a big success with a reported car count was 427. Frankly it looked bigger to me.

The Pontiac field had the largest showing of cars. If you love GTOs, you can't miss this show next year. While probably 75% were of the Pontiacs were GTOs, there was a nice showing of full-sized cars, hot rods and racing Pontiacs.

The Mustang field held a wonderful array of cars from Ford Motor Company and there was also a quite large and diverse field of hot rods available to see. Interestingly, many of the hot rods in that field were actually full-blown drag racing machines and clearly ready for the track.

Entertainment was in the form of a disk jockey followed by two, live, back-to-back bands. As usual, the sound system was cranked up way too far for me! The audio guys had trouble getting the second band up and running and they didn't start until well after 3:00 PM. This meant that awards did not get started until 4:30 and by then, many of the cars and drivers had left for home. This issue should be addressed to the sponsors for next year's event. Concessions were available for lunch which did a brisk business most of the day.

The two cars I wanted to take home were a set (yes, two of them) of 1961 Bonneville convertibles. Both were frame up restorations. One white and one blue with a white top. For the George Heim trophy, I had to pick the blue one. It was a bit sharper with the blue paint, had correct bias ply tires with correct period/size white walls but it was a tough call - so many beautiful cars, not just these '61's.

The winner of the trophy was Martin Hirsch who has homes in New Jersey and New York. The car, a 1961 Bonneville convertible in bright blue and white top and leather interior. It had a high performance 389 V8 and was fitted with a manual four speed transmission and floor mounted shifter - all very rare. In addition the car had a "QQ" tag (historic plate) with the plate number reading "KOOL61". Obviously, he got extra points for that. If you want to read more about Martin and his Pontiacs, pick up the February 2012 issue of *Smoke Signals* with the featured article titled "Harley Earl's Pearls." For those of you who missed the show, you should make plans for next year. If the weather is anything like it was for this year's show, it will be even bigger and better next year.



Mid-Year Picnic and Board Meeting

The annual mid year board meeting and picnic, took place at Knoebel's Groves, on Saturday, June 30th. We gathered and visited prior to the meeting at Noon, and then spent about an hour laying out club plans for the balance of the year, as well as reviewing what has happened to date. We discussed all upcoming events, including the convention, as well as the fall meet, a possible fall tour, junk yard tour locations, and the Christmas Party.

Attendance was lower than previous years, but included: Ralph and Peggy Keller, Frank Kemp, Jim Martin, Steve Leibert, Merle Wright, and the Lamb/Steinhauer families. Member Gary Kahn arrived after the formal meeting portion, and unfortunately most of us missed meeting up with him. About 1 PM we proceeded to the park for some great food and fun. The weather was good, and nice and hot for getting wet on the water rides. Some of us did manage to get soaked thoroughly, while some took on tamer forms of entertainment. All had a great time, and look forward to next year.

By Ralph Keller



Spring Tour to America on Wheels, near Allentown



Odds and Ends



'36 Chevy Pickup seen at Russian River Vineyards near Sebastapol, California

'67 Pontiac mild custom seen in a restaurant parking lot south of San Francisco, California



'56 Ford "bearing" it all at the observation point at the north end of the Golden Gate Bridge

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Keystone State Chapter Membership Information

For general information, contact Richard Stover at
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Annual Chapter dues are \$15.00 payable in **January, 2012**. You must be a member of POCI National FIRST before joining a chapter. Send dues payable to KSC-POCI, c/o Rick Harding; 314 Reinholds Rd.; Denver, PA 17517

For Pontiac-Oakland Club International information write: POCI; P.O. Box 9569; Bradenton, FL 34206; or call: 941-750-9234

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