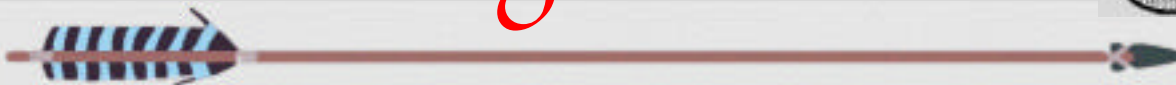


# The Straight Arrow



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# President's Message

Well it's November already. Just one more car show to go and the old cars go into the garage for repairs, restoration or just plain old storage until next spring. The Toys for Tots Car show is our next Club event and it's important that everybody participate to maximize our Clubs donation to this very worthwhile charity. It will take a big effort to top last years success but I think it will happen and as a result we will again make a fairly large donation of toys.

The effort we make to give back to the community is a very important and worthwhile attribute of the Club. The annual Toys for Tots effort is commendable and well thought of not only by the old car people but by the community as a whole. In addition to this, last years large monetary donation to the Wish Upon a Star Foundation was just fantastic. We all should be proud of ourselves for this work and these gifts back to the community.

What about the future? Will we continue what we've started? I don't doubt that the Toys for Tots Car Show will continue. I'm beginning to think that car owners almost expect this event annually as I got questions in May about when it would be this year. What about other events? Is it time that we start thinking more about a charity benefit factor within other functions that we participate in or manage? The upcoming spring Madera Car Show is a good example. Last year we made a pretty good profit on this show. How about a charity benefit as part of this show next year? As Brian has stated—how about a donation of the "net proceeds?" The Club can surely afford it and it would give us another opportunity to give back to the community. I think we should all give this some thought and be open to discussion on the issue when the time comes.

Bill Richards

# Minutes of the October 9, 2006 Meeting

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 pm by President elect Bill Richards.

There were no visitors or guests present.

Minutes of the September 11, 2006 meeting were approved.

The Treasurer's report was read by Bill Trickell and approved.

The Newsletter report was given by Sam Fisher, and everything is going smoothly. If anybody is not receiving the newsletter contact Sam and let him know.

The Webmaster report was given by Brian Massey. Send pictures and items of interest to be posted.

Activities report by Joel Garrett - Previous activities

-Gayle Huls gave a report on the Ronald McDonald House event. The evening was a big success with several of the P.O.C.C members and their wives attending. Gayle reported that next year the event may have to be moved to another location.

-The San Simeon cruise was a big success. There was plenty of good food to go around. Thanks to Bill & Judy for all of their hard work and the use of the house. Thanks also to Dan Seibert for organizing the cruise.

Upcoming activities

-Mystery Cruise / Pizza Cruise - October 28<sup>th</sup>. Members are to meet at the Krispy Kreme at Blackstone & Nees at 12:30 pm and depart at 1:00 pm.

-P.O.C.C. Toys for Tots car show is Nov. 4<sup>th</sup> at the Toys R Us parking lot at Sunnyside & Shaw in Clovis.

-P.O.C.C. Christmas party is Saturday Dec. 2<sup>nd</sup> 6pm @ Elaine and Sam Fisher's home in

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Minutes continued.....

Madera.

There was no Old Business to discuss.

New Business

Club officers nominations for 2007

-President- Greg Griggs nominated

-V-Pres. - Dave Valla nominated

-Treasurer - Bill Truckell nominated

-Secretary - Dennis Schwarz nominated

-Activities - Carl Smith nominated

Sam Fisher will be making a new roster with phone and cell numbers. Contact Sam and make sure he has your correct phone number and cell number. He will send out the new list as soon as he has all the information.

As there was no further business to discuss, the attendance drawing was done. This month's winner was Mike Heinz who was not in attendance. Sorry Mike. Next month the drawing will be for \$40. See you all there and good luck.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:52 pm.

Respectfully, Dennis Schwarz



## Car Songs

Now I know most, if not all, have heard the car songs from the '50s, '60s and the '70s. There are the more popular ones, Little Duce Coupe, Deadman's Curve, The Little Ole Lady From Pasadena, Little Cobra and of course the most famous of all Little GTO. But Johnny Cash put out a car song in 1976 called One Piece At A Time. Its rather funny and clever all in one. Its about a guy working in Detroit who devises a plan to, well read the words, you'll get the idea.

### One Piece At A Time

Well, I left Kentucky back in '49  
An' went to Detroit workin' on a 'sembly line  
The first year they had me puttin' wheels on  
cadillacs  
Every day I'd watch them beauties roll by  
And sometimes I'd hang my head and cry  
'Cause I always wanted me one that was long  
and black.

One day I devised myself a plan  
That should be the envy of most any man  
I'd sneak it out of there in a lunchbox in my  
hand  
Now gettin' caught meant gettin' fired  
But I figured I'd have it all by the time I retired  
I'd have me a car worth at least a hundred  
grand.

### CHORUS

I'd get it one piece at a time  
And it wouldn't cost me a dime  
You'll know it's me when I come through your  
town  
I'm gonna ride around in style  
I'm gonna drive everybody wild  
'Cause I'll have the only one there is a round.

So the very next day when I punched in  
With my big lunchbox and with help from my  
friends  
I left that day with a lunch box full of gears  
Now, I never considered myself a thief  
GM wouldn't miss just one little piece

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# Coastal Cruise Big Success (AGAIN)



Once again, the Pontiacs of Central California had a fun weekend on our second annual San Simeon/Cayucos cruise. We owe a big THANK YOU to Dan, Bill, Judy.

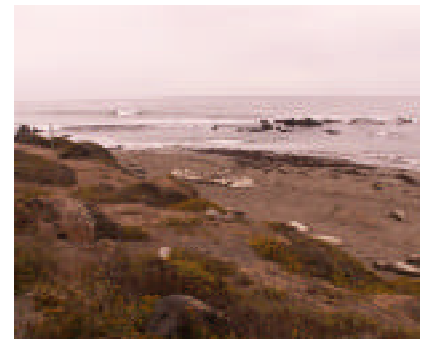
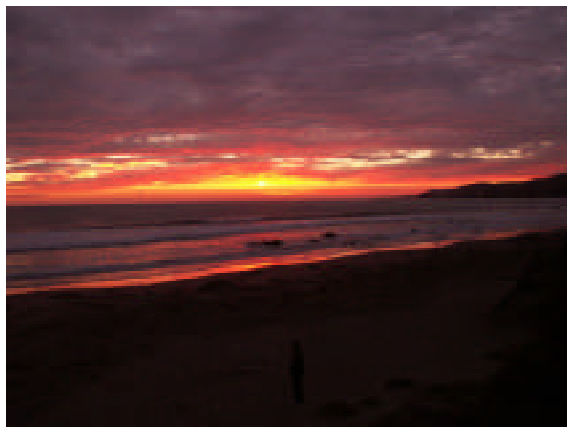
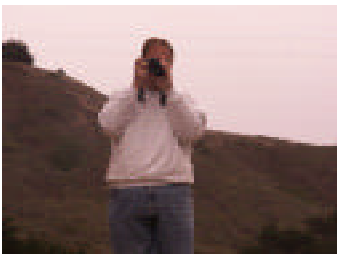
Members had an enjoyable cruise over to a beautiful picturesque picnic area in San Simeon where we enjoyed a pleasant lunch overlooking the Pacific Ocean to the west and Hurst Castle to the east. Then we checked into our motel, relaxed for a while before heading over to Cayucos where the Truckell's beach house was opened to members for a club sponsored BBQ tri-tip and chicken dinner. After eating our fill and then some, we walked across the street to the beach and had a huge bonfire in the sand. Some who were still hungry toasted and pigged out on marshmallows.

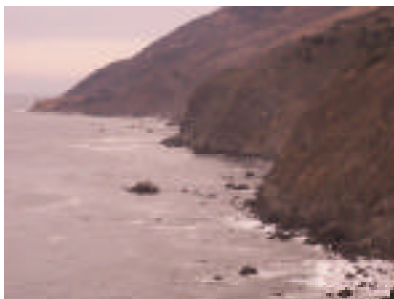
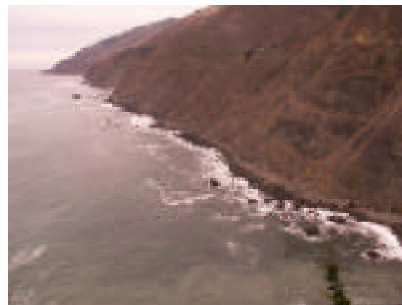
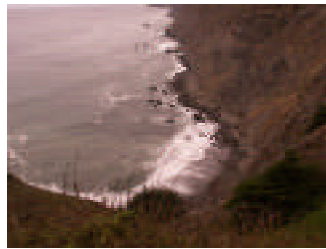


On Sunday morning members cruised to Ragged Point for some photo ops, then down the beach to see some walrus seals and after lunch headed back to Fresno. The weather turned a bit damp on the drive home and several of us arrived home with some very, very dirty cars, but this did not detract from the great weekend.



Again, THANK YOU, Judy, Bill and Dan for planning and hosting what has become the POCC activity of the year.





# Upcoming Events

**(POCC Club events are in bold).**

POCC monthly meetings are held at the Denny's at 710 West Shaw in Clovis. Order dinner between 6:00 and 6:30, meetings start at 7:00 pm.

## November:

**4th: 7th Annual Toys for Tot's All Car, Truck & Motorcycle Show. Show will be at the Toy's R Us parking lot, Shaw at Sunnyside in Clovis, CA. The show will be from 11am to 3pm, and will include some special surprise awards. Entry fee is any unwrapped toy with a value of \$10.00 or greater. The show is Rain or Shine! If it's raining, please stop by and drop off your toy and meet some great Marines. You will also be supplied with hot coffee, coco and cookies. For more info contact Dennis Schwarz, 323-1064 or Carl Smith, 834-4933.**

**13th: Monthly Meeting; Meet in the banquet room at Denny's, 710 W. Shaw Ave. Clovis CA. 559-298-8706. Dinner at 6:30pm, meeting at 7 to 8:30pm.**

## December:

**2nd: Christmas Party hosted by the Fishers in Madera. See flyer in this newsletter for directions, times and what to bring. Please join us for what is always a great evening. For our Christmas wish this year we will wish for Good Food, Great Friends and No Fog. OK so that's three wishes!!!!**

**REMEMBER: There will NOT be a meeting at Denny's in Clovis for December.**

One Piece At A Time continued.....

Especially if I strung it out over several years.  
The first day I got me a fuel pump  
And the next day I got me an engine and a trunk  
Then I got me a transmission and all of the chrome

The little things I could get in my big lunchbox  
Like nuts, an' bolts, and all four shocks  
But the big stuff we snuck out in my buddy's mobile home.

Now, up to now my plan went all right  
'Til we tried to put it all together one night  
And that's when we noticed that something was definitely wrong.

The transmission was a '53  
And the motor turned out to be a '73  
And when we tried to put in the bolts all the holes were gone.

So we drilled it out so that it would fit  
And with a little bit of help with an A-daptor kit

We had that engine runnin' just like a song

Now the headlight' was another sight  
We had two on the left and one on the right  
But when we pulled out the switch all three of 'em come on.

The back end looked kinda funny too  
But we put it together and when we got thru  
Well, that's when we noticed that we only had one tail-fin

About that time my wife walked out  
And I could see in her eyes that she had her doubts

But she opened the door and said "Honey, take me for a spin."

So we drove up town just to get the tags  
And I headed her right on down main drag  
I could hear everybody laughin' for blocks around

But up there at the court house they didn't laugh

'Cause to type it up it took the whole staff  
And when they got through the title weighed sixty pounds.



## CHORUS

I got it one piece at a time  
And it didn't cost me a dime  
You'll know it's me when I come through your town  
I'm gonna ride around in style  
I'm gonna drive everybody wild  
'Cause I'll have the only one there is around.

(Spoken) Ugh! Yow, RED RYDER  
This is the COTTON MOUTH  
In the PSYCHO-BILLY CADILLAC Come on  
Huh, This is the COTTON MOUTH  
And negatory on the cost of this mow-chine  
there RED RYDER  
You might say I went right up to the factory  
And picked it up, it's cheaper that way  
Ugh!, what model is it?  
Well, It's a '49, '50, '51, '52, '53, '54, '55, '56  
'57, '58' 59' automobile  
It's a '60, '61, '62, '63, '64, '65, '66, '67  
'68, '69, '70 automobile.

Recorded 1/28/76 in Nashville, Tennessee.  
Released 1976.  
Produced by Don Davis & Charlie Bragg.

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## Club Officers Nominations for 2007

President- Greg Griggs  
V-Pres. - Dave Valla  
Treasurer - Bill Truckell and Dennis Baker  
Secretary - Dennis Schwarz  
Activities - Carl Smith  
Newsletter editor and Webmaster for 2007 will  
be appointed by the new officers.



## For Sale

**Tempest, GTO & LeMans** 1964 to 1967 parts. Left & right fenders, some trim, lenses and miscellaneous parts. Call Andy Hoff at (559) 298-4527 for complete list and prices.

**Weather striping, seat covers, head liners,** sun visors, seat belts and carpets for most makes and models. Call Dennis Baker, (559) 322-8441.

**Miscellaneous 69 Firebird parts.** Convertible brackets, pump and cylinders. Hood, tail lights, dash, grills, rear seat springs and console. Also a 66 GTO rear bumper and miscellaneous trim. Call Victor Weitzel at (559) 692-2900.

**1964 Pontiac Bonneville** four door hard top. Owner thinks engine is a 421 but not positive. Automatic trans, 4 barrel carb, brakes recently replaced, 14 inch wheels with hub caps. Original car including interior but may have been painted during its lifetime. Car is "mostly" all there but needs restoration. Car runs but has blockage in the tank or fuel lines. Asking \$2500. Call Mike—209-966-4183

**1965 Mustang GT coupe.** Is apart and had some rust issues but is supposed to be complete including original 289 engine, factory AC, etc. Call Mike—209-966-4183





Pontiacs of Central California (POCC) is a club for owners and lovers of Pontiacs. The club members range from young guys and gals to old guys, who own all types of Pontiacs from the Muscle to the Luxury cars. A few members don't even own Pontiacs, they simply like them. Club dues are \$24 per calendar year or \$2.00 per month for the remainder of any calendar year. Members must also join the Pontiac/Oakland Club International (POCI). POCI dues are \$31 per year and includes a subscription to the POCI monthly magazine - "Smoke Signals". The magazine alone is worth the \$31. It's full of interesting Pontiac stories, tips on doing Pontiac things, as well as free advertising for members. Since this magazine goes out world wide, it is a great place to find parts or that special Pontiac you have been searching for.

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Club meetings are held the second Monday of each month at the Denny's restaurant at 710 West Shaw in Clovis. Meetings start at 7:00 pm. Please feel free to join us.

November 2006

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