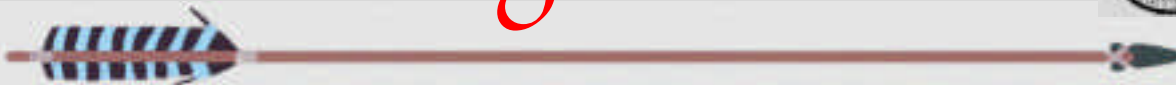


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# President's Message

HAPPY NEW YEAR EVERYONE!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

Well its 2008 and I get to be your leader for the next 12 months. I can't remember exactly how many times in the past I have been the club President, but it's quite a few. And to tell you the truth I kind of enjoy being club Pres., I must, or I would stop saying yes when I am nominated.

I am going to admit something else to you guys and gals, I really look forward to the monthly meetings. And when a club activity is planned for an upcoming weekend, I find myself counting the days for that Saturday or Sunday to arrive.

Now the question I ask myself is Why? I am sure part of it is a chance to drive one of my old cars, but in reality I can drive them whenever I want to, so that can't be the whole reason for my anticipation. Then it must be that there is usually food at our club get togethers, and it's no secret that I like to eat, but again, I can pretty much eat whenever, and wherever I want (and sometimes my company even pays) so its not the food. A chance to get away from the wife?, No she usually accompanies me. So what's the big draw?? I hate to admit it but YOU ARE!!! Yes, I really enjoy seeing you guys and gals. You are a great bunch of people. The cars we own are only a small part of what we share as members of POCC. Its all of you being yourselves that make this club an organization that I feel proud to be a part of and to serve as club President as often as you'll have me.

I am sure most of you feel the same way, and the members that do not, probably haven't been able to attend as many club gatherings as the rest (and wish they could).

Well I am here to say that all of you are formally invited to show up as often as you

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# A Special Thank You

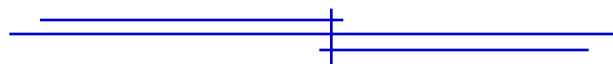
Hi Everyone,

This Concerns the Villa Family Burn Funds. I want to thank all the members of POCC, with a special thanks to; Joel & Judy, And y & Diana, Brian & Janet, Keith & Ellie and Dennis Schwarz, for your great generousities. I am proud to say that the POCC and its members has donated a total of \$450.00 to the Villa Family Burn Fund. This is just fantastic! I thank you and the Villa Family thanks you, I am sure that each and everyone of you will at sometime or somehow will be greatly rewarded for you thoughtfulness and generosity. I hope that all of you feel great pride in yourselves.

This is what makes me very proud to be a member of such a great club. It has so many kind, thoughtful and giving members. In promise to you all that I will try and attend all the club functions as I possibly can and do whatever it takes to keep this the greatest club in the Central Valley or maybe all of California.

Thanks again to all of you!

Carl Smith and the Villa Family



# Why Did The Chicken Cross The Road?

*In this an Election Year (don't everyone clap at once now), I thought it would be interesting to find out what some of our Politicians thought about that age old question, Why did the chicken cross the road??*

**GEORGE W. BUSH:** We don't really care why the chicken crossed the road. We just want to know if the chicken is on our side of the road, or not. The chicken is either against us, or for us. There is no middle ground here.

**COLIN POWELL:** Now to the left of the screen, you can clearly see the satellite image of the chicken crossing the road...

**JOHN KERRY:** Although I voted to let the chicken cross the road, I am now against it! It was the wrong road to cross, and I was misled about the chicken's intentions. I am not for it now, and will remain against it.

**BILL CLINTON:** I did not cross the road with THAT chicken. What is your definition of chicken?

**AL GORE:** I invented the chicken!

**DICK CHENEY:** Where's my gun?

And of course we want to hear from the newspeople and what they think, because as you all know, the public has a right to know:

**ANDERSON COOPER - CNN:** We have reason to believe there is a chicken, but we have not yet been allowed to have access to the other side of the road.

Maybe next month we can hear from some other famous people about how they feel about the chicken.

# New Officer's for 2008

Listed below are your new officers for the 2008 year.

President- Joel Garrett

V-Pres. - Dave Valla

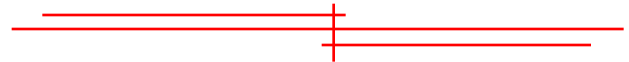
Treasurer - Dennis Baker

Secretary - Dennis Schwarz

Activities - Greg Griggs

Newsletter - Sam Fisher

Webmaster - Brian Massey



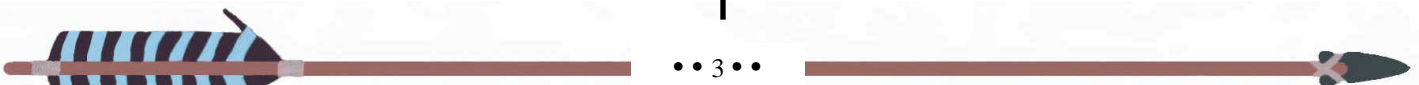
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possibly can to any and all club functions, and I guarantee you will begin to feel the same way I do about this fantastic organization.

I hope to see everyone at the January meeting. Remember the show starts at 7 pm.

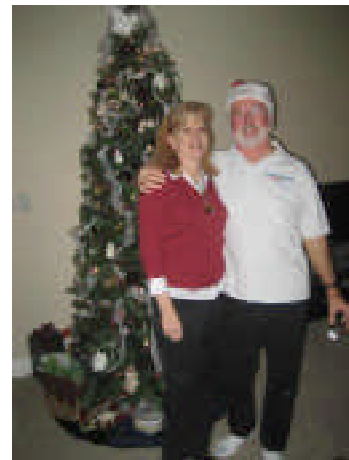
HAPPY NEW YEAR

Joel



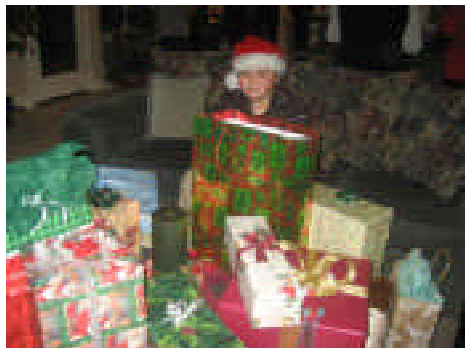
# Club Christmas Party A Great Ending To Another Great Year

The annual POCC Christmas Party, hosted by Janet and Brian Massey at their new home was the perfect ending to another great POCC year. First and foremost we want to thank Janet and Brian for hosting the party, their new home is beautiful and they had it decorated to the max to help us celebrate the Christmas Season.



Great job to you both, think you can outdo yourselves next year. OK, maybe I'm getting a little ahead of myself. Everyone, I'm sure had a great time and if you didn't get enough to eat, then it was your own fault, as the food was plentiful and delicious.

Brian does want to know who drank almost all of his beer though, it seems we left him with exactly only one glass full in the keg. I have to admit, I helped a little bit with the beer consumption, it was very, very good Brian (nothing like a tall cold glass of draft beer).

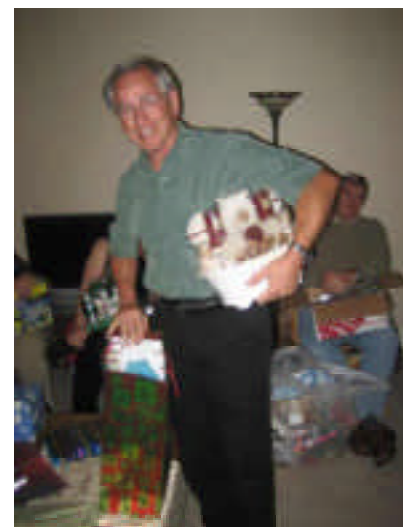


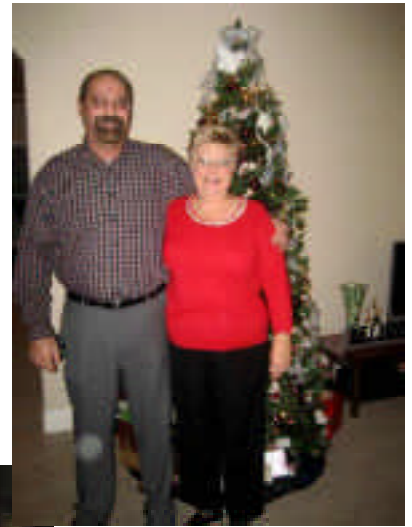
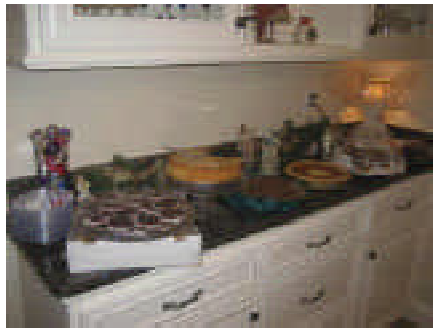
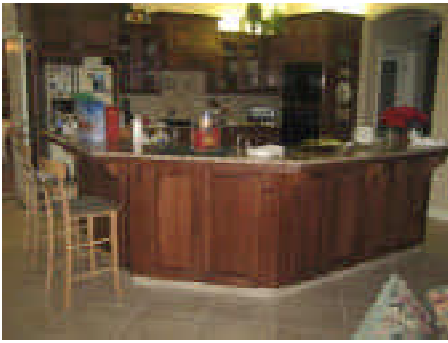
The Pirate gift exchange was one of the hits of the evening with everyone going home with that one special gift, even if they didn't want it. Some might even have found something to pass on to a loved (or unloved one) for Christmas. I think I did hear someone remark that this was a great place to shop for the grouchy next door neighbor or the Mother In Law.



We will now let the pictures do the talking!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

I sure Greg really enjoyed the party, knowing he does not have to write anymore President's messages or run any more meetings. Great job last year as President Greg, Thanks for "volunteering" for the job.





*This is the reason so many people start diets after the Holidays!!  
Thanks to everyone who brought all of this yummy food.*

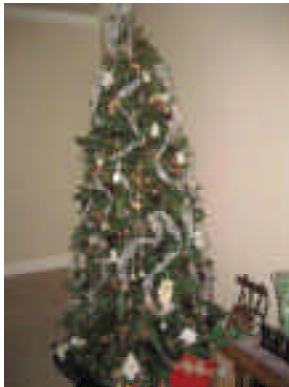


*Congratulations to Joel for winning the 2008 POCC President's job. Even if you had someone to run against, I'm sure we would have all voted for you anyway Joel??????*



*Thanks to Ron for all of the great pictures.*

*Dennis did a masterful job carving the ham. It appears that being a chef is a secondary job for firefighters.*



# Upcoming Events

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

POCC monthly meetings are held at the Yosemite Falls Cafe, Highway 99 and Ashlan. Meetings start at 7:00 pm.

## January

**14th:** *General Membership Meeting at the Yosemite Falls Café.*

## February

**11th:** *General Membership Meeting at the Yosemite Falls Café.*

## March

**10th:** *General Membership Meeting at the Yosemite Falls Café.*

## April

**14th:** *General Membership Meeting at the Yosemite Falls Café.*

Central Valley Classic Car Show; Due to being the Host Club for the 2008 Western Regional Convention, we will not be holding our regular annual car show. Look for it's glorious return on Saturday April 25th, 2009.

## May

**12th:** *General Membership Meeting at the Yosemite Falls Café.*

## June

**9th:** *General Membership Meeting at the Yosemite Falls Café.*

## July

**14th:** *General Membership Meeting at the Yosemite Falls Café.*

## August

**11th:** *General Membership Meeting at the Yosemite Falls Café.*

## September

**8th:** *General Membership Meeting at the Yosemite Falls Café.*

**25th-28th:** *Western Regional Pontiac/Oakland Convention:* The convention starts on Thursday night and concludes Sunday; all at the the beautiful Pines Resort at Bass Lake. Info to follow.

## October

**13th:** *General Membership Meeting at the Yosemite Falls Café.*

## November

**8th:** *Toys for Tots Car Show; Info to follow.*

**10th:** *General Membership Meeting at the Yosemite Falls Café.*

## December

**?th;** *Annual Christmas Party; Info to follow*



## 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) 760-2313.

**Four original wire wheel covers** for a 68 Firebird that I once owned. They are in good condition. Call Mike at (559) 846-6584

## Yearly Dues Are Due

Just a reminder that your POCC 2008 dues are due. Dues are still \$24.00 and have not increased one cent since the club was started 15 years ago. What a bargain. Dennis will be happy to accept your check and will probably even take cash.

Dues not paid by the first of March will see you dropped from the active roles, no longer eligible for the monthly drawing and having your name removed from the newsletter mailing list. So pay early and avoid all that hassle.

Also don't forget to pay your POCI dues when that membership expires. All POCC members must also be members of POCI.

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# PONTIACS



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 Yosemite Falls Cafe, Highway 99 and Ashlan Ave in Fresno, CA. Meetings starts at 7:00 pm.



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