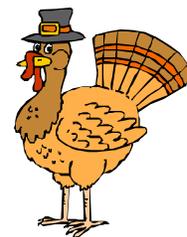


# The Straight Arrow



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*Happy Thanksgiving*

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# President's Message

I get kind of depressed this time of year. Not because the weather is changing and Winter will soon be here, or that the holidays are almost upon us. What depresses me is this is the time of year where some of the different organizations I belong to nominate and elect their officers for the following year. The other night was the monthly meeting for an organization I belong to that has to do with the industry I am involved with professionally. The current officers have pretty much served the organization in one capacity or another for as long as I have been involved (sound familiar). When it came time for officer nominations for next year, just about everybody had some reason that they could not serve. It pretty much came down to the statement that according to the Association By-Law, the office of President and Secretary are the only two required jobs that must be filled. It was then explained that if the only member that would consider being President (had done it many times before) would serve again, the Association would probably only have two meetings next year. One to set the agenda for the year, and one at the end of the year to elect "new officers". This is what the By-Laws required.

This brings me back to our club. Every year we go around the room looking for someone, anyone who would be willing to serve as club officers. Sometimes I am worried that the waitress will agree to be club President because we all are such good tippers. As you know, Sam Fisher, after serving as newsletter editor (forever), cannot take on this responsibility next year. So far, we have no newsletter editor for 2009. I guess the club can survive without a newsletter. I am not sure if the By-Laws say we must have a newsletter, but the two or three of us that read it will miss it if we do not have one. I am not sure what other things the club can do without

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# Minutes of October 13, 2008 Meeting

The meeting was called to order at 7:05pm by President elect Joel Garrett.

There were no guests in attendance.

Since the September minutes were not in the newsletter, copies were passed around for review. The minutes for September were approved.

A Treasurer's report was made by Dennis Baker. Dennis asked that any outstanding receipts for the Regional be turned into him as soon as possible.

Sam fisher gave a Newsletter report. He said that there were some printer problems.

Brian Massey gave a Website update. In the last 2 weeks there have been 650 hits on the Western Regional.

## Old Business

Brian brought a copy of the Madera newspaper. There was a very nice article about the Western Regional with several pictures.

Dennis Baker gave a financial report on the results of the Western Regional. There will be a further breakdown at next months meeting.

Nominations for officers of the P.O.C.C. for 2009

President — Carl Smith  
Vice President — Bill Richards  
Secretary — Dave Valla  
Treasurer — Bill Truckell  
Activities — Judy Kaspar & Judy Garrett  
Appointed positions  
Newsletter — Janet Massey  
Webmaster — ( pending )

Brian Massey brought up the idea of getting Jim Wangers to attend our Central Valley Classic in April. A motion was made by Ron

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Berglund to get Jim Wangers to attend the 2009 Central Valley Classic Show if he was going to be available.. The motion passed.

Brian Massey brought up the idea of making the presentation of the proceeds from the Western Regional at Valley Children's Hospital with a group of the P.O.C.C. club cars and Don Bonander present/assisting with the presentation. There was some discussion on having the presentation done at Don Bonanders dealership while Jim Wangers is in town for the Central Valley Classic. There was more discussion and this matter will be decided at a later date.

#### Activities

##### Past activities

Chubby's "Big money night" - Some P.O.C.C. members did quite well. Keith Watts won the first money drawing \$250. The big winner of the evening was our own Dave Valla. He had to go home and tell his wife that he had won the \$1,000 grand prize. Congradulations to Dave & Keith for having a great night. Sean Ford said that next year they will try to make this event even bigger (\$\$\$\$\$) and better.

It was decided to make the donation to Sean Ford's Chubby's night on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday in April. This will be the week prior to the Central Valley Classic Show.

##### Upcoming activities

The Capp's Powder Coating tour was rescheduled to Oct. 25<sup>th</sup>. Club members wanting to attend should contact Keith Watts. The members attending will meet at the Brooks Ranch parking lot at 9:30am for the tour at 10:00am.

P.O.C.C. Toys for Tots Car Show - November 8<sup>th</sup> - The Show will be from 11:00am to 3:00pm. Be there about 8:30am for set up. Dave Valla will be doing a 50-50 raffle. The proceed s will be to buy more toys.

President's message continued.....

because the By-Laws do not require it, but it is kind of depressing. You see I do not remember anything in the By-laws requiring that all members are required to have fun and FUN is the reason we are all here in the first place.

On another note, though I am not running for club President next year, if I was, my main agenda/platform would be that this club should/must come up with a formal policy for the distribution of club money in our treasury. We are getting to the point that with the amount of money the club has accumulated in our treasury, we must have guidelines for its distribution. Remember, more marriages break up over \$\$ than anything else, and organizations like ours can suffer the same fate.

Just my opinion

Joel



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P.O.C.C. Christmas Party- The date is Saturday Dec. 6<sup>th</sup> at The Plaza Ventana, north of Shaw and Blackstone Ave. R.S.V.P. to Judy Garrett for a head count.

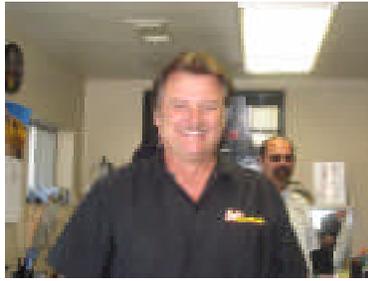
As there was no further business to discuss, the attendance drawing was done. The winner of the \$10 was Roger Torres. Unfortunately, Roger was not in attendance and the drawing will be for \$20 next month.

The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully, Dennis Schwarz

# A Great Tour of Cap's

The Saturday's Cap's Coating tour of their facility was great. You couldn't ask for better weather and our hosts Don, Dianne, Don's



Mom, and Corrie were the best. Don gave everyone a guided tour through their facility, starting at the office where you drop your projects off, through the process of powder coating, baking, and polishing to the end result. He also showed their media blasting capabilities and a lot of finished projects. A good time was had by all. Great turnout by the Pontiac Club with a little help from the Chevy Club. Even Joel seemed to be on his best behavior and I'm sure Ron and Paula got some great pictures. Cap's went way out of their way making us all feel welcome, feeding us lunch, having a great FREE raffle, and giving us all T-shirts. All in all, a fantastic day. Kudos to Cap's and I think we should support them whenever we can.

Thanks to all, Keith

And of course thanks to Keith for setting up this great tour, I'm sure everyone was more than over whelmed by the great reception we received.



As you can see the parts that get processed through Cap's range from the smaller more common items to frames and whole car and truck bodies.





Even Joel behaved???? Maybe moving is good for the soul, think we can get him to move every couple of years or so. Greg says he will be more than happy to help him pick out his next home.



I believe this is Don's mother who acted as one of our host and helped to serve us a great lunch.



Thanks to Paula Yost for sending the great pictures.



# 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.

## November

**8th: Toys for Tots Car Show at Toy R Us on Shaw in Clovis (normal place). Club**

**members should be there around 8:00 am to help with set up.**

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

## December

**6th; Annual Christmas Party at the Plaza Ventana Mexican Restaurant, at 5088 N Blackstone, phone # 229-2189. The restaurant is located just north of Shaw on the east side of Blackstone. The party starts at 5:30. Don't forget your gift for the pirate's gift exchange if you wish to participate in that fun event.**



**REMEMBER: No regular meeting in December, the Christmas party is the meeting.**



# IF MY BODY WERE A CAR...

If my body were a car, this is the time I would be thinking about trading it in for a newer model. I've got bumps and dents and scratches in my finish and my paint job is getting a little dull .. But that's not the worst of it.

My headlights are out of focus and it's especially hard to see things up close

My traction is not as graceful as it once was. I slip and slide and skid and bump into things even in the best of weather.

My whitewalls are stained with varicose veins.

It takes me hours to reach my maximum speed My fuel rate burns inefficiently.

But here's the worst of it —



Almost every time I sneeze, cough or sputter ..either my radiator leaks or my exhaust backfires!

# 2009 Officer Nominations

Listed below are the nominations for the 2009 Officers. Voting will take place at the November meeting for the five elected officers with the newsletter editor and web master then being appointed by the elected officers.

President - Carl Smith

VP - Bill Richards

Secretary - Dave Valla

Treasurer - Bill Truckell

Activities - Judy Garrett & Judy Kaspar

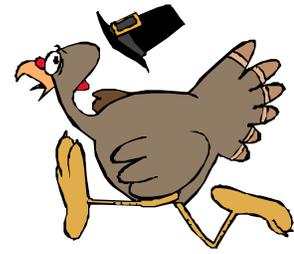
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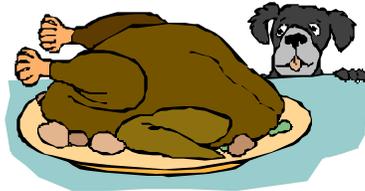
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## Toy's For Tots

Don't forget our annual Toy's For Tots benefit show on November 8th. It will be held at the normal place, the Toys R Us parking lot on Shaw in Clovis. Club members should plan on arriving at 8:00 am to help with the setting up. Last year we had around 115 vehicles and collected over 400 toys for the Marines. Hopefully this year will be bigger and better. If you have any questions give Bill Richards a call at 431-8742.



*Everyone have a great Thanksgiving!!!!*



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## For Sale

**1965 Lemans front end** complete with bumper. Some surface rust because of old thin paint. There is no other rust, it is solid and straight, Great Calif Parts. Can be a GTO with hood change. I would like to trade for a 71/72 Endura front end, hood, head lights ect. for my Lemans Sport conv. Pictures on request via e-mail. Contact Dan @ 559-908-1450

**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.

**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.

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

# 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.



November 2008

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