



# The Straight Arrow



**The Monthly Newsletter of the Pontiacs of Central California  
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**Corned Beef, Cabbage & Cruisin' Along!**

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## President's Message

### REMEMBERING KEN

When I was elected chapter president, one of the first things I thought about was what I was going to use as subject matter for the president's message every month. I never thought I would be writing about a fellow P.O.C.C. member that passed away. Sadly, I cannot write this month's presidents message without including a few words about Ken Mueller, who passed away on February 10<sup>th</sup>.

A resident of Madera, Ken has been a loyal member of Pontiacs of Central California since 2002. Ken owned a Fiero and a late model GTO. When Ken first joined the club, I recall that he had a 1965 (I think it was a '65) Pontiac 2+2, though I have not seen this car in a long time. Ken attended most of our club functions and his usual task for our annual Central Valley Classic Car Show was to take care of pre-registration.

Ken was a veteran of the US Marine Corps. He was a carpenter by trade and a member of the Carpenters Union. Ken and his wife Judy enjoyed traveling to bluegrass music concerts and festivals. I think Ken was a motor sports fan also, because I recall seeing him at Madera Speedway a couple of times.

To Judy and family, we would like to extend our condolences and prayers, and want you know that we are thinking of you during this sad time.

On a lighter note, I would like to thank Joel Garrett and Ron Berglund for planning our club Valentines cruise on February 13<sup>th</sup>. It was a fun cruise through the hills of eastern Fresno County with our destination being the Red Caboose Diner at Academy and Shaw Avenues. Thank you, gentlemen.

I hope to see all of you at the March meeting.

Dave Valla  
2010 President, P.O.C.C.



*If you want to put something on the Agenda for a future meeting, send e-Mail or call Dave.*

### VALENTINE MYSTERY CRUISE

On Saturday morning Feb 13<sup>th</sup> fifteen cars and 32 club members took advantage of the beautiful weather and met at Judy's Donuts for Pontiacs of Central California's first 2010 driving activity.

At the starting point, mileage to our destination was guessed and recorded, and also, 6 dice were rolled and totaled for the first 2 of 5 scores which would be used to determine the "Winners" of the days activity (though I am sure everyone who attended felt like winners). The weather was so nice that a few members went Topless ...err...I mean they drove with their convertible tops down.

At our mid-way stop in Prather, members recorded the last 5 digits of their vehicles VIN as their 3<sup>rd</sup> score. We then made our way back to the Valley floor and ended the cruise at The Red Caboose Café at the corner of Academy and Shaw. Members enjoyed great breakfast and lunch food on the restaurant's covered outdoor patio.

Club members used the last four digits of their Drivers License # to come up with their 4<sup>th</sup> score. As members were enjoying their meals, a "Mystery" auto part was passed around, and members had to guess 1) the make of automobile it was from, and 2) what the part actually was. Each member would be awarded 10 points each for their correct answers. Andy Hoff was the only member to score any points (10) by correctly guessing that the part was from a Volkswagen.

The total scores were then tallied and the prizes were distributed. 3<sup>rd</sup> place went to Dave Valla, 2<sup>nd</sup> place went to Janet and Brian Massey, and 1<sup>st</sup> place went to Jack and Sue Fusari. Each winner received a heart shaped box of See's Candy. Thanks to Tina Valla, everyone received a goodie bag filled with Valentines candy.

It has to be said that the 1<sup>st</sup> driving activity of 2010 was a HUGE success. Beautiful weather, a great turnout, great food, great friends and...best all, no break downs.

## Upcoming events

### March

6<sup>th</sup> - **Selma Swap Meet** - We will have a swap space to promote the club and advertise our Madera show.

8<sup>th</sup> - General Membership Meeting at the Yosemite Falls Café.

20<sup>th</sup> - **Cruise to Casa de Fruita** - Meet the Golden Gate Goats there. Bring a picnic lunch. Details TBA.

31<sup>th</sup> - **Ladies Luncheon, location TBD**

### April

2<sup>nd</sup> - Meet at Fat Jack's in Clovis for dinner and some tire kickin' at 6:00PM.

We will be doing this the first Friday of every month as long as weather permits.

10<sup>th</sup> - Chubby's at First and Gettysburg. Arrive about 5:30. *Note club night is changed to 2nd Saturday of the month.*

12<sup>th</sup> - General Membership Meeting

17<sup>th</sup> - Kingsburg Car Show. We will caravan down together. Be sure to pre-register.

24<sup>th</sup> - Club Car Show in Madera City Park. BBQ on Friday night at Bonander Pontiac.

28<sup>th</sup> - **Ladies Luncheon, location TBD**

### May

7<sup>th</sup> - Meet at Fat Jack's in Clovis 6:00PM.

8<sup>th</sup> - Club night at Chubby's, First & Gettysburg, 5:30.

15<sup>th</sup> - Fresno Dragways Reunion - Dos Palos. Car show and 1/8 mile drags.

26<sup>th</sup> - **Ladies Luncheon, location TBD**

Ongoing- **Clovis Cars and Coffee** - Every Saturday morning 7-9am, SE corner of Herndon & Clovis at Judy's Donuts. If you are an early riser, Have a cup and shoot the bull with other car folks.

**Minutes of the February 8th Meeting**

The meeting was called to order by 2010 club president, Dave Villa.

**Guests:** Present at tonight's meeting was Armando Lozano of Concour's d' Eleganza

**Minutes:** The minutes from the January 11th meeting were approved.

**Treasurer's Report:** Bill Truckell reports that the club currently has 35 members and 11 Associates as of January 31st.

**Newsletter :** E-mail received from Barbara Senior. While traveling, depending on WIFI, she will email the newsletter as close to the first of the month as possible. We need to send her articles and pictures from activities.

**Webmaster Report:** Brian Massey thanked Dennis Simonson for pictures of the Toys for Tots Show. Web is up and running.

**Old Business:** All members of POCC are required to join POCL. We use their insurance for car show and cruises. Join on line for \$20.

It was decided to keep our meeting place at Yosemite Falls.

**New Business:** Guest Armando Lozano, Director of Belmont Concours d' Eleganza, is set for the first week end of June. The cost in advance for the corral is \$20. Day of event, \$25. For first time in 24 years, the featured cars will be Pontiac and Porsche. If you want your car included for judging the registration fee is \$75.00 that includes two tickets to the Gala Dinner. Todd Hardy will have 6-8 GTO's, and it will be a great opportunity to visit with Jim Wangers, a guest of Todd. Pontiacs are coming from Northern & Southern part of the state. A percent of the ticket sales will be donated to Terry's House with Community Regional Medical Center. More information on their web site [www.deleganzaevents.com](http://www.deleganzaevents.com). Call Ren Hallett for a quote on advertising or exhibit space.

**POCC Central Valley Classic:**

Don Bonander will again host a Friday night Barbecue. We will be at the Court House park. Bill Richards made a motion to invite Jim Wangers, and a majority was in favor. Dennis Baker and Ron Berglund will check into trophies. The cost should be around \$1500. Smokin' Coal BBQ will be doing the food. Judy

Garrett made a motion that instead of charging them for a space, see if we can get cheaper lunches for the judges. Majority were in favor.

Show Chairman: Carl Smith

Parking: Sam Fisher

Publicity: Bill Richards

Preregistration Ken Mueller

Awards Ron Berglund

Raffle Andy Hoff

Judging Dennis Baker

Carl Smith will call Shawn the D.J.

There will be a car show meeting February 22, Monday 6:30 at Carls' Jr. at Willow and Shaw.

**Past Activities:**

Discussion on our bowling outing, Ladies lunch club at Mimi's and the Turlock Swap Meet.

**Future Activities:** Chairman, Joel Garrett Valentine Mystery Cruise on 2/13/10. Meet at 8:30 am Southeast corner of Herndon & Clovis. Meet by Judy's donuts. Bring your vehicle registration, driver's license and insurance card. Ladies lunch club at Yukon Jacks on Clovis and Herndon on 2/24/10.

Selma Swap meet on 3/6/10. We have six spots, there will be flyers for our car show available.

Cruise to Casa de Fruita to meet with the Golden Gate Goats on 3/27/10.

Cars and coffee, meeting every Saturday morning from 7:00-9:00 Southeast corner of Herndon and Clovis at Judy's donuts.

Discussion was held on future meetings at Fat Jacks, Chubby's, Kingburg Car Show and Fresno Drag ways Reunion in April and May Galvan's Classic Car Show on March 27th, Tower District Car Show on April 10th,

Pontiac Heaven Surprise in Arizona April 8-11

Fresno State Wine and Cheese Lovers Party

As there was no further business the attendance drawing was conducted by Bill Truckell. The winner, Keith Honeycutt, was not present.

Ren Hallett donated a Golden Gate Club 2010 calendar. Winner of the calendar was Dennis Schwarz.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:00 The next meeting will be March 8th at Yosemite Falls.

Respectfully, Paula Yost, Secretary

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General Membership meeting is held on 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of the month  
Yosemite Falls Café, Ashlan & 99 at 7PM. Interested visitors are welcome.

**\$\$\$\$ REMINDER: 2010 DUES ARE NOW DUE \$\$\$\$\$**

Dues for Full Membership are \$24.00 for 12 months starting January 1. In April, dues are pro-rated \$2.00 per month for the remainder of the year. Full Membership entitles a member the right to vote and hold an elected office. If a member wishes, he/she can pay an additional \$5.00 for the right to have a spouse or significant other as an associate member, who then has the right to cast a vote or hold an elected or appointed office. Bring your dues to the next meeting or renew by mailing your check, payable to Pontiacs of Central California, to: Bill Truckell (559) 301-0589.  
444 E. Michigan ave.  
Fresno, Ca. 93704

**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, etc for my Lemans Sport convertible. Pictures on request via email. Contact Dan @ 559-908-1450.

**Tempest, GTO & Lemans 1964 to 1967 parts.** Left and 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 Stripping, Seat Covers, Headliners, Sun visors, Seat belts and Carpets** for most makes and models. Call Dennis Baker, 559-322-8441.