



# Ponti-Yakkin

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## Upcoming Events

### Sept

**2nd Saturday of the month**

**Castroville Cruise Night** - next one is the 8th!

**Cruise Every Friday Night At**

Biff Buzby's restaurant has cruise night

**\*12th - Club Monthly Meeting at Mama's Cafe**

north of Bitters on 281N access road - 7 pm

**16th - OUR Show in Seguin!!!!**

**23rd - Culver's Classic Car Show**, San Antonio,  
Con. Lesa Koster, 573-7129, [www.saculvers.com](http://www.saculvers.com)

**24th - Pig Stand Swap Meet**, Last Sunday of the  
month.

### Nov

**3rd - Club Night** out at the San Antonio Raceway

## It is show time

**By Prez Alfred Flores**

One week away! We are one week away from our big show on Saturday September 16 at the Seguin town square. We have generated lots of interest from handing out flyers at all the local cruise nights and car shows. Now it's our turn. I hope to see as many members as possible at our next club meeting on Tuesday Sept 12. Before I forget, I was asked by the management of Mama's to see about having more members actually order a meal during the club meeting. Our club reserves the meeting room with the understanding of members enjoying a meal on meeting day. Let's see if we can come out and have a meal together.

Volunteers! If you have signed up to volunteer the day of the show, we will have some instructions on arrival times and assigned tasks for the day. Be sure to find out what time you need to be there. Frank San Marco has reserved the prime parking spots (shaded) for the club cars. The San Marco's and the Henn's have taken care of filling goodie bags this year and from our list of our generous sponsors, there will be quite an assortment of freebies.

I want to thank all the members that came out to the Cruise night at the Fire Hut on Loop 1604 and Bandara Rd. I will have a full recap on this great club cruise night. I will have some important announcements about some upcoming events as well as plans for events for 2007. Our club has hosted some great events this year and I look forward to more club members coming forward and organizing more official Pontiac club events. Our club has really grown and has really made our presence known in the car club community.

The City of Seguin is really looking forward to having our car show and with your help; I know we can pull off another successful show. I am making this months article a short one and will be covering lots more come meeting time. Hope to see everyone there!

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The purpose of the South Central Texas Chapter (SCTC) of the Pontiac-Oakland Club International (POCI) is assist Pontiac and Oakland Car owners with the restoration, and enjoyment of these great cars through sharing of knowledge, and promotion of social activities. Membership in the international body is a prerequisite for chapter membership. Local chapter dues are \$12.00 per year. Membership entitles you to receive our monthly newsletter "Ponti-Yakkin", free personal car/parts for sale/wanted ads, inclusion in club sponsored events and voting rights on chapter issues. Members are encouraged to submit articles for use in the newsletter. All materials are subject to approval, editing, and space limitations. Articles used are the opinions of their author and not SCTC or POCI.

To submit ads, articles, or request information please call one of the above listed club members or contact us at:

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# Another rousing meeting captured on paper

By Sec. Candace Rauschuber

Our President, Alfred Flores, called the meeting to order at 7 PM. The secretary's report was approved and accepted as printed in the newsletter. Notes on the Treasurer's Report were read in Jeff's absence.

## Old Business

Our annual car show is just around the corner! Club members were reminded to get their registrations in ASAP. We have all the sponsors needed now, thanks to all members who got them in! All costs for the t-shirts and plaques are covered now as well. Advance Auto Parts provided hats that will go to the first 100 show entries. Also, many other companies are offering prizes, money, and gift certificates. The award plaques for the show are in and a sample plaque was presented to the members in attendance. Any other sponsors that may come in would not get their name on the plaque for any class, but would be included on the poster. Penny passed around the sign-up sheet for volunteers. People can start showing up around 7-8 am the day of the show.

## New Business

· There is a possibility for a new club polo shirt, more to come.

· This Friday night (11th) club members are encouraged to meet at Biff Buzby's at Toepperwein and I-35 for cruise night. Also, there is a new cruise night being established: the 3rd Sat of every month at the Fire Hut on Bandera Rd.

· The POCI National Web site is down. No magazine this month, but Jay mentioned the new magazine was on the way.

## Recent Past Events

· Sunday July 16 Buzzies Hill Country show in Comfort City Park. Club members Jim, Jay L, and David S took 1st, 2nd, and 3rd places in the Pontiac class. Way to go guys!

· No other notes provided

## Notable Upcoming Events

Besides our wonderful show on Sept 16th, of course...

· Aug 12th Martin Memorial Open Car show in Junction, TX

· Castroville cruise night (same day)

· Nov 3rd club night out at the San Antonio Raceway more to follow soon!

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## Seguin is Ready

### The San Marcos are Ready

### The Hennis are Ready

And I know all the Club members are Ready so let's do our thing that we do so well and put on one heck of a show for the benefit of these two great charities:

BAMC Fisher House and SEGUIN Activity Center.

There have been a lot of flyers distributed around San Antonio, Seguin and surrounding areas. There was a big article in the Seguin Sunday Paper and on Monday in the KWED radio station newsletter. The T-shirts are great and the door prizes and goody bags (which are already filled) will be much appreciated.

There are a few areas that need still need some volunteers. More judges would be very helpful and the 50/50 raffle needs someone for the afternoon duty. Registration & Information Desk could use one more person for the afternoon.

Two restaurants adjacent to Central Park will be open during the show. Chiro Java Café is open for coffee, drinks, sandwiches and sweets and P.J.s is open for breakfast and lunch with Mexican food and Hamburgers.

Editor bullys membership for their own good

# Why isn't your story in this space

By Wayne Crist

I have been writing and publishing newspapers and newsletters for over 30 years. During that time one thing has remained a constant - people want to read interesting stories, but they never seem to want it to be their own story. I just don't understand.

If you stand around after our club meetings or at a show you hardly can get people to shut up. Ask them to write down the who, what, when, where, why, and how and most everyone gets real quite.

With the exception of a few folks this newsletter is devoid of member participation. I want to remind you this is a newsletter about this chapter. In fact it is newsletter about you.

We have a fair size club and outside of few people in your inner circle no one really knows the story behind you entrance into this hobby, or the story behind your car(s).

Some of you know I spent a summer videoing and interviewing car nuts at area car shows. Every car person had a story about their car. Granted some were better than others, but they were all interesting.

I want your story - the other club members want to read it. So why don't you want to tell? "Well I can't write" you say. NO EXCUSE! Give me the facts and I will write it for you. Realize if I write it I may have some fun with it. Read the article below

I can use your photos. You say

they are not very good. Guess what I can fix them.

You have spent your time and hard earned cash on your car, why not bask in the glory of your accomplishment by seeing it in print?

If you can tell the story in the parking lot after the meeting you can tell it on paper. Don't worry about spelling or grammar. I'm used to fixing that stuff. Write it down just like you speak it. I will take care of the rest. If you give the 5 W's and How (who, what, where, when, and why) I can build the story.

What I can't do is make one up - well that is not true, I can, but I want it to be your story.

## John Duffy's 1952 Chieftain

Imagination by W. Crist  
From PY 1999

It was January 1952. The wind was blowing so cold it snatched your breath away. I didn't care, I was on a mission. My reenlistment bonus was in my pocket. My days of walking everywhere on base were over. I stood in front of the Olds-Pontiac dealer just outside of the naval station in Patuxent, Maryland and stared at my dream car. A green Chieftain 4 door with a Hydro-Automatic transmission. An hour later, without my bonus money, I drove home a for the first time.

Over the next 20 years of my Marine Corp career that car was more than a car...it was family. It got us from the east coast to west coast twice when marines decided to move us. Then there was the unexpected terrorist attack in the back streets of Saigon in '64 when its heavy steel doors stopped 6 AK rounds or was 9. Nevertheless, even with those memories we had to let her go 1968. We shipped out to Japan on short notice. I was forced to sell

her for a measly \$75. It nearly broke our hearts.

The years went by, I retired from the Corp and often talked of that '52 and wondered what happened to her. While on business trip to Kerreville I spotted a forlorn faded green '52 in a vacant lot with a for sale sign in the window. For old-times-sake I stopped to look. Yes it was the very same car I had bought new! I bought her three days later and we drove home. She still had the old get up and go, as I cruised at 60 mph and passed a cop at 75 mph! Over the next two years, the family gathered every weekend to restore her. As you all know there are only 156 like her in POCI. In retirement, she sees only light cruising and car shows. Do you believe it?

*Editors Note: A LOT of imagination went into this article as John only wrote 10 lines about his car. Can you pull out the facts? Ask John when you see him at the meeting!*

## Muscle cars are hot

By George Mattar, *Hemmings Motor News*

Muscle cars are still hot, there is no doubt, according to a SEMA Automotive Lifestyles survey. About 52 percent of respondents indicate they were "very interested" in muscle cars, which is up about 8 percent from a similar survey a year ago.

SEMA questioned 4,896 enthusiasts with an average age of 35. On average, those questioned spent about \$3,167 on moding their muscle cars.

The overwhelming reason the interest in muscle cars continues to grow is because many baby boomers, who could not afford a muscle car when younger, now have plenty of disposable income to buy their dreams car.

The survey also showed a louder exhaust note is what many enthusiasts want. "Sound is the number-one selling point with these customers, with appearance a close second," said Shawn Gibson of Gibson Performance.

SEMA member Dave Arlansky, vice-president of Arlansky Performance, agrees. "The sound of one's muscle car is of key importance. The early muscle car customers are very much like the modern muscle car customers; they're looking for a nice, throaty sound while under acceleration, but do not want any offensive cabin resonance while cruising down the highway."

## Cruisin' the Coast

Show your support for your fellow car collectors who reside along the Gulf Coast in Mississippi by attending the 10th Annual Cruisin' the Coast show, October 1-8, in Biloxi.

This huge, car-crazy happening includes classics, muscle cars, street rods, trucks and sports cars. But this isn't just a one-day show; it's a week-long automotive orgy filled with loads of high-octane fun and excitement.

If you plan to attend, don't forget to take some extra cash as Kruse will be holding a special collector-car auction on October 6-7. For more information on this event, call toll free: 888-808-1188. Or hit the Web site: [www.cruisinthecoast.com](http://www.cruisinthecoast.com)

## Great Race News

The Great Race, once strictly an outing for vintage and classic cars, has opened up a class for vehicles 1970 and older as well as an interesting future technologies class for: "Any type of vehicle using advanced propulsion technology and liquid fuel(s)."

Race organizers have hopped up the events Web site considerably, too. It's all worth a look at [www.greatrace.com](http://www.greatrace.com), especially considering that the start and finish cities for 2007 are expected to be announced soon.

## I love speed but there are limits . . . in looks



The 120 MPH Electric Car is available for purchase from Hammacher Schlemmer for a mere \$108,000. This incredible vehicle is made of stainless steel, chrome, carbon fiber, Kevlar, and fiberglass to create 3,000 lb. strong body which can go from 0 to 60 mph in 4.0 seconds. The two electric motors produce over 1,000 lb. ft. of torque yet the car is no wider than a motorcycle. Driver and passenger sit in a front and back seats which are protected with four-point racing harnesses. With a low center of gravity (due to 1,100 lbs of batteries under the floor) the car has an excellent rol-over threshold. This car generates no emissions. To summarize, it's fast, safe, cozy, clean, and doesn't use petroleum. Why haven't you bought one yet? **CUZ IT'S BUTT UGLY!**

## FOR SALE

**1964 Bonnyville Convertible** - Ron Coke

**73 Grandville & 77 Trans Am** - Ron @ 967-5484

**51 Pontiac 4** – door complete body. No motor or transmission. Very good shape overall and lots of chrome & many extras. \$1500. Alfred Flores @ 435-6333

**69 Firebird parts** - Thomas Rauscher @ 499-4868.

**Club name tags:** \$6.00 and club Polo shirts \$10.00 for first shirt. 494-9291 Ralph Gaines

**“Pontiac Musclecar Performance”** Pete McCarthy’s book that gives you everything you need to know about performance Pontiacs from 1955 to 1979. Normally a \$30 - \$35 book, club member price \$20. Don’t hit the swap meets with out it! Call Jay Lord 830/438-2878.

**95 Pontiac TA** - 167K miles, 5.7 LT1, Borla exhaust, manual, Rims & Tires new last May, 17x9.5 front 17x11 rear, Sumitomo 275/40/ZR17 front 315/35/ZR17 rear, good car...no major problems. Interior is in good shape and it still runs Good & Strong. Alfred A. Cortez, acortez95ta@yahoo.com

Morris Roos has the following for sale:

The Rims are All New !!!!

**2 Keystone Chrome Reverse Rims**, 15x6, 6 lug, 5 1/2 bolt pattern. \$100.00 pair

**4 International Alum Mags**, 14x6, 5 lug, will fit 4 1/2, 4 3/4, 5.00 bolt patterns, with center cones and wheel nuts. \$200.00 set

**2 Keystone Chrome Reverse Rims**, 15x10, 4 3/4 bolt pattern, \$150.00 pair

**2 Rocket Chrome Rims**, 15x8, Chevy, \$100.00 pair

**2 Transamerican Chrome Rims**, 14x6, ford, 4.5 bolt pattern. \$100.00 pair

**2 Keystone Chrome Reverse Rims**, 14x6, 4.5 bolt pattern. \$100.00 pair

**1 Set of 13 “Mag Hub Caps Chrome**, set of 4. \$50

**2 Sets of 4, 15" Mag Hub Caps Chrome**, @ set \$ 50

**1 used 4 bl. Holley 650 cfm or larger carb**, with spacer plates and adapter. Make offer

**Set of 4 Keystone K- Rally Chrome Mag Rims**, with center caps and chrome nuts, need to check bolt pattern, \$ 250.00

**Glass pack mufflers & regular mufflers, hood scoops.**

**New set of traction bars** that I believe fit a Pontiac, I will check app.

**All sorts of tools and car stuff** - Morris Roos (210) 416-2060

**Dewarp your Qjets** - \$25 - Wayne 385-8000

## PARTS WANTED

**Wire Wheel Covers** -67 GTO Baron Clark @ 822-4688  
**Bent or damaged Pontiac Rally wheels** for club project 823-2674 Alfred

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## Check your ADS!

Some of our ads are getting a little long in the tooth. If you don’t understand the colloquialism it means old. So if you have sold the item or just decide to keep it let me know. And of course if it is still for sale let me know that too!

## WHAT'S THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN TPI AND SFI?

(By Todd Hoch)

TPI stands for Tuned Port Injection. This was GM's trademark name for the multi-port fuel injection system on the 85-92 z28s/formulas/trans ams and 85-91 corvettes, which has extremely long runners to “tune”

the engine to produce big torque at low RPM. The TPI systems all used a Batch Fire setup for the injectors (so do '92-93 LT1s). When it is time for the injector to spray fuel for the cylinder, the entire bank (either driver's side or passenger side) opens instead of the individual injector for that cylinder. The advantage to this was a simpler electronics design, but the obvious disadvantage is poor fuel metering for each individual cylinder. SFI is Sequential Fuel Injection. This setup is used on the '94-up F-cars and Corvettes. This system opens each individual injector in sequence to supply each cylinder with fuel at the proper time. Much better fuel control, which is one reason the 94-up cars tend to run smoother and get better fuel mileage.

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**AIR COMPRESSOR:** A machine that takes energy produced in a coal-burning power plant 200 miles away and turns it into compressed air that travels to a Chicago Pneumatic impact wrench that grips rusty bolts last tightened 40 years ago by someone in Sindelfingen, and rounds them off.