



# Ponti-Yakkin

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## Upcoming Events

### Nov

**2nd Saturday of the month**

**Castroville Cruise Night** - Last of the year, 11th!

**Cruise Every Friday Night** - Biff Buzby's rest.

**11 th - STVHCS Veterans Day celebration** in Kerrville. 830-634-2698. Pontiac class

**11 th - Home Depot Veterans Day salute car show** at Home Depot in Sequin. Registration \$20. Registration from 9 to 12 noon. Call Sherry at 830-305-4570 or Jim Best 830-303-227

**\*14th - Club Monthly Meeting at Mama's Cafe** north of Bitters on 281N access road - 7 pm

**17th - BOP Racing**, Raul Pena & Gary Zina.

### Dec

**\*10th - Christmas Party, See page 2 for details**

#### Club Officers

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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.

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## It is Pary time!

By Prez Alfred Flores

The 2006 year is just about over and there are still several club events to do before the end of the year. On Friday November 17 San Antonio Raceway will be holding a Buick / Olds / Pontiac race shoot-out. Club members Raul Pena and Gary Zinda are the ones that are organizing this event and if they can pull off another great race event like they did for our all Pontiac race shoot-out back in June, it is sure to be loads of fun for all. Raul and Gary will have details on the schedule for arrival time, time trials, and eliminations for the race event. If anything, I hope club members will come out to support the Pontiac team. Remember, you can bring out your Pontiac and park along side or with the rest of the Pontiac cars even if you don't race.

I sent out an e-mail a couple of weeks ago notifying every one that I have scheduled our annual club Christmas party for Sunday December 10 at 4:00 pm at Clear Springs Café. Some of you may remember that we had our Christmas party there 2 years ago. It is located inside loop 1604 and Stone Oak parkway. This years party will be the same as last time, everyone will have a choice of 5 entrées: Fried Catfish Dinner, Fried Shrimp Dinner, Grilled Chicken Dinner, Chicken Fried Steak Dinner, or Char-Grilled Chicken Dinner. The cost per adult meal will be \$14 and includes soft drink and gratuity. I will have the detailed menu at our next meeting.

I am trying to plan for some fun games and activities for this years Christmas party, some great Pontiac cake for dessert, and our party wouldn't be complete without our annual white elephant gift exchange. Each adult may bring one gift (preferably car related) with no labeling. We will draw numbers dependant on the number of gifts and begin with the scramble of selecting or stealing gifts with each other.

If you were at our last meeting you heard all the positive responses we received about our annual club car show and its wonderful success. Well, Frank and Penny have agreed to take on the show responsibilities for next years show and they would

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# It was all about the show

By Sec. Candace Rauschuber

Notes from Thomas 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. Jeff Butz gave the Treasurer's Report and was happy to report an ending balance of over \$2300 after the car show.

## Old Business

Christmas Party will be held at Clear Springs again this year. Alfred announced they would try and get it for Dec 3<sup>rd</sup>. However, it was reserved for Dec 10<sup>th</sup> – so mark your calendars! Also, remember officer elections happen at this time too. If any member is interested in an office, please see any of the current officers: Alfred, Thomas, Ray, Jeff B., Candace, or Wayne. Nominations will be taken for the club officer positions next meeting.

## New Business

Alfred mentioned possibly moving next year's car show to the October timeframe. Also we would maybe plan a race day at the San Antonio Raceway in conjunction with our show. This will be voted on at the Christmas Party.

## Christmas Party Info!

Our club Christmas party will be on Sunday December 10 4:00 pm -7:00 pm. We have reserved the party room at Clear Springs Café loop 1604 & Stone Oak. We had our Christmas party there two years ago. Mark this date on your calendar and plan to make this another great Christmas Party.

Menu: 5 choices:

- Fried Catfish
- Fried shrimp
- Grilled chicken
- Chicken fried steak
- Char-grilled chicken breast

Dinner with sides, soft drink, and tip is only \$14 a person. Some great gift give-a-ways are planned and the Prez is talking his wife into making another fabulous Pontiac cake. Start thinking of a great gift for the annual gift exchange scramble that is always lots of fun. Hope to see you there!

The Pontiac race day in Marion scheduled for Nov 3<sup>rd</sup> has been moved to Nov 17<sup>th</sup> due to a conflict.

The AutoRama for 2007 will be Jan 19-21 in the Alamodome. Alfred asks that all members be current with their dues by that time.

The POCI Nationals for 2007 will be in Tulsa, OK. Alfred suggests that we should get a group of members together to attend. It would be a fun caravan to this event, and it may not be so close for a long time again.

## Recent Past Events

- Our car show! Thanks to everyone who helped make it a huge success!

- Cruise night at Louis Ledeaux in the Forum was Saturday Sept. 30<sup>th</sup>.

- Saturday Sept 9 - Castroville Cruise night

- Rosanky Swap meet was Sept 14-18<sup>th</sup> near Bastrop

- Super Chevy Show was Sept 30- Oct 1 at the San Antonio Raceway

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like to firm up a date so we can have plenty of time to publish the 2007 date and make sure we get the maximum amount of planning time. Apparently we already have some sponsors that want to help with the show for next year. Penny will have the proposed dates along with details for next year's show. I will try and make time to allow for open discussion on this key topic.

I would also like to have as many members show up to our November meeting for voting for the member of the year. I will have ballots for everyone at the November meeting. So far I only have two nominees and they are Servando Ramirez and Penny San Marco. I will include a write in space if you have another person to consider. You may also e-mail me your vote and I will tally and give the results at the Christmas party.

Hope to see you all on Tuesday November 14!

# SEGUIN SHOW A SUCCESS

By Penny San Marco

The 1<sup>st</sup> ever Pontiac Club Car Show in Seguin is now history and it is added to the string of successful shows this Club puts on every year.

Not knowing what a radical change of venue would do to our show, the planners were cautiously optimistic and more than a little apprehensive as the



day drew closer. Everything was in place, everyone was ready, Alfred was burning the midnight oil to get the sponsor board done, and when Saturday morning dawned the Circus, I mean the Show, unfolded.

At the end of the day we were all smiling, sweating, & sapped. We registered 127 cars under the experienced hands of Don Smolleck & Delores Martinez.

Kudos to the parking team. One participant told me they have taken their hot rod to many shows and this was by far the best organized and smoothest running they have participated in.

Most everyone was pleased with the Seguin Central Park venue. The D.J. and our very own MC, Wayne Crist, who kept the show moving all day long. Thanks Wayne for your unique & talented contribution to this event.

And of course the "Judged Show" had to be judged. The guys did a hard job in good time and

took care of every request in a professional way. After a few miscommunications, the helper (that would be me) at the scoring table got it together and Jay & Josie were able to get the awards figured out & double checked. Jay & Josie were kind enough to take charge of this very important function and we are grateful to them for that. Plus all the work they did on the out of town sponsors and goody bag providers earns them a very big - Thank You.

Thanks to all the members who showed up and did a bang up job, as always, that resulted in a really fantastic show. Jeff, our Treasurer, was always there with the checks and the record keeping. He has done a great job for us and he will give a report at the meeting and let us know how much we took in for our charities.

Frank & I were convinced that the Club could have a good show in Seguin because we knew the layout and we know the guys in the Club. If you said you would come & work we knew you would or we never would have considered taking on this task.



You came, you worked, you showed your cars, and you had a great show!

**THANKS, THANKS , THANKS**

# Pontiac Muscle Prices Out of Control?

By **George Mattar**, *Hemmings Motor News*, compiled from two articles

You've read all about Mopar muscle being the hottest thing on the planet. Check these out: 1970 Ram Air IV black Judge convertible at \$535,000; 1969 Judge convertible, \$350,000; 1970 Judge convertible with a Ram Air III for \$425,000; and a plain Jane '70 convertible, but with a 455, four-speed and factory air for \$180,000. In some cases, these prices are 100 times their original list price! We also know of a confirmed sale of \$1.3 million for one of the very rare 1969 Trans Am convertibles.

Mecum's High Performance Auction, 1-3 Dec is your chance to score what we believe are some of the rarest

and lowest-mileage muscle cars on the planet. Get to Kansas City, Missouri . There you will find up for auction probably the best unrestored 1970 GTO in the world.

This one has original paint, interior, engine, everything and a boatload of documentation. Better yet, the odometer registers but 13,500 actual miles and it is Cardinal Red with black interior, the quintessential muscle car color combo.

Why it has only 13,500 miles is unknown. It will be interesting to see what this car brings. A 1970 GTO in this condition, with the equipment listed, is worth about \$45,000, according to current value guides.

## When You Insure Your Classic, Are You In Good Hands?

After you buy your dream car, you need to decide how much insurance to buy. Pay very close attention to what value your contract will pay if your car is totaled or stolen. Actual cash value, stated value and agreed value, you get what you pay for. "Market value", is whatever the insurer says your car is worth. For example, if your TA is insured for \$10,000 and its destroyed, you expect a check for \$10,000. Not so if the policy says "market value". You will get whatever their "market value" is. Word to the wise, get an agreed value contract and read the fine print.

When you get your classic car insured, you will find there are restrictions placed on you such as annual mileage and usage limitations. Most companies will restrict you to drive no more than 2,000 to 2,500 miles each year and no personal use. Personal use includes driving to work, or running errands. Car shows, cruise night or parades are OK. Most club activities are also acceptable, except of drag racing. All companies require the car be kept in a locked garage.

No matter what type insurance you finally settle on, it is always good to have a comprehensive written appraisal covering all aspects of your vehicle. Ask your agent if he knows of any appraisers in the area. Have an appraisal "score sheet" and photos. The photos must include shots of the interior, engine compartment, trunk, a three-quarter

angle photo taken of the front and rear of the car, as well as the undercarriage if possible. While it won't cover the cost to replace your vehicle, a detailed appraisal will go a long way toward authenticating the value of your classic. With a comprehensive appraisal, you can set and insure your car for what it's really worth.

Classic car insurance is complicated and it behooves you to ask as many questions as you can before deciding which firm to go with. Some good questions are:

1. Is the agent local or out-of-town?
2. How will the company determine your car's value, i.e. Old Cars Price Guide, NADA etc.?
3. Can you insure it for more than the car's assigned market value?
4. In the event it is totaled, will you be able to get first salvage rights?
5. What features do they offer that their competition might not?

Decide what's right for you and before you sign, read the fine print, all the way down to the bottom on the contract. If you don't understand something, don't be afraid to ask a question. You don't want to wreck your beauty and find out then that you're not in good hands after all.

**FOR SALE** -Remember Christmas is coming!

**Rear-end** for either '67 or '68 Firebird. Believe it's is a 2.93 gear ratio open (not posi). Set up for a 400 engine and has the mounting tabs for the extra links on both sides. Any reasonable offer - needs to be out of the garage. Jay Lord @ 210/394-9438 or email

[radmo@gvtc.com](mailto:radmo@gvtc.com)

**1964 Bonnyville Convertible** - Ron Coke

**4 tires and rims**. P215/70R14 Nitto Performance radials mounted on rims. Lots of tread. Reasonable offer. Jay Lord @ 210/394-9438 or email [radmo@gvtc.com](mailto:radmo@gvtc.com)

**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

**4 American Racing 15x8 Rims**. Looks like a CL200S 402 Series rim. 2 with centerline of 4" and 2 with centerline of 4 1/2". Backspacing approx 3 3/4 on 2 and a little less on other 2. Can email photo of rims. Rims were not on the car for over year/700 miles. Nice shape! Asking \$550. 210/394-9438 or email [radmo@gvtc.com](mailto:radmo@gvtc.com).

**69 Firebird parts** - Thomas Rauscher @ 499-4868.  
**Club name tags:** \$6.00 and club Polo shirts \$10.00 for first shirt. Ralph Gaines@494-9291

**"Pontiac Muscleder 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. Great gift!

Jay Lord @ 210/394-9438 or email [radmo@gvtc.com](mailto:radmo@gvtc.com)

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

**77-78 TA parts** - Fenders, hood, taillights, dash pieces, etc. Wayne @ 385-8000

**2004 GTO** \$24,000.00. 16,200 miles. Has Flow Master Cat Back System with Super 40's, K & N air filter, 6 spd, and not raced. Rex Barnes, Waco-(254) 722-3643

**1955 Pontiac 2 DR Chieftain** parts car for sale. Not driveable. Motor runs, the body in good shape. I will sell for \$ 175.00 OBO. Must move car out of shop in San Antonio, ASPA. Still have some shop equipment for sale. I am at my shop on Thurs & Sundays mornings. If anyone is interested and wants to take a look please call me. Morris Roos @ 1-210-416-2060

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**PARTS WANTED**

**Bent or damaged Pontiac Rally wheels** for club project  
Alfred@823-2674

**Who's working for you?**

By David B. Traver Adolphus, *Hemmings Motor News*

If you think about it, it's clear that there must be car lovers elected to national office, and indeed, there are. In fact, there are a whole mess of them from both sides of the aisle, and they work together as the State Automotive Enthusiast Leadership Caucus.

If you've got a new legislator as of November 7, now is a perfect time to get in on the ground floor of their legislative agenda for the next few years, and to write them a letter mentioning the millions of voting classic car lovers in this country—the Hemmings database of car clubs has about 1.6 million club members, and for every one of them there must be another ten who don't belong to a club at all.

**Editors Note:** Texas has not one elected person in this caucus. Write and tell them to get with this group.

**Welfare crackdown**

By David B. Traver Adolphus, *Hemmings Motor News*

The headline in England's *The Independent* on Monday, October 9, read, *Auf Wiedersehen, Vorsprung Durch Technik*, and you'd be forgiven for snickering, but the subject matter was serious. *Independent* correspondent Ruth Elkins reported from Berlin that an MP (Minister of Parliament, equivalent to an American senator) from the Christian Democratic Union — Germany's largest political organization — has floated an idea to combat welfare abuse: Take away the unemployed's cars, or at least, their expensive cars.

The plan would cap the value of a car an unemployed person could own at 10,000 Euros (U.S. \$12,536 on October 10), and limit unemployed households to ownership of a single car. Believe it or not, it's not the first time an idea like this has been floated by members of the right-wing CDU, and they've been shot down in court before, but in an increasingly conservative German political climate, it's an ugly idea that refuses to die.

Vorsprung Durch Technik, by the way, means "progress through technology," and was used in several German carmakers' advertising campaigns over the years.

Read the original article by clicking [here](#), and you can contact the CDU at [www.cdu.de/en/3440.htm](http://www.cdu.de/en/3440.htm).