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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 of 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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## From the Prez

*Submitted by: Alfred Flores*

Spring is here and our car club events are happening all over the San Antonio area. I am pleased to see that we have had members step up and started planning some of our usual club events. It takes members to take on the task of planning events and making them happen.

One of our newest member, Norman Carter has taken on the responsibilities of securing a new location for our annual club picnic. As you may already know, we usually hold our club picnic some time in May. Blanco State park in Blanco, Tx was the normal place we gathered. Well, this year Carter (as he likes to be known) asked about the possibilities of having our picnic somewhere south of San Antonio. The club was open to the idea and the planning has begun. Carter should have details times and date at our next meeting.

Thomas Rauschuber has taken on the task of planning our club sponsored Pontiac shoot-out at San Antonio Raceway. This event has grown quite well the last couple times they were planned. David Pelzel has planned the last three race events and Dave has set a great path in planning and coordinating with the track. Dave's organization and attention to every detail of makes these events look professionally planned and a joy to participate. Thomas will have all the details on planning this year's drag race shoot-out.

Another event I would like to remind everyone about is the Corvette club's open car show that will be held on Saturday April 18 at the town square in Boerne, Tx. The show will precede a 50's style sock hop and dinner on Friday night. One of the big attractions at the show will be the drawing give a way of the beautiful 1969 Pontiac Firebird convertible. I'll have my fingers crossed and hope I or at least a club member comes away winning this car. More details and ticket info can be found at [http://128.121.168.185/car\\_show/09carshow.htm#raffle](http://128.121.168.185/car_show/09carshow.htm#raffle).



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Our club show planning committee now seems to be well staffed with many volunteers stepping up to help with what they can. We may still need some others to help with some minor details when we get closer to the show date so think about volunteering to help out.

I am confident that we can once again pull off another successful show in Seguin.

I hope everyone has spread the word about our new meeting location. Thomas has been hard at work updating our web site with up to date meeting info. Blanco Café No 3 located at 17776 Blanco Rd just ¼ mile inside loop 1604. Our February meeting had almost 30 members in attendance. The food was great; we had a private meeting room just a few feet from a side door and plenty of parking for the Pontiacs. Our next meeting is on Tuesday April 13 at 7:00 pm. Come by and say hi. Hope to see you there!

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## March Minutes

*Submitted by:  
Penny San Marco*

Alfred called the meeting to order after waiting a few minutes for late arrivers due to the new location for the meeting; Blanco Café on Blanco Rd close to 1604 Loop. There were 22 members present and three visitors. They were Fraser Still, Dale Marfin and Mike Gilky.

Alfred thanked David Pelzel for doing the leg work to find a new meeting location. The room is great, there is plenty of parking and it's painted the right color.

Mike Prescher gave the Treasurer's report and we learned that the check to the Seguin Activity Center had cleared the bank.

Alfred initiated a discussion about this year's car show and Penny passed out a list of volunteers for each major job required. One suggestion from Frank & Penny was to have the Club Cars do "Display Only" and not be judged. The fee for that class would be \$20 – the same as pre-registered cars. The entry fee for all vehicles is the major source of the actual "profit" from the show that goes to the Charity. Thomas suggested giving plaques to members that bring in sponsors. Jeff suggested we might want to have only one charity this year and that it could be BAMC Fisher House. Mike would need that information to be included in the "beg letter" he will write so a motion was made by Jeff to make BAMC Fisher House our only charity for this year's show and it passed. There was a suggestion made to look at different trophies and T-shirt design and that will be looked into by Raymond and Ralph and Mark.

Penny presented the suggestion to take out an add in the program for the 2009 POCI National Convention in Dayton this year. Pointing out that our Chapter was the Chapter of the Year for 2008 it seemed fitting to support

the Co-Vention in that way and get the Chapter out there for everyone in attendance to see. A motion was made to place a half page add in the program and it passed.

Carter made a presentation for the Club to hold it's annual picnic in Floresville. He had investigated the costs and dates and let the members know how great it would be to host the picnic there. There is a large pavilion and plenty of parking and no fee to enter the park as there is in Blanco. After question & answer period the decision was made to hold the picnic in Floresville and Carter will get the date – either May 16 or 23 – before the next meeting.

David Pelzel will not be able to head up the Drags at San Antonio Raceway this year and Thomas volunteered to try and get them set up as it is a very popular event and draws in participants from around the area. He will make report at next meeting.

Tim Paco reported on his situation with the "blown heads" on his Grand Prix. He received some suggestions & help from some of the members.

Frank reported on his acquisition of a '66 GTO that is already totally dismantled. He will require some help getting it to it's new home and a Tech Day is in the near future. Any and all help requested.

The Pontiac Club cruise to Biff's two weeks ago brought out six Club cars and was considered very successful by those attending. Especially since they got to see the brand new Camaro that came by.

Meeting was adjourned and will be at Blanco Café in April.

# Tech Day San Marco Style

*Submitted by: Penny San Marco*

The SCTC has had many Tech Days and they are one of the neatest activities that go on during the year. They are mostly held to help a member work on a particular or troublesome problem of some kind. Sometimes to just look at and admire the Pontiacs, and exchange restoration stories. But Frank had a different need. Thanks to his fellow club member Wayne Crist letting everyone know that he knew about a 66 GTO for sale at a really reasonable price, Frank ended up with a "car of his dreams" – only it was in many, many pieces. And it was located about an hour away from his house. After considering the numerous trips he would have to make and the amount of muscle power involved in this move he came up with the idea for a TECH DAY. Sounded good to me.



The call went out, the day was set, and the brisket was smoked – by our very nice and very talented brisket chef extraordinaire next door to us. Saturday, March 21 we had a very good turn out of Pontiac enthusiasts ready to move that GTO. Thanks to Jeff's wench the "rolling chassis" that wouldn't roll was muscled onto the trailer. And thanks to the owner getting all those parts into some order and into containers the move was much easier than anticipated.



As a matter of fact, lunch was served about one o'clock and that was after it had all been unloaded at its new home/garage. Evidently the brisket lived up to its pre Tech Day hype as the plates were cleaned & refilled. Many, many thanks to Wayne, Jeff, Jim, Chuck, Ben, Justin, Thomas and Greg for all their help.



Frank is extremely grateful for all the effort and muscle that helped him get this treasure home. There was some scratching of heads and slight to deep frowns as the group studied the condition of some of the parts. Overall consensus seemed to be something like – that's something only Frank would consider as a restoration project. But then it is a GTO! And you should have seen the burgundy Grand Prix when he brought it home. Frank's happy: the 65 Grand Prix is at the painter and almost finished, the white 66 Grand Prix is next to restore for a friend in Georgia and now he has his very own GTO! What more could a Pontiac guy ask for?? Don't ask, I might tell you.

Thanks again to all you guys that helped out. That is true Pontiac friendship at work. This Club is just great and the members a real testament to how a car club should function. No wonder we're the Chapter of the Year!



## Upcoming South Texas events

Apr 17-19	<a href="#">Lonestar Roundup</a>	Travis County Expo Center	Austin
Apr 18	<a href="#">TCA Open Car Show</a>	Town Square 147 North Main Street	Boerne
Apr 26	Houston Astros Car Show	Minute Maid Park, 501 Crawford Street	Houston
May 2	<a href="#">Kenedy Bluebonnet Days Car Show</a>	100 Bellaire Blvd	Beeville
May 9	<a href="#">Aeros &amp; Autos at Ellington Airport</a>	Ellington Field, 11602 Aerospace	Houston
May 16	Military Appreciation Car Show	3030 NE Loop 410	San Antonio
May 30	St. Joan of Arc Car Show	2829 Ackerman Rd.	San Antonio

Taken from:

<http://www.carshownews.com/national/TX.htm>

### New Braunfels Car Club Swap Meet

April 24-26 are the dates for this year's Swap Meet. As you know, it keeps getting bigger each year and if you would like to reserve a space please contact Barney or Louise Calvert, 100 Bear Creek Dr, New Braunfels, TX 78132. 830-620-5950. Each 12 x 25 space is \$30.

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## Recurring Events:

**Friday Night Cruisin':** Biff Buzby's every Friday night

**Castroville Cruise Night :** 2<sup>nd</sup> Friday of every month.

**Pig Stand Swap Meet:** Last Sunday of each month. – Next one Apr 26

## For Sale/Wanted

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

'61 Catalina Frame

See Ken Reeves of the Corvette Club for '69 Firebird Raffle tickets. Drawing at the show April 18<sup>th</sup>!

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