

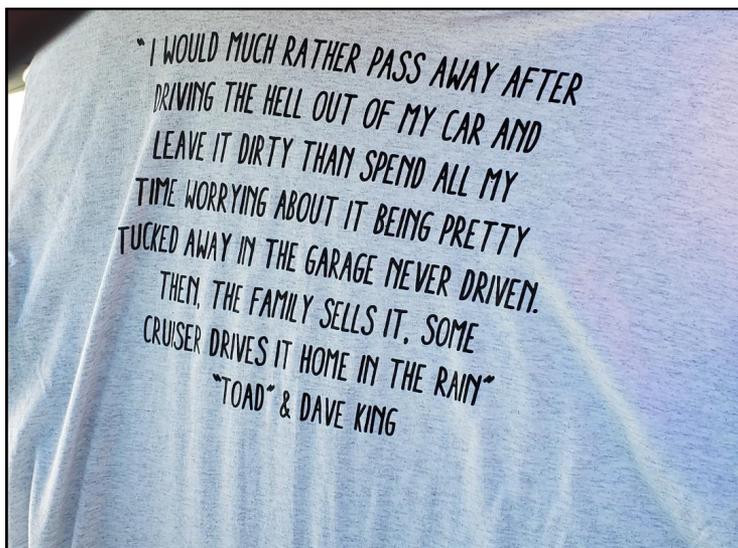


# THE TRACKER

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# Here Endeth The Lesson



***We took control of this issue to bring you a very important message from your car:  
Drive Me!!!!***

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Hello club members,

Here it is already September, and we're at the end of summer. It seems like just yesterday we were getting our cars out for the cruising season, and now it's almost time to think about putting them away. I guess it is true that time flies when you are having fun.

We had some great places to go this summer. Of course, there were the usual cruise-ins in Lapeer on Monday, Culvers in Lake Orion on Tuesday, Metamora or Otisville on Wednesday, Stahls on Thursday and Davison on Friday. These were just a few of the places to go during the week. And then, on the weekends, there were car shows everywhere.

I tried to go to as many as I could. The Golling shows were great. There were four so far, and as I am writing this, the fifth is happening. I hope to see many club members there. There was another good show at the Dixieland Flea Market in Pontiac put on by the USMC for veterans. I believe there were 12 members there at that show, and all received trophies. By members, I mean just their last names. Of course the spouses were also there. It seemed that except for the Golling shows, where there were 25 or so members all that came, at the other events we had an average of about 8. For a club with over 100 members, that is not a good percentage. We as a club need to address this and figure out what needs to be done to get members more active, or we will just have a dormant type club which is not a good thing. We have members that want to do things and suggest outings, but only a few participate. Hopefully we as a club can change that.



Even with a broken hand (and Harley!), I try to keep the cars clean and go to the events. Luckily, it is my left hand and I am right handed. I am finding out that I use and need my left hand more than I thought, though. Especially tying my shoes. Oh well; the cast gives Harley something to bite when we rough house.

Hope to see everyone at the next meeting!

Arnold Boersma  
President

# Webmaster's Wise Words

By Bob Klauka, Webmaster

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## Website Update:

If you've been on [miwidetrackers16.org](http://miwidetrackers16.org) recently, you may have noticed that all the *Trackers* and all the photos people submit to me are now available on our website. Check them out! And don't forget, I can always add more as they become available.

I read a report the other day that talked about being careful about what you post on Facebook and other social media. The mistake of posting pictures of your precious possessions or just describing them to someone online can be very dangerous.



Take this example:

A man was showing off his gun collection to a trusted friend on his Facebook page. The gun owner then said he was going on a wonderful cruise in the Caribbean for the next two weeks...

Can you see what's coming?

It turns out the friend's son saw the post, and told his friends about it.

To make a long story short, the guns were gone when the happy traveler got back from his vacation.



The lesson here is: Never ever post pictures or descriptions of your stuff on social media. You don't have to go on vacation to be robbed. The bad guys will watch your house and rob you when you go to the grocery store.

Be smart, stay safe.

If you have any ideas of something you would like to see, email me at:

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Thanks,

Bob K

# 2259km (1403mi) In Your Classic

By Mike Bartley

This was how the conversation started:

"We going to Woodward this year?"

"Yes."

"You want to go to Marquette after?"

"Sure."

"What car do you want to take?"

Now most people would have opted for, say, the station wagon, or the truck, or at the very least, a car with air conditioning in mid-August, but not us clowns. For us, the car of choice was a 1985 Fiero equipped with no power steering, no cruise control, and 2/50 A/C. Let's just say this wasn't a spur of the moment decision. There were some logistics to packing and planning for attending the Woodward Dream Cruise, and then heading north for the shores of Lake Superior for a week. And everything needed to fit in the trunk of a Fiero. Booking the room for Woodward and the cottage in Marquette was the easy part. We managed to find a place with an in-house washer and dryer, so we would only need three days' worth of clothes. Still, it was an adventure in packing. A traditional suitcase doesn't exactly fit. We needed to bring lawn chairs for the cruise. Let's just say we followed the old military adage of *improvise, adapt, overcome*.

If the idea of a week-long vacation in Pontiac's answer to the Tardis (it really is bigger on the inside!) wasn't crazy enough, we also had a brilliant plan for the drive: *Let's make this like a mini-cruise! No Interstates!!* Yep, no warp speed highway travel at 75mph for us! We were going to take 'the scenic route' and check out every small town that we could find, including all the roadside oddities and abandoned Americana that most people have long forgotten about. Sounds great on paper - until you consider that the car has a 10.3 gallon fuel tank. And a fuel gauge that is...speculative when it comes to the lower half. This meant ensuring that the car was always fueled up, or that there would be a place to stop somewhere within the expected range at all times.

The plan was in place. But, before the trip some things had to be done:



Since the car was bought in 2012, the brakes had not been changed. Given the distance we would be travelling, new front pads were installed. Fluids were checked. Since the old pads were not in bad shape, they were packed as backups. Finally, new wipers were installed.

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L: Tools - just in case. It is a 34 year old car, after all. And, since it is a Fiero, both metric and standard sizes were necessary.

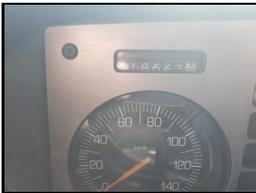
C: Drinks. For the car. Oil, Antifreeze and windshield washer fluid. Packed down into convenient travel bottles.

R: Since we were going to Woodward first, we couldn't present a dirty car. At the car wash, the parking brake was not used. We didn't want to tempt fate...



One cannot attend the Woodward Dream Cruise and not bring some snacks for friends. We brought Fiero shaped maple cookies. This is the stack waiting to be decorated.

Friday finally came. We left work (with much frenzied screaming) and headed out.



Odometer says 218663 km and we can start our trip. Well...after we grab coffee.



Instead of taking the Bluewater Bridge, we went down to Walpole Island to take the ferry across the St Clair River to Algonac. Based on the discussion we had in the car, this does *not* count as a romantic cruise. For one thing, they packed the cars in so tightly that you couldn't get out of the car very easily. And, with the current water levels, it's a bit nerve wracking when you only have 6.8" of ground clearance to drive up the ramp. US Customs seemed surprised when we told them we were packed for a week's vacation.



Fun fact: you cannot bring tomatoes into the United

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States from Canada. So, with some embarrassment and much sadness, we handed over our bag of garden fresh cherry tomatoes to Customs to be destroyed... :( But, once through Algonac and Chesterfield, we finally made it to our hotel - and were 20 minutes late for dinner with a good friend. Afternoon traffic through those areas is terrible - our 50 mile drive took over two hours as we crawled along most of the way at an obnoxious 35 mph. Dinner at The Hub made up for it - and it was only 200 feet to our hotel. Staggering distance!



Next day... **WOODWARD!!**



Woo hoo! We got the right address!! Once there, we met up with some nice people. They even let us park with them. Shh...don't tell them we brought a V6 to a V8 party. In all seriousness, it was some great cars and even better people.

There's always a lot of cool stuff to see running up and down the street. These are just some of the Cars of Woodward:



It would take pages to show all the awesome cars that were out and about. These were some of our faves...And we loved the Coke to go!



Saturday night at the Rochester Mills Brewery. Good beer, better friends and worse jokes. It was perfect.

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Sunday morning we packed up and headed out.



This was a scene we would quickly get used to. We averaged about 200 miles per tank, and because we'd opted to avoid the interstates, we tacked on 2 hours to an already long trip—not

including extra random stops. The most important, of course, for coffee.

But seriously?!?! We were less than 20 miles into the trip, and we had to wait for a freight train. But hey, haircuts are only \$7.00...

School's out. Forever...



According to the marker stone, this place was built in 1910 in Northgrove at the corner of Mayville and Caro roads.



Apparently they were out of gas at this station in Unionville. There was a nice Corvette inside, though!



No more burgers here at this cool place in AuGres...but you can get fireworks.

...That doesn't seem better.



MMMMMMM Wilson's Cheese Shoppe in Pinconning. We picked up some dip mix called Dip Sh\*t. With a name like that, the immature part of us had to buy it. And also, cheese curds. Because...curds.



Every small town we came into seemed to have Paul Bunyan on display. This was one of the nicer ones that we saw in Oscoda.

Seriously, what's with all the Paul Bunyan statues?

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We stopped for a stretch at Dinosaur Gardens in Ossineke. They had ice cream and Putt-Putt. We had ice cream. We didn't Putt-Putt. Note that the last picture is a tractor. Not a dinosaur.



The Alpena Lighthouse Museum looked really interesting. We were pretty sure it was permanently closed, but the grounds made for a nice walk and stretch break.

Finally, we hit the Mackinac Bridge. Since we were not in a Yugo, we were allowed to cross. And like dopes, we had our NEXUS cards ready for the other side. Not a border crossing, Canuckleheads! :D



Right after the tolls we stopped for fuel, coffee, and the bathroom in St Ignace. Then we carried on.

Unfortunately, the weather on the Upper Peninsula was starting to look a little rough.

Rain hit us all the way from St Ignace to Marquette. Another fun fact: Not all the roads that are indicated red (ie: 'major roads') in the atlas are fully paved. Wut?!? But, every vehicle can be an ORV if you are brave enough. We were not. And chose to backtrack. Cost us 40 minutes.



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We finally made it to Marquette.



Nothing beats going for a walk and running into a Rancho. You hardly ever see these in a highly populated area, let alone in a place like Marquette which is only 17,000 people. It was beautiful.

The old Coca Cola bottling plant is now the Blackrocks Brewery. We didn't tour, but sampled some of their offerings over the course of the week.



There's a lot of history in Marquette. This was once the site of the Upper Michigan Motors Corporation - according to the Interwebs, this site was a Pontiac dealership in 1925.



We went for a walk out to Presque Isle Park. The lighthouse was the furthest most point of the park along a half mile long break wall. During the walk out, we had to pass the Marquette ore docks. They had a train on display and we were fascinated by the abandoned tug boat.

That day, this ship, the M/V Defiance, was getting



loaded. I watched and realized that she may have potentially docked in the same place that my great grandfather's ship may have at one point. It was neat - and later, when we were back in Sarnia, we just happened to be down by the river as she passed under the Bluewater Bridge.

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We decided to it would be 'fun' to walk out to the point and get a great shot of the ore docks. FYI, if you walk out, the first half is nice flat concrete. The second half is haphazard rocks that get progressively more terrifying the closer you get to the lighthouse. Little



kids shamed us by ripping past us, utterly fearless, as we picked our way out there and back. Once safely back on solid ground, we chalked this up to one of those experiences that we really only need to do once...



While hiking around Marquette, we came across this beautiful church. We forgot to note the name, but a bit of Google Fu told us it was St Peter's Cathedral. Then, we wound up stalking this cool Judge as



we stopped to get some blister bandages.

Christmas, Michigan was just one of those weird little places that you have to stop, if only to pose the car beneath a massive

Santa Claus statue. Seriously, Envy looks like a Hot Wheel in this photo.

Lastly, just outside of town is this quirky place called Lakenenland. It's free to go, and the park is full of uniquely welded sculptures. It's hard to describe. You just need to experience it for yourself.

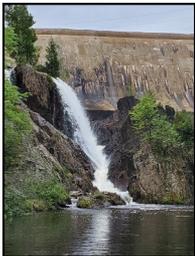
On another day, we made a trip outside of town to the decommissioned K.I. Sawyer Air Force Base, which was the home of the Rainbow Warriors. Still on display in the airpark are some aircraft, including a B-52. And we may or may not have wandered around in some of the abandoned buildings...like the base hospital and the old barracks.



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Dead River falls was a beautiful hike with a couple of small waterfalls.



The Forestville Dam was a nice hike that did have a good view of the falls. For us, what we thought would be a quick one-

hour hike wound up being an entire afternoon. The bridge that would have brought us directly to the falls was out (as in, taken out by a tree) so we had to go the long-way around. Not planned... but worth it. While walking we found a part of an abandoned car that was unidentifiable, but obviously old. The dam supplies water to a power plant, and the pipe is made of timbers. And it leaks. A lot.



There was a small municipal park on the way back to Marquette from Sugarloaf Mountain. This is the power station that is fed from Forestville Dam. Much like you'll find in the mitten, all throughout the Upper Peninsula there is evidence of old rail lines that have been converted into trails for bikers and hikers. Trust us, we're incredibly envious.

L: If you ever have a chance to hike up Sugarloaf Mountain, do it. The view from the top of the mountain is breathtaking.

R: *Stay weird and get naked* is the motto at Phil's 550 on the way back from Sugar Loaf Mountain - ironically, on County Road 550. They have good ice cream there. And Mike bought a moonshine jug. Sadly, empty.



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This area is not without its share of great restaurants. We tend to avoid the chains, because Big Boy or Applebee's is going to be the same no matter



where you go. We like to try local places instead of just going with the crowd. On the left is Hudson's, a 50's themed diner, which was celebrating 20 years in Marquette.

On the right is the Lumberjack Tavern in Big Bay. Back in 1952, the owner was murdered by an enraged husband. The story was the inspiration for the movie *Anatomy of a Murder* starring James Stewart and George C Scott, and parts were even filmed on location!



L: Donckers has been in Marquette for over 100 years. They have an old-fashioned soda fountain in-house (where you can order a 'phosphate'), and they actually have a picture of the Piggly Wiggly that used to be downtown. We thought that was just a southern thing!!

R: Matzo Ball soup was tasty at the New York Deli



Togo's had great subs for a quiet night in the cabin - they've been around for over 50 years. Main Street Frosty Treats has perfect soft serve ice cream. We went like, 4 times. Lagniappe's is a Cajun style restaurant owned by a gentleman from Nova Scotia Canada, who was trained in New Orleans, and now has a place in the U.P. Talk about diversification!



Time to go already? On the way back home, we just had to stop at the Mystery Spot on US-2 just outside St Ignace.

We ran across some nice cars sitting at this body shop just outside Mackinac City.

After Mackinac, we continued to avoid the Interstate. We did run down the Old 27 for some distance, and we met up with the Old 27 Cruise in Gaylord—but they were going the other way. We saw some impressive sites.



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No trip along US-127 is complete without an obligatory stop at Cops & Doughnuts in Clare. Damn good donuts. Damn busy. All. The. Damn. Time.

Hi-Way Drive-In. Drive-ins are rare these days, but even more so are ones with a flamed Jeep out front. Maybe this could be a social event for the members? This one is in Carsonville - not too far from us!



A sight for sore eyes was the Bluewater Bridge. Or, as we like to call it, Home. (Note the majestic orange construction barrels - a breathtaking sight along roads and highways all through Michigan...)



Safe in the driveway, 220922 km on the odometer to make a grand total of 2259 km. After all that, this Fiero needs a bath. Bad. (Little Lightning is just happy to see his brother home safe.)

For 1403 miles, we used 60.13 gallons of fuel, which equals about 23.3 mpg. Not bad for a 34 year old car.

In the end, everything that we did was just to prove to you that we want you to get out and drive your stuff. Get out and enjoy your classic. No excuses. Next year, the driveway is not too dusty. If the battery might go dead, bring a jump pack. If the kids get ice cream on the seats, make them clean it up. Get out and drive your car. Do not save it for the next guy to enjoy it. It can be done. We just showed you that. Dirt can be cleaned. Parts can be fixed. Go have fun with it. The only thing you'll regret is that you didn't do it sooner.

# For Sale

## 1987 FIERO SE. RED

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## FOR SALE:

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## FOR SALE

(1) 215 70 R14 with 1" white wall tire. Excellent condition with very little tread wear. Replaced all 4 tires and this was an odd size. Asking \$75.

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# For Sale

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## PARTS FOR SALE

For a '64 Catalina 2-door hard top



L: Trunk lid has a little rust around the edges, good resto candidate, \$100

R: Front/rear bumpers, \$100 ea, Valance \$25, Windshield Cowl \$25



L: Hood has a little rust around the edges, overall solid \$100

R: Driver/passenger front fenders, repaired—no rust \$75 ea

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'72 Corvette convertible, red with blk leather interior & top  
350 small block, 4 speed, pwr steering, headers, 2" exhaust system.  
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Asking \$30k

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1965 Tri Power. Professionally rebuilt carburetor. Ready to bolt on. Comes with manifolds, gaslines, and intake. **\$1850**

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All you have to do is drop a line to Mike or Jenn Bartley either by email at [mikejennbartley@gmail.com](mailto:mikejennbartley@gmail.com) or by phone at (519) 337-8070 (we have voice mail) with the details (and pictures if you've got 'em!), and we'll make sure it gets put up for you! We're here to help. Use us!

# Editors' Two Cents

Well, it's been a fun ride. If you've gotten this far, you'll notice that we've pretty much commandeered the entire thing for our last big hurrah. We hope you enjoyed it; thanks for letting us be a bit selfish. We had fun doing it.

After this edition of *The Tracker*, we will be transferring it over to Dave Todd. We have taken the newsletter as far as we know how to, and it is time for the next editor to take it on and evolve it, make it new and fresh again. Change can be scary, but we think he's going to do a great job.

Over the last 6 years it has been a pleasure to bring this to all of you. Before we sign off, we would like to clear the air about a few of the questions that have been asked of us, and our decision to pass on *The Tracker* to a new editor.

*Will you still be writing articles for the newsletter?*

Yes, we still will be but now we can focus on the articles themselves, and not all the other minutiae that goes with putting it all together.

*Are you quitting the club?*

No, we are not quitting the club. You are still going to have to put up with us for a while, but unfortunately there may be a time that we will bring a Chevy. The Chevelle has primer on it now...

*What are you going to do with your free time?*

I will be continuing my interest in belly dancing and full contact macrame and Jenn will be starting up a Fight Club. Don't ask her about it, though. The first rule of Fight Club is that you don't talk about Fight Club. Okay, actually, we are hoping to get to more car shows and write more articles telling you about them.



So like always submit your articles following the timeline set by the new editor. As always, these can be tech articles about your car, notices if you're selling a part or a car (remember, photos help), interesting things you've noticed, recipes...anything!

Thanks for everything. Keep it between the ditches. And if we've taught you nothing during our tenure, please, PLEASE take this message to heart: Drive your stuff. Just do it, okay?

~Mike and Jenn ♥

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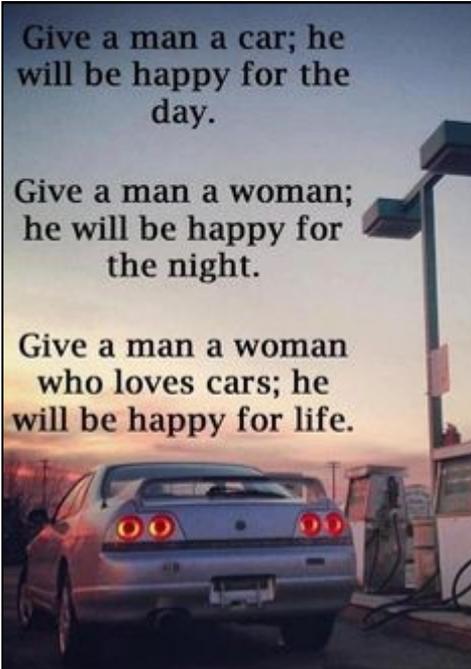
# Last Thoughts For The Road

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Give a man a car; he  
will be happy for the  
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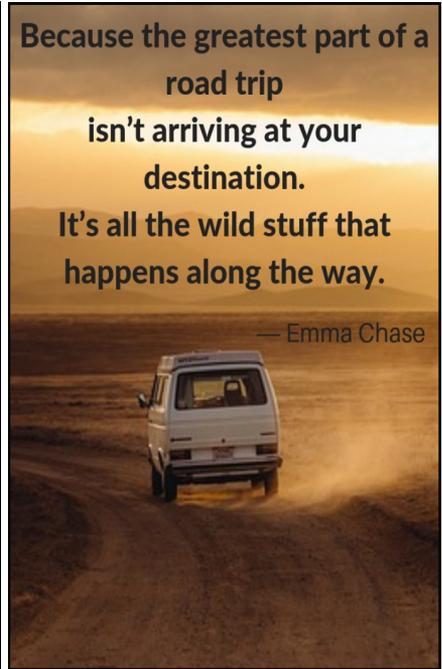
Give a man a woman;  
he will be happy for  
the night.

Give a man a woman  
who loves cars; he  
will be happy for life.



Because the greatest part of a  
road trip  
isn't arriving at your  
destination.  
It's all the wild stuff that  
happens along the way.

— Emma Chase



## IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT FROM THE EXECUTIVE BOARD

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Special requests will be considered by the Board of Directors for snail mail delivery in hardship cases on a case by case basis.

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The following members have no email listed on the membership roster, and need to contact Clarice as soon as possible:

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# The Last Laugh

## A SHORT GUN STORY

A guy walked into a crowded bar, waving his unholstered pistol in the air. Once he had everyone's attention, he yelled, "I have a .45 caliber cold 1911 with a seven round magazine and one in the chamber, and I want to know who's been sleeping with my wife.

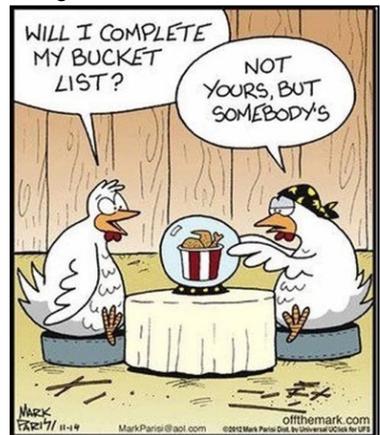
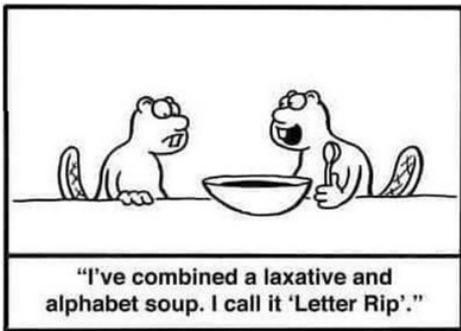
There was dead silence.

Then a voice from the back of the room called out, "You're going to need more ammo..."

## THE KINDNESS OF STRANGERS

I was walking home late last night, and decided to take a shortcut through the cemetery. Three girls walked up to me and explained that they were scared to walk past the cemetery at night, so I agreed to let them walk along with me. After a few steps, I said to them, "I understand. I used to get freaked out, too, when I was alive."

Never seen anyone run so fast...



## THE PAIR OF PANTS

Mike was going to be married to Jane, so his father sat him down for a little chat. He said, "Mike, let me tell you something. On my wedding night in our honeymoon suite, I took off my pants, handed them to your mother, and said, 'Here, try these on!' She did and said, 'These are too big, I can't wear them.' I replied, 'Exactly, I wear the pants in this family and I always will.' Ever since that night, we have never had any problems."

Mike thought that might be good thing to try. On his honeymoon, Mike took off his pants and said to Jane, "Here try these on."

She tried them on and said, "These are too large, they don't fit me."

Mike said, "Exactly, I wear the pants in this family, and I always will."

Then Jane took off her pants and handed them to Mike. She said, "Here, you try on mine."

He did and said, "I can't get into your pants."

Jane said, "Exactly. And if you don't change your smart ass attitude, you never will." And they lived happily ever after.

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## FATHER O'MALLEY (FROM CANADA) ☺

Father O'Malley rose from his bed one morning. It was a fine spring day in his new Ottawa Parish. He walked to the window of his bedroom to get a deep breath of the beautiful day outside. He then noticed there was a donkey lying dead in the middle of his front lawn. He promptly called Parliament Hill. The conversation went like this:

"Good morning. This is Justin Trudeau, How might I help you?"

"And the best of the day te yerself. This is Father O'Malley at St. Ann's Catholic Church. There's a donkey lying dead in me front lawn and would ye be so kind as to send a couple o'yer lads to take care of the matter?"

Trudeau, considering himself to be quite a quick wit and recognizing the Irish accent, thought he would have a little fun with the good father, and replied, "Well now Father, it was always my impression that you people took care of the last rites!"

There was dead silence on the line for a moment...then Father O'Malley calmly replied, "Aye,' tis certainly true; but we are also obliged to notify the next of kin first, which is the reason for me call."



## QUICK QUIPS ABOUT MARRIAGE

Pharmacist to customer: "Sir, please understand, to buy an anti-depression pill you need a proper prescription. Simply showing your marriage certificate and wife's picture is not enough!"

Lady to doctor: "My husband has a habit of talking in his sleep! What should I give him to cure it?"

Doctor: "Give him an opportunity to speak when he's awake!"

Prospective husband in a book store: "Do you have a book called *'Husband - the Master of the House'?*"

Sales Girl: "Sir, fiction and comics are on the 1st floor!"

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**Or**

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It's already time to start thinking about Christmas. Or at least time to think of what to get the Pontiac lover in your life. How about some Widetracker apparel? Just see Tom or Marlyn to place your order. Or, bring in your own items to get the club logo put on them. You can have your items nicely embroidered, or silkscreened. It's a great way to show your Pontiac love, advertise the club and bring in new members!



## NAMETAGS!

Are you new? Do people keep asking you who you are? Do you need a nametag? New or replacement magnetic backed nametags can be ordered from Bill Coombe for a nominal cost of \$10. ***We order the week before the monthly meeting, and you can either pick yours up there, or ask a friend to grab it for you if you can't attend in person. Sorry, but we don't send them through the post.*** (We'd hate to see them damaged!!)

See him at the meetings, or contact him by phone at 586-293-0662 or via email at: [bcgrandmarquis@gmail.com](mailto:bcgrandmarquis@gmail.com)

## A PSA From POCI

**Help us KEEP THE PONTIAC LEGACY ALIVE!**

If you are not yet a member of POCI and would like to check out our monthly magazine, *Smoke Signals*, please email or call the club office and we'll mail you a free copy and an application form to join up.

POCI is the largest Pontiac club in the world! Our monthly magazine has great articles, you will get access to our technical advisors and the best classified ads (on-line and in our magazine) for Pontiac, Oakland and GMC vehicles and parts for sale and wanted.

See more details on our website [www.poci.org](http://www.poci.org). Call 877-368-3454 or email [pociworldhq@aol.com](mailto:pociworldhq@aol.com) (say: Free Smoke Signals please! and include your name and mailing address).

Paul Bergstrom

POCI Club Office Manager



# EVENTS CALENDAR

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Oct 12	Club Meeting (and Color Tour) Color Tour TBA, Mtg @ 5:30p.m.	Golling GMC
Nov 9	Club Meeting 5:30p.m.	Golling GMC
Nov	Float Building for Lighted Parade	Golling GMC Date/Time TBA
Dec 6	Holly Jolly Folly 6:30p.m.	Golling GMC
Dec 7	Lake Orion Lighted Parade 6:00p.m.	Downtown Lake Orion (Participants Location TBA)
Dec 14	Club Meeting 5:30p.m.	Golling GMC
January	Club Christmas Dinner	Date/Time TBA Typically 3rd Sunday in January
All Year	Culvers of Lake Orion Cruise 4:30p.m.—6:30p.m.	Lapeer & Dutton Rd Every Tuesday
VARIOUS	Countless car shows and events	See <a href="http://miwidetrackers16.org">miwidetrackers16.org</a> for more specific times and info!

**As you can see, there are a TON of activities planned for the coming months! The club is always looking for new and exciting places to visit in addition to our favourite go-to's! If you've got an idea of somewhere we should see, pass your suggestions on to a member of the social committee—they'd love to hear from you. After all, the club is only as good as you want to make it!**

## New Members— Welcome!

**Bill Neal—Lake Orion**



For those who don't know her, this is the lovely lady who takes care of all things paperwork for us! (We love you, Clarice! ♥ )

Anyone needing membership packets, contact Clarice Humphrey at (248)628-4280 or email [clarice.humphrey@yahoo.com](mailto:clarice.humphrey@yahoo.com) .

Reminder: Send Clarice your POCl number if you have one and it's not listed on the Membership Roster. Thanks!

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VanSickle, Boersma, Cleffman, Armstrong,  
Coombe, Humphrey, Long & Kokenos families

# MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

## MICHIGAN WIDETRACKERS

### PONTIAC OAKLAND CLUB INTERNATIONAL CHAPTER 16

#### Benefits of Membership:

Local, National & International contacts, *Smoke Signals*, POCI monthly magazine with tech restoration info & free Advertising. *Tracker* Newsletter published bimonthly with events & meetings.

Today's Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Primary Member \_\_\_\_\_ Birth date: \_\_\_\_\_

Spouse/Associate Member: \_\_\_\_\_ Birth date: \_\_\_\_\_

Children: \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

**THE MICHIGAN WIDETRACKERS ENCOURAGE ALL MEMBERS TO JOIN THE PONTIAC OAKLAND CLUB INTERNATIONAL (POCI). APPLICATIONS ARE AVAILABLE ONLINE AT POCI.ORG - POCI # \_\_\_\_\_**

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Classic of Collector Car(s) Year      Make Model #of Cylinders

1. \_\_\_\_\_

2. \_\_\_\_\_

3. \_\_\_\_\_

Widetracker club dues are \$18.00 per year paid each May 1st. If joining for the first time, dues will be prorated at \$1.50 per month. Please pay by cash or check made out to:

#### MICHIGAN WIDETRACKERS.

Return this application and dues to:

MICHIGAN WIDETRACKERS CHAPTER 16 OF POCI

c/o Clarice Humphrey

4993 E Harvard Ave, Clarkston MI, 48348

New member \_\_\_\_\_ Renewal \_\_\_\_\_

Shirt size \_\_\_\_\_ Spouse Shirt Size \_\_\_\_\_

Payment: Cash \_\_\_\_\_ Check # \_\_\_\_\_

Contact the Widetrackers for a POCI application if needed

**[www.miwidetrackers16.org](http://www.miwidetrackers16.org)**



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