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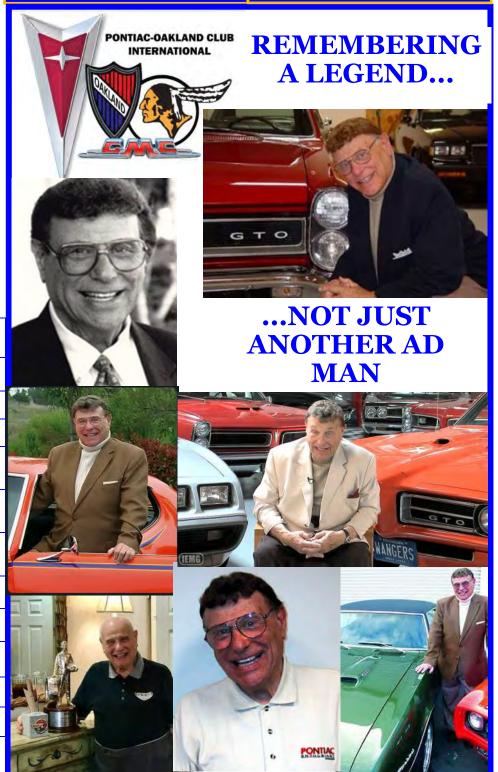
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2021 POCI MERIT AWARD

**MAY 2023** 





Hello everyone, April has been a busy month as well as a time to reflect on the many relationships we have among our fellow car enthusiasts that enrich our lives. We began attending the Cajun Classic Cruise in El Cajon on Wednesday afternoons and continuing into the evening that began on April 12th, which has been very well attended. It's great to see the classic vehicles parked along Main Street and to watch them drive by and to talk with people along the way. We also participated and attended events at the La Jolla Concours d'Elegance. The Friday night gala was spectacular and the award ceremony went very well. There was a large attendance this year, which made things that much more fun and exciting. Allan Taylor's specialty awards are works of art. The memorial awards were special to give and to receive to honor those who had been a strong presence from past years.

Camerin Diot's mass and celebration of life reception was very comforting and enlightening. There was a beautiful picture of Camerin there and so many flowers. The priest's eulogy and the readings held at the mass helped to ease the sorrow by knowing Camerin was where she knew she would be through her faith and her belief in everlasting life. Our club members who attended drove their classic Pontiacs to pay tribute to Camerin and Tom, and their family. I believe we had thirteen cars. Tom's eulogy at the mass and his talk at the reception provided such a wonderful insight of how rich and loving their relationship and lives have been. Tom's talks were both touching and humorous as they provided an opportunity for us all to know Camerin better. He talked about her great sense of humor, her talent for gardening, her interests, her strengths, and her taste in music. We sent a basket filled with flowers from the Club. Jim will have photos in the newsletter of the cars and the flowers.

We found out on Saturday afternoon that Jim Wangers had passed away early that morning of the 29<sup>th</sup> April. We were both saddened to hear he was no longer with us all, but thankful he had a long and exciting life. For me, Jim always seemed so glad to see me, always greeting me with a big smile and a hug. He had that ability to make everyone feel special and that he was very interested in you and what you had to say. He had been an honorary San Diego Pontiac club member for many years. He attended many of our car shows in his booth signing autographs in his books and talking with hundreds of people. Many of us have his signature somewhere on our Pontiac's engine, visor or where ever we requested for our car.







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Jim attended many of our Christmas Holiday Parties and we attended many of his birthday parties at his muscle car garage, his nephew's home, and later at his final residence. For the last few years, we organized a parade of cars to drive through the parking lot of Jim's residence so Jim could see us all, since COVID was a concern and he had limited direct contact with others. Over the years his birthday parties were great events with many classic car owners attending, having great food, and sometimes a band. Jim even sang 'Little GTO' at his 80<sup>th</sup> birthday party. I just found a great video on YouTube, done by Wild About Cars, in Jim's garage with him speaking about his muscle car collection, link https://youtu.be/ADNDyrdUpdl. Rest in peace Jim, we're all going to miss you and that great smile.

On a very happy note, in the cycle of life, Bill and Barbara Baugh have become grandparents for the first time to a beautiful baby granddaughter, Harper Noelle. Congratulations to you both and your daughter and her husband. Enjoy that sweet baby girl!!

We had a large attendance at our last club meeting held at Filippi's and I hope to continue that trend. They have great food and wonderful service. The private room was very conducive. Tom Diot and his two daughters stopped in to thank everyone for their support during their time of sorrow.

So hopefully the rains are in the past and the weather gets warmer so we can get those Pontiacs started up and go out to enjoy the many car events in San Diego County and with our friends up north! As a reminder, the Southern Cal Chapter POCI 33<sup>rd</sup> Annual all Pontiac Show in Fullerton is happening Saturday, May 13<sup>th</sup>. Please considering attending to support our fellow POCI car chapter.

Keep on Cruising!

Sue Dumas, SDPOCI President



For the second time in a month, we have had to say good bye to someone very near and dear to our hearts. The month of April started off with the sad news that Camerin Diot, long time club member and wife of former President Tom Diot, had passed and the month ended with the passing of Mr. Jim Wangers, Pontiac Legend and close friend to many of us in the SD Chapter. This issue of The War Whoop is dedicated to the memories of both of these individuals. Many of our members, past and present, attended the Celebration of Life for Camerin on April 20 at St. Michael's in Poway. Camerin was a beautiful lady, always stepping up to help the SDPOCI in whatever way she could. Per Tom's request, we arrived at the church services in our classic Pontiacs and the show of love and support for Tom and his family was very evident.

Jim Wangers had many friends throughout the U.S. and the world and was always the key speaker at the National POCI and GTOAA conventions or any other automotive event he graced with his presence. We were so lucky here in San Diego in having Jim live his golden years in our backyard. He supported all of our annual shows, opened up his car collection in Vista to us every summer and even attended our holiday parties, a number of which were held at my house. I have requested our members send me pictures taken with Jim over

the years and have included many of them in the newsletter. A Celebration of Life for Jim Wangers is in the works and will likely be held in late May or early June.

The passing of Camerin and Jim have reminded us all how fleeting life is. We need to enjoy life and celebrate our loved ones each and every day.

Jim Thomson SDPOCI Newsletter Editor jthomson@san.rr.com







# SAN DIEGO POCI CHAPTER #58 MEETING MINUTES

## San Diego Chapter #58 POCI Meeting Minutes

Date: 11 April 2023

**<u>Time</u>**: Meeting called to order by President Sue Dumas at 6:10 p.m.

<u>Opening</u>: Tom Diot and his two daughters, Sarah and Linds Ey, came by the meeting to thank the club for their support. Tom spoke about Camerin's diagnosis and her determination to carry on as normal as best she could. Tom was thankful for the support given him from his two daughters in planning everything and watching out for his health and welfare. Tom and his daughters then departed the meeting, exchanging many hugs and condolences from those present.

Sue then welcomed everyone to the monthly meeting and asked everyone if they agree for the club to send flowers for Camerin. Everyone present was in agreement. Sue is to coordinate the flowers to be sent. There were fourteen members and one guest, Bill Dunne, in attendance at the meeting. Everyone greeted Bill, who has been a past active club member. Bill is currently in the market for a 77' Cam Am, so let us know if there's one out there for sale. It was great to see Bill again.

Sue asked if the minutes from the last meeting should be accepted, J.C. made the motion to accept the minutes and Roland seconded the motion. Sue was given a thank you note for the club from the Fisher House for their 2022 Cops and Rodders donation.

J.C. then gave a quick talk about meeting Mr. Jay Leno up at his Big Dog garage. J.C. went up there with Allan Taylor to make a video with Mr. Leno presenting a lifetime achievement award in Duesenberg restorations to his longtime friend Randy Ema. Allan Taylor had designed and created the award to be presented. This video will be shown at the La Jolla Concours d'Elegance with Mr. Ema receiving the award. J.C. said Jay asked him what Pontiac he had, since J.C. had on his Pontiac hat. J.C. told him he had a 64 GTO convertible and Jay wanted to know if it was a tri-power. Jay is a big fan of Pontiacs and has a few in his car collection.

<u>Treasurer's Report:</u> Geoff Fischer was not present to give the treasurer's report. A thorough report was provided at the last meeting without any significant changes since then.

#### New Business:

J.C.'s is still planning for the Auto Swap at the Santee Drive-In on Memorial Day 29th of May. J.C. had proposed one club space that is 34 x 18 feet be purchased. We can promote our club and recruit new members at the swap meet. There should be room for at least four cars in the space. He's looking for member support to bring their Pontiacs.

Sue provided a flyer to Jim Thomson for the entry for March 2023 Midnight at the Oasis in Yuma Arizona for our newsletter. J.C. and Greg presented the save the date flyer for our Cops and Rodders show to be held on 24 September 2023. Show flyers are in the works.



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Greg Raymond is putting together as many club photos as he can to scan in for website use and historical property. He is asking for any photos you may have that would support his efforts. It would be great to look back and share what we have done, what we've restored, driven, attended, that has enriched our car club and our communities.

<u>Upcoming Activities</u>: Roland looked into a run to the Lion's Auto Museum. He thought a Saturday would be a good day with a meet up place to be determined for the cruise up. Members felt a Saturday would be a good choice. Possibly get a date for late May or early June to be coordinated with the Lion's museum. The J.A. Cooley Museum in San Diego was another activity discussed. The next cars and coffee at the San Diego Auto Museum is May 21<sup>st</sup>. We thought we could then go to the Cooley Museum afterwards, about 1 mile north of Balboa Park, to tour the museum. Roland and J.C. to coordinate with the owners.

<u>Upcoming Events</u>: Bill mentioned the SDCCC monthly meet up at the Jolly Joker happening the first Tuesday of the month. The Father's Day Car show, June 18<sup>th</sup> held at Belmont Park in Mission Beach will be happening, coordinated by Charger Steve. The Southern California POCI Chapter is having their 33<sup>rd</sup> Annual All Pontiacs Show in Fullerton on Saturday, May 13<sup>th</sup> from 10 to 3. Kearny High School Alumni Car Show re-scheduled for Saturday, May 20<sup>th</sup>. 10<sup>th</sup> Annual WILD RIDES The Pacific Beach Car Show event coordinated by Charger Steve is happening on Saturday August 19<sup>th</sup> starting at 8:00 a.m. Remember to look at SDCCC website for calendar of events for all upcoming car shows.

#### Old Business:

Now is the time to start collecting items for raffle prizes for the opportunity drawings held at the Cops and Rodders Show. A volunteers sign up sheet was passed around at the meeting with members signing up for what they would like to support at the show. There were volunteers for registration, parking, raffle, trophy sponsor, and clean up support.

Bill Baugh brought his MOPAR to the Goodguys Show and was given an Award of Merit. Bill has a contact for 2024 if our club wants to enter the show. We would need 15+ cars for reserved display indoors. The cars have to stay there for three days, Thursday through Sunday. They have a great package for entrants, getting one free parking pass and two entry passes. Something for our club to think about for the 2024 show.

Racing Reports – No racing reports were given.

Motion to adjourn by: Jim Taylor

Motion 2<sup>nd</sup> by: J.C. Dumas

Meeting was adjourned at 7:00 p.m.

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# **CAMERIN ELIZABETH DIOT CELEBRATION OF LIFE**

**MAY 2023** 

April 20 was a beautiful warm and sunny day in Poway, CA, a very nice respite from the heavy rains San Diego had experienced for what felt like the previous 4 months. It was as if the weather was honoring Camerin, who herself was beautiful and warm, always with a sunny disposition who loved tending to her garden and walking on the beach. Many of the SDPOCI joined with family and friends for the services and celebration of life reception that followed. Camerin was a beautiful lady, beloved by all whose lives she touched. We were all so fortunate to have had Camerin in our lives as she truly made the world a better place.







# CAMERIN ELIZABETH DIOT CELEBRATION OF LIFE















## **CAMERIN ELIZABETH DIOT CELEBRATION OF LIFE**



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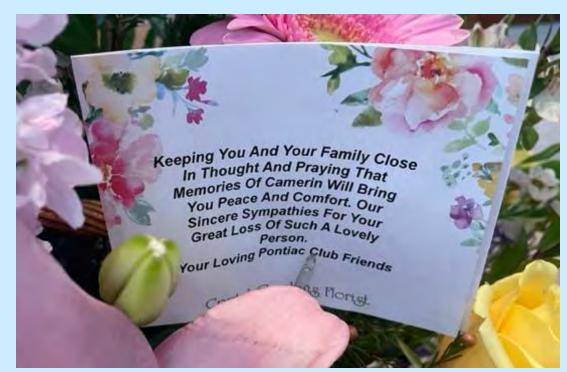




# CAMERIN ELIZABETH DIOT CELEBRATION OF LIFE















So much to say about Jim Wangers. I first heard of Jim when I joined the SDPOCI some 30+ years ago. To say he was a Pontiac legend is not doing justice to the man as he was so much more than that young ad man who established Pontiac as the muscle car leader of the greatest time in muscle car history, the 60's and early 70's. When I first met Jim, I'm not sure what I expected, having read of his accomplishments, but I can tell you the man I met was <u>not</u> what I expected. He was humble, gracious, entertaining and a genuinely great person! We in SDPOCI were so very fortunate to not only having Jim Wangers living in our backyard, but also his close colleague and the greatest illustrator in the history of

a u t o m o b i l e advertising, Mr. Art Fitzpatrick! Both Jim and Art would support our local club events and even attend club meetings when t h e i r b u s y schedules would allow! I still have to



pinch myself when I look at the old photos, especially the inset one here with both Jim and Art sitting in my living room for our 2009 Holiday Party!



My kids met Jim at an early age and both had signed Jim Wanger prints hanging in their bedrooms right next to their Tony Gwynn and Tony Hawk posters. No surprise both of my kids first cars were Pontiacs (Firebirds of course)!



The next few pages include some great pictures taken over the last 30+ years of SDPOCI members and friends, past and present, with the Godfather of the GTO, Mr. Jim Wangers. Jim lived an amazing life and we were all so fortunate to have known and loved this amazing man.

**RIP** Jim

**MAY 2023** 







With Duncan Abrams



With Jim Thomson



With Paul Aguilar



With John Pluth & Dale Arries



With Jeff & Dyanna Gallagher



With Gil Gresoro







With Duncan Abrams & J Bittle



With Greg Raymond



## With Rick Mihm



With Bill Baugh



With Jim Taylor & Grandson







With Dale Arries



With Dave Anderson



With J.C. & Sue Dumas



With Tom Diot & Jim Taylor



With Hot Rod Holly





# MARCH 31—APRIL 2, 2023



With Duncan Abrams



With Billy Dunne



With Greg Raymond



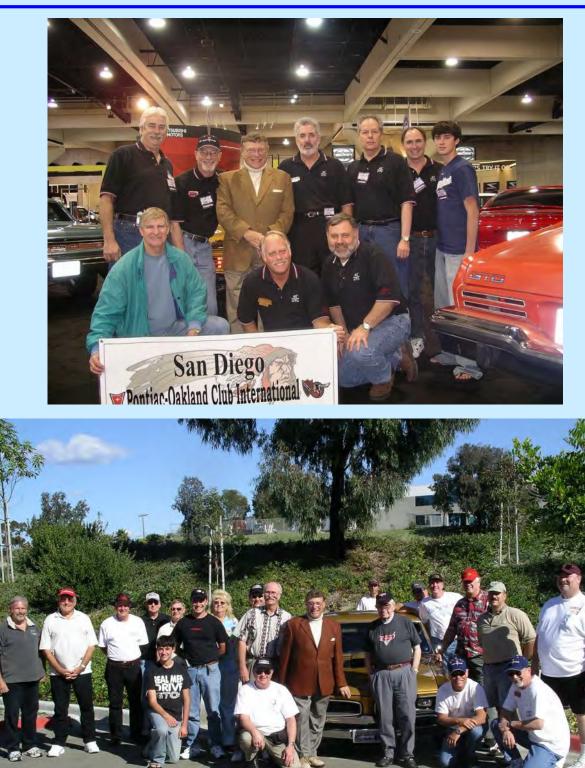
With Dave Keetch



With Bill Baugh







Jim and Art with SDPOCI





# LA JOLLA CONCOURS D'ELEGANCE

## APRIL 23, 2023

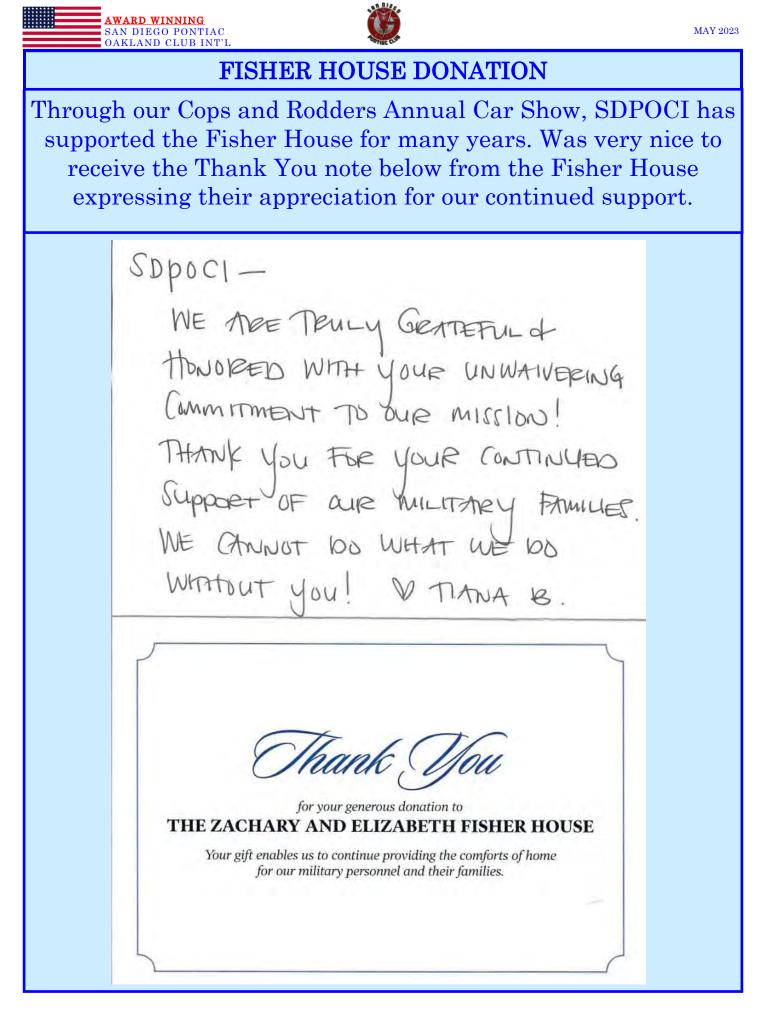
Congratulations to long time SDPOCI members Sheila and Sheldon Jurist for being recognized as La Jolla Concours d'Elegance Volunteers Of The Year!

Sheila and Sheldon were chosen out of more than 250 volunteers (including your humble newsletter editor!) for their "unselfish spirit of volunteerism, one that is noted by their passion for the event, their ambassadorship for the Concours, and their stepping up above and beyond what has been asked of them. The couple have volunteered with the Concours for many years, this year on our Friday VIP Party, Sunday 5:00 am Load-in, and end of day Vehicle Exit teams, with accolades from all team captains. They are also car lovers themselves, both serving on the Board of Directors of the Association of California Car Clubs, and volunteering for many organizations, car clubs, and events throughout the San Diego community."

Congratulations Sheila and Sheldon!









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# SUNDAY 5/14 BURNOUTS AND BURRITOS!





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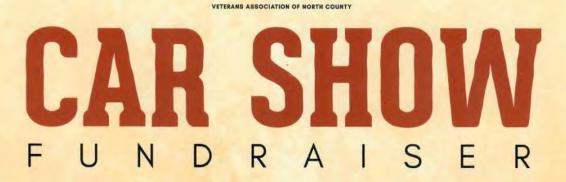












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The Mission of the San Diego Automotive Museum is to tell the story of the social and technological past, present, and future of motorized vehicles throughout its collections, exhibitions, and educational programs.

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# UNIVERSITY CITY CARS AND COFFEE

University City (UC) has been hosting a C&C on the last Saturday of the month for a few years but like everything else in life, it was on hiatus for the better part of 2020 and 2021. Good news, it is now back in full swing! It is held in the parking lot of the Sprouts Marketplace shopping complex on the west end of Governor Drive and goes from 8:00 to 10:00 am. A local realtor sponsors the event and provides coffee and donuts. Event must end by 10:00 am as that is the time the business's open on Saturdays. It is low key compared to our favorite JBA C&C, no burn outs and usually max's out at about 20—25 cars. But you get a wide variety of cars, everything from MG's, VW vans, flat top Ford pick-ups, 60's T-birds and Cadillacs and yes, a fair share of muscle cars. Besides the provided coffee and donuts, there is a Starbucks and a Mexican food shop, Primos, that serves up a pretty tasty breakfast burrito. Definitely worth checking out!





Coffee & Bagels:

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Your mom called. She said you can go to Escondido Cars & Coffee this week.

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FOR MORE INFORMATION AND TO JOIN THE CLUB CONTACT TOM DIOT, PRESIDENT AND NEWSLETTER EDITOR AT 858.472.7145, OR <u>sdpoci@hotmail.com</u>.

<u>www.sdpoci.com</u>.

WE'LL SEE YOU ON THE ROAD!











Pontiac-Oakland Club International

#### San Diego Pontiac Club - Chapter 58 of the P.O.C.I. MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION / RENEWAL FORM

IMPORTANT: Membership in the National POCI Club is optional to join our club. We do encourage all SDPOCI members to join the National Club because of the many benefits and information on their website.

Fill out the form below and send \$25.00 check or money order (US funds only) made out to S.D. P.O.C.I. SEND TO: TOM DIOT 11229 EAGLES CREEK CT. SAN DIEGO, CA 92128-4084

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PONTIAC OAKLAND CLUB INT'L<u>www.poci.org</u>

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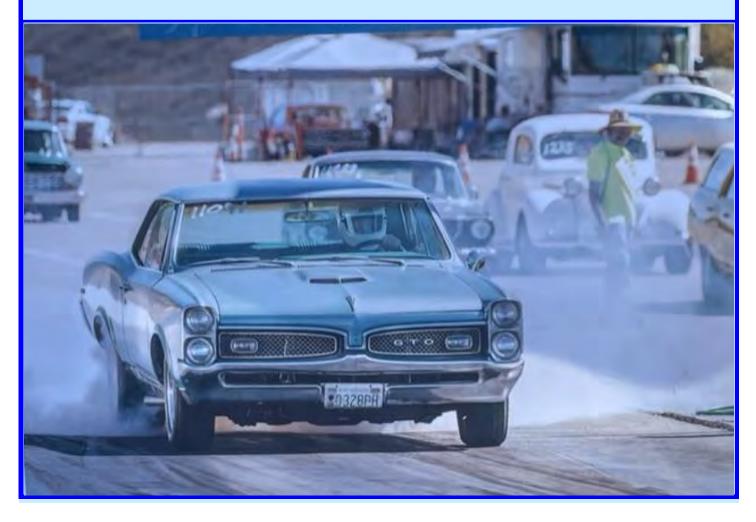
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FISHER HOUSE <u>https://www.sandiegofisherhouse.org/</u>

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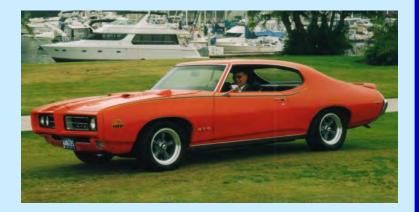
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#### SECRETARY J.C. DUMAS (Acting) Volunteer needed!

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## FALL POW WOW CAR SHOW OCTOBER 23, 2022!!

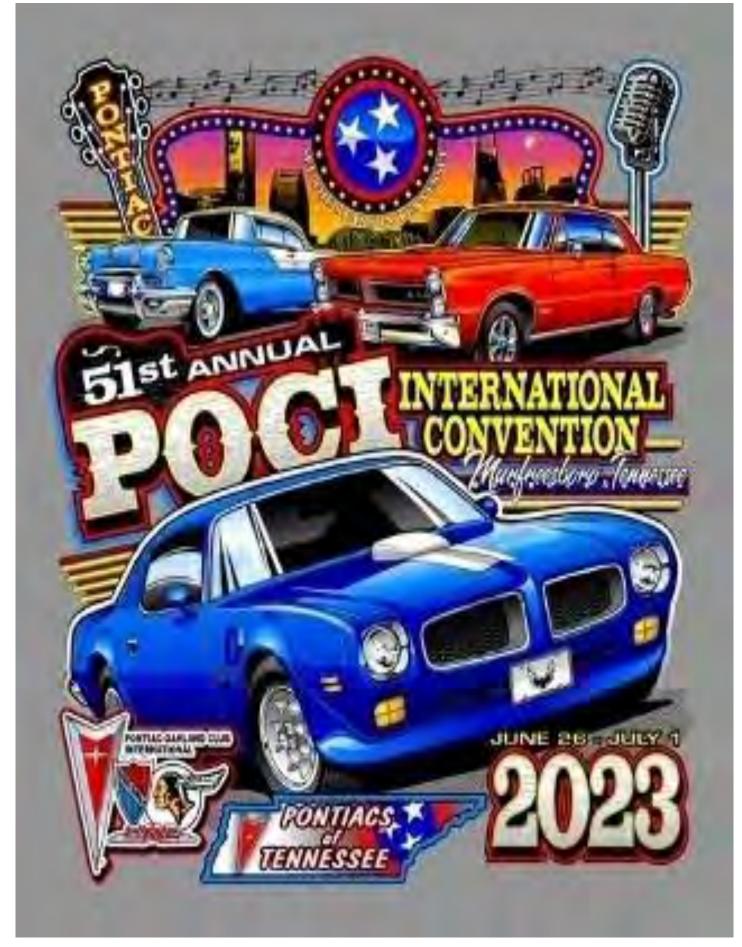
















## JOIN THE PONTIAC OAKLAND CLUB INTERNATIONAL (POCI)

## We Invite You To Join!

## Keeping The Pontiac Legacy Alive...

Formed in 1972 by a small group of enthusiasts who wanted to pool as much Pontiac and Oakland information as was possible, the first convention was held the following year in Camp Hill, Pennsylvania. Since then, POCI chapters have formed all over the country and POCI Conventions have been held every year in a variety of locations. The events include a car show, tech seminars, presentations, drag racing and a great swap meet. GMC trucks were included in 1998, due to their close relation to Pontiac.

The club's magazine, *Smoke Signals*, also started in 1972 and has evolved into a world-class, award-winning monthly that continues to raise the bar for non-commercial publications. *Smoke Signals* was redesigned in 2006 and again in 2013. Today, it is a 92 to100-page, full-color publication printed on heavyweight paper and also comes in digital form.

We are very excited with the future of the Pontiac hobby and we invite you to join POCI and start receiving *Smoke Signals*. Please note that members get access to download our digital editions that go all the way back to 2006.

We welcome anyone and everyone with an interest in Pontiacs, Oaklands and GMCs of any age or type to join us. Just use the membership form provided and get in on the action.

Whether you have an early Pontiac, a muscle-era GTO or Firebird, a full-sized Wide Tracker or late-model Trans Am, Solstice, or G8, we have a place for you and your car.

We thank you for your time and look forward to seeing you at a POCI event soon!

## Annual Membership Fees

## Worldwide Electronic-Membership (downloadable version of Smoke Signals, no magazine is mailed): \$25

## **United States Membership: \$45**

## Outside of U.S. Membership: \$74

All memberships except E-memberships come with two free associate memberships. Associate members are spouse/significant other and/or a dependent child, 19 years old or younger living with you.

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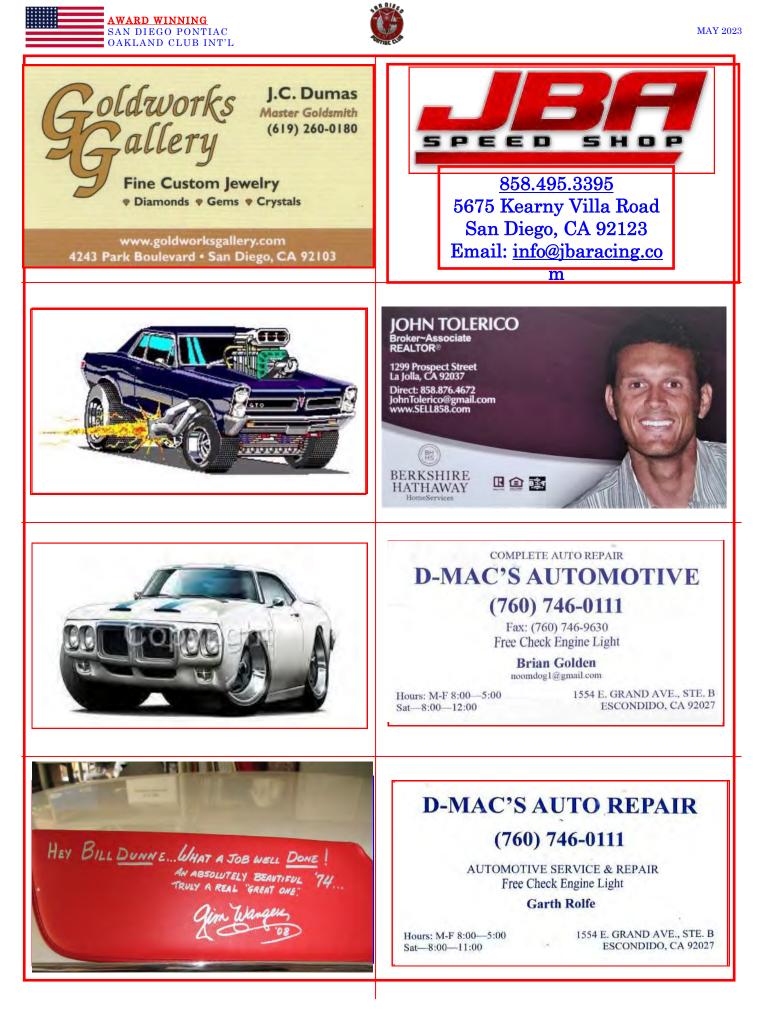
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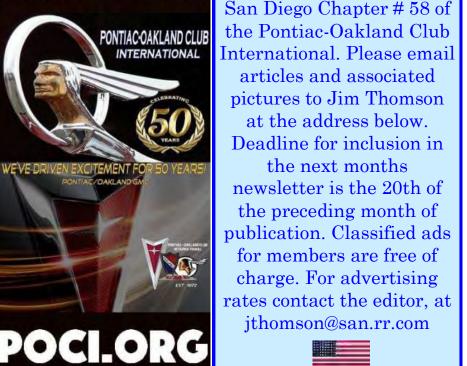
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The San Diego Chapter of the Pontiac Oakland Club International (POCI) was founded in 1989. We are a club dedicated to the preservation and enjoyment of all models of Pontiacs of all years. We drive 'em, work on 'em, polish 'em, restore 'em, break 'em, put 'em back together again and have great fun doing it! We are individuals, couples, and families that enjoy getting together for a variety of activities. We host an annual Fall Pow -Wow car show every summer, and participate as a club in other local and regional shows. We hold annual pool and Christmas parties, participate in many of the San Diego cruise nights, organize automotive factory, speed shop and museum tours, and join in a variety of other events throughout the year. The cars in the club range from Concourse cars, show cars, daily drivers, drag racers, and cars undergoing restoration. Our goal is to have FUN while driving our Pontiacs.