



Pontiacs of the Valley

December 2025 | Newsletter of the Valley of the Sun Pontiacs Club
Chapter #107, Pontiac Oakland Club International

Next club meeting is Dec. 17 at Rudy's Country Store/BBQ

Register for BOPC+GMC '26 at www.valleysunpontiacs.com!

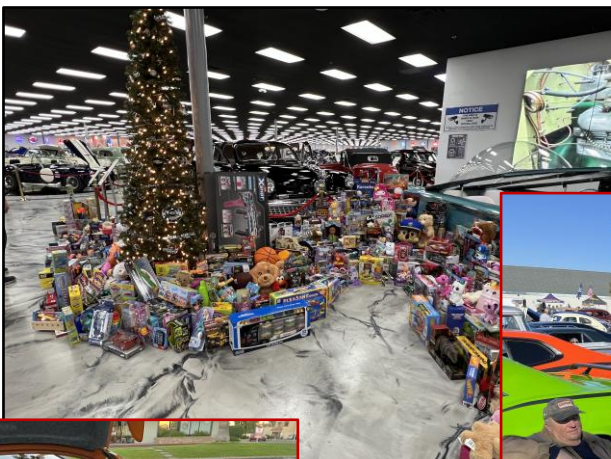


Ho, Ho, Ho!

Club members spread holiday cheer at auto museum toy drive

The classic car community has always been supportive of offering help to those in need, especially around the holidays. The Valley of the Sun

Pontiacs club, along with other clubs from the Phoenix metro area, made donations at toy drives at Gateway Classic Cars and Streetside Classics car shows, as well as at the Mel Martin Automobile Museum. We had 20+ club



members make the trek to the West Valley museum and turned in about 30 gifts donated by our club. It was a fun day. Each gift donated include free admission to Martin's beautiful museum of over 160 cars. Check out more photos from the event on our club Facebook page.



PONTIACS

4TH ANNUAL

AT THE *Strip* SHOW AND DRAGS LAS VEGAS



MAR
27-29
2026
FRI • SAT • SUN

Welcoming ALL PONTIACS to LAS VEGAS SPEEDWAY!

A Sub Event of the HUGE 23rd Annual MUSCLE CARS at the STRIP and Battle of the Brands!

ALL YEARS & ALL MODELS... **CAR SHOW**

DISPLAY YOUR PONTIAC: Stock or Modified

PONTIAC CAR SHOW & CLUB INFO:

Chuck Grohs: chuck@airtecgaes.com (702) 604-4592

The Fabulous Las Vegas
Chapter of POCI

New members welcomed!
Call Chuck for info.



PRE-REGISTER ONLINE at www.MATSLV.com
SPECTATOR & CREW TICKETS ALSO AVAILABLE
CHILDREN AGE 12 and UNDER ARE FREE!

ANY PONTIAC BODY & ENGINE IS WELCOMED! **DRAGS**

RACE YOUR PONTIAC: Stock or Modified

— ALL-PONTIAC SHOOTOUT —

PONTIAC BRACKET RACING with Big Payouts!

Time Trials: Friday & Saturday; Eliminations on Sunday

- \$600 Winner • \$350 Runner-Up
- \$250 for each of our two Semi-Finalists

PAYOUTS WILL GROW AS MORE SPONSORS ARE ADDED.

THANKS TO OUR GENEROUS RACE SPONSORS!

Kauffman Racing Equipment ... Jeff Kauffman

AllPontiac.com ... Frank Gostyla

PRW ... Steve Whipple/Power by Design

Arizona Chapter #29 Pontiac-Oakland Club International

Modern Fuel ... Jerry Raub • Sunrise Racing ... Bill Perri

and Caroline German from Fool\$ Gold Racing

NOTE: RACERS MAY ENTER ANY ADDITIONAL RACE
CLASSES OFFERED. SEE WEBSITE FOR DESCRIPTIONS.

Part of the **OUTLAW PONTIAC RACERS WEST** Series!
Find us on Facebook or OutlawPontiacRacers.com

PONTIAC DRAG RACE INFORMATION:

Rick Unterseh: nhra7769@gmail.com (480) 570-5583

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EVENT PROMOTER: Phil Painter • (702) 256-8254 • phil@matslv.com



OLDSMOBILE ~ PONTIAC ~ CADILLAC ~
28TH BOPC SHOW
SUNDAY, MARCH 22, 2026
10:00 AM - 3:00PM
BUICK ~ GMC

NOW WITH ONLINE
REGISTRATION

EAST VALLEY INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY



1601 W. MAIN ST, MESA, AZ

SOME PROCEEDS FROM THIS SHOW WILL SUPPORT THE
AUTOMOTIVE TECHNOLOGY PROGRAM AT EVIT



SEE BACK FOR REGISTRATION OR VALLEYSUNPONTIACS.COM

28TH ANNUAL B.O.P.C. & GMC CAR SHOW & SWAP MEET

WHEN: SUNDAY, MARCH 22nd, 2026 10:00 am - 3:00 pm

WHERE: EAST VALLEY INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY (EVIT)
1601 W MAIN ST, MESA, AZ

**HOSTED BY: VALLEY OF THE SUN
PONTIACS**



PRE-REGISTRATION:

- ON-LINE BY CREDIT CARD ONLY
- BEFORE MARCH 20TH, 2026
- \$28 FOR FIRST CAR, \$10 FOR EACH ADDITIONAL CAR

THE ON-LINE SYSTEM ONLY ALLOWS YOU TO REGISTER YOUR FIRST CAR.
TO REGISTER ADDITIONAL CARS, PLEASE CONTACT:
MIKE AT (843-860-0791), MWLFLEURY@BELLSOUTH.NET

- TO PRE-REGISTER ON-LINE USE THIS QR CODE or URL LINK BELOW:



<https://carshowpro.com/event/2831>

- TO PRE-ORDER SHIRTS / RAFFLE TICKETS USE THIS QR CODE or URL LINK BELOW:



<https://form.jotform.com/252938296906169>

DAY OF SHOW REGISTRATION:

- CASH OR CREDIT CARD IN PERSON
- \$40 PER CAR

SHOW CONTACTS:

GENERAL SHOW: Carl - 480-507-0331, cabylander@outlook.com
REGISTRATION: Mike - 843-860-0791, mwlfleury@bellsouth.net
SWAP MEET: Dan - 602-677-3710, hd_roadkingman@yahoo.com

REGISTRATION CLASSES

(A) Original Paint, Drivetrain, Wheels and Interior

CODE	PONTIAC	YEARS
P-01	CUSTOM	ALL YEARS
P-02	UNRESTORED (A)	1900 - 1974
P-03	SOLSTICE	ALL YEARS
P-04	FIERO	ALL YEARS
P-05	GTO	1964 - 1965
P-06	GTO	1966 - 1967
P-07	GTO / JUDGE	1968 - 1969
P-08	GTO / JUDGE	1970 - 1974
P-09	GTO	2004 - 2006
P-10	FIREBIRD / TA	1967 - 1969
P-11	FIREBIRD / TA	1970 - 1975
P-12	FIREBIRD / TA	1976 - 1978
P-13	FIREBIRD / TA	1979 - 1981
P-14	FIREBIRD / TA	1982 - 1992
P-15	FIREBIRD / TA	1993 - 2002
P-16	TEMPEST / LEMANS	1961 - 1974
P-17	PRE 50'S PONTIACS	1900 - 1949
P-18	50'S PONTIACS	1950 - 1959
P-19	60-64 BIG PONTIACS	1960 - 1964
P-20	65-69 BIG PONTIACS	1965 - 1969
P-21	70'S BIG PONTIACS	1970 - 1979
P-22	80'S & NEWER/G6/G8	1980 - 2009

CODE	BUICK	YEARS
B-01	UNRESTORED (A)	UP TO 1974
B-02	RIVIERA	ALL YEARS
B-03	GS / GSX	1965 - 1972
B-04	GN / GNX	1982 - 1987
B-05	PRE 50'S BUICKS	1900 - 1949
B-06	50'S BUICKS	1950 - 1959
B-07	60'S BUICKS	1960 - 1969
B-08	70'S BUICKS	1970 - 1979
B-09	80'S & NEWER BUICKS	1980 - 2026

CODE	OLDSMOBILE	YEARS
O-01	CUSTOM	ALL YEARS
O-02	UNRESTORED (A)	UP TO 1974
O-03	CUTLASS / F85 / 442	1961 - 1967
O-04	CUTLASS / F85 / 442	1968 - 1972
O-05	HURST	1964 - 1972
O-06	PRE 50'S OLDS	1900 - 1949
O-07	50'S OLDSMOBILES	1950 - 1959
O-08	60'S OLDSMOBILES	1960 - 1969
O-09	70'S & NEWER OLDS	1970 - 2004

CODE	CADILLAC	YEARS
C-01	UNRESTORED (A)	UP TO 1974
C-02	PRE 50'S CADILLACS	1900 - 1949
C-03	50'S CADILLACS	1950 - 1959
C-04	60'S CADILLACS	1960 - 1969
C-05	70'S CADILLACS	1970 - 1979
C-06	80'S & NEWER CAD	1980 - 2026

CODE	GMC	YEARS
G-01	ALL	ALL YEARS

President's Message

For my December message to the club, I am going to focus on three items. Before that I am going to be traditional in wishing you A MERRY AND BLESSED CHRISTMAS AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR!!!



1. **We had a very successful Good Guys Southwest Nationals Car Show** in Scottsdale, being a sponsoring club of the event for the first time. By some of our members donating a bit of their time we were able to raise \$1,300 for our club.

I will be looking forward to improving the scheduling and working with the Good Guys staff for the March event. Thanks to all who helped!

Our club was also able to provide and sponsor the "Best Pontiac" trophy at the event, again a first for the organization. Our beautiful trophy (thank you Sean Fowler!) for Best Pontiac was awarded to one of our members, Erik and Sara Hankins for their beautiful, low-mileage, and original 1977 Grand Prix LJ. Scott Moore also won an award for the best F-Body Car with his 1970 Trans Am.

2. Please RSVP to Valerie Johnson if you plan to participate in our **New Year's Day Cruise**. You can reach Valerie at vallynne1959@gmail.com. We will meet at the We Ko Pa RV Park and cruise to Jake's Bar and Grill for Breakfast, Brunch, or Lunch; a cruise of about 50 miles.

We will also have the option of going on an extended cruise following the stop. The "Bar" is the site of a movie filming. Bring some dollar bills along to staple to the wall and learn more. Hear more about the cruise at our Dec. 17 meeting and see more details in the flyer below.

3. We will be finalizing our plans for the **Globe - Miami Flood Relief Fundraiser** at our club meeting. Thanks to Carl Bylander, we were able to connect with the car community in the area and meet with them to select auto repair facilities that were damaged by the floods. We will then select a date in January when will cruise and meet with those affected by the flood and give them our donated funds that they can use to help bring life back to normal. With that, there is still time to donate if you haven't been able to yet. Please contact me or Mike Fleury or simply bring your money to the December meeting.

See you there!

Paul

Paul Albinger, Jr

Join us for our next club meeting!!

The meeting is being held Wednesday, Dec. 17, at Rudy's Country Store and BBQ, starting with dinner at 5:30 pm, and the meeting at 7 pm. The address is 15257 N. Northsight Blvd., Scottsdale.





Don't miss a club activity!

Here is what we have on the Valley of the Sun Pontiacs schedule for 2026. More to come! Always check our website (www.valleysunpontiacs.com) and our Facebook page for updates.

Club meeting dates (third Wednesday of the month, dinner at 5:30 pm; meeting starts at 7:00 pm). Rudy's Country Store and Barbeque, 15257 N. Northsight Blvd., Scottsdale

Sept. 17, Oct. 15, Nov. 19, Dec. 17, Jan. 21, Feb. 7 (Club Holiday Party), March 18, April 15, May 20

2026

Jan. 1: New Years Day Cruise (coordinator: Board member Valerie Johnson; RSVP to her at vallynne1959@gmail.com. See flyer.

Jan. 3: 53rd annual Fiesta Bowl Parade event (coordinator: Board member Bruce Almond)

Feb 7: Club Party, Blessed Sacrament Church, Scottsdale (coordinators: Board members Mark Neumann and Mary Sundberg). See flyer below for details.

March 6-8: Midnight at the Oasis Car Show, Yuma (coordinator: Board member Tom Locke)

March 13-16: Good Guys SW Nationals, Westworld

March 22: Buick-Olds-Pontiac-Cadillac+GMC Car Show and Swap Meet, EVIT Campus, Mesa (see flyer for info on registering online).

March 27-29: Muscle Cars on the Strip, Las Vegas Motor Speedway. Info: Rick Unterseh (480-570-5583; nhra7769@gmail.com) or see Muscle Cars on the Strip Facebook page.

- **Look for weekly updates on our VSP club events!**

Club member Owen Zangle puts together a weekly update, sent out on Thursdays, for club affiliated and other car shows around the Valley. If you want to add an event, or are not receiving his emails, contact Owen at owenzangle@gmail.com



- **Don't forget to check out resources for you and your Pontiac at our club website, www.valleysunpontiacs.com**



- Monthly Club Calendar of Events
- Pontiac Cars and Parts Buyers Guide
- Pontiac Parts and Service Resource Guide
- Links page (organizations, parts vendors, car insurance, Pontiac Facebook and website pages)
- Pontiacs of the Valley newsletter archive
- Cruisin and Cars and Coffee Guide
- Club Store (to order shirts, hats, etc.)
- Archive of "Tech Time" articles written by Tom Locke



Pontiac-ing in the New Year!



Join your fellow club members on our annual New Year's Day Cruise as we celebrate the start of 2026!

**Destination: Jakes Corner Bar and Grill
57564 AZ-188, Payson, AZ**

When: Thursday, Jan. 1

Meet-Up: We Ko Pa RV Park (Eagle View RV Resort), 9605 N. Fort McDowell Road, Fort McDowell.

Time: 10 am

We will gather our Pontiacs for a mini car show and parade through the resort before heading up the Beeline Highway to Jakes. Light snacks, coffee provided.

Must RSVP no later than Dec. 29 so we have enough tables at Jake's!

RSVP to VSP Board member Valarie Johnson (vallynne1959@gmail.com)

It's Holiday Party Time!



Come join us for our annual holiday party
and monthly meeting as we celebrate our club's growth.
our Pontiac family, and share details on activities for 2026.

When: Saturday, Feb. 7

Where: Social Hall, Blessed Sacrament Church
11300 N. 64th Street, Scottsdale

Time: 11:00 am to 3:00 pm: Club Meeting at 2:00 pm

RSVP to Mark Neumann (markneumann16@gmail.com) or
Mary Sundberg (garyandmary59@cox.net)

Members and one guest are free: extra friends or family - \$15/person

54th Annual **POCI** International Convention

PONTIAC, MICHIGAN

JUNE 22-27, 2026

"Home for the Hundredth"
CELEBRATING THE 100TH ANNIVERSARY
OF PONTIAC-MOTOR-DIVISION

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FOR MORE INFO CALL THE CLUB OFFICE 763-479-2111

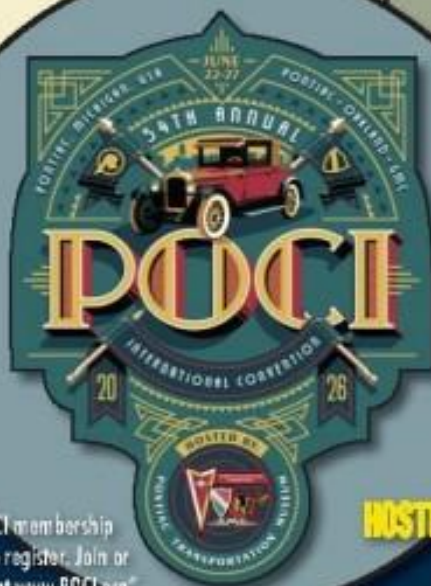


- TOURS
- SEMINARS
- SWAP MEET
- 100TH ANNIV. PARADE
- POINTS-JUDGED SHOW
- POPULAR VOTE SHOW
- GUEST SPEAKERS
- CAR RAFFLE GIVEAWAY!
(YES, IT'S A PONTIAC!)
- FREE ADMISSION TO
MUSEUM FOR REGISTRANTS
- CRUISE WOODWARD AVE.
- AND MUCH MORE

PONTIAC



WELCOMING ALL YEARS
OF PONTIACS, OAKLANDS
AND GMC TRUCKS!



Valid POCI membership
required to register. Join or
renew now at www.POCI.org



**HOSTED BY THE PONTIAC TRANSPORTATION MUSEUM
AND THE MICHIGAN POCI CHAPTERS**

Hanging out at Good Guys

Club members man swap space, win awards, and do work detail at the show

Valley of the Sun members were all over this year's Good Guys SW Nationals, held Nov. 20-23 at Westworld.



Our club paid for and manned a huge swap meeting space (above). Special thanks to Dan LaChimia and his crew who manned the tables and helped to sell parts.

Two club members brought home awards, one for best Firebird (Scott Moore) and for Best Pontiac (Eric Hankins; left) This award was given out for the first time, and sponsored by our club.

Our club also accepted a request from Good Guys to work for the show's operations team, helping with directing cars to their spaces during the show and coordinating the awards ceremony. The club received \$1,300 for the work done, and was asked to come back to the Spring event. Great job by everyone who participated!

Club member Eric Hankins won the Best Pontiac award, sponsored by our Valley of the Sun Pontiacs club, at the Good Guys Southwest Nationals, with his '77 Grand Prix (top). This (at right) was a well-done



Pontiac Safari. The club had a number of members come to the two-day car show with their Ponchos and competed for trophies.

And everyone appreciated the "Cackle Fest." Listening to the old motors turn over in these vintage slingshot drag racers (left) was a treat.



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