

Meeting Minutes

4/26/09

Attendance; Howard Botting, Joe & Jean Britt, Bob & Barbara Conniff, John & Rita Downing, Steve & Natalie Eymmer, Perry Galuppo, Rich & Betty Gay, Art & Donna Johnston, Tim & Estre Nichols, Jim Patterson, Jimmy Patterson, Jim & Elaine Reilly, Otis & Robin Woodard, Terry & Donna Young, Paul Zory, Marrow Grago and his friend Sue.

The meeting was called to order at 7:40 pm.

The meeting minutes for the month of March were accepted.

Art started the meeting by introducing a new member, Marrow Grago and his friend Sue. Marrow is the proud owner of a 1954 Pontiac Chieftain.

Joe and Jean Britt took Jean's Solstice to Watkins Glenn for the annual run of the track. They had a great time.

John Downing's Treasury Report; we had one new member join our chapter since our last meeting. One entry for this year's show has been received so far. There was a 7 cent service charge on the chapter account and 27 dollars was deposited in to it. The Treasury is doing well.

John & Rita will be sending out applications for this year's show.

Rich Gay ordered 50 shirts in various sizes. The shirts for this year's show will be gray with the chapter logo and 25th anniversary embroidered on the left front of the shirt.

Rich confirmed our reservation for the Plainville Restaurant on May 17th at 6:00 pm.

Rich's son Cliff is selling a 1993 Pontiac Bonneville for \$300.

We need more items for the silent auction. If you have anything to donate, contact Rich.

Betty will be contacting the baker at the James Street Wegmans to go over the plans for the cake. She also will contact the store manager to finalize everything.

Joe Britt ordered a sample hat from Team Athletic Wear. There wasn't enough room on the hat to put the entire logo on. The general consensus was that the logo was too large.

Jimmy Patterson gave us a walk through on our revamped web site. Jimmy told us that the changes to the site made it user friendly. There is a new banner on the main page. Every page has a menu on the left side of the page. Where ever you go on the site the menu is always there, so you don't have to go back and forth to find what you want to look at.

On the members page when you click on a member name a picture of the member's car comes up. If there are multiple pictures just click on the next tab to view the other pictures. There is a Super Show page so you can view pictures of past shows.

There is a Google calendar that has upcoming events and also a time capsule page with old TV commercials and advertisements.

Great Job Jimmy!

Jim Patterson started his presentation talking about the end of Pontiac. His observation on Pontiacs end was that Pontiac is associated with performance. Performance doesn't fit in with fuel economy as the Government now insists upon. With the bad economy, it puts Pontiac on the chopping block.

Here is GM by the numbers. Chevrolet sold 1,801,131 units, GMC sold 376,996 units, Pontiac sold 267,000 units, Saturn sold 188,004 units, Cadillac sold 161,159 units, Buick sold 137,197 units, Hummer sold 27,485 units, Sabb sold 21,368 units.

Art talked with Jon Burdick about the end of Pontiac. Jon told him that at this time nothing is final and everything is still on the table.

If you aren't happy with the Government's involvement in the auto industry let your representatives know how you feel.

POCI is having a membership drive. Art received applications from POCI to hand out to our members. When you hand out the applications don't forget to put your name on the referred by line. For every referral you make you will get one month of free membership.

Art talked to the Rapps about the show and asked them about storing members extra vehicles inside overnight on the night before the show. The Rapps gave us permission to store the vehicles inside.

Bill Rapps widow is selling a 1927 Oakland. Mrs. Rapp would like to see the Oakland go to a good home. She would like to see it restored to its former glory and not turned in to a hot rod.

Show Preparation

Paul Zory said that the preparation for the concession is going fine. Terry Young says the trophies are in good shape. We had a discussion about how the judging should be done. Do we have the participants judge all of the classes or just judge 5 classes? The decision was made to judge 5 classes.

Art reformatted the activities sheet that Perry sent him. Perry told him to hang on to it because his computer crashed and he lost everything.

Don't forget about donations for the show. If anyone needs letters of introduction please let Art know.

Terry Young told us that the Oneida Lake Chapter of the AACA is sponsoring a bus trip to Allentown Pa. on August 8th & 9th. They are having trouble filling the bus. The cost is \$210 per couple. If anyone is interested please contact Terry Young.

The 50/50 winner of \$32.00 was Paul Zory.

There was a motion to adjourn at 8:40 pm by Rich Gay. The motion was seconded by Perry Galuppo.