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Colorado Chapter Picnic

LET'S CELEBRATE A 1967 RUNNING AND SOLD LeMANS CONVERTIBLE

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KENDRICK PARK in Lakewood

WEST JEWELL AVENUE BETWEEN WADSWORTH & KIPLING STREETS

The Colorado Chapter will provide the food, table services and beverages. We have invited Michele Hartman and her family so join Mike and the Mechanics and the rest of the Chapter members. The 'Mechanics' got her 67 Lemans running and sold and that is cause for celebration. A grille will be fired up and hamburger, hot dogs will be available along with salads and dessert.

Everyone is WELCOME!

Upcoming Events

Saturday, May 27 – Warbirds Show, Car Show and CCC Swap Meet -Front Range Airport. The Colorado Chapter will have swap meet space for you to sell car parts. We will also operate the food concession in the swap meet area and 20 volunteers are needed between 6 am and 4 pm. Come and help out. You place your car in the show and join us at the swap meet. Call gary canady @ 303 632-8727 to volunteer,

Saturday, June 3-Buick-Pontiac-Oldsmobile-Cadillac Show at the Boot Barn at Orchard Road and I-25. The Colorado Chapter co-hosts this show by providing the food concession. Bring your car out and join in on the fun. Great goody bags and give-aways. A show registration is in this newsletter

June 10 - Cruizin' Havana On Havana Street from 6th Avenue to Parker Road. The Colorado Chapter is working with the Collector Car Council of Colorado make this a great event. We will be working at the Havana Auto Parks site. Bring your car, drive the cruise and join other Pontiacers at Havana Auto Parts. It is a fun day and a major fund raiser for CCCC. Read about the event at the website OnHavanaStreet.com.

Dues notices for COPOCI dues will arrive in the mail soon. Dues are a major source of revenue for the Colorado Chapter. The officers of the Chapter carefully spend the money to pay for Chapter events, CCCC dues, operating expenses, and worthwhile causes in our community. Please respond positively and pay the \$25 annual chapter dues.

OPERATION PONTIAC RESURRECTION

By Gary Canady

In 1767, Chief Pontiac rallied the Ottawa Tribe to help a lady nurse the family horse back to health. The horse had served well by providing enjoyable family outings and being the center of many



memories. Three hundred fifty years later, John Flaherty of the Colorado Chapter of the Pontiac-Oakland-GMC club spoke to the chapter members about a similar situation. Michele 'Mike' Hartman had a need to sell the family 'fun' car. The car, a 1967 Pontiac convertible, had not been driven for nineteen years. It sat in the garage with flat tires, 12 gallons of old gasoline, and a dead battery. The car had been advertised for sale but potential buyers were not

willing to make an offer on a car that was not running.

At the January meeting of the Colorado chapter, it was decided to take the car on as a project and get it road-worthy and sold. Several chapter members formed 'Mike and the Mechanics' to work Saturdays and plow into Operation Pontiac Resurrection. It started with removing and cleaning the gas tank and cleaning or replacing fuel lines. The fuel pump was replaced and the carburetor rebuilt. There was a drain on the battery that was found to be a faulty turn signal flasher. The shifter for the



automatic transmission had been broken for years and got replaced and the console was cleaned up and installed. Wheels were worn due to poor installation. The wheels were replaced with new tires. The engine was tuned up. After six weeks, the car started. The engine was brought up to temperature and a leaking radiator raised its ugly head. The radiator was rebuilt and now the car was ready to go. The



car was sold and exported to Sweden.

There is a lot of pressure in Colorado to get old cars off the pressure comes from car dealers, junk yards, and environmentalists. Car hobbyist need to make a positive to help maintain the old car hobby. What was done to help Mike positive statement by the Colorado chapter. We got help from Colorado Tire and Service Co, Havana Auto Parts, Gold Star Radiator and Mike – she provided 24 gallons of coffee, 6 dozen doughnuts, and several pizzas. Also, a bunch of Colorado Pontiacers got to know each other better.



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There is no record of Chief Pontiac having rallied the Tribe, but it is a good start for a story.



ANNUAL CHAPTER REPORT
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FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Ending Balance as of April 1, 2016	\$ 2262
Sources of income since April 1, 2016	
Dues and Car Show	
Total income since April 1, 2016	\$ 2727
Expenses since April 1, 2016	
Meeting expense, Collector Car Council Dues newsletter expense, and charitable donations.	
Total expenses since April 1, 2016	\$ 1867
Balance of all accounts as of April 1, 2017	\$ 3112

CHAPTER EVENTS SUMMARY

- Chapter membership as of April 1, 2016 76
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- Percent of change (34%)
- Chapter Events: Chapter meeting = 11 including our annual meeting and elections.
- Car Shows since April 1, 2016: The Colorado Chapter co-hosted a Pontiac-Oldsmobile-Buick-Cadillac show. Chapter operated the food concession at the Front Range Aircraft/Car Show and Swap Meet at the Front Range Airport in Watkins, CO.
- The Colorado Chapter continued its active support of the Collector Car Council of Colorado with participation of the membership and financial support.
- The Colorado Chapter was a co-host of a festival site at the Crusin' Havana event.
- The Colorado Chapter gave financial support to local charities. Members of the Colorado Chapter helped a lady sell her car that had not run in 18 years; help centered around getting the car road-worthy.



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Minutes of Meeting, April 5, 2017

The meeting was held at the Falcon Police Station, 7850 Goddard St., Colorado Springs, Colorado.

The meeting was called to order at 7:43 pm by President Dick Thompson. Officers in attendance were Dick Thompson, president; Tom Mansfield, 1st V.P.; Samantha Baker, 2nd V.P.; Dick Fritz, secretary; and Tom Kay, treasurer. 25 member clubs were represented. Thompson thanked the southern Colorado clubs, and particularly John Mack for hosting this meeting. Guests were welcomed.

Legislative Information: Leo Boyle discussed current bills in the legislature. HB17-1105 and HB17-1205, described last month, have both advanced. HB17-1205 ("Salvage Vehicle definition") does not alter the exemption of collector-series-eligible vehicles established last year. A newly introduced bill, HB17-1213 ("Concerning the transfer of a vehicle title upon the death of the vehicle's owner") only clarifies procedures and is not of concern to us. HB17-1249 ("Concerning the unlicensed selling of motor vehicles") is promoted by independent used car dealers to penalize individuals acting as dealers without authorization.

Leo also emphasized the complicated issue of funding for road repairs which has led to the budget and sales tax proposal which may come up for a vote by the electorate in November.

Minutes of the March meeting were approved as published.

Treasurer's Report: Treasurer Tom Kay submitted balances as of the end of March:

Operating Account:	\$ 1578.92
Govt.Relations Account:	\$ 3965.00
Havana Cruise Account:	\$ 375.00
Swap Meet Account:	\$ -340.00
Swap Meet Pre-Reg:	<u>\$ 360.00</u>
Total, All Accounts:	<u>\$ 5938.92</u>
Reserve:	<u>\$ 21631.65</u>

Total: \$ 27570.57

The following clubs have renewed their membership in the past month:

Ye Olde Auto Club
Colorado MOPAR Club
Plymouth Owners
Classic Thunderbird Club
Shelby American Club
Northern Colorado Model T Ford Club
Mile Hi Cobra Club
Cadillac-LaSalle Club
Pontiac Oakland International
Looking Glass Corvette Association
Rocky Mountain AMC
Colorado AMC
Kaiser-Frazer Owners
Hudson-Essex-Terraplane
Arkansas Valley Car Club
Chassis Lassies
Colorado Classic Convertibles
VMCCA Royal Gorge Chapter
The Denver Roadsters Club

which brings us to 48 current clubs. We will be contacting a few more clubs to get renewals in.

Swap Meet and War Bird Show: May 27th. Pat Meyer and John Ehrlich have been promoting the swap meet part of this joint event. The division of labor between the aircraft/car show and the CCCC swap meet is still being discussed. The swap meet area will have a separate access road for vendors to avoid traffic congestion upon entry. Rick Douglas of Pit Rally is responsible for car show and spectators entry. There will be military aircraft but this year there will be no planned landing of F16 aircraft, which complicated the event last year. Our concern is proper management of the swap meet area for vendors and buyers. Pat and his committee need volunteers to handle such tasks as space marking, registration, traffic & parking, overnight security (one night), and cleanup. Traditionally clubs have volunteered to handle specific duties. Volunteers will get free parking passes and breakfast or lunch. Give Pat a call at 303-288-4480. Visitors to the swap meet as well as those for the Car / Aircraft show will pay to park.

Cruiz'n Havana: CCCC's 10th Annual Cruise on Havana St. in Aurora, June 10, noon – 6 pm. This year's event is consolidated to three sites: Stampede/Kaiser; Havana Machine Shop; Buckingham Village / Gibby's. The featured car on the poster is the Buick convertible owned by John & Sue Garratt; the feature car for next year will be selected from photos taken at Stampede site. For the poker run, two cards will be drawn at each of the three sites. Again this year, the winning hand will be an ocean cruise; second will be a NAPA tool box valued over \$1000, and a "second chance" (non-winning hand) will win \$200. There will be a band and various activities at each site. Off-duty police officers will be on hand to keep things civil: no open alcohol containers and no burn outs or coal train exhausts will be tolerated. Again this year there will be a VIP dinner on Friday night for volunteers. The Cruise will run from noon to 6 pm on Saturday, June 10.

Events announced:

March thru May: Rolls Royce and Bentley exhibit at the Forney Museum

April 22: in Aurora, the E-Cycle recycling event at the Stampede, noon – 3 pm

May 6: Outlaws Car Show in Pueblo at the Riverwalk.

May 20: Antique & Special Interest Car Show ("Abbey Show"), Canon City, Royal Gorge
VMCCA

May 27: **War Bird Show & CCCC Swap Meet, Front Range Airport**

June 2 – 4: Dirt Drags at Monte Vista, Colorado

June 10: **CCCC Cruiz'n Havana, Aurora**

June 17: Hook & Ladder (fire truck) Parade and Muster, Littleton Main St., 9 am – 2 pm

July 14-15: Colo.Spgs Rod & Custom's Thin –Air Nats at Green Mountain Falls.

July 22: ColoRODans Rod Fest, but no cruise on Main

July 22: "Cars Remember When" Car Show, Littleton Colorado

July 22: "Wheels for Wildlife" Car Show at the Wildlife Sanctuary, Keenesburg CO

July 22: Rambler Ranch Car Show.

Aug. 15-17: Hot Rod Hill Climb

Aug. 20: Customs & Classics Car Show (formerly Good Times Car Show), Old Colorado City

Next Meeting: Wednesday, May 3, 2017, 7:30 pm. Location was tentatively to be at Front Range Airport but that has not been confirmed. We will let you know when the meeting notice is sent out (about April 29).

The meeting was adjourned at 9:05 pm.

Respectfully submitted, Dick Fritz, secretary

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For Sale. '64 4bbl carb & manifold \$50, 4-15x7 Rallye wheels \$100, 389 crank,'57 short block \$100, 57/'58 AFB carb \$25, '55 Hydramatic \$200, '67/'68 Firebird side glass and wing glass, misc. 63 & 64 Pontiac and '67/'68 Firebird parts, Chevy Edelbrock Torker 4bbl for small block \$50 Harlan Smith 970-352-6206.

.For Sale: 1967 Bonneville fender shirts and '63 GP right fender. Contact Lee at 303 751-6823.

For Sale: 1955 Pontiac Star Chief Catalina, 2door hard top, rust free, excellent paint, leather upholstery, ss skirts, lighted hood ornament, runs excellently. Bob Murphy 970 222-6047

For Sale: am parting with my 64 Catalina Sport Coupe. The car restored in 2006 in Orlando Florida. Original Florida car with factory a/c converted over to R134 but needs a new Sanden compressor.I had new 4 wheel disc brakes installed in Spring 2016.Car has 1973 GTO YS400 and TH-400 trans and 4 new tires. Clevite High Performance Cam, HEI to name a few. Car is faster than my 67 GTO but drives beautifully in traffic as a grocery getter. A few 2006 restoration photos are on my facebook album here:https://www.facebook.com/michael.mcmillan.902/media_set?set=a.113863150190.199076.501740190&type=3. I have over \$28,000 invested, my "Happy price" is \$22K, but I am open to offers between that and \$18K. Current NADA value here: <http://www.nadaguides.com/Classic-Cars/1964/Pontiac/Catalina/2-Door-Hardtop/Values> Mike McMillan 303 619-8962

The Colorado Chapters of the Oldsmobile Club of America and The Pontiac-Oakland Club Intl are pleased to host:

The 13th Annual Buick - Pontiac - Oldsmobile – Cadillac – GMC Show and Shine 2017

Sat June 3rd - 10:00 to 2:00

Location – Boot Barn Western Wear Store I-25 and Orchard Rd

Parking begins at 8:30 – Rain or Shine!

Bring your antique or classic model Pontiac, Oakland, Buick, Cadillac, Oldsmobile or GMC for a day of fun and cool cars

There will be awards - door prizes - dash plaques – goodie bags - concessions

**** Pre-registration is \$20.00 per car – Same for Day of Show ****

Awesome Goodie Bags and Dash Plaques for First 90 cars Awards based on People's Choice Plus a Manager's Choice Award Everyone will be provided a ballot

Registration forms also available at www.rockymtnoldsclub.org

Cut and return to RMOC c/o Helen Smith 9022 N Corral Ln. Castle Rock, CO 80108
Make checks payable to "Rocky Mountain Olds Club"

Name _____ Make _____

Address _____ Model _____

City, State, Zip _____ Year _____

Phone _____

Email Address: _____@_____

(Email address will ONLY be used to inform you of next year's show) A request.... If your group would like to park together, please plan on staging or arriving together