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**Meeting time October 14th 2026 @ Rudy's, BBQ & Country Store. 2130 E Ajo Way
eat 6:00pm, meeting 7:00pm**



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EDITOR'S REPORT

Hello Ponti-ackers, The photo on Page 1 shows the Greens, the Johnsons (and more Johnsons!) along with Luke and Linda (friends of Jack and Cat Johnson) at our house rental in Pontiac, Michigan during the 2026 POCI Convention. For those who attend our upcoming meeting, Jack and I will have a slide show covering the POCI car shows.

Please be aware of our meeting place change — Rudy's BBQ & Country Store at 2130 E. Ajo Way. I'll see ya there.

Dave

Happy Birthday.

Steve Disch October 18

Dianna Noun October 20

Bill Schoening October 29

Cheri Baird October 29

Anniversaries.

**Dean & Pam Tankersley
October 10**

**Randy & Virginia Rogers
October 22**

*If you want your special day listed please
contact me! alpdavegre@msn.com*

OFFICIAL CLUB ACTIVITIES:

**20th Annual Tucson Classics at Gregory
School, 3231 N. Craycroft Road in Tucson,
Sat, October 24th. Show registration is now
filled.**

EVENTS

8th Annual Truly Nolen Community Car Show,
Williams Center Headquarters (SW of
Broadway/Craycroft) in Tucson, Sat, Nov 14th.
Free to participate. Club meets at 9am behind
First Watch Café.

"100 Years of Pontiac Customs, Rods & Concepts"
at Rolling Thru Time Auto Museum, 4750 S. Park
Ave, Tucson. Special indoor centennial vehicle
display plus scheduled seminars. Six days only:
Nov 27-28-29 (Fri-Sun) and Dec 3-4-5th (Thu-Sat).
See enclosed flyer for more details.

"Pontiac-GMC Cruise-In Under the Lights" in
parking lot of Rolling Thru Time Auto Museum,
4750 S. Park Ave, Tucson. Free! All models/years.
Dash Plaques, Food Trucks, Valve Cover Racing.
Sat, Nov 28th, begins at 4pm.

Arizona Chapter POCI Annual Holiday Party 2026
at Viscount Suite Hotel, 4855 E. Broadway Blvd,
Tucson, Sunday, December 13th, 2-5pm. Italian
theme. Pre-paid reservations required. Details
and cost to be announced.

Other Events

More info found at cruisinarizona.com and desertcruisers.com

Little Anthony's Car Show
Night shows 5pm-9pm,

First Friday of the month car show at The
Waterhole 6-8pm 1654 W Avra Valley Rd.
Marana

Last Saturday of the month Car Show by the
Low Rollers club at Viva Burrito 8995 E
Tanque Verde Rd. 7-11am

Last Saturday of the month cars & coffee
show at Freddy's Orange Grove and
Thornsdale

Freddy's Oracle Cruise-in, first three Friday
nights 6-8pm. Last Saturday of the month is a
car show 4-9pm
11143 N Oracle Rd.

Night shopping and car show Speedway
Antique Mall, 5045 E Speedway Blvd. 6-8pm

*Please check on the availability of these
shows.*

All events listed are in Tucson except noted.

*Let me know if there are more shows close to
Tucson*



FROM THE PRESIDENT **THOM SHERWOOD**

Big News: A New Meeting Location!

As revealed last month, our club will be embarking on what we hope is a very positive move to an all-new chapter meeting location in Tucson.

Following our September meeting, our club said good-bye to the Central Tucson restaurant location where we had regularly gathered for a number of years. At first, that restaurant was known as "Cody's Beef & Beans," but following its Covid-related closure, it became "Maria Bonita Mexican Kitchen." The private meeting room there served us well for so many years.

Our Board had actually been on the lookout for a new meeting restaurant for quite some time. It has been especially difficult to find a midtown venue with sufficient, private space that didn't charge for its use while permitting attendees to pay their individual food and beverage tabs. Of course we also wanted to find a place with menu items that would readily appeal to most of our membership.

As you now likely know, our Board recently checked-out the new **Rudy's BBQ** at 2130 E. Ajo Way and found it

to be worthy of consideration. The management there has expressed its interest in working with us and now has us confirmed for the Second Wednesday of every month (January through November only).

Rudy's dedicated, private Party Room will readily accommodate more than 50 members and guests, and offers a pair of built-in flat screen monitors for when we have digital presentations as part of our agenda. I urge everyone to come check it out this coming Wednesday, October 14th!

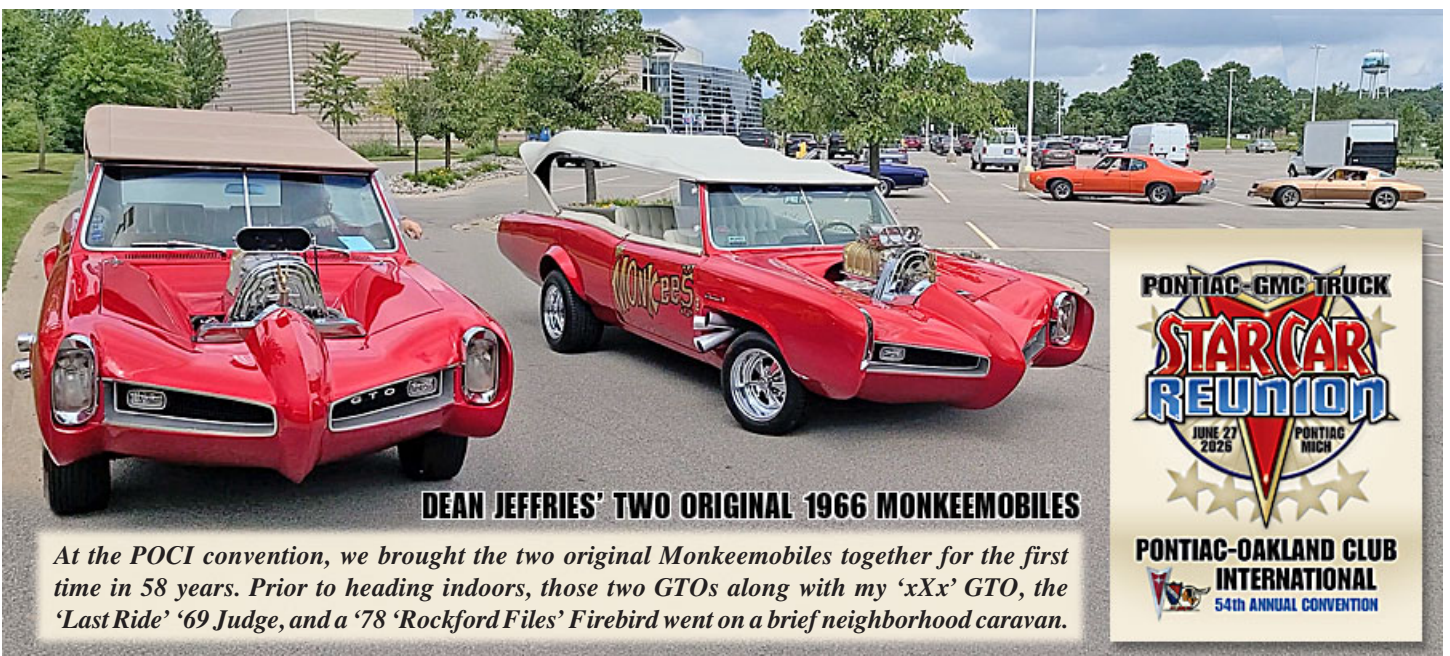
With this change, we will also revert to our club's much-preferred "arrive at 6pm" for dinner, and calling the meeting to order at 7:00pm.

Please understand that attendees (all members and guests) are expected to order *something* from the menu at Rudy's. This is in lieu of a room charge that would otherwise be levied to the

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I have heard from many members who are looking forward to checking out our new meeting location. During our first meeting at Rudy's, we'll wrap up our reviews of this summer's P-100 convention in Michigan.



DEAN JEFFRIES' TWO ORIGINAL 1966 MONKEEMOBILES

At the POCI convention, we brought the two original Monkeemobiles together for the first time in 58 years. Prior to heading indoors, those two GTOs along with my 'xXx' GTO, the 'Last Ride' '69 Judge, and a '78 'Rockford Files' Firebird went on a brief neighborhood caravan.



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE CONTINUED...

club. That's only fair, right? Simply place your order with the cashier upon entry and then make your way towards the Party Room to find us.

I will apologize in advance to anyone who might struggle to initially find this restaurant's location in the midst of the ongoing Interstate 10 widening/interchange upgrade projects. Fortunately, it looks like Ajo Way will likely be clear of any major obstacles on the day of our October 14th meeting.

At this meeting, we'll have the latest updates on various upcoming local club activities and car shows. Our entertainment will include a new batch of photos from this summer's POCI convention in Pontiac, Michigan, as captured by **Dave Green** and **Jack Johnson**. Please don't miss it!

Local activities to be discussed include the impressive **Tucson Classics Car Show** at The Gregory School on Saturday, October 24th, as well as the **Truly Nolen Community Car Show** on November 14th.

Our club's other big activity coming this autumn involves hosting a "**Cruise-In Under the Lights**" at the Rolling Thru Time Auto Museum on Saturday, November 28th. This Cruise-In is just one part of a bigger slate of special events planned at the museum as it honors Pontiac's Centennial through a special "**100 Years of Pontiac Customs, Rods & Concepts**" display. Look for a dedicated flyer elsewhere in this edition of *HOT AIR*.

This fun two-week celebration begins immediately after the Thanksgiving holiday. Note that the museum will also be hosting a full schedule of seminars and presentations that focus on Pontiac and GM topics during the weekend dates. The full list of seminar topics and the dates/times will be announced soon. Watch your Inbox for email updates, and also review the available details as they become available at www.TucsonMotorama.com.



UPCOMING CLUB EVENTS

TUCSON CLASSICS SHOW • SATURDAY, OCTOBER 24th

One-dozen members from our chapter have pre-registered their Pontiac or GMC Truck for display at the **20th Annual Tucson Classics Car Show**. Registration for this popular event is now completely filled; no further entries are being accepted. Look for our club display at The Gregory School on Saturday, October 24th, at 3231 N. Craycroft. A \$10 donation at the gate provides each spectator with a chance to win the grand raffle prize, a 2026 Corvette (pictured below).



TRULY NOLEN COMMUNITY CAR SHOW PRE-REG NOW OPEN

Truly Nolen's 8th Annual Community Car Show will once again be held at their Leadership Center in Williams Center Plaza at 432 S. Williams Blvd, near Broadway and Craycroft in Central Tucson. There is no cost to participate in this event which runs from 10am-2:00pm.

Optional online pre-registration for this show is now available. Visit www.TrulyNolen.com/car-show and look for the clickable link. This will take you to a "Google Forms" page which allows participants to fill-in their basic information. Quick and simple, and you'll get an email reply confirmation.

As previously mentioned, pre-registration is not at all necessary but helpful; you may instead register onsite (again, no charge).

Participants are urged to bring unwrapped toys to help "Stuff the Mouse Limo" for the charitable toy drive collection. A live band and several Tucson non-profits will also be in attendance.

Saturday, November 14, 2026

ARIZONA CHAPTER RENDEZVOUS:

In order for our club to park together at this show, we will first gather on the roadway directly **BEHIND** the First Watch restaurant on the southeast corner of Broadway & Williams Blvd. Park there, along the road in front of the Courtyard by Marriott. **Arrive at 9:00am**. We'll depart 15 minutes later to caravan to the show's entry point as a group.
QUESTIONS: Eric (520) 603-1386



Saturday, November 14th, 2026 | 10 AM - 2 PM

MEETING ENTERTAINMENT

LAST MONTH: CONVENTION RECAP, Part 1

At our September 9th meeting at Maria Bonita Mexican Kitchen, **Thom** presented a slide show covering a few portions of this year's big P-100 convention in Pontiac, Michigan. Shown were images from the *Welcome Party*, *POCI Chapter Night*, *Friday Evening Pontiac-GMC Parade through Downtown*, and the *Pontiac Star Car Reunion* and *Caravan*.

THIS MONTH: 54th Annual POCI CONVENTION RECAP, Part 2

At our upcoming October 14th meeting at Rudy's BBQ, we'll wrap up our coverage of this summer's POCI convention with a look at some remarkable *Points-Judged* and *Popular Vote* car show entries. The photography comes courtesy of **Dave Green** and **Jack Johnson**.



NEW MEETING LOCATION THIS MONTH!

Rudy's Country Store & BBQ is located at 2130 E. Ajo Way, on the south side of Tucson, where Interstate 10 intersects with Kino Boulevard. Even though this immediate area is currently under road construction, it remains navigable. If you are not familiar with this area, it is recommend that you give yourself plenty of time to find us there prior to heading out for your first visit, happening this Wednesday, Oct 14th... It will be worth your while!

Rudy's offers a nice variety of meats (chicken, turkey, pork, beef and brisket, each sold by the pound as an entrée or as a sandwich) plus an a lá carte selection of tasty side items and desserts. As you approach the front counter, a clerk will take your order and assemble everything on a serving tray. Self-serve fountain drinks, utensils, napkins and condiments are found just beyond the cashier station. Note that bottled beverage offerings, including beer, are also available.

With tray in hand, make your way towards the restaurant's *Party Room*, a large, comfortable, private space (pictured below) that will be reserved for our group. That room is located at the end of the hallway just beyond the restrooms. Parking is available on all four sides of the building.



As part of our agreement with Rudy's management, and in lieu of a room rental charge, each attending member is expected to order dinner from the menu. We appreciate your understanding!



HOLIDAY PONTIAC PASTA PARTY!

SAVE THE DATE!

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 13, 2026 • 2:00PM
VISCOUNT SUITE HOTEL • TUCSON

PRE-PAID RESERVATIONS REQUIRED
WATCH FOR PAYMENT INFO & DETAILS COMING SOON



FOR SALE AND WANTED

September 2026

These ads will run for 2 months then be deleted so contact the editor before this deadline

Dave Green alpdavegre@msn.com 520-747-2901

FOR SALE:

1986 Fiero SE V-6 AT parts car. \$ 700 or offer. Clear title Dave Green, 520-904-7325.

FOR SALE: 1969 Firebird 400, builder; 1979 Trans Am, driver condition, \$14,800; 1978 Trans Am SE, T-tops, builder, \$8,500; 1978 Trans Am, Solar Gold, T-Tops, builder, \$8,000. Bill Speer (520) 490-9097 Tucson.

FOR SALE: 1965 LeMans convertible (GTO clone). 4-speed, 389, AC, restored. Make offer in the \$30-40K range. Jahn Saczko, email: jsaczko@icloud.com or 520-461-2603.

FOR SALE: 1985 Firebird Trans Am GTA. No engine/trans, needs lots of TLC. Jack Johnson, 602-576-6512 (Tucson).

PARTS FOR SALE:

1955-'57 Pontiac parts available, including underseat heater, misc engine parts and trim. Jack Johnson (602) 576-6512; email: skulptr1@gmail.com

PARTS FOR SALE:

Barry Grant Six-Shooter manifold, mint condition, \$2,000; 1955-'57 Pontiac parts, misc, call with needs; 1963 LeMans 2-door sedan race car body (no eng/trans). Jack Johnson (602) 576-6512 (Tucson).

FOR SALE:

1966 Bonneville/Catalina parts for sale, 389, 4bbl carb, intake manifold, exhaust manifolds, heads. A/C condenser, used 4 row core radiator, 1964 Catalina used radiator. Engine stand, pedestal grinder/buffer. Dave Green alpdavegre@msn.com 520-904-7325.

WANTED: Tilt steering column to fit 1966 full-size Pontiac. Also Factory service manuals for a 2007 Grand Prix, Dave Green, 520-904-7325.

WANTED: 1969 or 1970 GTO Judge. Bill Speer, 520-490-9097.

WANTED: 1964 LeMans 2-door roller wanted for race car, have a 1963 LeMans race car roller to trade. Jack Johnson, 602-576-6512.

WANTED: Good, buildable pair of Pontiac V8 heads (between 89-98cc) for my '55 Safari with a 1969 428cid motor. Jack Johnson, (602) 576-6512 or email: skulptr1@gmail.com (Tucson)



TWO WEEKENDS ONLY • TUCSON SPECIAL EVENTS!



FRI•SAT•SUNDAY — THU•FRI•SATURDAY
NOV 27-29 — and — DEC 3-5, 2026



PONTIAC GUEST LECTURER SEMINARS

These entertaining presentations are
FREE with Regular Paid Museum Entry

>> **"WIDE-TRACK ATTACK!"** Honoring the amazing career of Pontiac designer Jim Ewen, with rarely seen examples of his vintage GM studio artwork to be displayed.

>> **"SECRET AGENT GTO"** The fascinating behind-the-scenes story of the actual ➡ screen-used 1967 Pontiac GTO Flame Car and AHA submarine from "xXx" starring Vin Diesel — both of which are very family-friendly and on display inside our Museum!

>> **"A DEALERSHIP SUCCESS STORY"** Seminar hosted by retired Pontiac-GMC Truck dealership owner Gerson Goldberg.

>> **"GM's FUTURLINER VISITS TUCSON"** Looking back at the mid-century *Parade of Progress* visit to Tucson's El Conquistador Hotel in 1956 — exactly 70 years ago!

Celebrate the **Centennial of Pontiac Motor Division** with a unique display coming to Tucson's **Rolling Thru Time Auto Museum**! Featured will be several modified examples including one-of-a-kind *customs*, *street rods* and *concepts* that proudly showcase Pontiac's remarkable history. And, don't miss our informative Pontiac-GMC guest lecturers and presentations. *Details online.*

EVENT LOCATION:
4750 S. PARK AVE
TUCSON, AZ 85714
(south of Ajo Way)
CLOSED THANKSGIVING DAY

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WWW.RTTMUSEUM.COM
(520) 372-2160
For Pontiac Seminar
and Cruise-In info, call
Thom (520) 440-4628



PLUS!
JOIN US FOR A
FREE
ONE-NIGHT-ONLY
OUTDOOR
EVENT...

PONTIAC-GMC TRUCK "CRUISE-IN UNDER THE LIGHTS"
SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 28th, 2026 • 4:00 pm

>> Calling all years/models of Pontiacs and GMC Trucks — stock or modified! Join us in the Museum's main parking lot for a *Cruise-In* hosted by the Arizona Chapter of the Pontiac-Oakland Club, Int'l. First 50 entries receive a free souvenir Dash Plaque. Club membership not required to participate. Food Truck onsite, and *Valve Cover Racing* planned.



INDIVIDUAL SEMINAR DATES/TIMES TO BE ANNOUNCED.
FIND LATEST EVENT DETAILS ONLINE:

WWW.TUCSONMOTORAMA.COM

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