

PontiAction

BRYAN'S FIREBIRD



My Twelfth Pontiac and First Firebird

Over the years I have had Pontiacs of all varieties. I will list them later in this article. This Firebird was my nephew Kevin's lady's pride and joy. She had the car for about ten years. She especially liked the loud sound, the four speed, power and just all around "bad ass" feel of it. She was out for a drive shortly after having the car repainted sapphire purple and scattered the engine. (Cont. Page 3)

PREZ SEZ:

Hope everyone had a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

I know the Silver State Pontiac Club had a lot of fun at the annual Christmas party. A big thanks goes out to all who had a part in organizing and making it a great success! Very good dinner from Hobey's. A classy event from any point of view.

Thanks so much to Todd Kelly for his service as President. He did an outstanding job over the last two years and deserves a lot of credit. I hope I can continue what has worked in the past and maybe add some new twists as our club moves forward.

My great appreciation to Rhonda Kelly for stepping forward as Activities chair. We will be working on some events and activities as the year goes forward, but we need the participation of members to make it work.

Let's have some fun in 2014!



Dale Lowery

Dale



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PontiAction is the official newsletter of the Silver State Chapter of the POCl. We need members to submit articles, jokes and life experience stories. New members, we would like to hear your car stories. All articles are appreciated. Let me hear from you. **LET'S TALK PONTIAC**. Submissions are due on the **FIRST** day of the month. Submissions received after that will be in the next newsletter. Submit to: nevadabird@charter.net **OR** **MAIL TO:** Jacque Lowery, 12520 Westridge Dr., Reno, NV 89511



Brian's Firebird (cont.)

She had it replaced with another 400 newly rebuilt. Shortly after that they were out for a cruise and the gas line started to leak and the car, starving for gas, back fired and caught fire. At the same time oil went all over the ground. It was thought that the rear main seal had been blown out by such a violent backfire. The car was inoperable with a large burned spot in the hood, destroyed carburetor and no oil in it. That was enough; the car was put away for a number of years.

They decided they could use a financial boost toward buying a house instead of an old car taking up space in the garage. Of course they knew I was a Pontiac nut and the car would be put back to how it should be, so we began negotiations. That's how I came to get my twelfth Pontiac.

My nephew and I loaded the car on a car trailer and took it to my friend Doug Newman's home shop where he and I pulled the engine, replacing the rear main seal and many other parts too numerous to mention. He repainted the hood in a "hot rod black" and we put on a rear "duck tail" spoiler in the same black and painted around the rear tail lights to tie it all together.

To complete my "Pontiac bucket list" I painted and installed a hood tach. The first one for me. The car needs a good buffing to get rid of the garage wear and a lot of TLC, but that is part of the fun of bringing one back to life. This spring that will be a fun project.

I thought as a side note to this story I would list the previous Pontiac models and years I have owned to illustrate the wide variety.

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| 1. 1956 Star Chief Catalina 2dr ht | 6. 1970 GTO |
| 2. 1960 Catalina 2dr post | 7. 1978 Grand Prix |
| 3. 1966 Catalina 2dr ht | 8. 1964 Grand Prix |
| 4. 1968 GTO | 9. 1957 Star Chief |
| 5. 1963 Tempest 2dr | 10. 1960 Catalina Convertible |
| 11. 1963 Grand Prix | Lastly number 12 - a 1968 Firebird 400 |

Who knows how many more the future may bring?

—Bryan

Smith climbs to the top of Mt. Sinai to get close enough to talk to God. Looking up, he asks the Lord, “God, what does a million years mean to you?” The Lord replies, “A minute.” Smith asks, “And what does a million dollars mean to you?” The Lord replies, “A penny.” Smith asks, “Can I have a penny?” The Lord replies, “In a minute.”

Because they had no reservations at a busy restaurant, an elderly man and his wife were told there would be a 45 minute wait for a table. “Young man, we’re both 90 years old,” the husband said. “We may not have 45 minutes.” They were seated immediately.

A man goes to see the Rabbi. “Rabbi, something terrible is happening and I have to talk to you about it.” The Rabbi asked, “What’s wrong?” The man replied, “My wife is going to poison me.” The Rabbi, very surprised by this, asks, “How can that be?” The man then pleads, “I’m telling you, I’m certain she’s going to poison me. What should I do?” The Rabbi then offers, “Tell you what. Let me talk to her, I’ll see what I can find out and let you know.” A week later the Rabbi calls the man and says, “I spoke to your wife on the phone for three hours. You want my advice?” The man said, “Yes”, and the Rabbi replied, “Take the poison.”

And finally— Women and cats will do as they please, and men and dogs should relax and get used to the idea!

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IN REMEMBRANCE OF ONE OF OUR MEMBERS —



Jo Ann Carter

February 13, 1936-December 13, 2013

Jo Ann Carter passed away on December 13, 2013 after a lengthy illness. Jo Ann was born in Omaha, Nebraska February 13, 1936.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Norman L. Carter, and Sons Nick B. Carter, and Rick Hull. Jo Ann is survived by her daughter Debrah L. Ledger, two granddaughters, two grandsons, and great-grand children. She had a successful career in the gaming industry in Nevada.



*A Wonderful Time Was
Had By All!
Christmas Party 2013*





UPCOMING EVENTS

CLUB EVENT	DATE	THEME	LOCATION
Regular Club Meeting	January 16		Dennys
Regular Club Meeting	February 20	President's Day	Dennys

Note from the Editor —

I realized as I was putting together this edition of the newsletter that I was very remiss in not giving space to the 20th Anniversary celebration in our November-December issue. I plan to rectify this with a special surprise that will be revealed at our February meeting.



Stay tuned.

BIRTHDAYS

JANUARY

Patricia Irwin	2nd
Jerry Nelms	12th
Jim Mandas	19th



FEBRUARY

Chuck Maze	5th
Russ Horning	16th
Sharon Lynch	16th
Dave Smith	21st
Dan Adams	23rd
Peggy Nelms	27th

ANNIVERSARIES



JANUARY

Dave & Carol Smith	7 yrs
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FEBRUARY

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FEBRUARY 20th 7 PM**

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(PRESIDENT'S DAY)
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