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Pontiac-Oakland Club International,

## Custom Safari Chapter

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## Happy 40TH Birthday Custom



Above: Early Safarians gather at a POCI National meet in Tory Michigan, 1979.

What better time to have our chapter created than during the height of the 1970s disco era! Back in the spring of 1977, discussions were taking place between some members of the newly established Pontiac Oakland Club, International (POCI). More specifically, Steve Cory, Art Ruscher, Lou Calasibetta, and others started to share their interest in having a chapter dedicated specifically to 1955-57 Custom Safari wagons. Steve Cory took the lead and he worked with POCI founder, Don Boucher to meet club requirements to form a chapter. In June of 1977, Steve proudly announced to the 45 founding members the great news that Custom Safari Chapter of the Pontiac-Oakland Club, International had just become the 11th chapter of the club! Steve worked hard in managing the Chapter doubling its size in the following 2 years!

## From the President's Garage

Hello members.....

Tomorrow is the official start of the summer. In NJ it has been a wet season and on the cool side. This is the last letter before the Texas convention. It is so hard to believe that the season is going so fast? Sure I wish we could turn back the clock but time marches on and on. Tom wants us to reminisce about the past years of the chapter. For myself, I have so many fond memories. Although is it tough to tell them all, I do want to share this one with you.

Nov-Dec 1986. I talked about all of my Safari friends that visit Stillwater. Many of them are still members of POCI. Not sure if they are in the Safari chapter. I do know that Bob Garacochea is still in the club. He visited NY on a business trip



and then came here to the little town. It was an Italian night at our home for wine and dinner. Also in that letter was a photo of the Pope and President Trump discussing the buying of a Safari cause his Holiness was tired of driving in the Pope mobile. See we were always ahead of the crowd.

Friends, we are having a **cruise** Thursday morning in TX at the National Convention and going to a real BBQ restaurant for food. It will be a fun time for all of us wagon people. It is a **mixed meeting** where another modified chapter will join us. Both groups are going to have a wonderful annual meeting. We have a lot of things to talk about in so few hours but somehow we can do it. Just think it is time to reelect officers, if any of you have any interest please come join us and help add benefits to our chapter.

Have to make this a short one	time is running la	ate for this l	etter to reacl	h Tom and
RichLooking forward to	see you in TX.			

Sincerely,

### Lou Calasibetta

#### Member reminders:

- The 2017 POCI National Convention starts July 11 through the 15th. Please join us if you can.
- The **Wounded Warrior Car Show** is set for **August 20th**. Please support this worthy cause.



### **Behind the Wheel in the Editors' Seat**

Hello Everyone,

Wow, is all I can say about the effort that Tom put into this issue.....again....He makes up for my lameness these days as I wander through the world of self-employment, un-employment.

Time has been flying by and I can't believe I writing this on July 5<sup>th</sup>. Last I checked we hadn't hit Memorial Day yet. My dad always told me that the days went faster and faster the older you got. I guess that's the truth!

On my Safari front, I am still trying to get my '57 2-door back on the road. I tore off the exhaust, ordered a new one, and have been struggling to get things lined up. The passenger side went on fine, but the driver's side has problems right at the start where the first pipe lines up (or doesn't) with the factory exhaust manifold. I'm on my second pipe right now, and the angle is just plain.....off. Oh well, I we will be out of town for a few weeks and will have to tackle it when I get back, I guess. Then I have to remember how to get the sliding windows back in with the new tracks I bought. First I have to start with finding the sliding glass in my barn!!

Meanwhile on the '69 Firebird front, I am stuck with the years old brake booster, master cylinder problem. I finally broke down and bought a complete setup from RightStuff and thought I would just bolt everything on and then bleed the system and be done.....I can't get past the distribution block. I've ordered two of those and both have the same issue of one fitting not having enough depth to allow the brake line to thread on more than 2 threads.....I've had several people look at it and we are all stumped. If any of you have worked on these more "modern" Pontiacs and have advice, drop me a quick email.....again, I'm a few weeks away from addressing it.

With my woes probably boring you to death, I'll let you get to the following pages, which will prove to be much more interesting. I hope the hardcopy of this issue makes it to you all before the convention. If not, enjoy the online version until the hardcopy arrives. Printing a booklet newsletter is not any easy or quick task!!

Enjoy your Summer!!





Left: An old photo showing Tom Young's '56 Avalon Blue Safari parked in front of his parents home back in 1983. The Safari in the driveway was one of many Safari wagons that came in for repairs and restoration.

This issue will have a lot of old pictures. If you have one of your Safari back in the old days, please send it in.

Thanks!

## 40 Years Old: Safari....So Good!

By Tom Young

Happy Birthday everyone! Our Chapter was officially authorized by the POCI in June of 1977. The approval was achieved after months of work by then 22 year old Steve Cory and his slightly older friend, Art Ruscher, both from Florida. Along with other Pontiac enthusiast, they envisioned a specialty chapter centered around our beloved 1955-57 Custom Safari wagons. 40 years later, their vision has grown into a permanent specialty chapter of the POCI, Inc, that continues to support members throughout the world.

#### The Beginning:

Back in the days long before the invention of the internet and cell phones, our founders had to write letters and place analog phone calls to each other to discuss their desires of banding together Safari enthusiast from all over the country. The idea of a country-wide specialty chapter was a novelty but before the chapter could be formed, Steve Cory had to get the approval of the POCI officials lead by POCI founder, Don Bougher. Don was a task master and protective of his growing club organization. All he desired was that the Chapter founders be successful so he required the completion of many organizational tasks. Don assured that young Steve Cory submitted the necessary paperwork which included the Chapter By-Laws, Constitution, newsletter distribution, roster, and membership list. According to presentday POCI Secretary Peggy Cox, the application for establishing the Custom Safari Chapter was started in the summer of 1976. Peggy said that back in those days, it took 6 to 8 months to get an approval. POCI President Joe Stout gave his "thumbs-up" in June of 1977. Steve Cory created a hand & type written letter to about 40 Safari enthusiast ("Safarians") proudly announcing that the Custom Safari Chapter was approved. Steve became the first President and newsletter editor. One of Steve's first chores was to have the membership select the name of their newsletter. 18

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### **◆**RESULTS◆

The results of the questionaires are discussed below. All of our members stated that dues should be collected, however, as expected there was a difference in the opinion as to the amount that should be collected. Eight of our members gave no opinion at all as to the amount. Bleven members said the amount should be between \$1.00-\$5.00 and Twenty-One members said that the dues should be between \$5.00-\$15.00. After looking over all the questionaires I noted that the most common amount listed was \$5.00 and I tend to agree with this figure. This will give us \$200.00 to work with (not including any donations to the chapter by chapter members) and would enable us to print a conservative newsletter 6 times yearly along with a roster. It the end of this newsletter I have included another small nuestionaire. If you will all return the answers to me as soon as possible, it will help clear up some of the details I mentioned earlier. I recieved 18 newsletter title suggestions and in the interes of fair play I will list them all below. If each of you will pick one good title and send it back to me, I'll tally the results and the one with the most votes will appear at the top of our next newsletter. They are:

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THE END SATE
SAFARI MEMS
1.FART SCRIPT
STORIN SAFARIS
THE WAR PATH WAGEN
THE WAR WAGEN MEMS
7.5003 HO!
TREE STORE

THE TRIVELOR
THE SAFARI CALL.
MAGON WHEELS
THE SAFARI AFFAIR
UNITED SAFARI AFFAIR
UNITED SAFARI AFFAIR
UNITED SAFARI STARIS(SOS)
55-56-57 SAFARI WAGON POCI CHAPTER
55-57 SAFARI STARS AND BARS
CUSTOM SAFARI PONTIACS

There are a lot of good suggestions so take your time and pick a real winner!

names were consider including, *The Tail Gate*, *Wagons Ho!*, *Surfing Safari*, *The Safari Affair*, *United Safari Enthusiasts* (USE), *Society of Safaris* (SOS), etc. Thankfully, the "*Safari News*" was selected. Membership fees were also established at \$5 per year. The first officers were elected by November, 1977. Steve Cory became our chapter's first President. Bud Stowers as Vice\_President. Dennis Vaughan as Secretary/-Treasurer. Steve continue the editor's duties until relived by John Johnson of Riverside CA in April of 1978. With the first set of chapter officers ready to lead the first band of Safarians, they worked recruitment and the development of a chapter membership card and membership roster.



With most of the "nuts & bolts" of creating a chapter completed, next on the agenda was creating a chapter t-shirt. The final design selected featured the four Custom Safari wagons from 1955 through 1957 as shown on the upper right corner of this page.

The chapter continued to develop new club items such as a bumper sticker that stated "Safari, so good", (shown below) and they started the tradition of having chapter meetings and popular voting for the best Safari at every POCI National Convention. By the end 1979, membership rose just above 75 members. A chapter roster was distributed to members. It was an important source of information that linked members with the ability to contact each other by phone or mail. Chapter members also received a membership card. Initially, they were issued at the time of initial membership and renewal but eventually the membership card distribution was stopped.

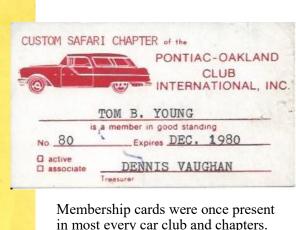


1979 ROSTER Custom Safari Chapter Pontiac-Oakland Club International

PONTIAC SAFARI

The chapter bumper sticker was available to all POCI members in 1980 at \$1 each or three for \$2.50. Postage paid.

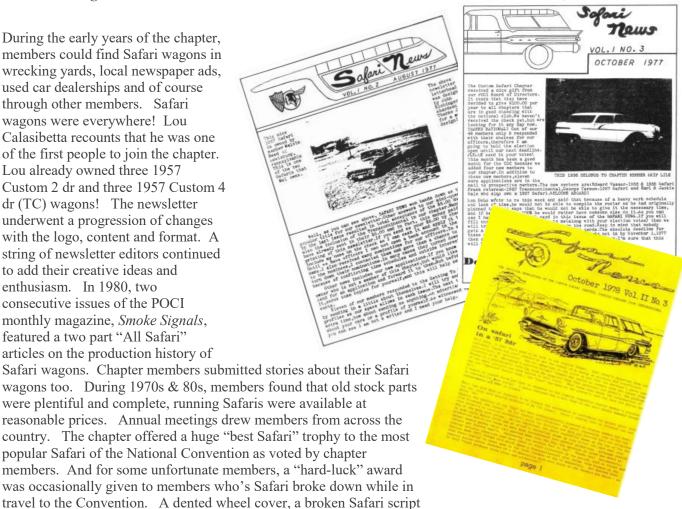
Chapter members listed their Safari wagons in the roster by year, body # and paint. Steve Cory listed a '57 TC wagon with low body number 23. But the lowest body number in the roster went to Skip Lile's 56 Safari with body number 2. Now that's a low number!



in most every car club and chapters.

#### The Golden Age: the late 70s to mid 80s.

During the early years of the chapter, members could find Safari wagons in wrecking yards, local newspaper ads, used car dealerships and of course through other members. Safari wagons were everywhere! Lou Calasibetta recounts that he was one of the first people to join the chapter. Lou already owned three 1957 Custom 2 dr and three 1957 Custom 4 dr (TC) wagons! The newsletter underwent a progression of changes with the logo, content and format. A string of newsletter editors continued to add their creative ideas and enthusiasm. In 1980, two consecutive issues of the POCI monthly magazine, Smoke Signals, featured a two part "All Safari" articles on the production history of

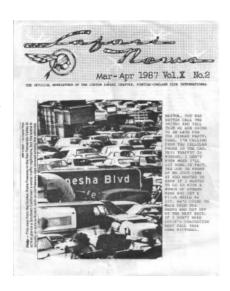


or a torn certificate were some of the hard luck awards issued. With every passing year, more and more restored Safari wagons appeared at the National Conventions. They were driven during a time when high octane leaded gas was found everywhere in the country. Early chapter members Glyn and Jan Rowley recalled that their cross country road trips with their '57 Safari to National Conventions were some of the most enjoyable times of their young lives. They said that the best part was the friendship with other members attending the Conventions and local chapter gatherings. Indeed, cheap quality gas, plenty of parts & cars and good friends all made for some great experiences and permanent happy memories for many chapter members.

#### Our Chapter takes a rest.

By 1987, chapter membership was on the decline. The newsletter had fewer pages and was infrequently distributed. It seems that many of the chapter's youthful members of the 1970s were facing some challenges of the 1980s—specifically family, careers, inflation and the economy. With their children growing up, homes to be maintained and careers in development, spare time and money for old car hobbies grew a bit scarce for some members. So when it came time for someone to step up as the new newsletter editor and secretary/treasurer, there were "no takers" from the chapter membership. In the late spring of 1987, members of the Custom Safari Chapter received their last newsletter. The newsletter editor was out of materials to publish. Lou Calasibetta was able to store the chapter files in a safe location where they sat for years. The long hiatus had started.

Right: The last issue.



#### Rebirth in 1992

Some members began to realize that without people who can dedicate themselves in keeping the chapter alive, the hiatus would become permanent. In the fall of 1992, POCI member Tom Young placed a phone call to Lou Calasibetta. Lou was the last chapter president before the chapter hiatus. Tom learned that Lou had saved the chapter files and that he was hoping that someone would kick-start the chapter. With the next POCI National Convention coming up in 1993, Tom though it would be a great idea to start up the chapter by conducting a meeting at the National Convention. But first, Tom had to poll members of the POCI. Out of the 160 polls sent, Tom received just over 70 responses—all in support of the meeting and chapter rejuvenation. He contacted POCI Director Emeritus Don Bougher who led Tom essentially through the same procedures that Steve Cory had followed years earlier. By the start of the 1993 National Convention in Irvine CA, Tom had most of the groundwork completed. All that was needed was a vote at the meeting. After some discussions, the vote by over 25 POCI members was unanimous; everybody wanted to bring back the chapter! Tom quickly followed-up by mailing the first unofficial newsletter an-



nouncing that the chapter had returned to just about everyone in the POCI who had an interest in Safari wagons. In late October of 1993, President Debbie Arend called Tom and said that the Board of Directors had approved of the chapter restart. She gave her congratulations and offered her gratitude in advance for the hard work to come in managing the chapter. Tom produced the first newsletter in December of 1993. By then, the official chapter membership was at 37 people and growing fast. Robin Clark of San Ber-

nardino was elected President. Bill Fortune was elected as Vice President. Tom was elected as the secretary/ treasurer and editor. Lou Calasibetta, Ronn Pittman and Kelly Woods were elected as Directors. The Chapter was back in business and so began the new series of newsletters evolving from back & white through the years into full color issues. Members saw the return our traditional National Convention meetings and the awarding of the "popular Safari" trophy. Somehow over the coming years, chapter officials lost track of the huge trophy. We now the issue a certificate. Lou was able to dig-up the old chapter display board which was very large and heavy. But again, overtime the board was also lost. Hum.......



By the mid 90s, chapter membership had grown to over 110 active members. Safari wagons were quickly disappearing from wrecking yards and values began to slowly move upwards. The *Safari News* benefited from the introduction of higher speed computers with graphic capabilities and the invention of the color ink jet printers. The newsletter grew in size and was featuring full color pages by the mid 90s.

No chapter can be successful without having a string good leaders and a team who is willing to take time to maintain a thriving organization. The chapter was fortunate to have a string of Presidents who took the leadership position. Past presidents Robin Clark, Mark Petry, Steve Cook, and Tom Young have guided the chapter well. They left the current president Lou Calasibetta with a good foundation to continue the chapter. However, the chapter could not exist without the dedication and patience of the secretary/treasurers. Tom Young, Starr Evans and Robin Petry are the unsung he-

roes, having spent hours and hours of tracking dues, completing POCI mandatory reports and doing most of the leg work at National Conventions meets. Yet, the most challenging job of all has been that of the newsletter editor who is tasked with the production of pages and pages of information relevant to the interest of a diverse group of people. Bonding member's common interest into newsletters requires good communications skills, creativity, resourcefulness, experience, patience and a lot of time! More than 15 years go, Tom handed the editor duties to Rich Pye who had held the burden and joys as the chapter's editor. Rich has devoted more hours in conducting his duties as editor than most members will spend in restoring their Safari wagons! We owe a lot of gratitude to all of our chapter officers for without them, we would not have a chapter. Thank you everyone!

#### Moving forward

As our chapter has progressed into a new century, we have continued to maintain our tradition of occasionally electing new officers who generously donate their valuable personal time to bring you a quality newsletter and creating opportunities to share your passion about Safari wagons. Our officers are the stewards of our chapter's vitality and relevance which must be continuously refreshed. In due time, other members will need to step-up into the seats of Chapter President, Secretary/Treasurer and Newsletter Editor. The Safari News has evolved from a simple black & white typewritten 4-page publication into a full 18-page, color quarterly publication. Our newsletter contains pages full of member stories, event reports, gatherings and restoration tips. The job of newsletter editor is always challenging but rewarding when members contribute



photos, stories, tech tips and want ads. Our newsletter editor maintains our website too. It provides access to our newsletters and serves as a portal to communicate ideas to the editor. Perhaps in the future, our website will offer a new look and serve as a platform to share common interest through enhancements to newsletter



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posting, forums and messaging. There is no doubt that our chapter bounds us socially through our newsletter, meetings, events and messaging. But cultural changes are coming as a younger generation begins their venture into Safari wagon stewardship.

We will continue to evolve with our changing world, following trends in electronic communication and interest in collecting & driving old automobiles. We will need to be adaptive to changes in our membership demographics. Future generations will likely demonstrate the same passion that we share about our wagons. But we must first open the door for them.

**Post log:** This is our first attempt to collect and present our Chapter's enduring history. Current President Lou Calasibetta and Past President Robin Clark have reviewed this article. Past Safarians such as Art Ruscher and the Rowleys have related some of their memories about the old days of the chapter. Readers should view this article as a "work-in-progress". As we continue to dig-up old files and interview people who have knowledge of our chapter's history, we will share it with you in future articles. Until then, lets continue to make history!



Meanwhile... In a future Safari News newsletter: Wanted: Custom built, oak wood folding bulletin board with stand. Must have been made in the 80s by Marve Nielson of Nebraska. It must weigh at least 77 lbs and it must have been displayed at POCI National Conventions back in the 1980s and 1990s. Please contact Lou Calasibetta. Hum......

> Wanted: Chapter members with plenty of enthusiasm who love to attend National Conventions. Photo evidence shown below:



Safarians at the 2016 National Convention in Iowa.

### The 1970s & 80s

For our 40th Anniversary issue, we have opened up the Chapter photo library, dusting off old photos for your viewing. We also added more recent photos too. If you have older photos of your Safari wagon, especially taken at the time of your purchase, please

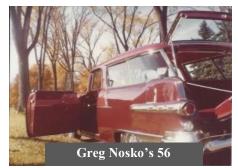
send them to Rich Pye and your photos will be included in the next photo chronology.

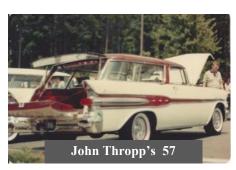


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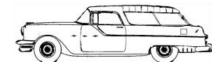


















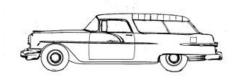






Jack Kensaton's 56





### **The 1990s**

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**Above:** Robin Clarks famous rusty Safari arriving in San Bernardino, CA 1992.



By the mid 90s, digital photo technology was becoming affordable. The Polaroid Instamatic camera and 35 mm film cameras were being replaced by digital cameras. From about this point onwards,, you will see better image quality and quantity of photos.

We saw the rebirth of our chapter at the 1993 POCI National Convention in Irvine, CA. Safarians started to gather throughout the country as seen below.







Lower Right: The Kister's with their '57 TC wagon.

Right: Randy Grahms '56 Safari







### **The 2000s**

Great quality cell phone cameras were still years away but stand-alone digital cameras were becoming affordable for everyone. And so begins the digital era of taking and storing mass quantities of photos. Even Robin Clark finally gave up his trusty Polaroid camera!



#### POCI National Convention—Orange, CA 2006



## The 2010s Members and their cars in more recent

cars in more recent times.....

**Right:** The Evan's postage stamp perfect 57 Custom Safari 2 dr parked next to Don Bisson's popular '56 Custom Safari 2dr at the Nationals in Louisville.

Left middle: Safarians in Bettendorf, IA

Right middle: The Wounded Warrior show line

up, Redondo Beach, CA., 2016

**Left bottom:** The Bowers with their '57 Custom

Safari 2 dr at the Nationals in Wichita.

Right bottom: The Whites beautiful TC wagon





Send Rich Pye or Tom Young your photos and we will write a story.

# Safari Flash Back



Here is another random flash back from the **November/December**, **1993** issue of the Safari Chapter newsletter. The *Safari News* contained a "SAFARI SEARCH" page filled with parts and cars for sale or wanted. Decades later, Robin still owns his Safari show below!

November / December

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Custom SA7ART News

## Safari Search

CARS FOR SALE

Ads should contain no more than 60 words including name, address and phone number. Advertised items must be Pontiac related and include price(s).

Photos are OK but publication may be limited due to available advertising space. Include an SASE for return of photo.

Ads will run in two consecutive issues unless you indicate otherwise.



1957 Custom 2 dr Safari, Cordova Red over Kenya Ivory, PS, PB, original engine/trans/interior, runs, some rust, very complete car. \$4,500. Robin Clark, 668 E. 20th, San Benardino, CA 92404 (909) 886-8615 (Note: That's Robin leaning against the fender)

Advertising is FREE! Please send a legible copy to:

Custom Safari Chapter

colo Tom Young

4126 West Potrero Road

Newbury Park, CA 91320

Or call at (805) 375-1320. Leave a message of any length.

### PARTS WANTED

1958 Custom Safari roof rack parts. Tom Williams, 12085 Hilltop Dr., Los Altos Hills, CA 94024 (415) 941-5863

1957 Fuel Injection air cleaner; elbow & flow control duct parts; fexible duct material & clamps; original FI bourchures/literature; '57 fact. body manual. Frank 1 (70%) 354-7434

### LIT/MEMORABILIA

WANTED: 1957 Pontiac literature and memorabilia. (USA/foreign/Canadian). Unusual literature, factory photos, dealer albums, mailers, posters, dealer items, filmstrips/records,etc. All letters answered. Thanks! Ron Huddy, 171 Mill St., Newton, NJ 07860

1957 Custom 4 dr Safari Transcontinental wagon, Silver Beige & Kenya Ivory, Body #1817, PB, PS, wonderbar radio, vanity mirror, original running car, some rust on floors, otherwise solid body, extra parts. \$1,450. Vance Carson, 4722 Castle Rd, La Canada, CA (818) 248-0972

#### **CARS WANTED**

WANTED: 1958 Custom Safari, rust free, straight, original car. William Finnell, 150 Semoran Commerce Pl, Apolka, FL 32703 (407) 880-2422

### PARTS FOR SALE

1955-57 Safari assorted used body parts including cargo moldings, window trim & tail-gate hardware. Tom Young, 4126 W.Potrero Rd., Newbury Park, CA 91320 (805) 375-1320 eves.

1955 Pontiac Safari: rear seat w/stainless, \$150, 4bbl carb & intake, \$75, front brake drums w/bearings & spindle,\$50. Ricky Smith, P.O. Box 123, Holcomb, II 61403 (815) 393-3608

**1955-56 NORS** black front rubber mat w/jute backing, \$45. Ron Goodhue, P.O. Box 13078, S.Lake Tahoe, CA 96151 (916) 577-5522

### **Looking into the Past through Magazines**

Not many of us can remember when our Safari wagons were brand new but thanks to vintage magazines, we can visit the past through their stories and photos.

One of the most iconic photos ever taken of a Safari wagon has to be the Motor Trend August 1955 issue. The magazine features an article that reviews the advantages of station wagon ownership. The Safari wagon pictured gives the impression that it may have launched the nearby boat but upon close inspection of the rear driver side well, there is no mud on the tire nor is there a trailer attached to the wagon. Hum....

From some great reading, Motor Trend and other vintage magazines featured reviews on Pontiac engines and road tests. Here are some samples:



## Technical Tip #2

Do you drive your Safari wagon? If so, here is a great way to increase your personal safety while enjoying your car: **Install bolts through the transmission mounts!** Yes.

That's it! Your stock or reproduction mounts are held together by glue! Over time or during a severe collision, the rubber can easily separate from the steel causing the engine and transmission to become loose. By drilling two holes and

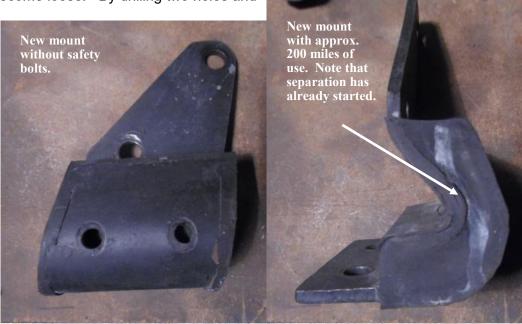
installing bolts through the mounts, you can add a great deal to strength to the mounts.

Take a look at your Safari's mounts. They are likely showing signs of the rubber separating from the metal plates. Get'em fix now! You will be glad that you did!!

For more details, contact Tom Young pontiactom@ix.netcom.com



Above image taken from the November, 1956 issue of the Pontiac Service Craftsman News





Quick Reference: TRANSMISSION MOUNTS SAFETY MODIFICATION

Where to buy: eBay, California Pontiac Restoration (CPR). Prices may range from \$25 to

\$75 per NOS/NORS mount.

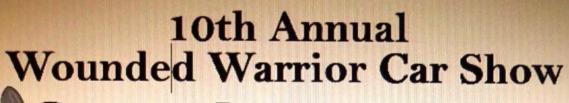
**How to apply**: Use a **3/8** metal drill bit. Drill 2 holes through the mount in the locations as

shown above. Place two **9/16 inch bolts** that are approx. **1 3/4 inches** 

**long** through the holes and secure with a lock washers and nuts. Apply light pressure to secure. Overtightening may cause excessive vibration and noise through the body of your car.

### **The West Coast Safari Gathering**

Join your fellow members for a great gathering of Safarians along the Pacific Coast in Redondo Beach. This show is our unofficial west coast meeting place. For more info: www.woundwarriorcarshow.com



SUNDAY, AUGUST 20, 2017 \* \* 9:00 AM - 3:00 FM

Semper Fi Fund



## OPEN TO ALL PRE-1974 SHOW CARS, TRUCKS AND SPECIAL INTEREST VEHICLES

Gates open at 7am. Cars Parked by 9am. Limited to the first 225 entries

Redondo Beach Performing Arts Center 1935 Manhattan Beach Blvd, Redondo, CA 90278

(see reverse for map)

### Registration

\$35 before July 21, 2017 Includes T-shirt & Dash Plaque.

\$40 after July 21 and day of event, based on available space.

Visit www.woundedwarriorcarshow.com for additional information on the Semper Fi Fund and previous shows



No Alcholic Beverges

# Safari Search



FOR SALE: 1957 Custom Safari 2 dr: Restored in 2000. 1968 428 motor with disc brakes, vintage AC– car came with air. 7000 miles since restoration. Very nice car. \$50,000. Call 231 690-0429 for more info.







#### **PARTS** For Sale

**1955 Pontiac:** Parting out a 2 door Chieftain. Email Rich Pye at rpye@rochester.rr.com.

**1955-57 Pontiac:** Custom Safari new gas tanks, \$399.00 plus shipping. New lower tailgate assembly, \$850.00 plus shipping. NOS 1956 Pontiac lit hood ornament, original box, \$600. Jay Hammond. 302 322-1833 jhchevyparts@aol.com.

**1957 Pontiac:** Front brake drums complete with backing plates, shoes, wheel cylinders & wheel bearings, \$100 ea. 2 radios & speaker housings, maroon & green, \$150 ea. Complete rear differential, 3.23 gears, \$100. 5 hub caps, good cond., \$100. Call Bill Hanners at 239 543-3510 FL

1955 –56 Motor Trend Magazines: August 1955 featuring cover pic of '55 Safari wagon, \$10. December,1954 issue featuring review of new '55 Pontiac engine \$6. May 1956 issue featuring '56 Pontiac road test, \$6. Free shipping to US address. Contact Tom Young 805 375-1320 or pontiactom@ix.netcom.com





**FOR SALE:** Four 15' Rally 2 rims (5x4 3/4 bolt pattern). Rims restored. Includes four mounted like new tires. Two are 225 60R15 and two are 23570R. Asking \$550 or best offer. Will consider separating them. Please contact Rick at 401 934-0663 or frdigi@cox.net.

**'56 Safari Parts For Sale:** Member Tom Kelly is selling the following items from a '56 Safari (contact Tom Kelly at bstk1@msn.com and put 56 parts in the subject line. '57 347 engine w/bell housing & 2bbl carb, asking \$500. left & right spindles complete, shoes, bearings, drums, and kingpins, asking \$75 ea. Dual coupling transmission, all new rebuilt, w/gears, front pump, & nose cone, \$1700. Power steering pump w/bracket, \$75. aluminum flywheel w/steel ring gear, \$125, starter \$50

#### **WANTED**

**1950-52 Pontiac:** Exterior & interior trim. Contact Paul Gore **1955 Pontiac:** OEM side view mirror (#519802)? And a OEM non-glare rear view mirror (#51170 or #988647)? For a '55 Safari. Not sure about the correct part #'s. NOS is not necessary but would like to find something in good to very good condition with minimal pitting. gpark14@aol.com

**1956 Safari:** Information needed on how to replace rear leaf springs. Contact Gary Birenbaum at mrpontiac@mindspring.com

**1957 Safari Wanted:** If you have any leads, please contact Dwight at dwhitmire 3153@charter.net or call cell 770 851-1010.

**1955-57 Pontiac station wagon**: Exterior Tee handle for liftgate on with as many attached parts as possible. Steve Cook jumbodog54@sbcglobal.net or 314 795-4700.

**1957 Pontiac:** AC components that mount to engine, brackets, compressor, condenser, etc. Rich Pye.

TO PLACE AN AD: Looking to sell parts or a car? Send your request to Rich Pye at rpye@rochester.rr.com. Your ad should be related to 1955 to 1958 Pontiacs and include photos when possible.

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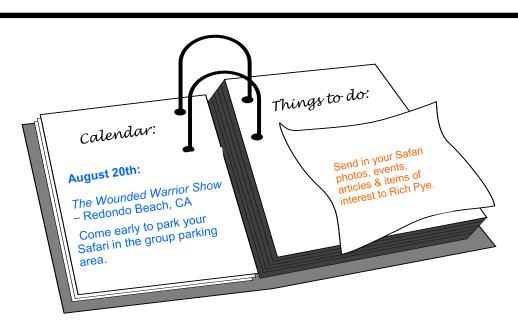
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