

Car Show & Chapter Events Season is Here!

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Rich & Pam Gabrielson of Hornbrook, CA takes Best Pontiac award for their freshly restored 1955 Pontiac Safari at the Pontiac Chapter of the Central Valley car show in Clovis, CA.

It was warm & clear spring day in Central Valley of California when eleven years of hard work paid-off for Rich & Pam in a clean-sweep with their Turquoise Blue and White Mist Safari wagon. It was a showstopper! It was no surprise that Rich received an invitation to a California concours just before he & Pam received the first of two awards. Not only did they receive the Best Pontiac award, but they also received Best in Class too!

Rich is not afraid to drive his "new" Safari. He drove over 500 miles in two days one-way just to attend the show. Pam followed in their "back-up" '55 Safari wagon. That's right, they brought two '55 Safari wagons to the show!

From the President's Garage

Hello Everyone!

It's close to the end of the spring season. In the north east there's been a lot of rain. It looks like we're going to have another wet summer season too. Oh well, not much one can do about that other than bring a raincoat!

I attended the Spring Carlisle Swap Meet back in April. I have been going to the swap since 1976. It seems forever in that time period of my life. I have purchased many parts of all kinds and many cars too, mostly Pontiac but a lot of Mercury as well. It sure has been a fun. I made so many friends. This season I enjoyed visits with some old car buddies including Tyron Mount and Dan Richardi. We talked about the good old days, especially about some of the POCI family friends who have left us behind. On a happier note, both old timers will be attending the POCI National Convention in Gettysburg; me too.

Before I forget, I want to give a huge thank you to Robin for finally getting our long-awaited chapter t-shirts distributed. Another one for my t-shirt collection!

I have been president forever so now is the time for us to look for someone to take over the wheel. At our annual National Convention meeting, we ask folks to become chapter officials. Many of us have been in positions for a long time. We welcome anyone who has the time and wants to help our chapter grow. It's a fun job and is well worth the effort if you are willing to try.

This convention is going to be a big one. In fact, it might be the greatest Pontiac convention ever! You can take tours of local sites and see hundreds of Pontiacs. Tom has located a nice spot for us to have a lunch break and enjoy some fun time after our Chapter meeting. Our Modified Chapter members will join us too. We'll have a wonderful photo opportunity and time to visit with each other. Before lunch, we can tour a restoration shop too. Last year we set a new record for the most Custom 2 dr Safari wagons gathered in one place. I wonder how many are here in the east who will show up there in Gettysburg? I hope to see you there. Always remember either Stock, Original or Modified, we like them all! Wagons are a hot collector car and the Safari is one of the hottest!

We will try to get this newsletter out to you before the National Convention. It's a major effort for Robin, Rich, Tom, and all try our very best to make it happen. I guess you will know if we were successful by looking at the time you receive this newsletter.

Remember that we can always use some stories from you and how and why you picked a Safari. Tom is digging up stories in the West, but he can't be at every show on the East. Share your story with us!

Till next time..... keep the tail gate closed and dry.

Lou Calasibetta



Member Reminders:

- **PLEASE PAY YOUR DUES!** *Far too many of us have not paid Robin Petry for this year dues. We know you want to stay with us but we can produce our newsletter without your financial support. PLEASE, PLEASE send your dues to Robin. Her address is on the back of this newsletter. Thank you.*
- *For our West Coast members who can't attend the Convention, remember that the **Wounded Warrior show** is coming up on **August 4th** in **Redondo Beach, CA.***



Under the Hood with the Editor

Hello Everyone!

I hope everyone made it through our winter and spring season in good shape. In California, we experienced record rainfall over our recent fire burn areas. The rainfall, local flooding, mudslides and road closures was a way of life. But it did not compare to the epic flooding & tornados of the mid-west and winter snow falls of the east. Warm temperatures now allow everyone throughout our Country to break out their Safari wagons for a full summer season of fun. Part of that fun may be a trip to Gettysburg, PA where Safarians will gather at the National Convention for 5 days of Pontiac activities. I can't say enough about what you are missing if you do not attend the Convention, but I will give it a try..... First, you cannot find a greater gathering of Safarians in the country. Our combined knowledge and enthusiasm are unparalleled. Second, you may not find a greater variety of Safari wagons gathered at one place. Resto-mods, fully restored, partially restored, road warrior and project cars for sale may abound on the Convention grounds. Third, Convention sites always seems to have something for everyone. You can shop locally or visit sites of interest. This year, we have an opportunity to visit famous historic sites of the Civil War conflict. We also will have an opportunity to gather for a lunch cruise & restoration shop tour a few hours after our chapter meeting. Please join us in PA. You don't have to bring a Safari.



If you notice, our **WINTER** newsletter was delivered to you at the end of the winter season. Now our **SPRING** newsletter has arrived close to the end of our spring season. We are getting back on track with our newsletter mailing schedule. Remember that you can view and download our newsletters from our chapter website at www.customsafari.org. The latest issue is posted to our site a few weeks before our mail distribution. Also, highlights of our newsletter are now posted on our Facebook page. Look for more information about our Facebook page in this newsletter.

Robin Petry has mailed our first batch of chapter t-shirts. If you ordered your shirt in a timely manner, you should have it by now. If you did not place a t-shirt order but want to be one of the cool kids on the block, contact Robin so that she can check her stock of extra shirts. She ordered plenty of XLs, XXL and even XXXLs just in case you are preparing for a job as Santa Claus later in the year!

You will note that our classified advertisement section is now a full two pages. I am including Safari wagons that are being offered from a variety of media sources including Craig's List, auction companies and on-line sources such as HMN, Classic Cars, eBay, Facebook, etc. Using a wider range of resources makes for more interesting reading regardless if you are seeking, selling or simply interest in seeing prices that people are asking for their Safari wagons and parts.

Please help me keep the classified ads section interesting and relevant by sending me ads that you have seen. Remember that placing an ad that offers parts that someone can really use at a reasonable price is a very considerate thing to do. Also, unless you really like to read articles written just by me, please consider writing about a show, a restoration project, repair tip or how about a road trip story. Keep our newsletter great!

PLEASE PAY YOUR DUES! Send your \$21 to Robin Petry. Her contact info is on the back page. Thanks.

Tom



Another barn find? Not really! This '57 Safari wagon awaits the attention of our Vice President and "Chapter Newsletter Distribution Manager" (new title), Rich Pye. Note the car cover nearly matched the paint. Rich also has a very cool car lift. Nice!

Rich's Safari needs a rebuilt factory 2 bbl carburetor and a few other mechanical things to get this bad boy back on the road. If you spare a carb at a reasonable price, please contact Rich ASAP. With your help, he just might be able to get his Safari back on the road just in time for the National Convention.

Annual Chapter Meeting & Events

In keeping with a long-standing tradition..... Safarians will gather in Gettysburg, PA in July to enjoy the best features of the POCI National Convention including a chapter meeting, cruise and tour. We will also have our annual Best Safari vote during the Popular Vote Show. Please come and join us! If your Safari is not show perfect, we don't mind, just bring it anyway. If you can't..... then bring yourself, your family and friends for some chapter fun. You will be glad that you did!



Our Chapter SCHEDULE.....

WEDNESDAY, July 17th

- 8 am Chapter Meeting at Wyndham host hotel **Salon A**.
- 11am Lunch Cruise to Tropical Treats & Wet Dreams Restoration Shop tour. Meet in front of the host hotel.
- 6 pm POCI Welcome Night—Gettysburg Nat'l Park Museum.

SATURDAY, July 20th Popular & Road Warrior Car Shows.

- 11:30 am Chapter lunch time gathering & Best Safari vote.

Want a Chapter T-Shirt?

Robin Petry will bring a stock of our new Chapter T-Shirts for purchase at our Chapter meeting. Our supply is limited so don't wait until the end of the Convention to buy your shirt.

Our Chapter meeting will be extended to 1 1/2 hours so that we don't have to rush through our agenda. Our meeting will include a greeting by our president and reports by our Secretary/Treasurer, Vice President and Editor. We will discuss the election of new chapter officials, the new T-shirts, changes in our newsletter, recruitment, and have an opportunity for open discussions. We will also talk about our Chapter activities at the Convention including:

- Once a year, members who bring their Safari wagons to the Convention are given an opportunity by their peers to recognize the Safari that deserves to be the most favorite Safari of the show. Each attending member gets to vote. The Safari that receives the most votes is honored as the "Best Safari". A special certificate will be presented by our President to the fortunate owner(s). It's truly an honor to be recognized by your peers so make sure that you attend our event on Saturday, July 20th.

- Our Chapter cruise will start at the host hotel at 11am. We will travel east along Hwy 30 for about 16 miles to the **Wet Dreams Restoration Shop** in Abbottstown. The shop specializes in 50s to 80s Pontiac & GM products. After our tour, we will head back west about 6 miles for lunch at the **Tropical Treat Drive-In**. If you like an old fashion drive-in style food, then this is the place to go. They offer a variety of tasty burgers, sandwiches and ice cream.



Lou has invited the Modified Chapter to join us so we will leave as one group from the hotel. Don't miss this event!

In the News...

When was the last time you sat in the back seat of your Safari wagon? Well, for Chapter members Bob Garacochea (left), and Tim O' Donnell (right), they were *back seat virgins* until one day in March when they took a ride in Tim's Safari wagon. A mystery driver did the driving. Bob & Tim enjoyed their experiences but like the rest of us, they prefer to be behind the steering wheel.

So, the big question is..... Have you been in the back seat during a drive in a Safari wagon? If not, you might want to give it a try. And while you are at it, have someone take a pic of you. Please send it in so that we can share in your experience. Come on... you can do it!



Rebirth of Rich & Pam Gabrielson's 1955 Safari... And it takes first place!

After years of hard work, Rich took his freshly restored out for the first time on April day and received 1st place in Original Class at the huge Rod & Custom Show in Medford, Oregon.

Rich worked on correcting a color mis-match of upholstery materials supplied by SMS Auto Fabrics of Oregon.



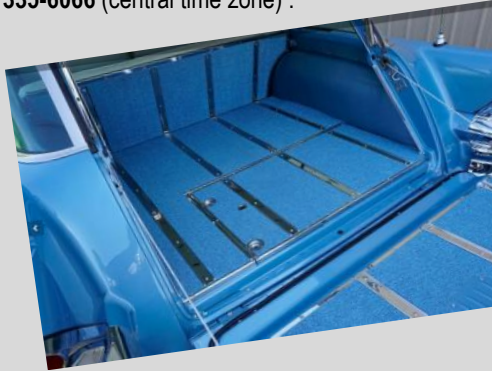
One spring day Chapter member Mike LaCombe drove his modified '57 Safari out to Dublin, CA for some parking lot chatting with our friendly editor. Equipped with modern suspension, brakes and power train, this Safari is ready for some fun on the road. Great wagon Mike!



More News...

What is the current highest public price paid for a 1957 Pontiac Safari 2 dr wagon? How about 154K plus auction fees and taxes! The '57 Safari shown on the right was sold by Worldwide Auctions in Auburn last July. It was part of a large private Pontiac collection. The Safari was restored by a shop that has over four decades of experience with Pontiacs. The shop's name is **Cliff Avenue Upholstery & Restoration** from Sioux Falls, SD. The proprietor is **Ennis Lund** who has worked on over fifty '57 Pontiacs alone during his many years of business. He leads of team of talented staff who can repair and restore Pontiacs and automobiles of all ages. Their proof is in the record-breaking Safari that they restored. Just take a look at the photos.

For more information and pictures of the restoration, visit their website at www.cliffave.com. Ennis' shop is open for new jobs whether it be a simple fix under the hood or a complete frame off restoration. If you have any questions, call (605) 335-6066 (central time zone) .



History has repeated itself again! When there is an opportunity to feel like a high school kid again, you can count on former Chapter presidents Robin Clark and Tom Young to join forces and have some fun. Once again, they banded together at the National Pin Ball Museum in Las Vegas, NV. Robin pushed the limits of fun to the point that he got a "time-out" warning from a young teenaged employee for being a little loud! Yes Robin, Tom has spilled the beans on you!! Before their visit to the Museum, they enjoyed a lunch with Bern Middleton of Colorado who is getting his ex-lumber yard '57 TC Safari wagon back on the road. Tom brought a nice fender and grill trim for Bern. Next year, Tom & Robin are hoping more Safarians will join them for a lunch and Safari parts exchange followed by visit to the Pinball Museum.



Above: Robin Clark is working the pinball machines flippers hard to generate a high score.
Right: A Gottlieb "Surf 'N Safari" pinball machine-a favorite with Robin & Tom.

Safarians Gather in Clovis, CA

The 21st Annual Central Valley Classic Car Show was held in early May. The show was sponsored by the Pontiacs of the Central Valley Chapter for the benefit of all GM makes, except Chevy. More than 80 cars were on display and the show was attended by six Chapter Safarians.

Rich & Pam drove their pair of '55 Safari wagons to the show nearly 500 miles one-way from Northern California. It was a long trip but worth the effort. They took Best Pontiac & Best of

Class awards along with another for 3rd in class with their well-traveled primer grey Safari. Nobody can lay-out duct tape to hold down a Safari roof better than Rich! That pile of starters/generators left next to the rear tire came from Tom Young for Rich to rebuild. You can get the best generator & starter rebuilds from Rich. He worked for years in the rebuilding profession. In retirement, he still does professional work!



Left: Ed & Brenda Vassar of Dunnigan, CA getting ready to set-up camp at the Chapter display.

Right: Marvin Morton of Redondo Beach was already sitting at the display when Ed & Brenda arrived. Marvin was not able to bring his all-original Safari which required a bit of minor engine repair.



Once again, Tom Young set-up our Chapter's mobile display booth at the show. It was well stocked with lots of free magazines, POCI & Custom Safari Chapter applications and sample Chapter newsletters. By the end of the day, everything was gone! A big thanks to Marvin who helped Tom set-up and tear-down the display. Everyone pitched-in some money for the 50/50 cash give-a-way & donated gift draw items. Pam Gabrielson walked away with the 50/50 prize that came in handy to cover gas costs. Ed Vassar won an Oldsmobile clock & t-shirt. Brenda won a birdhouse and cutting board. Tom won a \$25 Rock Auto gift card. Ed gave Tom the Oldsmobile t-shirt. Since Marvin did not win anything, Tom gave the t-shirt to Marvin. Everybody left the show a winner!



Safarians Support the All-Pontiac Show in Yorba Linda, CA

A late spring season storm threatened to wash-out one of the largest all-Pontiac events on the west coast but during the early morning of the show day, the clouds gave way to clear sky and warm temperatures. The improved weather was just enough to attract about 70 cars.

Once again, Safarians supported the Southern California Chapter of the POCI annual All-Pontiac show. Tom Young brought the Chapter's recruitment display and filled the table with Chapter and POCI information. Long-time member Marvin Morton attended the show but his very original '57 Safari remained at home awaiting some engine repair. Mike Gomez also attended too. His all original '57 Safari was recently in a shop and received all new upholstered seats. Perhaps no longer all original but his Safari still maintains its original vibe. Both Marvin and Mike plan to have their wagons ready for summertime cruising.



Above: Marvin Morton (left) & Mike Gomez (right) in front of the Chapter Display. **Below:** A beautiful '57 GMC truck.

Marvin & Tom participated in the show 50/50 and multiple prize drawings. Their investment paid-off. Marvin won a Rock Auto gift card. Good fortune was with Tom as he won the grand prize, a large pop-up shelter, a sandbag hold-down kit and two deluxe pop-up chairs w/tables. Wow! What are the odds? Our chapter now has a second pop-up display courtesy of the Southern California Chapter. This means Tom can expand the Chapter display to include a "members lounge" area! Sharing is important so Tom gave Marvin one of the deluxe chairs. Now Marvin has a great chair to enjoy when he attends the Wounded Warrior show scheduled in August. Sorry Mike, you left too early to receive a chair!



Get Ready for Social Media It's Here!

That's right folks! The Custom Safari Chapter is active on Facebook. We have been on it for just over 2 years while slowly getting adjusted to the world of social media. Our site is a public site which means anybody can see it but if you want to post or comment to the site, you must be approved by our site administrators Rich Pye or Randy Kerdoon. Our site is a great way to instantly share items of interest such as a posting a photo, or discuss a project, share a new barn find, selling or buying parts or cars, getting advice or receiving breaking news from our chapter. Our Facebook site does not replace our newsletter, but it can enhance it by opening avenues of discussion and sharing.

So how do you access the Facebook page? Simple! Type *Custom Safari Chapter* after you are log into Facebook. If you want to post something, request membership. Once you are approved, you can post Safari related "stuff". If you are not a member of Facebook, sign-up!

We are posting new information weekly on our Facebook page so log-on and communicate!

A screenshot of the Facebook page for the Custom Safari Chapter, POCI. The page header shows the group name and a search bar. The main content area features a post by Tom Young from yesterday at 11:49 AM. The post text reads: "From Lou..... A friend took this photo at Lou's Garage and worked some graphic enhancements to produce a very cool image. By the way, Lou's Limefire & Seacrest Green '57 Safari wagon is one of the most original Safari wagons in our County. Still has the original early style interior complete with seat stars!". Below the text is a photograph of a green '57 Safari wagon parked in a driveway. The post has 6 comments and is visible to 12 people. A comment from Randy Kerdoon asks, "Nice! So what body number is Lou's?". A reply from Tom Young says, "5 Replies". The left sidebar shows group information, including "About", "Discussion", "Chats", "Members", "Events", "Photos", and "Shortcuts".

Brooklin Model's Safari

Some Assembly Required!

Small, shiny and mighty, Brooklin Models of Great Britain scores a hit with their recent release of their 1957 Pontiac Star Chief Custom 2 door Safari wagon. Sporting a Fontaine Blue and Kenya Ivory paint job, this highly detailed 1/43 scale model is impressive to view and heavy to hold. Made of solid cast metal, it tips the scale at nearly half a pound!

The accuracy on this small model is amazing. Far too often 1/43 models are out of scale or modified to better suit production goals. Brooklin Models remained on task by keeping everything true to scale. But attention to detail and high-quality comes with a price. You can purchase this limited-edition model directly from Brooklin Models for approximately \$220.00 Order from their website at www.brooklinmodels.com. Look for BRK227.



Looking for the best small scale model of a Safari wagon? Then look no farther than Brooklin Model's BRK227. As Starr Evans says..... *It's a beauty!*

Brooklin Models order processing is fast. You can expect your Safari in just a few days. The Safari comes in an impressive high quality box - mounted on a sturdy platform. When you open the box, you should see a view like this (right):



Using the fabric pull tabs provided, you can safely lift the model out of the box. You will immediately notice that the Safari is attached to a platform. This is done not only for display purposes, it's also intended to secure the model during shipping and storage. Well, as you can see in the next photo to the right, when the Safari breaks loose from its mount during shipping, the model breaks into pieces! Ouch! The overturned Safari looked like it had a bad day on a Los Angeles highway!



Tom Young ordered not one but two models. One from Brooklin Models direct and another from a USA distributor. Sadly, both models arrived in a state of disassembly. It seems that the first batch of models were made with a single screw that was used to hold the model onto the display platform. The model shipped by Brooklin Models broke free of its mount. Like wet clothes in an old clothes dryer, the model spun round and round causing many of its highly detailed parts to fall off the body. The shipping box had plenty of insulation and was not damaged. The second model shipped from a USA distributor fared a bit better. The mounting screw held but the top of the wagon broke off. When Rich Pye heard the news, he exclaimed *"Make it into an El Camino!"*

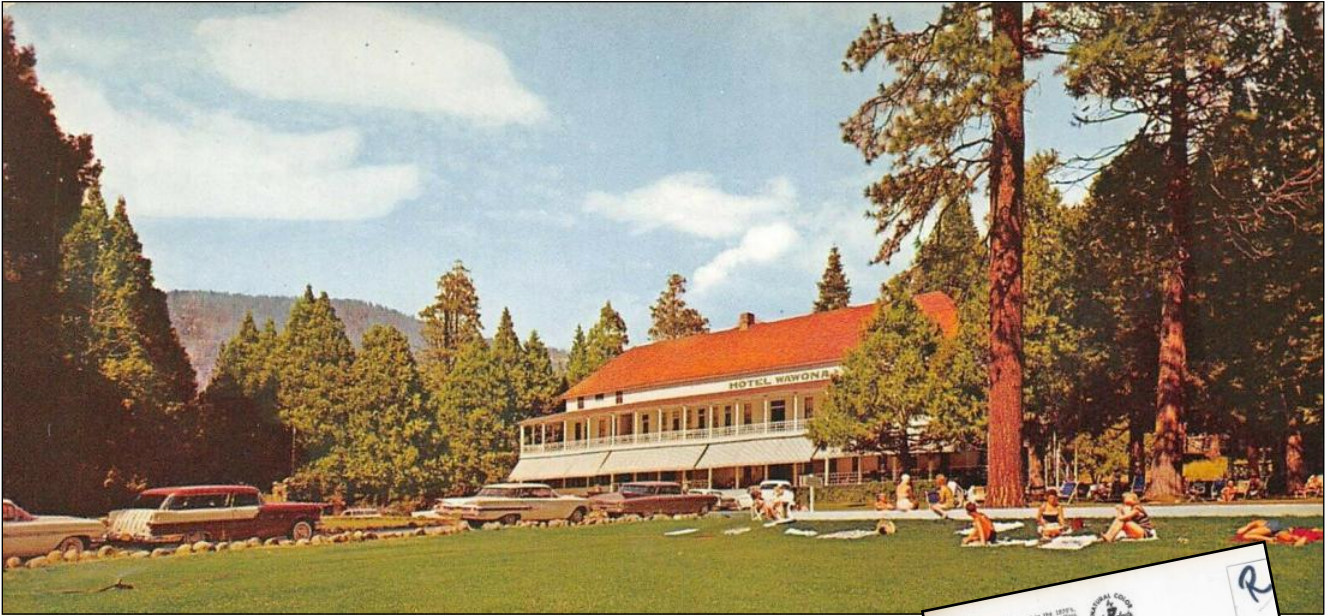
Tom immediately notified Brooklin Models of the damage found from both shipments. Their response was very prompt and supportive. Tom was offered a full replacement Safari for the one they shipped. He declined opting for the opportunity to restore the model back to its former glory. With some old model glue and a powerful magnifying glass, Tom was able to assemble the model (shown below) back to factory standards (pictured at the top of this page).



While patching a paint chip on the spear insert, he used a few drops of factory Kenya Ivory paint and to his surprise, he found that the paint used by Brooklin Models was a near perfect match to the factory color. Now that's modeling accuracy!

Tom also discovered that Brooklin Models mounting screw where perhaps a bit too short. Using a longer screw, the model now seems firmly secured to its base. Brooklin Models representatives listened to Tom's experiences and has made assurances that their model will no longer break away from the base during shipping. Some assembly will no-longer be required!

Hey Brooklin! Now that the bugs are worked out..... How about making a 1955 and 1956 Safari wagon? While you are at it, how about a 1957 Pontiac TC Custom Safari 4 dr wagon and a 1958 Custom Safari 4 dr wagon too. Our club has plenty of life size models for you to replicate!



A Perfect Picture Post Card: Before & After By Tom Young

Sometime around 1960, a picture (top above) was taken of the Wawona Hotel in Yosemite National Park. It was made into a post card and likely sold in the park. Look closely and you will see a Firegold '55 Pontiac Safari parked along the hotel roadway. There is no doubt that old post cards capture a moment of time in a constant world of change. The evidence of change around the hotel is shown in the photo taken in May of this year (above). The trees have grown. Some are leaning a bit just like us! The vehicles have change too but the pleasant essence of the hotel grounds endures. That's just one of the reasons why my wife, Summer, and I chose the hotel grounds for our marriage. We met in Yosemite at a horse barn in Yosemite Park community of Wawona back in the 80s. She was a beautiful concessions horse guide and I was a young Park Ranger. She gave me the worst horse in the barn to chase cattle off the golf course next to the hotel. I got the cattle away from the hotel and won over the beautiful horse guide! After our marriage ceremony, we took an authentic Yosemite wagon ride from the hotel across a historic covered bridge to the barn were we first met. After our reception at the hotel, we drove away in our authentic '57 Pontiac Star Chief 4 dr hardtop. Oddly enough, I parked our Pontiac very close to the location where the '55 Safari was parked decades earlier. Indeed, when comes to parking a 50s era Pontiac, little has changed in Wawona!



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Saving Shrunk NOS and NORS Gaskets

By Noel Evans and Ray Gravelin

Awhile back Nutmegger Ray Gravelin contacted me about intake manifold gaskets for his award winning 1955 Star Chief Custom Catalina. Ray was freshening up the engine compartment and needed new intake manifold gaskets to cure a small leak in the exhaust crossover area. It seems that the replacement gaskets he used when he rebuilt the engine burned out because they did not have the same stamped shim steel center section as the original gaskets, see below.



Ray asked if I had any, or knew of anyone who had some original type intake manifold gaskets. Unfortunately I could only suggest the usual vendors of NOS (New Old Stock) and NORS (New Old Replacement Stock) gaskets. Ray contacted Walt Damm who found an NORS McCord set on eBay and Ray quickly bought them. When the gaskets arrived and were placed on the engine for fitment checks, Ray found they had shrunk considerably over the many years since they were made. These old gaskets were essentially unusable as they were, the holes just didn't line up, please see picture below.

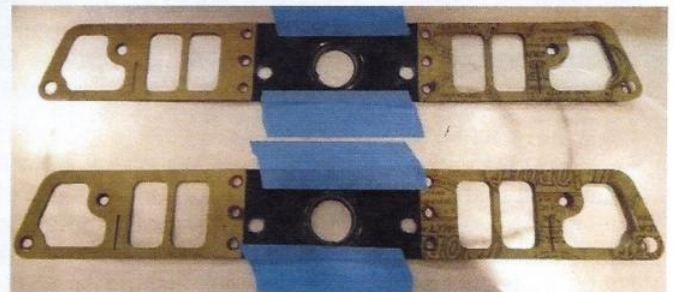


Both Ray and I have had some success expanding cork gaskets by soaking them in water, but had never tried soaking paper ones. Ray did some searching around and came up with the name Sandy Olsen, an old time gasket seller from Washington State. Ray said, "When I told him my problem with the McCord gaskets he said let me call you back. He did in about 45 minutes. He had the same McCords in stock. They were shrunk too. He said he poured boiling water on them and they elongated quite quickly. He said do the same but only be careful not to go over them a second time or they get too long." Ray taped his down in a shallow pan. He then traced the holes with a Sharpie so he could watch the progress. He used about 2 cups of boiling water and the results were good."



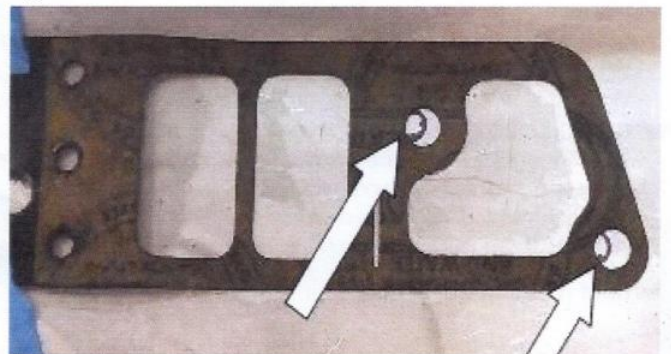
The picture on the left shows the traced hole locations before the boiling water was added. The picture below shows the dried out gaskets taped down in the shallow pan. Ray said the gaskets were under the boiling water for

only about 3 minutes before they expanded to the



proper length! Needless to say you don't want to leave the water in the pan too long or the gaskets will become too long.

The picture below shows how much the NORS gaskets expanded, the hot water was dumped out at just the right time.



If anyone has trouble finding gaskets, Ray highly recommends Sandy Olson. His contact info is www.olsonsgaskets.com, phone: 360-871-1207. Also, the eBay seller of the gaskets was Don Perkins from Alpine, CA phone: 619-980-1243 or Pekinsd@cox.net.

I want to thank Ray for sharing his helpful experience with us and for documenting the process by taking some great pictures along the way. You can see from the picture to the right that Ray is one who likes to do things right. Oh, if only our '55 Star Chief looked that good under the hood. His '55 is beautiful!

If you have discovered any "tricks of the trade" over time, please don't hesitate to share them with your fellow Nutmeggers. I'll even do the write up for you if you like. Of course pictures help but aren't necessary.



Safari #1296 Update

Rich Plastino of Santa Ana, CA, reports that although a lot of work has been completed on the rejuvenation of Safari body #1296, he regrets that it will not be driven to this year's POCI convention. He has been challenged with an unexpected family health situation which demands much of his personal time. He is now a care giver and must spend time at home. Rich says that he will continue to work on #1296 at a pace which places him in a better position to show the Safari sometime next year.

Below: Rich caught in action using some elbow grease while cleaning up the weathered frame.



Interesting in more details? You can visit on-line at :

www.thelastsafari.com



Our "unofficial" West Coast Meet

If you can't attend the POCI Nat'l Convention in Gettysburg this year, how about joining some Safarians in the Southern California coastal city of Redondo Beach, CA? The cool Pacific Ocean breeze is a welcomed feeling and as always, we should see some great Safari wagons.

The Wound Warrior show is quickly becoming *the show* to attend in California. It's open to everything that has wheels! Chapter member, Mike Green, continues to spearhead this event. He owns a modified '57 Safari wagon that is always the first Safari on the show field.

Everyone is invited to attend. Last year brought out many Safari wagons including Jack Johnson who hauled his '55 Safari all the way from Arizona! Everyone had a great time talking about Safari wagons and watching spectator's astonishment when they saw five '57 Safari wagons parked next to each other.

Tom will have the Chapter display booth on site with plenty of chairs and shade for everyone. See you in Redondo Beach!



12th Annual Wounded Warrior Car Show

SUNDAY, AUGUST 4TH, 2019
9:00 AM - 3:00 PM
TO BENEFIT THE Semper Fi Fund



Serving Those Who Preserve Our Freedom

OPEN TO ALL 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)

\$35 before July 5, 2019 includes t-shirt & dash plaque.
\$40 after July 5 and day of event, based on available space.

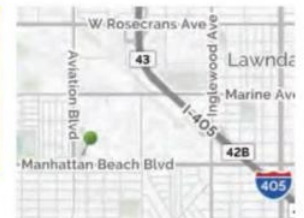


No Alcoholic Beverages

For show information:
(310) 343-9634
threenthtr@yahoo.com



1935 Manhattan Beach Blvd
Redondo Beach, CA 90278



First Name _____ Last Name _____ Phone _____

Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

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CAR Year _____ Make _____ Model _____ Color _____ License _____

T-Shirt Size: S M L XL XXL XXXL
Additional shirts \$15.00. For xxl or xxxl \$17.00

Liability Release: In consideration of the inclusion as a participant of the 12th Annual Wounded Warrior Car Show, I agree to indemnify and hold harmless the 12th Annual Wounded Warrior Car Show, the city of Redondo Beach, the Performing Arts Center and all its employees, all sponsors of the show and all agents, employees and independent contractors of said entities. Participant acknowledges he/she/they have liability insurance as required by the state of California Department of Motor Vehicles CVC16020 Section 6-B.

Entrant's Signature _____ Date _____

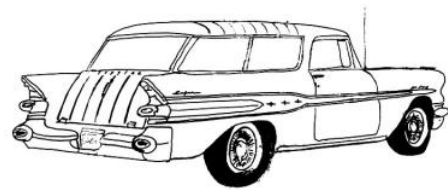
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Safari Search



CARS FOR SALE

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Owners may not be chapter members.



1955 Pontiac Safari. \$75,000 (Beverly, MA) This Pontiac Safari Wagon is an excellent example of what was available to the consumer in 1955. This Safari Wagon is completely loaded with most if not all the available options for this vehicle. The options include the 287 cubic inch motor with 4 barrel carburetor, power steering and brakes, power windows, air conditioning, 6-way seat, under hood light, sun visor, leather interior, traffic light finder, Convenience Group and the Appearance Group option packages. This is a numbers correct motor, the exterior is finished in the factory correct turquoise blue and white mist with a coordinating leather interior of ivory and dark blue. This car underwent a full cosmetic and mechanical restoration approximately 20 years ago and has had approximately 5000 miles put on it since completion. VIN T755H3794, Miles: 8,693
Legendary Motors LLC, Beverly, Massachusetts, 01915. 978 852-3988 from Hemmings Motor News-website)



1956 Pontiac Safari. \$16,500 Nomad look-alike. Ps, pb, complete. 1 of 4,042. Was barn stored. Runs. PARTS OF THE PAST Canaan, NH 03741-9703 603.523.4524



1957 Pontiac Safari. \$89,000 obo (San Fernando, CA) Ready to drive or show. A very nice Safari maintained to factory standards. Power steering, power brakes, wonder bar radio, electric antenna, lighted fender ornaments, under hood light, deluxe windshield washer, spinner wheel covers, fender skirts, accessory floor mats. Early production seat stars added during restoration of the seats. Original door panels and dash in very good condition. Interior & exterior chrome replated or replaced with NOS. Restored steering wheel. Engine & transmission rebuilt along with fuel, cooling and electrical systems. Brake and exhaust systems rebuilt. Exterior painted to factory Cordova Red & Kenya Ivory after some professional rust repair to the rockers and quarters. Body # 943. This is a local show winner that is driven to events in Southern California year-round. Some known history, photos and some restoration documentation are available. For more information, contact Aspen Pittman, (818) 512-4500 CA (PST) or aspen@aspenandassoc.com

BEST RETAILER BUYS

1955-58 Pontiac replacement gas shocks. Fronts from \$16 each, rears from approx. \$21 each. The Rock Auto store on the internet. www.rockauto.com

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Verify prices before ordering.

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1955 Pontiac: Parting out a 2 door Chieftain. Plenty of good parts. Email Rich Pye at rpye@rochester.rr.com.

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1957 Pontiac : 2 door Safari rolling stock chassis. Contact Paul Ronald 480-290-1596



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1956 Pontiac: 1/4 panel wheel well trim moldings. Driver side. (A) '56 Safari, NOS, \$375. (B) '56 hdtp & conv, good used, \$325. Ed Vassar, Dunnigan, CA 707 246-4426



1957 Pontiac Deluxe steering wheel ring. Replated. Av quality plating job. Great for a driver. Priced accordingly. \$85.00 plus shipping. Selling this for a friend. Tom Young pontiactom@ix.netcom.com

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1957 Safari Wanted: If you have any leads, please contact Dwight at dwhitmire3153@charter.net or call cell 770 851-1010.

1957 Pontiac: AC components that mount to engine, brackets, compressor, condenser, etc. Rich Pye. rpye@rochester.rr.com

1957 Pontiac National Coach 9 passenger sedan. Really! Any condition. Tom Young, pontiactom@ix.netcom.com 805 375-1320



1957 Pontiac Safari 2 dr wagon rear exhaust bracket wanted. Good used condition or NOS/NORS. Any leads appreciated. Marvin Morton, mwmcarnut@aol.com

1957 Custom Safari 2 dr wagon. Prefer decent driver but will consider builders. Not looking for a 400 point show car but something that I can drive or fix without a lot of heart-ache. Leads also appreciated. Contact Jan at mini55@zoominternet.net or call at 724-295-3785. EST

1962 Pontiac Safari Wagon: Looking for American or Canadian models (see example below) Leads appreciated. Contact Daral Travis at meteorman56@icloud.com



TO PLACE AN AD: Looking to sell parts or a car? Send your request to Tom Young at pontiactom@ix.netcom.com. Your ad should be related to '55 to '58 Pontiacs and include photos when possible.

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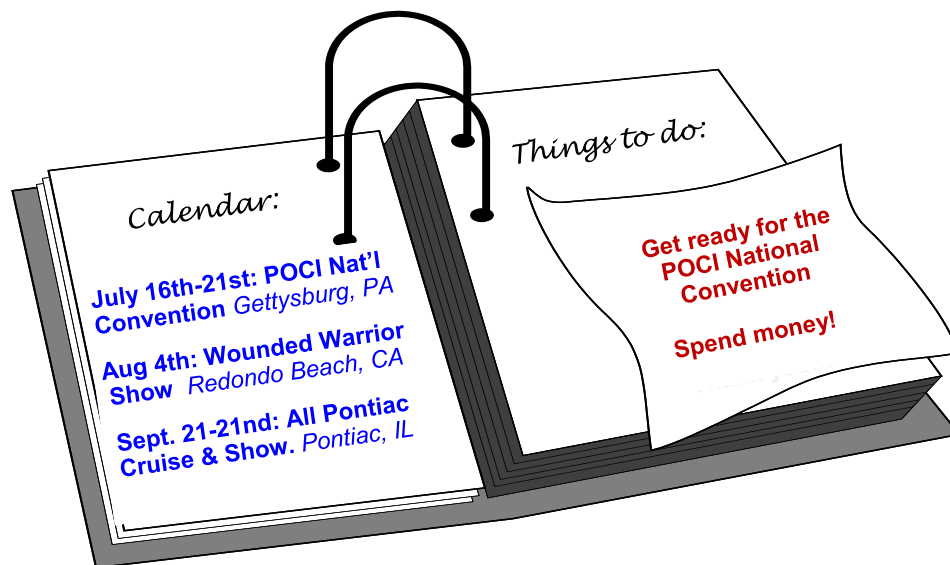
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