## FABULOUS FIREBURDS

## Storms Norwalk!

## **Ames Tri-Power Pontiac Performance Nationals**

Ames Tri-Power Pontiac Performance Nationals were held in Norwalk, Ohio, August 4–6, 2006 amid some of the hottest temperatures in years. However, that did not deter record-breaking attendance for the drag racing, show cars, vendors, or fans. "Big Daddy" Don Garlitz and Arnie "the Farmer" Beswick were the two big name drag racers of the past who helped usher in the 15th year of this powerful race.

Jim Wangers– Mr. Pontiac– celebrated his 80th birthday with flag-starting a nostalgia race between the GeeTo Tiger and the Siberian Tiger.

Larry Cooper, of Fabulous Firebirds, took his '72 Pontiac Firebird with his new 535 cu. in., 900 horsepower Pontiac engine built by Butler Performance of Leoma, Tennessee. After a spectacular car-standing-on-rear-wheels during the first time trial, Larry, with the help of Rodney Butler, adjusted the chassis and began running in the consistent 8.9s.



The car was consistent enough to allow Larry to participate in the Quick Sixteen. He qualified 10th but had a double-whammy by redlighting with a .008 and breaking out with a 8.9 on a 8.93 dial-in. Larry's day was over but his enjoyment wasn't. This is the biggest race of the year and he met old friends and made new friends too. All in all, it was a spectacular weekend. Our thanks to Steve Ames who sponsors this fantastic event.

Larry is looking forward to the next All-Pontiac Race to be held the



Weekend of September 1–3, 2006 at the Sikeston Drag Strip in Sikeston, Missouri. The "Trail of Tears Pontiac Rendezvous" will be the first annual race in the Midwest Area for Pontiacs. Friday night will be test and tune, Saturday night will pit Pontiacs with all other makes of cars, but Sunday afternoon will see only Pontiacs with Pontiac Power. Larry hopes to draw enough Pontiac lovers to continue for years to come. See you there!



Good for Time?- Not Very..... Crowd Pleasing?- PRICELESS!

## **"Trail of Tears Pontiac Rendezvous"**

September 1-3, 2006 First Annual Labor Day "Trail of Tears Pontiac Rendezvous" at Sikeston Dragstrip in Sikeston, Missouri. Including Pontiac Swap Meet– Pontiac parts only! Free vendor spaces. Contact early to register for free spaces. Big name sponsors, lots of prize money!

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