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1964 Pieces and DreamsBy Steve Hedrick



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Chris asked if I could put together an article on my 1964 GTO. I explained to him this could be a very short article. He said he could work with it, so here it goes.

One evening we had the '67 out for a cruise and we came across a guy with a very nice '64 Nocturne Blue hardtop. After talking for a bit, he explained how he came to have the GTO. Many years before, he bought a '64 Nocturne Blue and started a full frame off restoration. He had dreamed of a beautiful '64 GTO to cruise in and show. He took the car apart, I mean apart. After being overwhelmed for many years and not making much head way, he decided, to make his dreams come true; it might require a visit to E-bay. After finding the Nocturne Blue '64 he was dreaming about, he explained he needed to get rid of the '64 he was working on. I told him I was interested and we made plans to come over to see the car.

After a few trailers full of parts we had a '64. While Tammy was proofreading this article, she reminded me that I forgot to mention that I wrapped up the title and presented it to her as an anniversary present. Ah true love. After all, you can only ask for forgiveness so many times, then you have to get creative.

Nocturne Blue hardtop 389 4 barrel 4 speed, the car still had the

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GTO of the Month



original paint on it.

This is the point where the article might come to an end. But my dream '64 would look something like this. Frame off resto-mod GTO, beautiful deep Nocturne Blue paint, blue stock interior, 5-speed tremic, 389 4 barrel with Eldbrock heads, cut-outs, disc brakes, riding on gator back red line tires, and some cool 17 inch rims, for showing and cruising.

The '64 we own is nowhere near there yet. We have had the car for a few years and have been slowly accumulating parts and getting some things done. Progress is slow but as I've told others "it doesn't eat much"

I guess part of the joy of owning a GTO is the dreams you have for it.

My dreams of GTO's are always on my mind and always changing. I suppose my ultimate dream for my '64 is to finish the car and make it my son Lucas' GTO, one to be proud of, and then a new dream starts for this car. It certainly makes you wonder just how many dreams can one car foster? As I watch my grandson help me with my GTO's, I wonder if he will have dreams someday of a GTO; Grandpa's, Dads, or another. I also wonder, was there any way Russ G. and John D. and all those guys working to make the GTO happen, had any idea what would come from those cars, or the dreams and passion they would spur. It also begs the question, what are your dreams for you and your GTO? Only time will tell.





Presidents Scoop



The Presidents Scoop By Kerry Friedman

Have you ever been to a GTO National Convention? Around 30 members of the Gateway GTO Association, have recently returned from the 2014 GTOAA Convention in Monroeville, PA., a suburb of Pittsburgh. Can you imagine a group of people 10-20 times the size of our club that are all GTO Freaks?

This is what you will find at one of these conventions. Although there is a considerable amount of healthy competition, if you need something, some advice, or your trailer ramp falls off with one wheel up and one wheel down, there is more help than you could ever ask for. I strongly recommend that you go to one or more of these. Put it on your Bucket List if need be. If for nothing else, you will see some of the most beautiful GTO's and Pontiacs that you have ever seen. Not to mention almost 100 Concourse cars, some of which may be far better than any car that ever left a Pontiac Assembly Plant. (See the article on the convention in this Newsletter.)

But, one more thing about the Convention. At the Chapter Night where the various awards are given to the Chapters, we were given The Chapter of the Year. The award was given because of all the various activities that we have throughout the year, most of which are done for charities like the Children Cancer Society, having car shows for the Backstoppers, or even just having the monthly Car Cruises where people can come and socialize. I feel very privileged to be associated with a group of people that are always there to help, no matter when or where.

Next year's Convention will be held in Columbus, Indiana. A small town about 45 miles south of Indianapolis. It will be held on July 7th through the 11th. (Not on the 4th) It is just a little over a 4 hour drive from St. Louis. Details are not out yet, but keep an eye on The Legend or on www.gtoaa.org for sign up and hotel information.

At the Convention, Steve Hedrick and Tom Oxler presented our proposal for the 2017 Convention. It was accepted by the Board. Since we are in the early stages of planning this Convention which we will hold in Springfield, IL., we will be taking a bus ride to Springfield on July 26, to view the hotel and its convention facilities and some of the tourism attractions in the City. There is still some room on the bus if you want to go.

Our next monthly meeting will be on August 7, at The Sports Café. See you there.





GGTOA Minutes 7-10-2014

7:02PM – Meeting Start – A potential new member named John was present. He owns a 64 Lemans. We may have gained several new members after some meet and greet time at the Nationals.

7:05 – Old Business - Everyone had a great time at the Poker Run. There was a really good turnout and everything ran smoothly. The Poker hand was won by the Melroses.

7:06 – GTO Nationals in Pittsburg was a success. Gateway GTO Association won chapter of the year. This was partially due to our charitable donations to multiple organizations. We also won awards for the Hood Scoop, our website and social media (Facebook). Members of club also walked away with some trophies including Concourse Silver and several Popular Votes.

7:09 – New Business - We are still looking for articles for 64, 74 and 04 GTOs for the Hood Scoop.

7:10 – There was mention of a New TV series called "Search for the Ultimate Street Car" is having an open casting call. It will air on MAVTV. For more information visit

www.ultimatestreetcarassociation.com.

7:11 – The 2015 GTOAA National event will be held in Indiana

7:12 – The Gateway GTO Associations bid to host the 2017 Nationals has been accepted by the GTOAA. A bus trip to Springfield for 7/26/14 has been planned to visit the hotel and check out the facilities. We will meet at the Walmart at 400 Junction Drive, Glen Carbon, Illinois 62034. Be there by 7:30AM and the bus will leave by 8:00.

7:15 – Earl Lewis spoke and said that he might be able to get "Butchwax and The Hollywoods" to perform at the 2017 Nationals, and we may get a visit from Scott Airforce base.

7:17 – Gateway Pontiac GMC Buick called back. We told them no (to car shows and cruises) this year. Kerry asked the club if we would want to consider running the cruise nights next year. The membership was hesitant. It may require an officers meeting to decide whether this is worth the trouble.

7:22 – Upcoming events –

Friday Night Cruises, Kirkwood at Lindbergh and Big Bend every Friday. Gravois Rd, Faith Church on 1st Friday of the month.

5th Annual Veterans Charity Car Show, Purina Farms. 11:00-3:00 (CSE) August 16th

Wheels in Motion Charity Car Show, West Port Plaza. September 7th. We are looking for donations for raffle items.

Gateway GTO Club Picnic, September 14th, Vago Park 2nd Pavilion.

GTOAA Regionals. September 20-21. Pontiac Illinois.

7:25 – GTOAA – Nationals went well. Kerry did a great job doing a write up about the club to the GTOAA, which helped us win chapter of the year. So a big "thanks" goes out to him. Also congratulations to Chris Winslow for putting together the Newsletter and website which also won awards. We also gave thanks to Tod Leible for putting together and running the Gateway GTO Facebook page.

7:26 – Tech Session – Shauna said that she will soon need a new clutch, and that a bit of body work will be happening soon due to an unfortunate run in with a brick mailbox.

7:27 – Tom Oxler talked about the Independence Fund. We've raised over \$10,000 for the charity. There was a guest speaker at the Nationals, and while he was speaking they passed around a collection. Just from that we gained another \$3000. The GTOAA then matched \$500. With a total of \$13,500 we are now well onto our goal of \$16,000.

7:29 – This will be the last regular meeting for Shauna Wollmershauser. She will be moving to Michigan to enter an automotive program at Lawrence Tech for the next 5 years. She said that will make trips back to St. Louis from time to time. We'll miss you Shauna.

7:32 – Motion to adjourn by Earl Lewis. Seconded by Brian O'Sullivan

50/50 of \$30 won by Marty





GTOAA National Convention By Kerry Friedman

As you very well know by now, the National GTOAA Convention was held in a suburb of Pittsburgh, PA., earlier this month. To start off, the weather was great. In the evenings it was almost chilly and jackets were needed. For the most part the rain stayed away and the sun was prominent. I'll go through the week day by day the best I can remember it.

Tom and Terrie Oxler and I drove up on Sunday. We stayed in West Virginia on Sunday night and got up early Monday and drove the final couple of hours into Monroeville. Tom had GTOAA business, and I had a project in Pittsburgh to work on. Monday was a slow day at the convention, with a few vendors getting set up and a few GTO's showing up on the hotel parking lot. Dinner with GTO friends, and off to rest.

Tuesday, Day 1 of the Convention, Registration was open and people started coming. The registration was well organized and the homework was done with all the packets stuffed. More Vendors were setting up and cars were being washed and set up. Popular Vote outside in the parking lot, and the Concourse Cars inside the convention center. There were also a few Chapter Displays, Model Car Displays, a Silent Auction, GTOAA items for sale, and a display of Original Owner Cars inside.







Wednesday, Day 2, more of the same with Gateway GTO Members showing up, the swap meet was open, and more GTO's filling in the show fields. The car wash was open, and the seminars started with the likes of Jim Mattison, of PHS, Dennis Kirban, the Hurst expert, and others. The highlight of the day was the Ames Performance Kickoff Cruise from the hotel to a pizza place about 5 miles down the road. The pizza was good, but after the first batch was gone, it took a long time to get more. There were about 100 GTO's on the lot, and the owners congregated and looked them over after the meal.

Thursday, Day 3, the concourse area was filled, and a lot more on the Popular Vote lot. There was a City of Pittsburgh bus tour that was enjoyed by those who went. Drag racing was cancelled due to lack of participants, although Arnie Beswick was on hand with The Tameless Tiger and his table of souvenirs for sale. There were more seminars including Judge Freiato and Tim Dye of the Pontiac Museum. After some hors devoirs, the Chapter Recognition and President's meeting was held. The chapter awards were given out. Our Gateway Chapter won the Chapter of the Year. Other awards, including a Gold Certificate for our 100% Chapter membership in the GTOAA, Certificate for the Hood Scoop Newsletter, thanks Chris, Certificate for Social Media, thanks, Todd, and a tie for first place for the Chapter Display, thanks Terrie, Barb, and Annette. The Display was filled with our photos and Hippie Symbols. Later that evening, there was a GTOAA Board of Directors and Staff Roundtable. It was interesting where all the GTOAA officials were introduced and we also learned about them.









Friday, Day 4, the GTO's were gleaming in the sunshine, and the Popular Voters were out in force picking their favorites. Word was out that there was very good participation in the Popular Vote, even when the Concourse Cars that were written on the ballots were disallowed. Judges were very busy inside at The Concours area, and there was a 4th of July Parade that must have had every Fire Truck in Pennsylvania in it. This parade lasted hours, going down the main thoroughfare in Monroeville and coming into the Monroeville Mall where the Convention was. The afternoon had a seminar with Jim Wangers and the attendance was terrific. The room was full to listen to Jim and his stories very entertaining.

Friday Night, the Performance Years Parking Lot Party was great. There was plenty of food, hamburgers, hot dogs, potato salad and the works. Drinks, and cake for desert. No one went away hun-







gry. After the meal, we were entertained by The Jaggerz, whose #1 hit in 1970 was The Rapper. They were good and the Gateway Gals were dragging anybody they could onto the dance field. Terrie Oxler, whose favorite show is Dancing with The Stars was in total awe when we found out one of the show's choreographers was there showing some of his stuff.

The conclusion of the evening was 30 minutes of fabulous fireworks that we could view from right where we sat.

Saturday, Day 5, the swap meet was wrapping up, shirts and hats were selling out in the GTOAA Store, and people were buzzing around. A bus tour to the Flight 93 crash site and The Memorial Chapel was said to be worthwhile and moving. A bonus on the trip was a stop at The Mine where a disaster happened a few years ago. Seminars including Milt Shornack who spoke about the creation of the Royal Bobcat from Royal Pontiac, and what was included in the kits.

The conclusion of the Convention was Saturday night, The Awards Banquet. We got information on next year's convention in Columbus, IN, and saw a brief video of the town.

The Tom Foster Award was given out to Cap and Robin Profitt's dedication to the hobby and GTOAA. Cap recently passed away and Tom told a very moving story of Cap's final call. As always, the Popular Votes awards had many Gateway GTO's in the highlight.

Gateway GTO Member Awards:

Scott Hudler, Concours Silver

Winner's Circle: 1st Place: 2nd Place Model Car: Original Owner: Frank Chapman Harry Timmermann Tom Olxer Joe Mayweather Darrell May

Kerry Friedman Steve Hedrick
Will Bowers Joe Mayweather

Earl Lewis

Gateway Members in attendance:

Joe and Bev Mayweather, Darrell and Tootie May, Frank and Cheryl Chapman, Harry, Amy and Christina Timmermann, Tom and Terrie Oxler, Steve, Tammy, Lucas, Miranda, Connor and Gabriel Hedrick, Scott and Donna Hudler, Kerry Friedman, Terry and Gail Schott, Barb and Earl Lewis, Will and Donna Bowers, John and Diana Johnson, Cecil and Annette Morton.

With all this being said, this had to be the best organized and planned GTOAA Convention that I have been to. (Except maybe the one in 2005). My hat is off to the Greater Pittsburgh GTO Club.















Year Of The 4's





Calling all owners of 1964, 1974, and 2004 GTO's!



This year, in celebration of: 50th Anniversary of the 1964 GTO 40th Anniversary of the 1974 GTO 10th Anniversary of the 2004 GTO

The Hoodscoop will be featuring Car of the Month articles on the anniversary years

If you own one of these special cars, please get to work on your article(s) and get them to Chris Winslow









NEW AGE GTO CONCOURS PROJECT

The GTO Association of America has initiated a project to create a set of photo records on the 2004 to 2006 GTO in anticipation of a time in the future when these cars will participate in the annual GTO Association of America Concours car show.

Gateway GTO has been chosen as the chapter to assemble these photo documentaries.

The project requires six **BONE STOCK** new age GTO's - One manual transmission and one automatic transmission car from each model year.

Ground Rules for Eligible Cars:

- Car must be bone stock with NO aftermarket parts or modifications. The only exceptions are batteries and tires.
- Factory parts, such as the sports appearance package and 18 inch wheels, are allowed.
- All parts the car was originally supplied with, such as the spoiler, must be installed. (Exception: Parts removed to install other factory parts such as the sports appearance package or 18" wheels.)

Once the cars are identified, a photo session will be scheduled.

If your car meets the requirements of the ground rules and you are interested in participating, please contact Chris Winslow.

This is your chance to make your GTO the standard against which all new age GTO's will be judged!

Still looking for a 2005 Automatic Car - All other slots have been filled



Gateway GTO Association Points Submission Form

Member Name			
Month			
Club Sponsored Events and Monthly Meetings			
Event	With GTO (40 Points)	Without GTO (20 Points)	
Total for Club Sponsored Events			
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Event	With GTO (10 Points)	Without GTO (5 Points)	
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Total for Non Sponsored Events Other Activities			
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Submit completed form at GGTOA monthly meeting or to: B. O'Sullivan			
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To access form from GatewayGTO.com, click below http://www.gatewaygto.org/clubpoints.html



2014 GATEWAY GTO CALENDAR OF EVENTS

July

- 1-5 GTOAA Convention in Pittsburgh, PA (CLUB SPONSORED)
- 10 GTO MEETING 7PM at Sports Café CLUB SPONSORED) (Note new day and location)
- 12 JJ's Cruises at 1215 S. Duschene in St. Charles second Saturday of the month April-October August
 - 7 GTO MEETING 7PM at Sports Café CLUB SPONSORED) (Note new day and location)
 - 9 JJ's Cruises at 1215 S. Duschene in St. Charles second Saturday of the month April-October
 - 16 Veterans Charity Car Show 11:00am to 3:00pm at Purina Farms 200 Checkerboard Drive, Gray Summit, MO 63039

September

- 4 GTO MEETING 7PM at Sports Café CLUB SPONSORED) (Note new day and location)
- 7 Wheels in Motion Charity Car Show at Westport Plaza (CLUB SPONSORED)
- 13 JJ's Cruises at 1215 S. Duschene in St. Charles second Saturday of the month April-October
- 14 Gateway GTO Annual Picnic at Vargo Park (CLUB SPONSORED)
- 20 21 GTOAA Regional Meet in Pontiac, IL (CLUB SPONSORED)
- 27 Olivet Baptist Church Car Show, 12200 New Halls Ferry Rd.

October

- 2 GTO MEETING 7PM at Sports Café CLUB SPONSORED) (Note new day and location)
- 11 JJ's Cruises at 1215 S. Duschene in St. Charles second Saturday of the month April-October November
 - 6 GTO MEETING 7PM at Sports Café CLUB SPONSORED) (Note new day and location)

SEE THE FULL CALENDAR AT WWW.GATEWAYGTO.ORG

Gateway GTO Classifieds

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Gateway GTO Association Photo Album

If you have photos of past events or if you take pictures of future events that you think would be good for our Photo Album, please send them to the newsletter editor.

The Hood Scoop is published as an informative news bulletin to keep our members up to date on past, present, and future events.

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Gateway GTO Club Information

The Gateway GTO Association was initially formed in the summer of 1984 by a group of seven. They all had a common interest in the Original Muscle Car, the Pontiac GTO. As a form of communication we publish a monthly newsletter called "The Hood Scoop". The purpose of this newsletter is to keep our members informed of all upcoming activities as well as providing interesting event coverage. The club meets every first Thursday of the month at Sports Café 3579 Pennridge Dr, Bridgeton, MO 63044

Membership dues are \$35.00 per year and all renewals are required to be paid by December 31st. You are allowed to have one associate member.

Club Sponsor

We are actively looking for a new club sponsor. If you are interested, please contact Kerry Friedman.



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