

THE HOOD SCOOP

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Association Association

GTO of the Month

Terry and Gail Schott's 67 GTO

By Terry Schott



ASSOCIATION FAMILIES INDIVIDUALS
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You might say that I was born with Pontiac in my blood. My grand-father started selling Pontiacs in 1926, the first year that they were available. The dealership was known as Fox Creek Garage, on what was then old U.S. Route 66 in Fox Creek, Missouri. It had a one car showroom, wooden floors, and two work/service bays. My father and my 3 uncles all worked for my grandfather in the business. Uncle Harold and Uncle Bud were the salesmen and my dad and Uncle Gil were the service mechanics. Over the years, the business had several names, but as I was growing up it was known as Schott's Pontiac. I grew up in the house next door to the garage. Every morning before school while waiting for the bus I would sweep the showroom floor and help carry out the trash. Around new car an-

nouncement in mid September, we would throw away all the old Pontiac brochures and posters. (You know, the stuff we all pay good money for now!) After school my time was spent scraping carbon from piston heads and helping disassemble and clean heads for valve jobs. After all, isn't that what all guys did after school? So my love for Pontiacs runs deep.

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My first car, (at the age of 14) was a 1949 Chevrolet with a 3 speed on the column. At weekend gatherings, my cousins and I would drive our cars in the fields close to home. The cars would be driven like little old ladies in



front of the parents, but as soon as we were out my next car when I was 17 was an Aquamaof their sight...the dust would fly! We worked at putting the cars into skids versus trying to recover from them!

When I turned 16, I paid \$50 for a flathead straight 8, 1951 Pontiac. It had fat rounded fenders, a fat sun visor over the windshield and a prism on the dash in order to see the traffic signals from under the visor. (You know; a real chick magnet.)

My longings for a GTO were just that, longings. There was no way I could afford one, much less pay for the insurance. So instead, rine, 1966, 2-door Catalina with a 3 speed on the column and bench seats. Although it was only a 2-barrel single exhaust it did beat a 352 Ford 4-barrel, twice! My buddy Steve whined after the first run, so we did it again. He didn't even stop after the second one...

With cars in my blood, in my junior year of high school I transferred to South County Technical School for their auto mechanics course. Within one week of graduation, my friend Tom and I decided to join the Army. We spent 3 years in the Construction Engineers and discharged in 1975. Gail and I got

> engaged and we married in 1976.



In 1983, after 7 years of marriage we built our home and then in 1986 started our family. We have 2 wonderful daughters, Kelly and Jennifer. Along with starting our family I joined







the Gateway GTO Club and started going to a few car shows even though we did not own a GTO yet. In March of 1988, I found a 1970 GTO locally. It was advertised as a Judge and had the stripes and spoiler and it had the correct motor, a 400 automatic. When I went to look at the car and checked the numbers it was a GTO, but not a Judge. I think I hurt the owner's feelings when I told him that his car was not really a Judge, because he insisted that it was. The car was priced fair and after a little more talking, I was the owner of a black/black 70 GTO "joker" Judge. Not really what I was looking for, but I couldn't wait any longer to own a goat. In my haste to buy it, I didn't look ing for my dream 67. While looking through as closely as I should have underneath. I learned more about that later.

My one Ford buddy, Dave, had just bought a 1988, 5.0 Mustang and every day he was challenging me to race. In September of 88, we drove them both to Gateway to find out how they ran. We couldn't get paired up side by side so we just had to go by our time slips. I ran my best ET of 15.52 at 93.808 mph. The car had more, but it had no posi and only street tires. It took a lot of brake torque to get that good of a run. I beat Dave on mph, but with

his posi-traction and new tires he bested me with 15.50 on his best run. (Fast forward Benton Dragway, 2008; I beat him 2 out of 2! J But it was a close race both times and worth the wait!)

The next day when I got home from work and opened the garage, gasoline was all over the floor. I had flexed the rusty frame enough that it cracked the gas line. After a repair and lot of careful inspection, I decided to sell this car in October of 88.

During the Judge ownership, I was still lookthe paper, I found a Verdoro Green, 68 GTO in Maryville, IL. It only had 65,000 miles, was exceptionally clean, and even though it wasn't my 67, I had to have this one. This was May of 88. I still own the car and drive it occasionally but it has an exhaust manifold leak and the radiator is leaking, so it sits.

Still I was looking for my 67. Spring was just around the corner! I got a copy of Hemmings and decided to start looking "away" from the salt belt. I tried a phone inquiry out of Scottsdale, AZ. After several calls and photos, I just





wasn't satisfied. The next inquiry, I headed east. I found a 67 that looked promising close to Erie, PA. Road trip! Gail and I left after work on a Friday night and tried to stay in Dayton, OH, but all the rooms were booked at 1 AM and we ended up in Columbus at about 4 AM. A couple hours of sleep and we were on the road again. I met the guy around noon. The car wasn't bad, but it wasn't near what I thought it should have been. It had rust repairs, but they weren't very good. We waved goodbye to that one also and headed back home to work on Monday morning, tired and disgusted.

Our next trip took us South. May of 89, I had seen a 67 red advertised in Hemmings and called on it. It sounded promising. This one was located in Atlanta, GA. We left on a Saturday morning and met up with the guy selling the car at noon Sunday. After a careful examination and a test drive, I was SOLD! The car was a 400, 3 speed on the floor, red/red. The carpets were shot and the interior was fair, but overall the car was straight and not a rust bucket. There was no rust on the frame either; I looked this time! Now came the fun part; driving it home.

We left Sunday afternoon heading for home. I was driving the GTO, Gail followed in our car complaining about the blue smoke she had to deal with coming from my new goat. We drove just north of Chattanooga, TN and stopped for the night. The area didn't look the best. I made sure that we parked so that we could see the car from our room. In order to make sure no one else took my new goat, I pulled out the battery and took it to our room. The next morning we got gas and another quart of oil for the main run home. Going up I-24 by Monteagle thru the mountains, I lost sight of Gail at times because of the smoke. Before I made it home I was down to 7 cylinders due to fouling one of the sparkplugs. With an AM radio that didn't work; it made for a long trip.

I drove the car around a little bit over the next few months, but the original motor was tired, so in Dec. of 1990 I pulled the motor. While looking for parts in July of 91, I ran across a 67 parts car in Ware, MO, which I still have, but that's a whole other story. In April of 1992, I started building a motor for the red 67. It was a 400 bored .030 over with #16 GTO heads and a Ram Air III cam. A special word of thanks to Dan Whitmore and Tony Bezzole; Tony was very helpful in advising me of what







to build from his previous experience and was always there to answer any questions I might have. After assembly, Dan Whitmore of Whitmore Engines in Wisconsin helped me work through cooling problems and other issues. Once the bugs were worked out the car made 2 trips to Gateway and 2 trips to MAR in Wentzville that summer. Its best time was at MAR with a 14.17 ET at 97.67 mph.

It was running decent, but now it was time to work on her looks. I pulled the motor, stripped the car out and took it to my buddy's body shop in the spring of 1993. The car was stripped to bare metal and was pretty straight. The rear tail panel was replaced, it got primed and painted and I picked it back up in late summer 1993. While the motor was out of the car, I decided that it would be better to build a motor to run on premium unleaded gas if I wanted to drive it around town. Not wanting to let this motor just sit, in April of 1994 I put it in the 67 parts car previously mentioned. In Oct. of 1994 I ran the parts car in the GTO vs. Corvette drag event at MAR. In the lighter parts car, I lost first round because I broke out, but was not too dissatisfied because the car ran a 13.49 ET vs. the Corvette's 14.54.

As you can see I always get side-tracked with other projects but finally in November of 1995, I started putting the red 67 back together. I stayed at it and by October of 1996 it was time for the 2nd motor assembly for this car. I chose another 400 bored .030 over, using small chamber 6X heads. Dan Whitmore did the valve job and installed the guides. This one has a Ram Air IV cam but a compression ratio of 9 to 1, so that I can run premium unleaded gas. In May of 1997 I got to drive it for the first time with the new motor and paint. I finally completed the rest of the car, interior and wheels, in June of 1998; a mere 7 ½ years after starting the project.

By the way, during this period in May of 1995 we got Gail's 1970 GTO convertible; guess what, another project still under construction…let's see that's been 14 years ago. Guess I better hurry up!







Editors Note:

Terry lost his father in November after a lengthy illness. The following is the thank you note that Terry and Gail sent to the club.

un Sincerist Thanks the Bountiful flow angement as well as rany other acts of h during the death of our dad Mick. He shared your assion for GTO'S and was Thetilled that terry and have such terrific God Blese you



Presidents Scoop



The Presidents Scoop

By Kerry Friedman

I thought I was done with writing The President's Scoop. I guess I was wrong again. But it will be short and sweet.

Since we just had our election and mostly promoted the Vice President to President, and moved a couple of other Officers around, I thought I would do a brief description of what the Officers do.

President; Head Honcho, Big Chief; He (or she) is the main contact for anything GTO in the area. Whenever someone wants to know something about GTO's or wants to buy or sell one, they look up the local GTO Club and they contact the President. On the Club side, he plans and runs the Meetings including reserving the room, plans and hosts the Pizza Party, plans and runs the Officer's meetings, and is the person who gets all the invitations to car shows, local and distant. Terry Schott will be very busy. The President becomes the head of the Association and will register the new Officers and Board of Directors with the Secretary of State. The President's home address becomes the address of the Association.

Vice Presidents; since the St. Louis Area is located on the border of Missouri and Illinois, our membership is almost half and half residents of each state. So, for as long as I've been a member, #286 joined in 2003, we've had two VP's. The MO VP is usually the Activity arranger for events in MO, and the IL VP arranges a cruise or two in the Illinois area. The VP's can also get stuck with a duty or two that the President dumps on them, especially if they miss a meeting. Our new VP of Missouri, Chris Winslow, will continue editing and writing our monthly newsletter, The Hood Scoop. Dan Jackson the Illinois VP will probably get plenty to do since Chris will be spending a lot of his time trying to get Car of the Month and other articles for the Hood Scoop. That was a hint for you to participate in the newsletter. Chris also photographs many of the events of the Club.

Treasurer; Collects dues and fees for events, pays the bills and keeps track of the money. Will Bowers knows how to do this in his sleep since he has been the Treasures forever. He will be doing the annual report soon, so the President can file our tax return.

Secretary; Records the Meeting Minutes, and our current Secretary, Brian O'Sullivan, does special projects such as designing T-Shirts and flyers for special events. Brian O'Sullivan also makes videos and pictures for and of our events.

The new GTOAA Chapter Rep, Frank Chapman, will be the liaison between Gateway GTO and the GTOAA, bringing information back and forth as necessary to make both organizations better.

The final part of Gateway GTO Officers are the Directors. The Directors consist of the President, and the two past Presidents. So, we bid Tom Oxler a farewell from his Directorship, (not Dictatorship). Terry, Mark Melrose, and myself, Kerry Friedman will fill these spots until another new President is elected. This rounds out the experience and leadership to





Presidents Scoop



our Great Association. The Directors are always included in the Officers decisions and meetings.

Welcome the new Officers and let's have a great year of GTO'ing in 2018.

THANKS again for letting me be President of such a fine group of Car Enthusiasts.

The Annual Pizza Party is just around the corner on January 21 at Pirrone's Pizza. See the flyer in this newsletter.

Our next Chapter meeting, the 1st of 2018 is on February 1, at the Sport's Café. See you there.







Wheels in Motion 2017





November 24, 2017

Dear Donor/Sponsor,

With the spirit of Thanksgiving in the air, we at the Wheels in Motion Committee and The National Children's Cancer Society wish to thank you for your participation at our car show this past September.

Throughout the year, First Capitol Classics and the many other participating car clubs and individuals raised \$16,000 for the NCCS which supports the families of children with cancer with out-of-pocket expenses associated with the disease.

This was our 21st annual event and the largest annual donation we have given to the National Children's Cancer Society. It is with cooperation and support from people such as you that we are able to achieve this.

Once again, thank you very much.

Sincerely,

Elliott Cytron



Gateway GTO Activities



GATEWAY GTO ANNUAL WINE RUN & VIEW THE COLORS OF THE FALL SEASON

By Marty Howard



Cold? Who's cold? Not any of us...that is, until we got out of our cars at our meeting place, Francis Howell High School or at the winery, in Augusta. However, being inside Montelle with great music, sufficed enough to make us all giddy and to have loads of fun.

There were 16 of us GTO'ers that met up at the high school. When I arrived, there was a group that I thought would not even think of going on this morning that was cloudy and overcast and rain had just passed through. I kind of knew that if anyone was attending, it would be a very small crew and we would be deciding whether or not to go at all. I was happily surprised to see a nice turnout when I arrived on time...even I was a bit early (yes, I can do that, too).... and there they were. Waiting to see who else was going, we left at 11:00 am and started the 10 mile drive to the winery. Attending were: Earl & Barb, Tom & Terrie, Tony & Carolyn, Rich & Sue, Joe & Bev, Will & Donna, Dave & Diane, Mark and Myself (.....hmmmmm).

We arrived at the Montelle Winery at around 11:40 am and warmed up inside their wine tasting, beverage and food establishment. Some bought wine, while others ordered some hot pretzels. We decided that it was too cool outside to set up our tables, so we went into their indoor entertainment room. Inside, there was still a chill in the air, but some heat lamps were turned on after a short while The room could hold about 80- 100 people and we were excited that the entertainment was already there and setting up for their noon to 4 pm gig. We arranged our tables, upstairs, so that we could see everyone from the balcony, including the entertain-



Gateway GTO Activities



ment from our vantage point. More good food and drinks were purchased during the afternoon.

Most of our group had not heard of the "Scott Laytham and Karl (Tricky) Holmes Duo" and were pleasantly surprised at their expertise in singing and entertaining all the folks that were there. Many have followed this duo for years which was evident as folks came up to them to say 'hello' and share a big hug all through the afternoon. As the day progressed, people were dancing and singing along with well-known songs from eras gone by that so many of us remember. Even our group was dancing, singing and having fun that so many of us GTO'ers love to do. The GTO Powers-That-Be, were so impressed by Scott and Karl that it was noted to, possibly, have them as entertainment for our future events. I was very glad that I was able to 'chair' this event and introduce our group to them.

We talked, ate, drank, sang and danced throughout the afternoon. What else would GTO'ers do??

Thanks to those that attended for making this event another successful outing to our annual wine & color cruise





2017 Christmas Party



Gateway GTO Christmas Party 2017 By Chris Winslow



Gateway GTO held the annual Christmas Party this year at our usual location at the Webster Groves Barn in Webster Groves. As always, the party organizers had done an amazing job of decorating the room and setting the tables.

The event was well attended by the club's members. The catered food organized by Gail Schott and Saundra Melrose was excellent and the deserts brought by everyone were outstanding. This year, the club also provided a sheet cake for the event.

Kerry took a few minutes before the activities began to announce the winners of the of-





2017 Christmas Party



ficer elections for the 2018 and 2019. The winners announced were as follows:

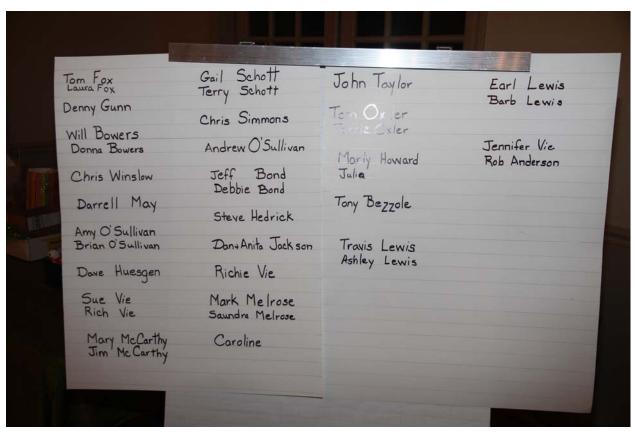
President: Terry Schott

Vice President, Missouri: Chris Winslow Vice President, Illinois: Dan Jackson

Treasurer: Will Bowers Secretary: Brian O'Sullivan

GTOAA Chapter Rep: Frank Chapman

The new activity for this year was the Christmas ornament exchange. For this activity, members brought Christmas ornaments and then wrote clues on a card intended to help identify who brought the ornament. The Bowers acted as the MC's for this event with Donna showing each ornament while Will read the clue on the card. The object of the game was guess which



member of the club had brought that ornament. In my case, Paula and I were lucky enough to be at the same table with the Hedricks. Tammy took charge of the tabulation and figured out the owner of a number of the ornaments that the rest of us would never have guessed. The result was our table won the contest. As the winners, we got to go to the ornament table first and pick out whatever ornament that we wanted. In my case, I took the ornament that Gail Schott had brought, which is one that Terry had made from 2 spark plugs, a nut, two push rods, and a rocker arm bolt. It is now hanging in the big garage.

The next event was our annual rob your neighbor gift exchange. The most popular gift



2017 Christmas Party



this year (for reasons that nobody at our table could understand) was a white metal goat. There were a few other presents that all saw some robbing action, including some gear wrenches.

As usual, everyone had a great time at the party. Credit goes to Gail and Saundra and Terrie for all of their hard work putting it together.





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Year Of The 8's







Calling all owners of 1968 GTO's!

In 2018, in celebration of: 50th Anniversary of the 1968 GTO

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

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 Annual PIZZA PARTY!

Sunday, January 21, 2018 from 1-4 PM

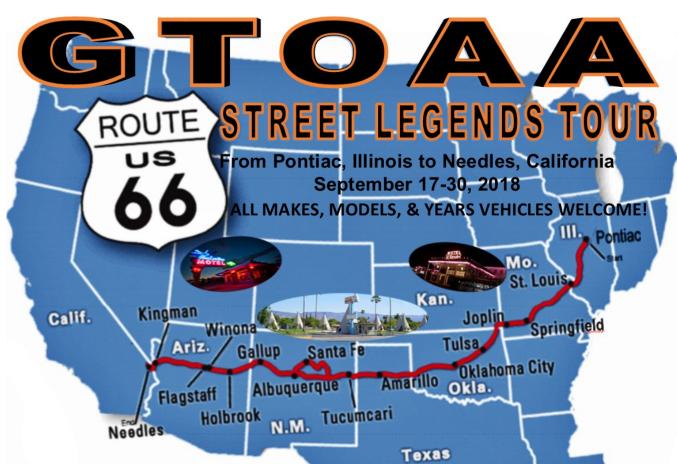
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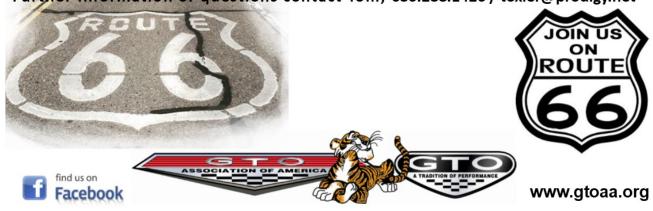




This 1,700 mile 13 day cruise of old Route 66 kicks off from the Pontiac Oakland Museum in Pontiac Illinois September 17, 2018 following the GTOAA Regional event and will end September 30, 2018 in Needles California. All makes and model vehicles are invited to jump on board as we make our way to our destination. This is a FREE event for all participants, you may join in the cruise along the route and end your cruise at anytime.

Proposed stops include historic hotels; The Blue Swallow, El Rancho, and the Wigwam. Participants are responsible for making their own hotel/motel reservations.

Further Information or questions contact Tom; 636.288.1426 / toxler@prodigy.net



GATEWAY GTO ASSOCIATION

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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 Sponso	ered Events	
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Other Activities	Total for Non Sponso	red Events	
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GGTOA Event Worker/Helper (50 Points) Car Featured as GTO of the Month (50 Points) Write an Article for <i>Hood Scoop</i> (50 Points) Sign up a new GGTOA member (25 Points) Have GTO featured in a National Pub (40 Points)			
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To access form from GatewayGTO.com, click below http://www.gatewaygto.org/clubpoints.html



2017 GATEWAY GTO CALENDAR OF EVENTS

January

21– Gateway GTO Pizza Party (CLUB SPONSORED) at Pirrone's Pizza, 1775 Washington Street, Florissant MO 63033 1-4

February

1 - GTO MEETING 7PM at Sports Café (CLUB SPONSORED)

March

1 - GTO MEETING 7PM at Sports Café (CLUB SPONSORED)

April

5 - GTO MEETING 7PM at Sports Café (CLUB SPONSORED)

SEE THE FULL CALENDAR AT WWW.GATEWAYGTO.ORG

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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







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