



THE HOOD SCOOP

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Gateway GTO Hosts the 2017 Regional Car Show in Pontiac Illinois

By Chris Winslow

Gateway GTO
Association



For the sixth consecutive year, Gateway GTO hosted the annual All Pontiac Regional Car Show in Pontiac, Illinois benefiting the Pontiac Oakland Museum. As we have done the last several years, many of us arrived on Friday afternoon so that we could hit the ground running on Saturday morning getting everyone registered. As usual, Terrie had us covered with reservations for the whole gang in a special meeting room at Bernardi's.

On Saturday morning we convened on the Pontiac town square in front of the Museum and set up for registration. Mark and Sandra Melrose ran the registration with support from several other members including Paula, Bev, Donna and Cheryl.

The main activity for Saturday was a cruise to the Polk-a-Dot drive in restaurant in Braidwood. This iconic Route 66 burger stop is famous for its burgers and its statues of Elvis, Marilyn Monroe and the Blues Brothers. It is a pretty small place and we had a large contingent of cars, but they were well prepared for us. They had even arranged to allow for some of the cruisers to park in the lot of the business next door. They were equally well prepared inside getting everyone's order up in short order.

Not all of us were driving our own car for this trip. Tom Oxler, who was still recovering from shoulder surgery, had to leave his manual transmission back in St. Charles. Instead, Tim pulled his Can Am (which is an automatic) out of the warehouse and Tom drove that instead.

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GTOAA Regional



Following lunch several of us stopped by two of the historic gas stations



The activity for Saturday evening was, as usual, a dinner of Bernardi's famous fried chicken. There were two new wrinkles this year, however. First there was a club of military vehicle enthusiasts that were in the midst of a cross country trip in historic military vehicles. They were spending the afternoon and evening with us in Pontiac. So, they joined us for dinner. The second new wrinkle is that dinner, and the show that followed, was held outside this year adjacent to the Pontiac Route 66 wall painting.

The Vermillion Players once again put on a great show. And, in what has somehow become something of a tradition, Rich Vie for the third year in a row was selected from the audience to participate in one of the numbers.



Of course, the main event was the car show on Sunday. We all got to the town square early to get things ready as the military group pulled out for their next stop. As cars arrived we circled them around the town square with the real early birds (and of course Earl) lined up in front of the museum itself.



Speaking of Earl, he once again took charge of the 50/50 (along with some help from his new daughter-in-law Ashley to raise some extra cash for the museum.

Although the quantity of the cars were off a bit this year due to several conflicting events on the same day, the quality of the cars was outstanding. The tallying team, using the software developed for this event by Tammy Hedrick was once again instrumental in a quick turn in compiling the votes from the show. Of course, several of the best cars were from Gateways members. Gateway members winning awards in the car show included Joe Mayweather, Earl Lewis, Rich Lacavich, Cecil Morton, Frank Chapman, Mike Soto, Tony Becker, Ashley Lewis, and Jon Havens and Mark Melrose.

Over the next few weeks we will total up the proceeds from the weekend and make an announcement of our donation to the museum.





Presidents Scoop

The Presidents Scoop

By Kerry Friedman

October 1st is the Club Picnic at Vago Park off of Fee Fee Road in Maryland Heights. We always have plenty of Bar B Que, including Brats, Hot Dogs, Burgers, Chicken and Pork Steaks. All we ask ins you bring an appetite and a side dish or desert. The Washer Toss is always fun and we need some new Champions. Usually the picnic is earlier and always pretty hot. This year we pushed it back a little, and not like the beginning of the current week, it should be cooler and very nice.

It doesn't seem like it has been 4 years since I took office as President of The Gateway GTO Association, but when I look at the calendar, it surely has been. Nominations for the next slate of Officers is technically open and will officially be at the October Meeting. We have a great group of current Officers and please consider moving them along in the progression of Offices.

Our Club has grown over the years since I joined, and with the hard work of ALL of you, we keep attracting new members. It is my opinion, that people see how much fun we have, and want to be part of it. Our Members now reach from Pennsylvania to Colorado, and Michigan to Arkansas. POCI Arch Chapter members are also joining Gateway. There are so many leaders and doers that if something needs doing, no matter what, it gets done.

We are still getting compliments on the 2017 Nationals that we held in Springfield and have set the bar really high for future conventions. It all goes back to what I just said, everyone working together.

I missed the Regional in Pontiac last weekend. We had a family wedding on Saturday and a work commitment that took me to Cincinnati for 9 days. I thought about what I was missing most of the weekend and I hope those of you that went had an outstanding time.

On a personal note, a lot of you know that I am a partner in a growing business and have been there for 46 years. I considered retiring when a lot of my friends were retiring from large companies like AT&T, Boeing (McDonnell Douglas) and the likes. So, what would I do when I retired? Well I thought I should get a job to keep busy. Then I said; I've got a job and I like it. So that was the end of my retirement thoughts. Changes have occurred and my Partner will retire in January and we have made an agreement that he will retain the building and I will own the Company. I am now the President of the Company. My two sons, Ryan and Andy have worked here for quite a few years, and I hope they can take over the business in 3-5 years, or sooner. Then they can support me and I can start driving the GTO into the sunset with my Gateway GTO Family.

Our next chapter meeting is on October 5, at the Sport's Café. See you there,





Meeting Minutes



Minutes for 9/7/17

7:07 – Meeting start – New member Barry Korman in attendance. He has a 67 GTO.

7:08 – Old Business – 2017 GTOAA Nationals wrap up by Tom Oxler.

Kerry Friedman spoke about the Dent's Express show and BBQ.

John Havens said that the Purina Farms show was good, but had low attendance.

7:12 – Upcoming events

9/24 – First Capitol Classics car show. \$20 entry, 9-12 Stock only. 25 years or older.

9/24 – Daniel Boone Shrine club charity car show. O'Fallon Plaza. Rain or shine.

10/1 – Annual club picnic, Vago Park, Maryland Heights

10/7 – Missouri Baptist Medical Center charity car show. 3015 N. Ballas Road. Roll in at 9-11AM, Show from 11AM-2PM.

10/29 – Montelle Winery Cruise. Meet at Francis Howell, 7001 South 94. 10:30AM

12/2 – Annual Gateway GTO Christmas Party at Hawkin House in Webster Groves, MO. Details to follow.

Frank Chapman is planning a trip to the coast that anyone can join. Contact him for details.

Tom Oxler is setting up an all-inclusive trip to Cancun for 7 nights.

He is also planning a GTOAA Street Legends Route 66 Cruise. It will take 13-14 days one way.

He also spoke a bit about the yearly Christmas toy drive.

7:27 – GTOAA – Steve Hedrick gave an up-

date on the 2018 GTOAA Nationals in Valley Forge, Pennsylvania.

7:31 – Kerry Friedman said that we now have 84 members. We will have lost a few due to them not renewing. They've been contacted. We picked up several new members from Norwalk.

7:36 – Tech – Steve Hedrick talked about a transmission shop that informed him of an aftermarket electric power steering system that is designed for classic cars. It is currently available for Corvettes and A Bodies. Other models to follow soon.

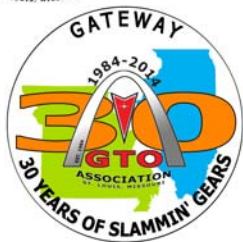
Earl Lewis said that he found a really nice 66 GTO for sale locally, and that he is trying to convince a friend of his to buy and join the club. If his friend is not interested, then he said it would be a great car for a club member to pick up.

7:46 – Brian O'Sullivan showed and talked about the 2017 Nationals video that he has been putting together. He is planning on distributing copies to any member that would like one. Details will be sent in a group e-mail.

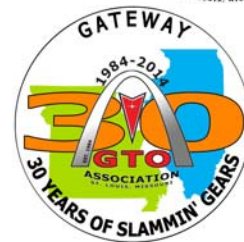
7:50 - Motion to Adjourn by Craig Glenn, seconded by Amy O'Sullivan

50/50 of \$39 won by Tim Wortkoetter





Year Of The 7's



Calling all owners of 1967 GTO's!

**This year, in celebration of:
50th Anniversary of the 1967 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



Time for Nomination of New Officers



Our current slate of officers are about to complete their second two year terms, so it is time to nominate new officers for 2018/2019.

**To nominate somebody to be an officer, please send your nomination to
Will Bowers at
WWBDSB@YAHOO.COM.COM.**

GTOAA

STREET LEGENDS TOUR



From Pontiac, Illinois to Needles, California

September 17-30, 2018

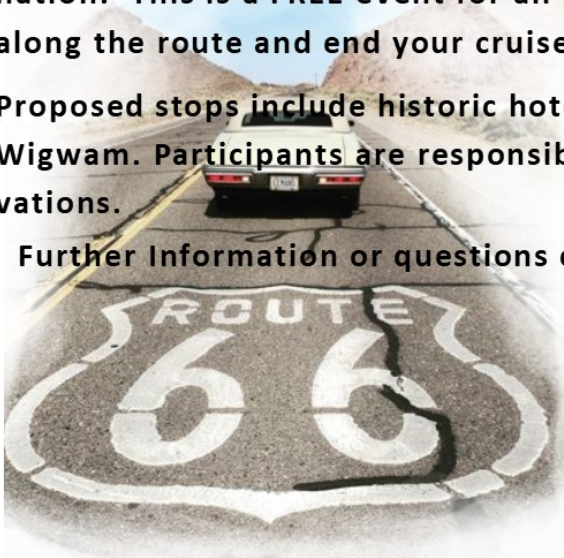
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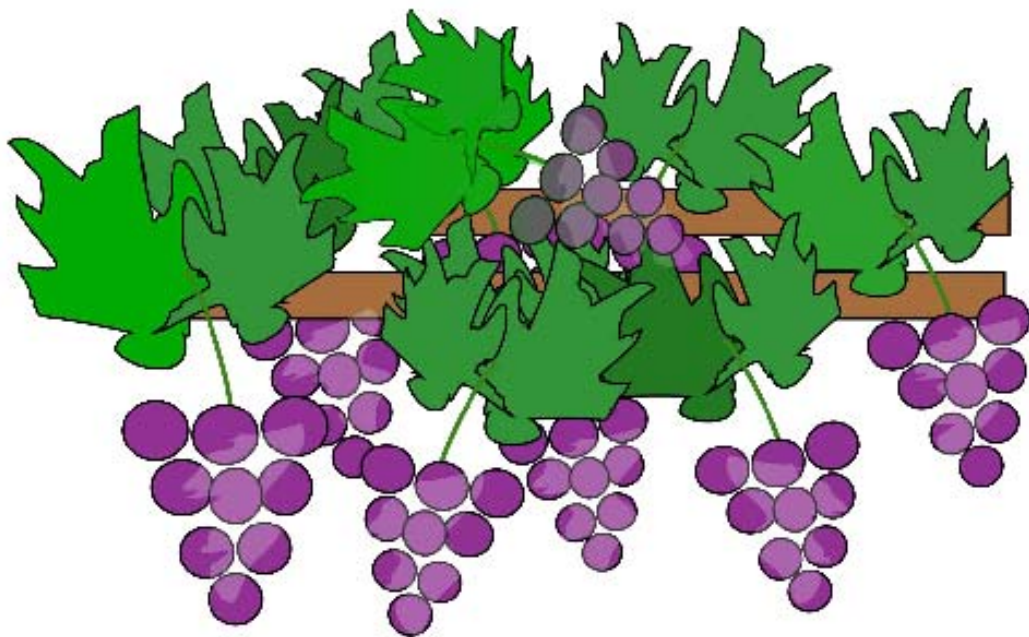
This 1,700 mile 13 day cruise of old Route 66 kicks off from the Pontiac Oakland Museum in Pontiac Illinois September 17, 2018 following the GTOAA Regional event and will end September 30, 2018 in Needles California. All makes and model vehicles are invited to jump on board as we make our way to our 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



www.gtoaa.org



2017 Gateway GTO Wine Cruise

Sunday, November 12, 2017

Montelle Winery in Augusta, MO

Meet at Francis Howell High School

7001 South Highway 94

10:30 AM

Leaving Promptly at 11:00 AM

Rain or Shine Event

Any questions call Marty Howard at 314-640-0959

Missouri Baptist Medical Center Presents:

Charity Car Show

Saturday, October 7, 2017

Missouri Baptist Medical Center, North Parking Lot

3015 N. Ballas Rd.
St. Louis, MO 63131

Club Award for
highest Club Participation

Free for Spectators!

Roll In: 9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.

Car Show: 11:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Awards presented at 2:00 p.m. Event will be held rain or shine

Calling all classic cars enthusiasts to come to our second annual show!

Proceeds benefit the United Way of Greater St. Louis.

COST

Pre-register before September 1: \$15.00

After September 1: \$20.00

Prizes will be awarded per class, as well as special awards, including Car Club Award and President's Choice. ***We will have even more awards than last year!***

50/50, Attendance Prizes, Concessions Available

VENDORS AND SPONSORS WANTED, PLEASE CONTACT US.

FOR PRE-REGISTRATION OR MORE INFORMATION:

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Home Phone: () _____ Cell Phone: () _____

E-mail Address: _____

Occupation: _____

Year & Body Style of Car(s) **ALL PONTIACS:**

Auto related interests, hobbies or talents:

GTO Association of America membership number: _____

GTO Association of America membership renewal date: _____

(found on address label of *Legend*)

PLEASE FILL IN ALL FIELDS

And mail with check to:

Will Bowers, Treasurer
Gateway GTO Association
1 Goshen Woods Lane
Edwardsville, IL 62025

Membership dues are \$35.00 per year, which includes you and one associate member (spouse, girlfriend, etc.) and your GTOAA yearly membership.



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 _____

Non Sponsored Events

Event	With GTO (10 Points)	Without GTO (5 Points)

Total for Non Sponsored Events _____

Other Activities

GTO Regional/National Event	With GTO (100 Points)	Without GTO (70 Points)

GGTOA Event Worker/Helper (50 Points) _____
Car Featured as GTO of the Month (50 Points) _____
Write an Article for *Hood Scoop* (50 Points) _____
Sign up a new GGTOA member (25 Points) _____
Have GTO featured in a National Pub (40 Points) _____

Total Points for Month

Submit completed form at GGTOA monthly meeting or to:
B. O'Sullivan
10637 St. Phillip Lane
St. Anne, MO 63074

To access form from GatewayGTO.com, click below
<http://www.gatewaygto.org/clubpoints.html>

2017 GATEWAY GTO CALENDAR OF EVENTS

October

- 1 - Gateway GTO Annual Picnic at Vargo Park (CLUB SPONSORED)
- 5 - GTO MEETING 7PM at Sports Café (CLUB SPONSORED)
- 7 - Missouri Baptist Medical Center Charity Car Show, 3015 N. Ballas Road. Roll - 9-11am. Car show from 11am to 2pm.

November

- 12- Gateway GTO Wine Cruise at Montelle Winery in Augusta (CLUB SPONSORED). Meet at Francis Howell High School, 7001 South Highway 94 at 10:30am

December

- 2 - Gateway GTO Christmas Party at Hawken House (CLUB SPONSORED). Details to follow.

SEE THE FULL CALENDAR AT WWW.GATEWAYGTO.ORG

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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.

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