

THE HOOD SCOOP

November 2024

Gateway GTO Annual Winery Run

by Chris Winslow







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We had our annual Gateway GTO Winery run this year at Montelle Winery in Augusta. This year's event was organized by our Chief Entertainment Officer, Marty Howard and we picked the weekend because one of our favorite performers, Arvell was set to be the entertainment for the afternoon. This time Arvell was part of a group, The Arvell Duo (which actually turned out really to be a Trio).

Unlike the horrible weather we had for our show at the Pontiac Museum, the weather was perfect. In addition, our members that had been on the East Coast cruise were all back by this weekend, and many of them attended.

We had arrived early so we were able to line up our GTO's in the first row, where they received a lot of attention. Getting there early allowed us to pull together some tables near the stage so we could see Arvell and company.

It was the first time that most of us had been able to talk to the members that had taken that month long east coast trip, so the afternoon gave us a chance to catch up and also hear the stories of from the trip.







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The good news was that while there were a few breakdowns along the way, for the most part the cars all did pretty well for such a long trip.

We also took advantage of the great music and nice afternoon to get in some dancing. Overall, everyone had a great time so it was another excellent event brought to us by our CEO Marty.







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Presidents Scoop



The President's Scoop

By Chris Winslow

The year is winding down. We only have one more Gateway GTO event for the year and that is our annual Christmas Party on December 7th from 5:00 to 10:00 at the Webster Groves Barn. I have included the flyer for the event with the exact address. For those of you that are planning to come, here are a few reminders:

- 1. The deadline to RSVP for the event was November 15th. If you are planning to attend, but have not yet let Will or me know, please contact me ASAP.
- 2. The food will be from Kenrick's again this year. This is a bring your own beverages event.
- 3. The theme for this year is Blue Christmas (think Elvis). If you are so inclined plan your attire accordingly.
- 4. Please plan to bring a dessert to share,
- 5. If you would like to participate in the Rob Your Neighbor gift event, please bring a wrapped gift in the \$25 to \$30 range.

If you have any questions on the party, please give me a call

For those that are planning to contribute to Bob Blattel's annual toy drive, the deadline is just around the corner on December 2nd. The attached flyer has drop-off locations.

The first event on our calendar for 2025 will be our annual Pizza Party/Membership Renewal on Sunday, January 19th from 1 to 4. This year we are trying a new location recommended by Steve and Tammy, Fortell's Pizza Den at 7932 Mackenzie Road. I am hearing a lot of positive feedback on this location, so I am looking forward to it. For this location, the club will provide pizza and salad and the members will be responsible for buying their own drinks. Our goal is to have everyone that has not already renewed their Gateway Membership for next year renew it at that event. I have included a flyer for the event in this newsletter and I have also included the membership renewal form.

Paula and I are looking forward to seeing everyone at the Christmas Party in a few weeks!





Gateway GTO Meeting Minutes



Minutes 11/7/24

7:04 PM – Meeting Start

No new members. Meeting was moderately attended.

7:06 PM – Old Business

Chris Winslow talked about the Gateway GTO Picnic. Almost 50 in attendance, higher than expected with a big group of people on the East Coast trip. Chris thanked all of the cooks. Chris also talked about the slight change in the washer game. The change to small bean bags made it go faster and no need to chase the runaway washers. Thank you Barb for the idea and purchasing the bean bags.

Chris Winslow talked about the Collector Car Trivia Night. Gateway GTO won the tournament. Gateway GTO scored 93 out of 100. Since it was a GTO club that won, next year's flyer should have a GTO on it.

Chris Winslow talked about the Gateway GTO Winery Run. There was a good attendance and great weather.

7:09 PM – New Business

Chris Winslow talked about a Pinball Wizard night at Club Howard on November 23rd. Flyers were available on the table.

Chris Winslow talked about the Charity Toy Drive that Bob Blattel organizes. Toys are due by December 2nd. Flyers were available on the table.

Chris Winslow talked about the Gateway GTO Christmas Party on December 7th. The deadline for getting the payment to Will Bowers was November 15th so we can give the numbers to the caterer. The theme is 'Blue Christmas'.

Chris Winslow talked about the January Pizza Party. It will be Sunday, January 19th. New location next year. It will be held at Fortel's Pizza Den on Mackenzie Road. Club will supply pizza and salad. Members cover their own drinks. The pizza party is the first meeting in 2025. Please plan to renew your membership at the event.

7:13 PM – Upcoming Events

11/7 – Pinball

12/7 – Christmas Party

1/19/25 – Pizza Party

There was some discussion about activities for the new year. There was a mention of a trip to Booneville to see the Budweiser Clydesdales. Chris asked everyone to start thinking about other activities,

7:16 PM – GTOAA

Steve Hedrick talked about the hotel registrations, which can be made now. Even though there was flooding from Hurricane Helene, the Biltmore may be available as a possible tour. More details about the convention will be available at a later date.

Steve Hedrick also talked about the MCACN will be held on November 23rd and 24th in Chicago.

7:22 PM - Tech Session

Chris Winslow asked for any tech issues. Earl Lewis talked about Chris Winslow and Terry Schott coming over to work on this car that died on Dorsett on the way to the Picnic. They replaced the fuel pump and some ignition parts, but that did not fix it. Ultimately they found the resistor wire running from the firewall disconnect the distributor had broken. They spliced it back together and that fixed it.

7:30PM – Club Personals

Frank Chapman had a heart attack. There was a blockage near a stent. The doctors gave him a medicine to dissolve the blockage.

Len Johnson mentioned that we was looking for seat belts at the last meeting and someone contacted him.

7:48 PM – Motion to Adjourn by Earl Lewis and seconded by Steve Hedrick

50/50 of \$30 was won by Sharon Wildebrandt which she donated to the toy drive.





* HOLDAY * TOY DRIVE * *

to benefit the clients and families of Employment Connection a United Way of Greater St. Louis partner agency

We're collecting donations of new or gently used, unwrapped toys to support families on the path to self-sufficiency. Drop off your donations at the businesses below between **November 1st and December 2nd** and help light up the eyes of children and families in need!

DROP-OFF SITES

Blattel & Associates 1258 Jungermann Rd.
Cutter & Company 15415 Clayton Rd.
Dudas Fitness 3963 Old Highway 94
Rosciglione Bakery 2265 Bluestone Dr.
Thies Farm 3200 Greens Bottom Rd.
Nutrition Stop 4101 Mexico Rd.
Sunflower Hill Farm 245 Terry Rd.









for more information





GATEWAY GTO CHRISTMAS PARTY It Will Be a Blue Christmas Without You

DECEMBER 7, 2024 5-10PM
BRING A "ROB YOUR NEIGHBOR" GIFT (\$20-\$30)
AND A DESSERT TO SHARE

Webster Groves Barn
1155 South Rock Hill Road
Webster Groves, Missouri 63119
Buffet Meal, BYOB, \$25 per person, \$50 per couple
For Reservations send a check by November 15th to:

Will Bowers 4213 Napa View Lane St. Charles, MO 63304



Gateway GTO Annual PIZZA PARTY!

Sunday, January 19, 2025 from 1-4 PM





Fortel's Pizza Den 7932 Mackenzie Road St. Louis, MO 63123 (314) 353-2360

Club furnishes the pizza and salad - drinks are members' responsibility.

GATEWAY GTO ASSOCIATION

Membership/Renewal Form

(Please print clearly)

New	Renewal	R	Returning
Name:		Date:	
Associate Name (Spouse/Sign	ificant Other):		
Address:			
City, State, Zip:		4	
Home Phone: ()			
E-mail Address:			
Occupation:			
Year & Body Style of Car(s)	ALL PONTIACS:		
Auto related interests, hobbies	or talents:		
	-		
GTO Association of America	a membership number:	2.	
GTO Association of America	a membership renewal o	date:	40

PLEASE FILL IN ALL FIELDS

And mail to:

Will Bowers, Treasurer Gateway GTO Association 4213 Napa View Lane St. Charles, MO 63304

Membership dues are \$20.

You are allowed one associate member (spouse, significant other, etc.).

All Gateway GTO Members must also be members in good standing with GTOAA

Go to WWW.GTOAA.ORG to join or renew GTOAA membership

Gateway GTO Membership Renewal

Gateway GTO Dues for 2025 are \$20 and are due by the annual Gateway GTO Pizza Party.

 Send dues to Will Bowers by mail or pay in person at the Next Meeting

Will's Address:

4213 Napa View Lane

St. Charles, MO 63304

• In order to Renew with Gateway GTO, members must be members in good standing with GTOAA.

Contact Chris Winslow if you have any questions on renewing your Gateway GTO membership



GTOAA Membership Renewal

GTOAA Dues are to be paid directly to GTOAA

- Do not send GTOAA dues to Will Bowers. Instead renew directly with GTOAA by mail or at www.gtoaa.org.
- All Gateway GTO Members must be GTOAA members in good standing.
- Please contact GTOAA Chapter Representative Steve Hedrick with any questions:

Steve Hedrick Contact Info:

Phone: 314-640-4020

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2024/2025 GATEWAY GTO CALENDAR OF EVENTS



7 - Gateway GTO Christmas Party

January

19 - Gateway GTO Pizza Party at Fortel's Pizza Den, 7932 Mackenzie Rd, 63123. The event is from 1–4. Gateway supplies pizza and salad and club member cover their own beverages.

February

7 - GTO MEETING 7PM at Gingham's

SEE THE FULL CALENDAR AT WWW.GATEWAYGTO.ORG

Gateway GTO Classifieds

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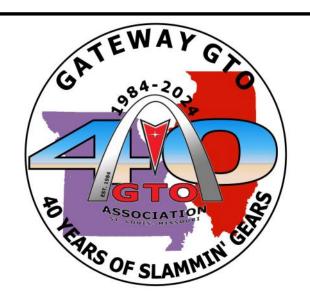
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Gateway GTO Association Photo Album

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.

Advertising is free for members in good standing.

Advertising rates for non members are:

\$100 – Full page (Color or Black and White) ad in monthly *Hoodscoop* newsletter for 12 months, your logo on our Website Sponsor page, and a link to your website from our Related Website Link space.

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Advertising Guidelines

Classified ads are free to members. Classified ads up to 50 words for non-members are \$5.00 per issue.

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 Gingham's, 1566 Country Club Plaza Drive, St. Charles, MO 63303

The yearly dues for Gateway GTO is \$20. The dues are due by the Pizza Party in January. All Gateway GTO members must be a member in good standing with GTOAA. You are allowed to have one associate member.





The Gateway GTO Association

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Visit us at www.gatewaygto.org or www.gatewaygto.com



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