



# THE HOOD SCOOP

November 2025

## Gateway GTO Winery Run by Donna Bowers



It was a fall day on November 2 and Marty does it again! He plans and leads the yearly Fall Wine Run to Montelle Winery. The number of cars was down this year, probably due to the date change based on weather.

Marty and his friend Vicki lead the resilient group of: Bower's, Neal's, Vie's and O'Sullivan's who drove their GTO's. They were joined by the Lewis's in their truck. This group caravanned from Francis Howell Sr High School on Highway 94. The Kiburz's and Schott's met up with the group later at Montelle.

Due to the cool weather, the band, Deuces Wild, was set up in an inside room. While the inside was warm, the weather resistant GTO members chose to sit on a patio attached to the room where the band was set up. As always, the group enjoyed the good food, wine, and the opportunity to visit with friends.

If you could not make it this year, you missed an opportunity to enjoy the fall foliage, and a great Gateway tradition.

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# Gateway GTO Annual Winery Run





# Presidents Scoop

## The President's Scoop

By Chris Winslow

With the weather turning, it looks like it is time to get a final run or two in on the Pontiacs before it is time to put them away for the winter. It seems like it was a really short car season this year that flew by way too fast.

As we have discussed at the last few meetings, 2025 is an election year for Gateway. We have nominations for all of the offices. As promised, there is a ballot included in this newsletter. For this year, everyone is running unopposed, but please vote anyway so that we have official ballots for the record. I will make the formal announcement of the winners at the Christmas Party

Speaking of the Christmas party, I have the flyer attached to the newsletter. We need everyone to RSVP by November 15th so that we can get the order in for the food. As has been the case for the last several years, the event is at the Webster Groves Barn. \$25 per person covers the dinner. Everyone should plan to bring their own drinks, although we will have coffee available. We also ask that everyone bring a dessert to share. If you want to participate in our annual Rob Your Neighbor event, please bring a wrapped gift worth \$25-\$30.

One other item for the Christmas season is Bob Blattel's annual toy drive. I have included the flyer in this newsletter. If you would like to participate, please drop off your toys at one of the addresses listed on the flyer. If you cannot get to one of those spots, let me know and we will arrange to have somebody pick them up and get them dropped off.

One final item for this month is that we have officially scheduled our first event for 2026, the annual Pizza Party on January 18th. I have included the flyer so save the date!





# Gateway GTO Meeting Minutes



## Minutes 11/6/25

**7:01 PM – Meeting Start** – No new members present

Steve Gnade came to talk about Medicare supplementation.

## 7:22 - Old Business

Chris Winslow talked about the Gateway GTO Picnic. He thanked the pit crew (Tony Bezzole, Rich and Richard Vie, Andrew O'Sullivan and Bill Markus) for showing up early and cooking all of the meat. Tom Oxler and Terry Schott were the best of the best winners of the washer tournament, and Jessie Gill and Danny Beasley were the best of the worst.

Chris talked about the Olds Club trivia night. We came in second place behind the Porsche club, losing by only 1 point.

Brian O'Sullivan talked about the winery cruise. We had 16 people and 5 GTOs. The weather was a bit cold at first but we found some inside seating until the sun came out and we moved to the deck. Everyone had a great time.

Chris mentioned the Dick Levi Hanger Tour.

## 7:28 – New Business and Upcoming Events

Chris Winslow talked about the Gateway GTO Christmas Party on December 6<sup>th</sup> at the Webster Groves Barn.

Chris Winslow talked about the Gateway GTO Pizza party which will be at Fortel's Pizza Den in South County on January 18<sup>th</sup>.

Chris talked about club officer elections.

## 7:31 – Tech

Brian O'Sullivan talked about an issue with a leaky Air Conditioning fitting that is causing oil to pool in his drivers side front fender.

Joe Mayweather talked about a shop that he found that does window tint.

## 7:37 – Personals

Alan Finkenbinder is recovering from surgery.

Jon Havens is now home from the Hospital and is doing better.

Paula Winslow's dad fell and broke 2 vertebrae in his neck. He is out of the hospital and is currently being a bad patient at his sister's house in Piedmont.

Sharon Mercer fell down her basement steps and has several injuries.

Shelley Obukowitz fell and injured herself.

## 7:44 – Motion to Adjourn by Barb Lewis, seconded by Brian O'Sullivan

50/50 of \$25 won by Marty Howard



# Official 2026 Gateway GTO Officer Ballot Form

The candidates below have been nominated as Officers for the 2026-27 term in accordance with the Club Constitution and By-Laws. Please print this page and vote for one candidate for each office. Only this form will be accepted and only if it is received by December 1, 2025.

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**President:**

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**Chris Winslow**

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**Vice-President (MO):**

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**Brian O'Sullivan**

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**Vice-President (IL):**

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**Dan Jackson**

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**Treasurer:**

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**Will Bowers**

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**Secretary:**

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**Paula Winslow**

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**GTOAA Chapter Rep:**

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**Steve Hedrick**

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**ONLY ONE BALLOT PER MEMBER PLEASE**

**Mail To: Will Bowers**

**4123 Napa View Lane**

**St. Charles, MO 63304**





## *GATEWAY GTO CHRISTMAS PARTY*

### *Release Your Inner Penguin*

*DECEMBER 6, 2025 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



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Blattel & Associates 2025

# HOLIDAY 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.  
Sunflower Hill Farm 245 Terry Rd.



Email [info@blattels.com](mailto:info@blattels.com)  
for more information



# Gateway GTO Annual PIZZA PARTY!

Sunday, January 18, 2026 from 1-3:30 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

☐ Returning

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Associate Name (Spouse/Significant Other): \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: (    ) \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone: (    ) \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Occupation: \_\_\_\_\_

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

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Auto related interests, hobbies or talents:

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**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 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](http://WWW.GTOAA.ORG) to join or renew GTOAA membership**



# **Gateway GTO**

## **Membership Renewal**

**Gateway GTO Dues for 2026 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](http://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:

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Email: [sthedrick@aol.com](mailto:sthedrick@aol.com)





## 2025-2026 GATEWAY GTO CALENDAR OF EVENTS

### December

- 6 - Gateway GTO Christmas Party—5:00 to 10:00 at the Webster Groves Barn, 1155 South Rock Hill Rd, Webster Groves MO, 63119

### January

- 18 - Annual Gateway GTO Pizza Party at Fortel's Pizza Den, 1:00 to 3:30, 7932 Mackenzie Road, St. Louis MO 63123

**SEE THE FULL CALENDAR AT [WWW.GATEWAYGTO.ORG](http://WWW.GATEWAYGTO.ORG)**

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### **Gateway GTO Classifieds**

#### **For Sale:**

**1990 Buick Riviera**

**Color: Burgundy**

**Milage: 95,000**

**Contact Joe Mayweather if interested at 314-210-7391**

(314) 838-5533

### Jon's Tri-Power Service

Jon F. Havens  
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126 Afshari Drive  
Florissant, MO 63034  
[jfhavens@sbcglobal.net](mailto:jfhavens@sbcglobal.net)

(314) 496-7368

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Florissant, MO 63034

**Lewis Insurance Agency**  
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**The HAGERTY Guy**

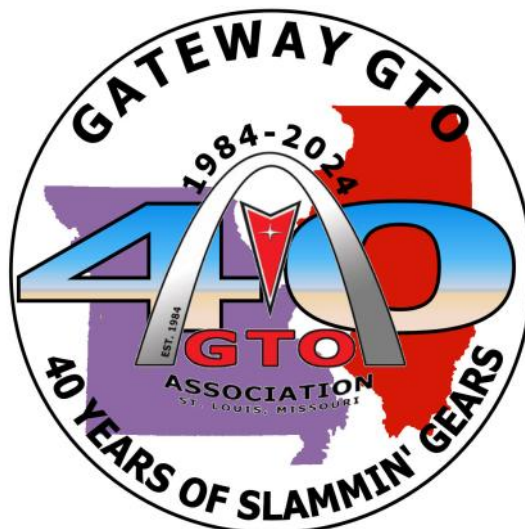
Image of a red classic car with its hood open.

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# CustomAutoApparel.com

[Gateway GTO Club Store](#)

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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.

## 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.

\$50 – ½ page (Color or Black and White) ad in our 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.

\$25 – Business Card (Color or Black and White) ad in our 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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