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Little red trucks, red trucks with trees, getting those fresh trees home in little red trucks – they were everywhere! They even found their way to the center of Gateway GTO's 2019 holiday party held at the Webster Groves Barn for the 14th year.

Partygoers Ron & Sharon Wildebrandt, Tom & Terrie Oxler, Sue & Rich Vie, Tony Bezzole & Carolyn, Paula Winslow, Brian & Amy O'Sullivan, Tom & Laura Fox, Jon & Dori Havens, Will & Donna Bowers, Rich & Janet Lacavich, Alan & Liane Finkenbinder, Terry & Gail Schott, Joe & Bev Mayweather, Darrell & Tootie May, Leroy & Debbie Brune, Mark & Sandra Melrose, John & Dianne Taylor, Cecil & Annette Morton, Steve & Tammy Hedrick, Jim & Mary McCarthy and Lucas & Miranda Hedrick were a hardy bunch wearing lots of buffalo plaid lumberjack apparel. Liane Finkenbinder's creative expertise was featured in many colorful shirts. The Best Dressed Couple would have to have been Jim & Mary McCarthy sporting their coonskin caps and axe accessory. Lucas & Miranda Hedrick were particularly festive in their holiday attire.

As always, the food catered by Russo's and the added Sicilian Chicken from Favazza's filled everyone with delight. Of course the party wouldn't be as sweet without the baked goods provided by our ladies every year – a big THANK YOU to all.



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Our own Mobile DJ, Marty Howard, developed the party game this year. Theme songs from past television shows were played and each table had to recognize and record their answers. The winning table had the Vies, McCarthys, Foxes, Tony & Carolyn and Paula Winslow. Congrats to you smarties!!! Many thanks to Marty for your years of Emceeing and creating our party atmosphere. As a special bonus, six little red truck centerpieces found new homes.

Socializing rounded out the evening. The legacy of the beautiful GTO cars brought us together and it has also produced long-lasting beautiful friendships! It was another fun evening to complete the year.

HAPPY HOLIDAYS TO ALL!!