



# THE HOOD SCOOP

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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 Wednesday of the month at Culpeppers Restaurant, St. Charles Mo. 3010, West Clay 636-916-3105

**Membership dues are \$20.00 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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The Hood Scoop is published as an informative news bulletin to keep our members up to date on past, present, and future events.

Gateway GTO Association Meetings are held monthly. Dates, times, and locations are listed in the Upcoming Events section of the newsletter.

### 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 put your name and date and a description of the event on the back and send them to the Photo Album Editor.

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\$20.00 for 1 year membership

Form on web site

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The **GATEWAYGTO Association** is an affiliated chapter of **THE GTO Association of America (GTOAA)** the Premier National Organization for GTO Enthusiasts. Each month **GTOAA** members receive **The Legend** magazine, a Golden Quill Award winning publication. Members can read the technical articles and have access to the **GTOAA** Technical Advisors Staff. They may use the 50 words of free classified advertising monthly, view the feature articles on some of the most interesting GTOs. They may have access to the **GTOAA** Club Store.

For an on-line preview of **The Legend**, go to [www.gtoaa.org](http://www.gtoaa.org).

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The **GTOAA National Meet** is hosted by various local chapters and is held annually in various cities across the United States. The acclaimed Concours and Popular Vote Car Shows bring some of the finest GTOs together for superb viewing. Other highlights include many renowned Technical and Special-interest speakers, multi-day swap meet, drag racing, cruises, and other great events.

### GTOAA MEMBERSHIP

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*Mail completed form to*

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Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_

State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_

Phone (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Your GTO Ownership

Year      Body Style      Engine

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Individual Membership Fees

USA	\$30
Canada	\$33 (US funds)
Overseas	\$40 (US funds)

Additional family members (associate membership) \$5 each

*Please check method of payment*

Check    Money Order    MasterCard    Visa

Add \$2.00 if paying by credit card

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# Gateway GTO Association

## For Sale

**66 Tempest Custom 2 door coupe.** 326 cubic inch, 2 speed automatic, 76,000 miles, original faded blue exterior and interior. no PS, no PB, no AC, single exhaust car with hubcaps.

Asking \$4500 **Call** Seth Sheiter 314-809-4215

**Hooker Super Competition Headers** for LS2 \$100 plus shipping. Removed from 70 GTO because they hung too low.

**LS2 Stock Exhaust Manifolds** \$50.00 plus shipping.  
**Contact** Vic Nettle 314-8923639 [vnette@swbell.net](mailto:vnette@swbell.net)

**71 Catalina station wagon,** 6 pass, 6 way clamshell tailgate, 400 2 barrel, 400 turbo, AC (not working), PS, PB, Green in and out, stock and American Racing mags. Valve guides say #4 2000 - #3 4000. Runs and Drives. Make offer.

**Contact** Chris Simmons @ 636-456-3653

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1964-1972 GTO Restoration Guides

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### Die Cast:

**GMP 1:18 Die-Cast GTOs** – 1970 Black Judge,

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Free appraisals.

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**1970 GTO** Red upholstery or hard plastic interior trim panels. Good/Nice used or better is OK.

**Contact** John Johnson 573-581-8013  
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**2005 GTOAA "Gateway Nationals"** t-shirts my sons would like a couple of extra Nationals shirts (not the orange worker shirts) S or M & I'd like another in size 2XL

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### Cee – Jay Auto Body

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**Contact:** Cecil Morton @ 618-877-8254

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St. Charles, MO

**Contact** Craig Glenn @636-946-9892

## Cave Winery Cruise 11 Nov. 2007

By Vic Nettle

Mark and Rosie Obukowicz in their white 66 GTO and Mark Melrose in his 68 GTO met in South county at Dierbergs and proceeded to Richardson Rd where they were joined by Steve and Tammy Hedrick in their yellow 2005 GTO and Lucas Hedrick in his Probe.

They took the scenic route down highway 61 through Ste. Genevieve and highway 32 to highway B. Then left 7 miles to highway P then left 2 miles to Cave Road. Then right 2 miles to Cave Winery where they went down to the cave and had wine, crackers, and cheese.



Separately Joyce and I in our black 70 GTO and Shauna and John Lally in Shauna's 2006

black GTO came down I-55 and joined at the Winery. The terrain down to the cave was rough so I only got to see pictures of the cave (it was not as extensive as Carlsbad Caverns).

At about 3 PM Steve, Tammy, and Lucas headed north and the rest of us went to Ste Genevieve for the ferry ride across to Illinois. It was a little ferry (about half the size of the Golden Eagle Ferry), but we made it across safely for \$10 per car. Led by Mark and Rosie the caravan drove up Bluff Road all the way to Old Valmeyer where we took highway 156 east to Foster's Pond (a very small community). Next was Dreamland Palace, which specializes in German Food (7 kinds of "snitzels"). Tootie and Darrell met us there. Also their son, daughter-in-law, showed us the new member of their family. And adorable she is.



Mike Lang (the owner of Dreamland Palace) who is a car nut too (Mercedes Benz) played videos of Jay Leno's car collection and of GM muscle cars of the 60s and 70s. Both Tootie and I fell asleep during the videos (we are older). When we left, Darrell burned his tires a bit on highway 156. It is hard not to do that when driving a 428-powered GTO.

A black 1970 and a black 2006 GTO were observed zooming across the Jefferson Barracks Bridge by Don Bright and Gina Wannick who were returning from Gatlinburg on I-255 (That was Joyce and I and Shauna and John Lally).

Thanks Mark and Rosie for planning the day.

## Make-a-Wish Car Show

By Vic Nettle

At ten AM on Saturday the 17<sup>th</sup> of November Cory Evans and Paul Jenkins, Vicki and Buzz Simpson, Shauna Wollmershauser, and Joyce and I met and left from our house for the scenic ride through Jefferson Barracks Park. Some pretty colored trees were still there for viewing although most had turned brown already. The temperature seemed milder than the actual temperature because the sunshine was bright and warm.



We arrived early at the Amphitheatre next to which the car show and motorcycle show were being held. Shauna, and I entered in Present Day Muscle and won first and second place. Buzz and Vicki also entered Present Day Muscle class and came in third for which there was no trophy, Cory and Paul entered in American Standard (they would have probably won if there were an Australian Standard class).

Shauna brought Krispie Kreme doughnuts (I had 3 or 4). Later we bought hot dogs, potato chips, candy apples, and Soda, but did not buy the "ice-cold Bud Light" by the pitcher.

Turnout was low considering that the weather was nice and it was a charity fund raising event. The idea was mentioned that maybe many cars are put away for winter already or maybe it was too close to Thanksgiving to spark much interest. The awards ceremony was the fastest in history taking only about 5 minutes. Initially awards were given out at the amphitheatre (about ¼ mile across the grass) but not many people other than our group went over there, so the awards were finally given out at the concession area (and the announcers all stumbled badly over the name "Shauna Wollmershauser").



Afterwards we drove to Outback Steakhouse and had enjoyable conversation and food, after which we returned to our house. For some unknown reason a county police car drove up our street and back while looking at all the GTOs parked on the driveway. Maybe our GTOs had made too much noise on the way home or accelerated too briskly?

I suspect this might be the last car show for 2007. It was a pleasant day with friends.

# THE LEGEND



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**Deal Or No Deal ?  
Chris Winslow's  
2004 GTO**



This Month:  
\$400,000 Hurst GTO  
Fisher Body Plant Codes  
Highway 27 Tour  
Little GTOs  
& More



# Gateway GTO Club Christmas/Holiday Party Dec 8<sup>th</sup> 2007

By Vic Nettle

Early arrivals started at 6:17 PM. The doors opened at 6:40. Work commenced dressing tables with tablecloths, centerpieces, cookies, M&Ms (plain and peanut), eating utensils and napkins. By 7:00 most of the 70 attendees were present.



Club president Tom Oxler introduced Daniel Stanfill and Katie, the club adopt- a soldier and his date.

Then we proceeded to eat food catered by Jeanne McDaniel and Beth Warner and Vicki Simpson. The food was excellent. I only ate 1 plateful in an unusual display of restraint.

At 8:00 Bob Blattel dazzled us with his magic. He made orange

dots appear on a white card at will. He showed us mentalization tricks where he read Donna and Will Bowers's minds. And Bob conducted a music and dance routine which hypnotized a snake which picked the correct card from inside a basket. How did he do it???? Magic obviously

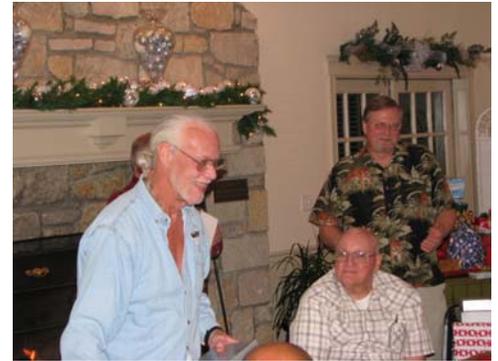
At 8:20 Tom gave out the points awards:



1<sup>st</sup> to Shauna Wollmershauser,



2<sup>nd</sup> to Cory Evans and Paul Jenkins,



3<sup>rd</sup> to Buzz and Vicki Simpson.

These guys went to virtually all events all year. Between them they had almost 20% of all the points earned for participation.

Chris Winslow's car is the cover story of the December 2007 Legend. Chris wrote a fine article about the dichotomy of old/young GTO lovers.

An appreciation award was presented to Marty Howard for all the years of disc jockeying and event announcing that he has done for the club. There is a vicious rumor that Marty may defect back to New York. We would be sad to see him go, but that is life.



Annette Morton thanked Tom and Terrie for the trip out route 66 and presented Tom Oxler with a "No- We're not there yet" T-shirt. Tom recounted the time when everybody was supposed to get off at a given exit and they saw Annette and Cecil drive right on past the exit. Tom called Annette and asked why they had not gotten off at the exit; Annette replied, "we are following your red car" (somebody else's red car as it turned out).

Marty read the “Rob your neighbor” rules. First each person picks a gift, opens it and announces what it is. Second a round in which names are picked at random and each person is allowed to swap their gift for someone else’s or stick with their own. Third: another round of name picking and gift swapping. There were several gifts that struck the fancy of several persons. A nifty wrench set, GTO signs, GTO clocks, wheel clocks, blanket sets, diecast GTO of various years. And some gag gifts like red men’s underwear, a chia head, and an infallible 8-ball auto diagnostic ball.

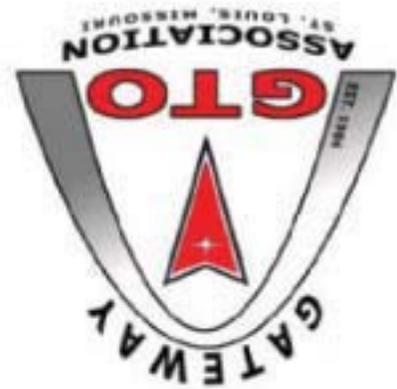


Several persons ended up with what they wanted. Brian O’Sullivan got the GTO wall chart, Jenna Folluo got the ratchet end wrench set, Will and Donna got the Tequila and Crown Royal. It was a lot of fun and lasted for about 2 hours.

Conversations went on for another hour and finally the usual people cleared the tables and carried the residue out to the cars. We finished all and left about 12:15 AM.

Everybody had a great time. Thanks to all the members who organized the party: Sandra and Mark Melrose, Terrie and Tom Oxler, Tootie and Darrell May, Vicki Simpson and her daughter’s catering, Joyce Nettle, and everyone else that I forgot.





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