



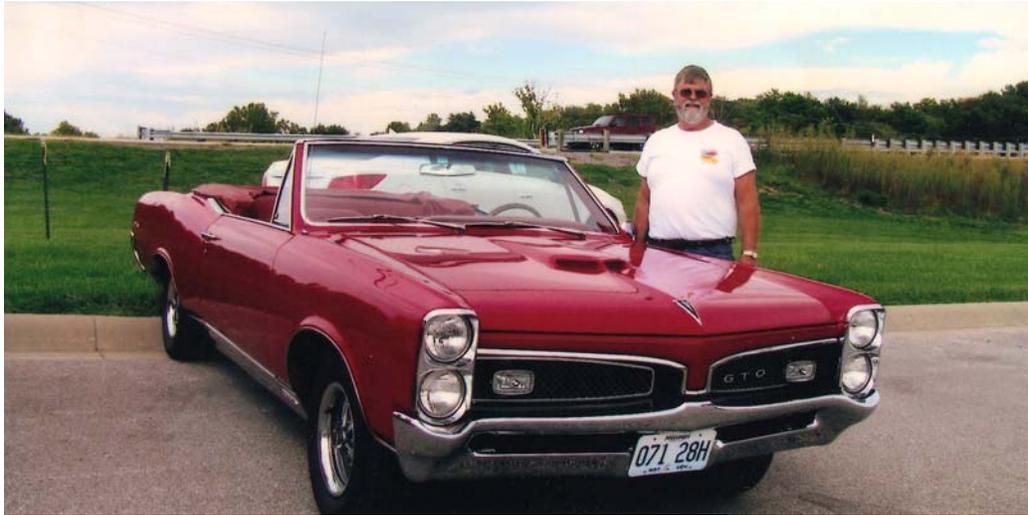
THE HOOD SCOOP

October 2017

My GTO

By Leroy Brune

Gateway GTO
Association



Like most teenage boys in the 60's and 70's having a neat car was important. In my hometown of Washington Mo. It wasn't how fast your car went but it had to look cool. My first car was a 58 Chevy. It was transportation and that's about all I can say about it. Next was a 66 Mustang 6 cyl. (Not fast but it looked good). After that for a while I just had drivers.

When Deb and I met I was driving a Buick Regal and she had a Chevy Nova, both 6 cyl. Some years later we started talking about getting a cool car that we could cruise in. Since Deb and I both had Mustangs when we were younger we thought we would keep our eyes out for an old Mustang but then the story changes.

Terry and Gail Schott were friends of Deb's before Deb and I met and we had been seeing them once in a while and Terry would always want to show me his GTO and what he was doing to it. He kept telling us we needed a GTO not an old Mustang.

One Saturday when I was at work, Deb called me and said Terry called her (by mistake I might add, he had wanted to call me) and asked her if we wanted to buy his old 65 GTO. Well one thing led to another and I now have his old 65 389 4bbl in our garage. That car has led us to THE REST OF THE STORY.



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THE HOOD SCOOP

GTO of the Month



The car we drive the most and have the most fun in is our 1967 Lemans / GTO Clone ragtop. I had seen the car around town for a number of years and always thought it would be a neat one to have. I knew the owner as he would come into the NAPA AUTO PARTS STORE where I work and I kept telling him if he ever wanted to

sell it to be sure and let me know. Sometime later he came to me and said he was ready to sell the ragtop. Needless to say I was excited until he told me it had an under hood and under dash fire. I told him that I was not interested as I thought he was asking too much for the amount of work I needed to put into it. He kept bugging me to buy the car and coming up with a different price so I went and looked at it once more, agreed on a price and he delivered it to our house.

After we got the car home our plans were to fix the fire damage under the hood and dash, put a GTO hood on it, new windshield, new top and a quick paint job. All we were looking for was something that looked ok as we were driving down the street .Our son and son-in-law being body techs would hear nothing of the kind, so after spending several evenings messing around with it they had it down to a body on one side of the shop and the frame on the other side. That's when they told me we were going to turn it into a GTO, so the process begins. By this time my son in-laws brother (also a body tech) was coming over also. The boys spent many evenings in the shop when they should have been home with their families. (Thank you Erin and Jen, you gave up a lot so the guys could work on our car.) We decided to start on the frame and work our way up.



GTO of the Month

In the process the frame fell on me and broke my leg just before the St. Louis Nationals in 2005. I was in a wheelchair during that time.

The work continued for the next few years. The body got new quarters, a GTO tail panel and GTO grills. I found a GTO hood but after we got the paint and bondo off of it, it was not useable. Terry had an old Lemans hood that was in fair shape so the boys cut the scoop out of the old hood and fabricated it into the Lemans hood. Now it looks just like it came out of the factory.

As most of you know some of the parts we need are just not reproduced so many hours were spent in junk yards and at swap meets but we still could not find all of our parts. Once in a while things just seem to fall into place as one evening I received a phone call from a guy that asked if I was building a 67 Lemans ragtop. I told him I was and he told me he had a car he wanted to get rid of and that it had some good parts on it. I told him I was interested and then found out it was a complete car. After talking to him for some time I tried to get a price from him but all he wanted was a ride in ours when it was finished.

We finally got the car on the road in the spring of 2010. Since then we have had a few problems but all very fixable.

Deb and I enjoy our driver as often as we are able, sometimes 2 or 3 times a week just to go for an evening cruise. Twenty years ago if someone would have told me I would be the proud owner of a GTO as a toy I would have told them they were crazy. Now we can only thank Terry Schott for making the phone call to the wrong person.





Presidents Scoop

The Presidents Scoop

By Kerry Friedman

The Annual Club Picnic was held on October first at the 2nd Pavilion in Vago Park. The weather was fabulous and although Chris Simmons chose the NHRA at Gateway over the GTO Club, Tony and Rich and Richie and Bob, did an outstanding job cooking up all the meats. I even helped. We had a real good turnout, maybe 40 people, so there was just a little left to take home.

The Washer Tournament seemed to take forever, and as the rounds dragged on, the number of points needed to win, kept getting lower.

This is the end of my 2nd term as President. I am ready to retire from the position, and just enjoy the activities, cruises and car shows. It has been my pleasure to serve as you President, and I can truly say that although there was a lot of duties to perform, it was not difficult. Because of the excellent support that I had from the other Officers, and from the other very active members, one might say I did a really good job. I say WE did a good job. The Club continues to grow and we are almost at “Standing Room Only” for each and every meeting.

It was very evident from the success we had at Our National Convention in Springfield, that we have a well oiled machine that can get through anything, and have a great time doing it.

Now that the nominations are being taken for the next group of Officers, please consider rewarding the present Officers to move up the ladder and continue to lead us for another two or four years. The Ballot will be sent out in the November newsletter, so look for it and send them it to Will in order to announce the new Officers at the XMAS Party on December 2nd. We still have a tour of The Private Collection in Springfield, IL this Sunday and the Wine Cruise next month. With the weather holding out, we can still get a few last rides in before we put our Goats to bed for the winter.

If you missed the October Meeting, Elliot Cytron was there to really his thanks for our help again at the Wheels In Motion, and to announce the record-breaking \$ 16,000 that was raised. A short video of the day will be shown at our next meeting.

Our last Chapter meeting of 2017 is on November 2, at the Sport’s Café. See you there.





Meeting Minutes



Minutes for 10/5/17

Treasurer – Will Bowers

7:03 – Meeting Start – Introductions and Guests – Elliot Cytron talked about the Wheels in Motion show which made \$16,000 for the charity. Kerry Friedman mentioned that the Gateway GTO booth was able to raise \$1600.

New member Jeff Cox in attendance. He owns a 64 GTO.

Infrequent member Scott Hudler also in attendance.

Scott Miller and Dwight from Gateway Car Care Products came in and showed a video for some of their products, and answered questions. Their main focus is on waterless cleaning and protecting. They brought in some and sold it to club members at reduced prices.

7:36 – Old Business – Tom Oxler spoke a bit about the regional show in Pontiac. We raised \$3200 for the Pontiac Museum.

Kerry Friedman talked about the club picnic. Everything turned out great. Denny Gunn and Joe Mayweather won the washer tournament.

7:38 – New Business – Nominations for new club officers are now open. It will be closed by the end of the November business meeting. Voting will be closed on November 25th, and winners will be announced at the Christmas party. Earl Lewis Nominated Mark Melrose for Missouri Vice President. As of the October business meeting these are the current members in running to be club officers.

President – Terry Schott

MO Vice President – Chris Winslow and Mark Melrose

IL Vice President – Dan Jackson

Secretary – Brian O’Sullivan

7:41 – Upcoming Events –

11/12 – Montelle Winery Cruise. Meet at Francis Howell High School. 10:30AM.

12/2 – Gateway GTO Christmas Party. Hawkin House, Webster Groves Barn, 1155 South Rock Hill Road, Webster Groves, MO 63119. 5:00PM-10:30PM. Buffet meal \$15 per person, \$25 per couple. Sandra gave update and flier at meeting.

2018 – Route 66 Cruise

NO GTOAA Update

7:51 – Tech – Marty Howard has a 93’ Suburban that he had Synthetic oil put in for the first time and asked if anyone knew if it was safe to switch back to normal oil.

7:59 – Motion to Adjourn by Graig Glenn, seconded by Tom Oxler.

50/50 of \$38 won by Jeff Cox

Official Gateway GTO Officer Nomination Form For 2017

This is the official Nominations form that must be filled out and Mailed to Will Bowers before the November Meeting.

Only this form will be accepted.

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Vice President – IL

Treasurer

Secretary

GTOAA Chapter Rep

ONLY ONE VOTE PER MEMBER PLEASE

MAIL TO:

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1 Goshen Woods
Edwardsville, IL 62025

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Tech Article of the Month

PYPES SS EXHAUST INSTALLATION

TOM OXLER

My 1966 GTO had a hodge podge of various exhaust components. First the Hooker Super Comp headers with 3 inch collectors. These fed a 2 ½ inch steel exhaust pipe into a Y-pipe where my electric cut outs attached. From there, the 2 ½ inch pipes fed the 2 ½ inch Flow Master 40 mufflers then out through 2 ¼ inch steel pipes. Although the exhaust system sounded pretty good, it was causing a lot of restriction and dropping horsepower by 40 with the cut outs closed.

I had been researching various exhaust systems and was very impressed with the Pypes system. I had talked with Chris Casperson and several of his sales people at several events and decided upon a 3 inch stainless steel system with their X pipe from the headers to the mufflers and 2 ½ inch from the mufflers back. With the 2 ½ inch tail pipes, I could get the 66 GTO chrome tips while a complete 3 inch would require some other type of chrome tips.

With the help of Will Bower and Mark Melrose, and the use of John Novelli's lift and shop, we began by cutting out the old exhaust with a sawsall. We stripped out everything since the new Pypes kit included everything from pipes, mufflers, hangers and clamps. I saved the old 2 ½ inch electric cut outs since Marty Howard had been asking for them for over a year. He wanted them for his 1969 GTO.

Once everything was removed, we began hanging the tail pipes working from the rear forward. Everything fit great. The new hangers were installed and the pipes were just hung finger tight. Next came the mufflers which fit perfectly. The X pipe and the extensions required a little pre-assembly on the bench with the clamps again finger tight. As we got to the collector adapters I realized I had ordered 3 ½ inch adapters and needed 3 inch. A quick call to Pypes and the new ones were ordered. So much for the day. However, we were able to see that everything was going to fit very well with little or no cutting of any pipe.

The next week, the new collector adapters arrived and Will was able to





help again. We got all of the pipes, mufflers, hangers and clamps installed and tightened down to what we thought was tight. We fired up the engine and found several leaks. Another call to Pypes and we were told you really need to tightened the clamps down to where the two ends are almost touching. We decided to get some muffler sealer and retighten all the clamps. Once the sealer was installed, all the clamps tightened, everything was sealed and quiet.

The last thing we installed was the new QTP 3 inch electric cut outs. This was extremely easy as I already had all of the wiring and connectors from the old 2 ½ inch cut outs so it was just 6 bolts and 2 twist connectors. Later I ordered 3 inch turn down pipes for each cut out directing the exhaust down and to the back of the GTO. This keeps the soot off the underside of the car. I do not think I could live

without these. I have entirely too much fun opening these especially next to a Honda with one of those stove pipe exhausts.

I would highly recommend the Pypes Exhaust System. Everything was of the highest quality with mandrel bent stainless steel pipes. The clamps were also stainless with grade 8 bolts for strength. The system required just 2 cuts, one at the collector adapter since the headers are of different lengths and one at a tail pipe as one chrome tip was about ½ inch longer than the other when fully installed and tightened.





Year Of The 8's



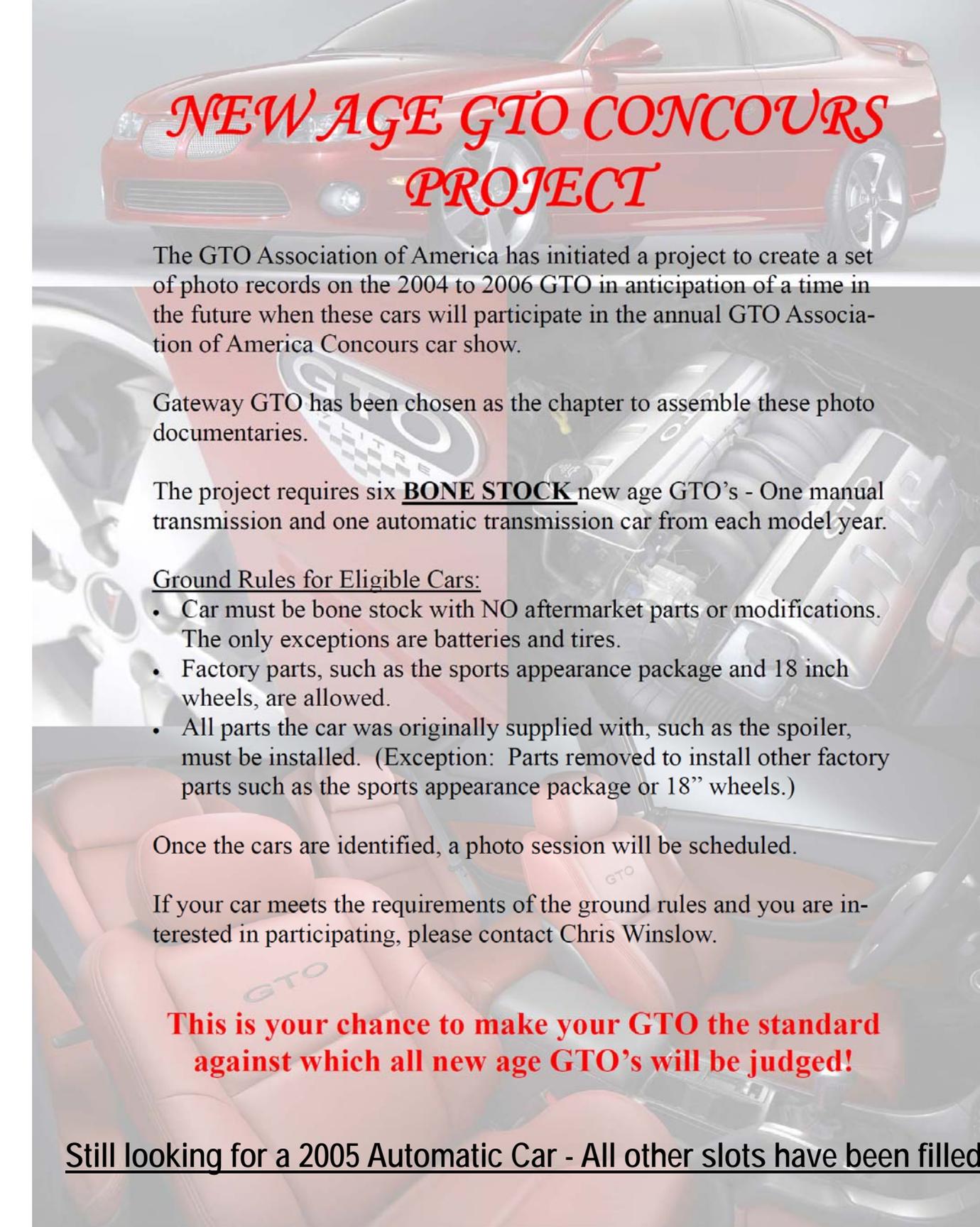
Calling all owners of 1968 GTO's!

**In 2018, in celebration of:
50th Anniversary of the 1968 GTO**

The Hoodscope 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

Gateway GTO Christmas Party



Hanging Together for the Holidays

Saturday, December 2, 2017 5:00PM - 10:30PM

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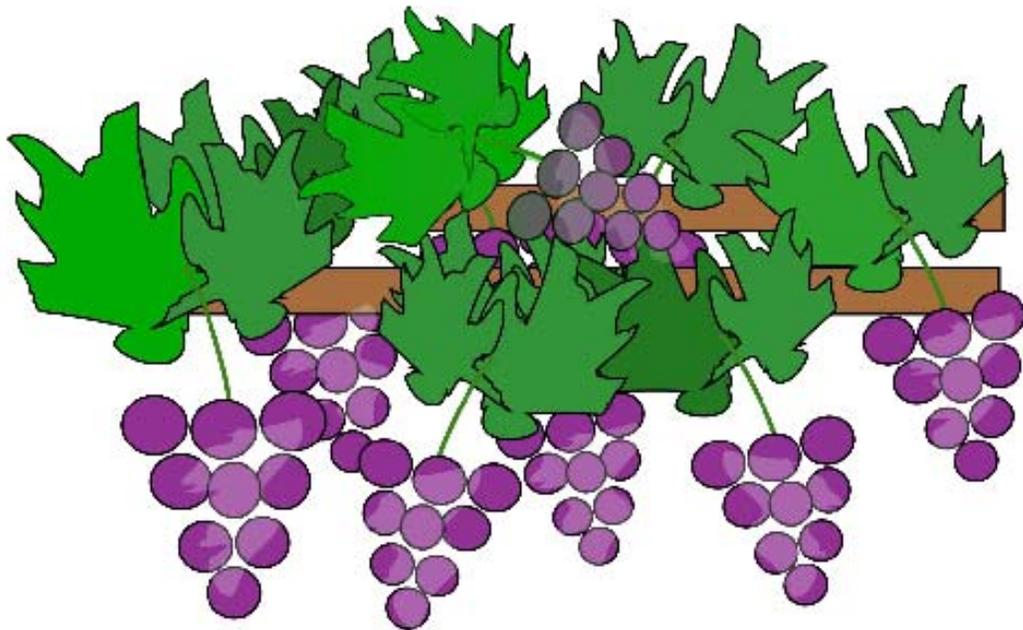
BYOB, Buffet Meal \$15 per person, \$25 per couple

Bring a Rob-Your-Neighbor Gift (\$20-\$50)

For Reservations send a check by November 18th to:

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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

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STREET LEGENDS TOUR

From Pontiac, Illinois to Needles, California
September 17-30, 2018

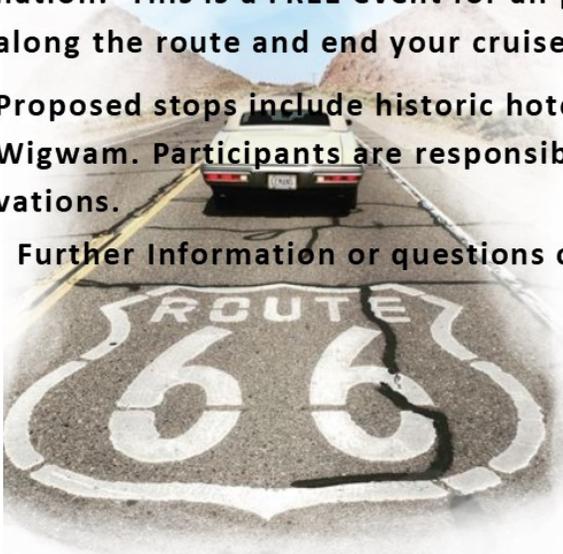
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This 1,700 mile 13 day cruise of old Route 66 kicks off from the Pontiac Oakland Museum in Pontiac Illinois September 17, 2018 following the GTOAA Regional event and will end September 30, 2018 in Needles California. All makes and model vehicles are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



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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

November

12– Gateway GTO Wine Cruise at Montelle Winerey 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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Who is CroftgateUSA? They make a wide variety of high performance eco responsible waterless car washes and car detail products. They offer a large line of waterless washes, detailers, leather cleaners, tire shine, odor eliminators, as well as other cleaning products. Since there is little to no water required for all their products, this allows you to wash and detail your vehicle right inside your garage, no matter the weather, no matter the daylight, no matter the temperature. “Amazing!” is one of the most common words we hear after someone uses our products. When people use our revolutionary technologies for the first time, they experience ease of use, longevity of shine, unparalleled surface protection within minutes versus hours. All that is needed for almost all the products is just two micro-fiber towels. No special sponges or applicators. They truly are simple to use and incredibly effective. As Scott Miller (owner of Gateway Car Care Products) says “There’s clean, and then there is Croftgate clean. And there is a difference.”

Gateway Car Care Products is offering Gateway GTO Association members special pricing on all CroftgateUSA products. Contact Scott Miller today at 618-593-2444 or scottmiller9808@sbcglobal.net You can also follow them on Facebook at @gatewaycarcareproducts . You can check out their promotion video that shows how some of the products work at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=lv4n6bjWIB4&feature=youtu.be>



 \$12.00	<p>Wash & Wax – Eliminate the hose and running water using Wash & Wax!! Wash & Wax breaks down and removes dirt and grime, leaving a layer of protective wax and polymer on the surface. Use it on all exterior surfaces (paint, chrome, plastic, windows, wheels, & door jams). Wash & Wax conserves 100's of gallons of water compared to traditional washing methods. Will wash approximately 30 cars depending on their size. 8oz bottle</p>
 \$14.00	<p>Tire Shine Plus – CroftgateUSA's Tire Shine Plus has a blend of emollients, cleaning and gloss agents to leave your wheels, tires, and other areas clean with a long lasting, satin smooth finish. Non greasy formula! Tire Shine Plus is also used on plastics to rejuvenate, bringing back their color density. Use it on your dash area to clean and leave a nice finish. NO SLING!!!! 32oz bottle</p>
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 \$12.00	<p>Multi-Clean – A “readily” biodegradable multiple surface cleaner and degreaser used on both exterior and interior surface areas. Powerful enough to remove heavy brake dust, tar, bird droppings, burnt rubber, grease, finger prints and more, yet mild enough to remove stains from fabrics and carpeting. Multi-Clean replaces a multitude of products all in one bottle. 32oz bottle</p>
 \$17.00	<p>Aquanil – Wash and polish your car in minutes with no water, anytime, anywhere. CroftgateUSA has developed the best waterless cleaner and paint finisher available to keep your transportation of choice looking showroom new. The blend of biodegradable detergents, and advanced polymers first breaks down and suspends dirt and grime – it then replaces the dirt with a protective polymer layer – leaving your vehicle clean and with a deep protective shine. Will treat 6 to 9 full size cars depending on their condition. 32oz bottle</p>
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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.

Club Sponsor



As a Gateway GTO member please consider joining the GTO Association of America

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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.

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