



# Paw Prints

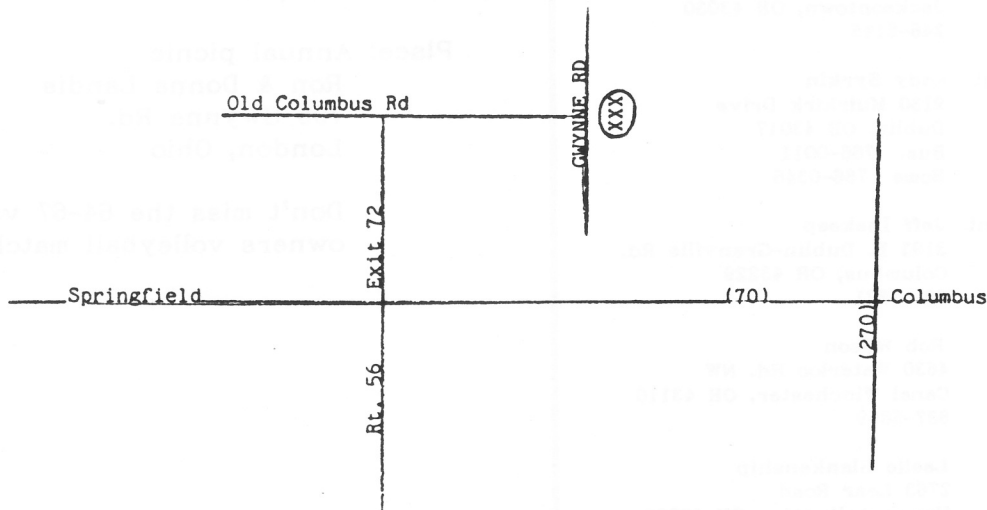
SEPTEMBER 1986

CLUB PICNIC

The club picnic will be held Saturday, September 6th at Ron and Donna Landis's house, 795 Gwynne Road, London, Ohio. See map below for directions. Activities start any time after noon with hamburgers and hot dogs served between 4:30 and 5:00. Anyone planning to attend should bring a covered dish along with eating utensils and plates. Also bring your lawn chairs and your hard liquor. Pop and beer will be furnished along with any liquor left over from the Nationals. There will be plenty of room for parking, so drive your GOAT so we can get some nice pictures. The kids can enjoy the swimming pool and swing set along with various other toys that will be there. A straight road is available for those who wish to burn the tires up a little bit at their own risk. Anyone planning to stay late can enjoy a bond fire after dark.

*(P.S. OPEN HEADERS WELCOME.)*

DIRECTIONS TO PICNIC



From Columbus take 70 West to Exit 72 London Summerford, turn right (St. Rte. 56) to Old Columbus Rd. turn right to Gwynne Rd. You will see the club sign and tent. If you get lost, call 852-1742

Dear GTOACO Members,

Last month I announced a fall show at Haydocy Pontiac. We have run into the problem that their parking lot will be full of the new 1987 models and that moving all of them is just too much to ask. Besides we are going to be running into bad weather so we as a club are entertaining the idea of a spring show. We could then combine this and our swap meet. I think this would be a great way to get tuned up for the 1987 Nationals. Putting on a local show will require a show chairman. We need someone to volunteer for this job because I know Neal does not want to be typecast as "lifetime show chairman". Anyone who like to get involved with the show please contact me. Now is the time to get the who, what, when and where ball rolling. Bill Barton has been working on where to have it and should have a report during our business meeting at the picnic.

Another item of business will be opening nominations for 1987 officers and directors. When I think of the picnic and elections I think of two things. The first is how much fun we should have at Ron and Donna's. The other is when you need someone to run for president, pickNick. It sound like a great campaign slogan to me.

See you at the picnic,  
Jeff Inskeep

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1986 Officers

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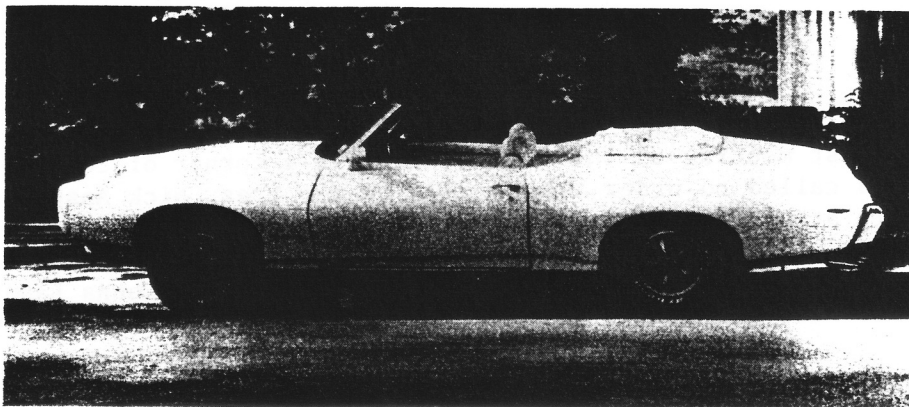
NEXT MEETING SEPTEMBER 6, 1986  
Time: 3:00 p.m.

Place: Annual picnic  
Ron & Donna Landis  
795 Gwynne Rd.  
London, Ohio

Don't miss the 64-67 vs 68-74  
owners volleyball match.

# MEMBER PROFILE

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My first GTO was a Linden Green, 1967 Goat purchased in April, 1967. It was a 335 HP car with a 3-spd. The only option was a Rally Cluster. My second GTO was a new Limelite Green 69 with a 350 HP engine and a 4 spd. The options in addition to the 4 spd. were the Rally Cluster and Rally II wheels.

It was 15 years before I got my next GTO. In March, 1984, I went to North Carolina and purchased a 1969 triple white convertible. That summer I went to the GTOAA Nationals in Kalamazoo, Michigan and placed absolutely nowhere. In spite of that, it was one of the best times of my life. It was in Kalamazoo that I decided to become competitive.

The project began in November, 1984. This included rebuilding and detailing the engine which had 84K miles on it. The car was completely disassembled with the exception of the body taken off the frame. Nuts, bolts, and parts were put into plastic bags or boxes and labeled. A list of needed items was compiled.

The front fenders, deck and hood were taken to the basement, stripped, and preped. The car was loaded on a trailer and taken to a power wash to be degreased. After that, the car was placed on jack stands and sand blasting began which took about six weeks. This was a great learning experience. I learned never to blast in the garage again (I'm still sweeping up sand), and never, ever to track sand into the house. The last was a rather firm directive.

Sand blasting and painting the frame was done while lying on my back with the car about 18" to 24" above me. If you have ever sprayed chassis black from that position, you probably know what kind of a vocabulary you can develop.

The interior was my next problem. While it was in excellent shape, the parchment interior was faded. I had no luck after checking several paint shops finding the proper dye. I finally found a shop in Columbus that matched the dye to a piece of the interior. All the seats, side panels, and the convertible boot were then dyed.

The next step was to cut in the door and fender jams before assembling those parts on the car. By June 9, the car was almost ready for paint. The front fenders were on and the doors were ready to be hung. The paint work was completed over the next four weeks. The final buffing was done the evening before the car was loaded on the trailer to go to the Nationals.

While the weather was not what you would call perfect for a national car show, the entire trip and weekend was. A tremendous amount of pride can be generated from the fact that you have restored a classic to a National Class winner.

Never again will there be a car like the GTO, and never will you find a group of people like the GTO Association of America members willing to sacrifice time and money to keep the Legend alive. I'm proud to be a part of it!

Nick Anspach

## SECRETARY'S NOTES

The 14 August meeting of the GTOACO, held in a corner of the Bob Evans restaurant, was called to order around 7:20 by our Prez, Nick Anspach. There were 22 members attending, including new member Ken Wade and his wife of Darbydale, Ohio, who own a 1968 GTO. It was especially gratifying to have several women at the meeting: Sally Anspach, Lynn Inskeep, Donna Landis, Kathy Parker, and Ms. Wade (we didn't get her first name), in addition to myself.

The first item of Old Business was a treasurer's report given by Jeff Inskeep. After that, Nick moved on to a recap of the 1986 Nationals.

Nationals. Nick called upon the various chairmen to give a brief wrap-up of their committee's activities. Jeff Inskeep publicly thanked all of the women who did such an outstanding job tabulating the score sheets: Sally Anspach, Lora Evans, Lynn Inskeep, Kathy Parker, Kathy Thoms, Caren Vlaskavich, Nancy Whaley, and myself. He expressed amazement at Kathy Parker's phenomenal "flying fingers" as she, along with everyone else in the tabulation room, "hailed ass." Nick praised Jeff Frazier in absentia for putting in a long, lonely, and mostly boring tour of duty as chief parking lot guard.

Neal Blankenship reported that most all of the judges performed admirably during the Concours Show, and he acknowledged that their efforts were what made the judging go as smoothly as it did. Kerry Parker reported on the Cruise to National Trail Raceway, saying that it went fairly well despite the torrential thunderstorm that began just at departure time and the fact that it was difficult to keep the drag-bound GTO's together as a group. The parade kept breaking up into little splinter groups along the way. Nick commented on how much fun people had had at Drag Night -- it seemed to be the highlight of the meet for many people. He said he had received lots of favorable mail from individuals and from other clubs' newsletters exclaiming how much they had enjoyed this year's Nationals.

Picnic. The next item for discussion was our annual summer picnic. Ron and Donna Landis volunteered the use of their house and yard for the weekend of September 13-14. We took a vote on whether we should have it in London, Ohio, and everyone voted affirmative. Swaying the vote was Donna's plaintive plea, "All year long we drive all the way to Columbus to attend these meetings; just once it would be nice if all of you came to our house in London." The club also chose a picnic date of Saturday, September 13th, voted permission for Donna to rent a tent for the day, and voted a sum of money for Donna to use to purchase hamburger, buns, pop, and beer. In addition, we have some alcoholic beverages and some pop left over from the Hospitality Suite at the Nationals that we can use -- thanks to the generosity of people who partied at the suite. Everyone attending the picnic is requested to bring a covered dish, his or her own beverages, and paper plates etc. for the family, including forks and spoons.

Fall Show. This next topic of discussion was received with mixed enthusiasm. Some members of the club, still burnt-out from the work they did to organize the Nationals, were less than happy about the prospect of organizing another show. The GTOACO officers had met the week previously and had selected Sunday, 12 October as the prospective date of the Fall Show. Andy Syrkin had volunteered to check with Bob Parks of Haydocy Pontiac to see if we could hold

the show there. Andy reported that Bob Parks had declined this honor, saying that the Haydocy parking lot would be full of cars at that time. This seemed to dampen the already low enthusiasm for the show. Nick asked if anyone else would be willing to scout around for a new potential location. Bill Barton volunteered to check with the two other Pontiac dealerships in town. It was agreed that we needed to make a decision on this within the next two weeks or it would be too late to do the advertising necessary to ensure a good turnout. It was already too late to advertise in Hemmings, which was our best source for spreading the word about last year's Spring Show at Haydocy. Richard Whaley and Andy Syrkin had "volunteered" to serve on the advertising committee.

Club Jackets. Donna reported that most everyone who had wanted a jacket had ordered them by now. "However," Donna exclaimed, "I got screwed on a jacket!" In her emphatic way, she was notifying the club that one member had ordered a jacket, picked it up, but had not yet paid her for it. After the amusement over Donna's statement had died down and after several people had shouted the obligatory "Did Ron know about this?", the club voted to reimburse Donna the money that she was owed.

After we had compensated Donna, Nick moved on to a discussion of New Business.

Shows and Cruises. Richard Whaley was asked to report on the upcoming cruises for the remainder of the summer. He referred everyone to the page in the July Paw Prints that listed all the cruises. Nick asked Bill Barton to report on the GTOACO participation in the Arthritis Classic Car Show at the Stouffers' Inn in Dublin that he had organized. Five GTOACO members showed their cars there: Nick Anspach, Bill Barton, Neal Blankenship, Jeff Frazier, "Mr. Party" Bill Knight, and Richard and Candy Whaley. The judging at the show was by popular vote, and all the attending members had gotten together and voted for Bill Barton in appreciation of his efforts in organizing the participation, paying the entry fee, and finding a shady spot to park. As a result, Bill was awarded an Owners' Choice trophy. After the show, the Danger Brothers performed in the parking lot from 7:00 to 10:00 p.m. putting on an outstanding concert of high-powered, high-energy 50's and 60's Rock-N-Roll. It was fantastic!

Nick announced the upcoming New Lexington Classic Car show for Sunday August 17th. He asked anyone interested in attending to meet on the east side of town that Sunday to form a caravan to New Lexington. Ron, Donna, Neal, and Richard seemed interested.

Donna also announced the Annual Marigold Festival Classic Car show in lovely downtown London to be held on Sunday, 24 August. Donna is organizing the show and asked for volunteers to help with the judging. Neal and Andy, both veterans of last year's show, volunteered to help out again. Donna urged Andy to enter his recently acquired 1938 Chevy street rod.

Christmas Party. Now that the Nationals were over, Nick suggested that we should consider organizing our Christmas party. He asked for volunteers to do this. At first he was greeted with silence, but then "Ms. Party" Lynn Inskeep, fresh from her triumph in organizing the Hospitality Suite at the Nationals, volunteered to check into some locations.

By-Laws. Nick mentioned that at their last meeting, the officers had reviewed the current club by-laws and decided that the laws were out of date, didn't reflect reality, and should be altered. Two clauses, in particular, needed modifying. One of these clauses dictates that a vote by a majority of club members is necessary to dispense club monies. The officers recommended that this clause be altered to authorize a subgroup of club members, presumably the officers, to spend club money without prior approval of the membership. Jeff Inskeep suggested that we include in the By-Laws a provision for setting up a budget at the beginning of the year and a Budget Committee, whose responsibility it will be to monitor the budget, authorize expenditures, and report to the membership. Jeff also said we need to consider whether we want to continue to have a Board of Directors as is written in the By-Laws. Another clause needing an amendment is the one that currently requires a majority vote of the GTOACO membership to authorize any activity of the club. "This is not a workable situation," Jeff emphasized. "We never have a majority of our members in attendance at any one meeting, since many of our members live in other parts of the state. This clause, if followed to the letter, could paralyze club activities."

Authorize spending. At this point, Nick asked the membership if we would authorize payment of some pending expenditures: a bill from Jeff Inskeep for printing of materials for the Nationals, a bill for a deposit to National Trail Raceway, and a bill from Richard Whaley for some photographs he had taken of the Awards Presentation the night of the Concours Show. The payment of all of these bills was authorized.

Jacket Vendor. With no more new business, we were just beginning to adjourn when Jeff Inskeep called us all back into the room. He and Rob Wilson had discovered a jacket vendor at the Ohio State Fair who was capable of doing computerized embroidery on jackets, hats, and T-shirts. Jeff and Rob had invited him to our meeting to give us a little presentation and demonstrate his products, and he had just walked through the door with his wares. The jackets were very nice, high-quality, and not too expensive, considering the quality. Many members were interested in ordering T-shirts and some in ordering jackets, but, of course, once again the ancient disagreement arose: which color would the jackets be? Some wanted red, some blue, some silver, some gold, etc., etc., etc. The jacket vendor told us that there would be a \$50 set-up fee for executing a club logo. Following that announcement, a discussion erupted among club members as to what logo we wanted on the back of the jacket: the GTOACO logo or a picture of a GTO? Bill Barton wanted an animal-type goat on the back of his jacket. And so the discussion went. The jacket vendor left many of his catalogs with us, and Jeff promised him that we would discuss it further and turn in an order when we decided what we want. Jeff called for a vote to authorize expenditure of the \$50 set-up fee to get the jacket vendor started on the project. The club voted affirmative.

At that point we disbanded to meet again on 13 September at Ron and Donna Landis' house near London, Ohio for the Second Annual GTOACO Picnic.

OCTOBER WILL BE OUR GTO PARTS ISSUE GET YOUR LISTS IN TO JEFF NOW!!!!

FOR SALE

All parts are NOS GM except where other wise noted.

- 66-67 GTO upper radiator hose \$ 10.00 ea.
- 66 B body "421" emblems 100.00 pr.
- 64 GTO parking brake light package 25.00
- 68-69 GTO cornering light lens RH 10.00
- 66 GTO quarter extension moulding LH 10.00
- 64-74 Alternator fan 5.00
- 66-67 GTO oil pressure guage 30.00
- 66 GTO poster (gold hdtip.) good 20.00
- 64-66 GTO tilt column canceling cam 30.00
- 69 GTO windshield washer bottle 10.00
- 67 GTO plastic grill inserts L&R 35.00 ea.
- 70 GTO front spoiler 45.00
- 64-67 GTO battery hold down 20.00
- 64-65 GTO tail pipe support for  
splitters only L&R 75.00 pr.
- 68 GTO headlamp switch (except  
hide away) 20.00
- 65 GTO headlamp bezel gasket 10.00 ea.
- 67 GTO ignition switch 25.00
- 64-65 GTO clutch return spring 25.00
- 67 GTO tail light panel 85.00
- 64-70 GTO tri-power/ram air cam "068" 90.00
- 67 Firebird 4 spd shift knob 35.00
- 64-66 GTO tri-powers (used) Inquire

Call Neal Blankenship (614) 459-0352 7:00-9:00 pm

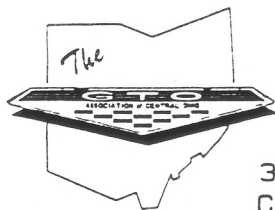
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Also congratulations to Jeff Crunkleton placing 1st place at the 3rd Annual POCI show held at Jim Foreman Pontiac Aug. 10th. I came in 3rd.

Also congratulations to Nick Anspach placing first, Richard Whaley Placing 3rd and Donna Landis placing 3rd at the New Lexington car show held August 17th.

REWARD: ANY ONE GETTING Jeff Crunkletons POCI hat before the NEXT POCI SHOW!!!!!!!!!!!!!!



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