



Paw Prints

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SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST:

- 2009 Club Picnic
- 2010 Swap Meet

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What's in this issue A Letter from the Editor

Snow, Snow and more snow. I don't know about the rest of you but I will be so happy when this winter is finally over.

Wasn't it nice to experience the snowiest February in 30 years? That said, it's nice to see that we may be getting back to normal weather. But that usually means one more big storm. Maybe we've earned a pass from Old Man Winter? I'm not going to hold my breath!

Besides the weather, this issue was a challenge for me. Deciding what to put in this issue and finding pictures was difficult. Fortunately, my fellow members helped me out.

I also had to travel very last minute out of the country for almost two weeks.

Work required me to go to Ger-

many. In fact, I write this letter in Albstadt, Germany.

What was good about this was a planned visit to both the Mercedes and the Porsche museums. Ok. No Pontiacs. But fine German precision automobiles, none the less. But, Murphy's Law is in full swing as, I also got a pretty good head cold. I'll let you know if I made it at the March meeting.

Enough about my problems, what about this issue?

- ◆ I decided to highlight the Club Picnic and the Swap Meet.
- ◆ Steve has another tech article for you. Thanks to him, I've got tech articles for quite a while.
- ◆ And we've got a choice on how you want to receive this

news letter going forward. Please respond to this ASAP!

So enjoy those stories and pictures.

I'm hoping to start a member a month story in the March issue.

My Hot Mail account got hijacked so send anything to me via krusso@insight.rr.com until I get my hotmail account straightened out.

I hope to see a bunch of you at the March club meeting. Hopefully that one doesn't get canceled due to weather. Enjoy the picture of a number of us lined up at the Lube after the 2009 Uprising below!

—Kevin



How would you like your New Paw Prints?

Would you like it on paper via postal mail or electronically via email and/or <http://www.gtoaco.com>? This is the real question.

We've made some major improvements to the Paw Prints over the past few months. If you're reading this on the black and white version you received by mail, did you know the Paw Prints is also available as a **full color PDF**?

Postal rates continue to increase yearly and a significant portion of our club funds are spent on postage for the Paw Prints.

If you'd like to receive the Paw Prints via e-mail, rather than normal mail, please send an e-mail to Ron Cozzo at rcozzo@earthlink.net. Please state that you'd like to receive the Paw Prints as a color PDF and your name.

We'll stop delivering the paper version, and you'll receive the electronic full color version around the 1st of each month. Please be sure to include your real name in the e-mail. We may or may not be able to figure out who 64goatboy@aol.com is without your name.

We encourage all members to switch over to E-Mail delivery. If you're already receiving the Paw Prints by e-mail, we will stop mailing you the paper version beginning with the March edition.

If you would prefer to continue receiving your Paw Prints in the mail, simply do nothing and we'll keep mailing it out to you. The Paw Prints electronic full color version is also available online through the forums on the GTOACO website.

Go to <http://www.gtoaco.com> then click on "Forum". There is a forum section called Paw Prints Newsletter. You must be a registered user of the forum to be able to see this section. If you have not registered for the forum (GTOACO members ONLY), click on the red "register" button. If you have trouble getting registered, contact the webmaster, Paul Wilson, at webmaster@gtoaco.com for assistance. **If you are an Internet Explorer user, update to version 8 to resolve a login issue where it looks as if you cannot login even after registering.**

2010 Swap Meet

Early on the morning of February 6, GTOACO members got the Haydocy Automotive Service garage ready to receive vendors for the annual swap meet.

Just a couple days before the swap, Old Man Winter decided to drop the second of what turned out to be a three round good old fashion snow dumping.

Despite that winter storm, vendors got into their trucks, loaded up their trailers and came to sell their goods.

Members helped get vendors to spots, get unloaded, get the melting snow off the floor and in one case help them get out of a back parking lot that was not plowed after getting stuck.

All and all it was a good meet, but not as good as last year.



A lot of vendors and goodies!

**Not a lot of foot traffic.
But not terrible.**



2009 GTOACO Club Picnic

It was a beautiful September day as 18 GTOs headed to West Jefferson, Ohio for our annual Club Picnic.

Our hosts again this year were Pam and Stan Farlow at their beautiful home with plenty of room for all our beautiful GTOs.

There was plenty of food, fun and members enjoying each other's company.

It was especially awesome to get all 18 GTOs arranged for a club picture where members stood by their prized machines.

Special thanks to Stan and Pam Farlow for hosting picnic, making the food and helping Lance not fall off the ladder arranging the cars and taking the pictures!



**Fun in the Sun at
the Farlows!
Thanks Stan & Pat**



**Look at all the
Goats!**



**Even the kids got
to drive!**



Performance Exhaust Systems by Steve Schaeffer

Steve is an A.S.E. certified technician and he is the President of Lancaster Auto Recycling. He has been in the automotive business for over 35 years and a GTO ACO Member. This article can also be found on our website (<http://www.gtoaco.com>).

We recently purchased and installed 3 aftermarket exhaust systems. Two were from Pypes (<http://www.pypesexhaust.com> 800-421-3890); the other one was from Flowmaster (<http://www.flowmaster.com> 800-544-4761).

All three systems were manufactured out of 409 stainless steel. They come complete with all hangers, clamps, your choice of mufflers and stainless steel extensions. The fit and function are terrific.

They offer a substantial horsepower increase over muffler shop or factory systems. All the bends are mandrel-bent. On a 2.5 inch system, the pipes maintain the 2.5 inch dia. through out the system.

On my restored 66 GTO the original system was done by a local muffler shop. When I measured the pipes I realized that they had only used 2 inch pipe. At every bend, and there are 3 on each side before the mufflers, the pipe necks down to just 1.75 inches. It is no wonder that this car doesn't perform up to my expectations.

On a chassis dyno a 67 GTO with a typical muffler shop exhaust system made 269.9 horsepower at the rear wheels. The same 67 GTO with the Pypes exhaust system made 309.8 horsepower at the rear wheels. This is a gain of almost 40 horsepower. This is a lot of bang for your buck.

On a 69 GTO Ram Air III car we installed the Pypes system with the x pipe. The x pipe is supposed to add even more horsepower. The system was A VERY EASY INSTALL. We actually followed the directions. You work from the back of the car to the front. We used Pypes Street Pro mufflers for that perfect blend of sound and performance.

The Flowmaster cat back system went on a brand x Hemi car. We installed the system in less than an hour. Everything lined up perfectly. The Flowmaster system has a mild rumble when you stand behind the car. At cruise there is no engine sound in the car. It is factory quiet. However when you nail the throttle there is a mildly aggressive tone, just enough to let you know this isn't a V6 commuter car. One spectator observed that it sounds like its half brother, the AMG Mercedes.

All the aftermarket exhaust companies offer different levels of mufflers. We left the race pro and violator mufflers for the kids. I like a nice rumble at idle and a smooth authoritative tone on acceleration.

I cannot wait for clean dry streets and the summer cruising season.

PS. You need to go on Pypes web site on look at the chassis dyno results. They are very impressive.

***“The same 67
GTO with the
Pypes system
made 309.8
HP at the rear
wheels...”***

Parts For Sale

- ◆ Send them in if you have stuff for sale!

Meeting Minutes, February 10, 2010

February 2010 Club Meeting was cancelled due to bad weather.

(ENOUGH WITH THE SNOW ALREADY!).

The next meeting is on March 10.

Submitted by Donna Landis, Secretary

*Meetings held
the 2nd
Wednesday
each month at
Haydocy
Automotive on
W. Broad St.
Columbus, OH*



Tiger Bites! - Noteworthy News Bites

- ◆ If Donna has your e-mail address she will be e-mailing you on the month that your club dues are due.
- ◆ We will be making an effort to complete the club roster including email addresses. Look for an email or letter from Ron Cozzo.
- ◆ Our deepest sympathies, care and support to Bill Hartley and the rest of his family on the passing of his wife and fellow club member Pat.
- ◆ The same sympathies to Lonnie and Lynne McLaughlin in the passing of Lonnie's mother.
- ◆ Joe and Renda Bennett send out a heartfelt thank you for the beautiful flowers sent to them when Renda was ill.

Welcome to Our New Members!

- ◆ Roy Hess of 695 Richland Rd. in Xenia Ohio. Roy is the owner of 3 1966 GTO Drag Cars. Of course, Roy likes to drag race! I'm sure he'll love our planned drag day this year at National Trails Raceway!
- ◆ Joe & Ginny Favazzo of 1645 Eagle Glen Dr., Blacklick, Ohio. Joe & Ginny are the owners of a 1969 GTO 400 Coupe.

Calendar of Events

March 10, 2010

Regular Meeting at Haydocy Automotive 7:00 PM

New eating-place. To eat first be at Joseppi's Pizza anytime after 5:00PM. Joseppi's is located in the strip mall behind Rooster's and beside Giant Eagle. They have more than just pizza and have a nice dining room.

MARCH 2010

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10 Club Meeting 7pm @ Hay- docy	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30	31			

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Date: _____

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GTO Ownership is not a requirement of membership to the GTOAA

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I agree that, if elected to membership, I will conform to all rules of the Association and conduct myself in the manner that promotes the goals and purposes of the Organization.

Signed: _____ Date: _____

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