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# Paw Prints

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# SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST:

• 2009 Fall Cruise

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### Let the 2010 Season Begin! A Letter from the Editor

Spring. Just that word makes me smile after this winter. Why? I'll bet you can guess at least a couple reasons, but to save you the trouble here's a few:

- The end of the snow (hopefully, it's Ohio after all).
- ◆ The end of the salt (again, hopefully).
- The start of car season (yep, that's the best one!).

It's the time of year, at least for me, where I get to lament a little on all the grand plans I had for the off season. Usually that means being a little disappointed in what I didn't do more than what I did.

We all get to look forward to

getting the mighty GTOs back on the road for some fun and seeing faces we haven't seen for a while.

This season looks to be a busy one for our club. There's a list of things we'll be doing together. If you missed the March Meeting here are a few:

- Spring cruise (look for details inside)
- Club cruise down to the Ohio Valley GTO Association's show
- ♦ Our show in June this year
- Get back To mid-Ohio (see Lance's post on our site and his (www.thehumbler.net)

Our drag day at National Trails

With the start of the season around the corner, look for weekly updates on the club web site on what shows and cruises are going on in the area. I'll try to get as much as I can in your Paw Prints Calendar of Events too.

Then look for the recaps of those and our club events again here in your Paw Prints.

Well, time to order parts and get working on my 68 YS code I got at Nats! (That's the project I didn't get started on.) See you all soon!

—Kevin



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## How would you like your 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.

## Co-Vention Thank you for GTOACO!

2009's GTOAA/POCI Co-Vention in Dayton was a huge event that required significant efforts by many folks to be successful. For our part, the club fully manned the GTOAA tech line and funded the parking lot party.

The Ohio Valley GTO Association (OVGTOA) showed their appreciation for that contribution by presenting our club with a plaque in February and John Spies, the Co-Chair of the Co-Vention, droving from Cincinnati to our March Club meeting to address the club with his thanks and present a copy of the letter accompanying a \$1,000 donation to Prevent Blindess of Central Ohio.

Thanks to everyone who helped at the Co-Vention!



### 2009 GTOACO Fall Cruise

I'd like to say it was a beautiful fall day for the 2009 Fall Cruise, but it was over cast and the weather man was threatening to rain on the party. Despite that more than 9 cars and members showed up at SR 37 Marathon gas station at exit 126 near National Trails to start a day of cruisin'.

Lonnie planned the route that would go to the Longaberger Homestead for a tour and lunch, a whole lot of nice back road cruisin' with a final stop at Tom's Ice Cream Bowl in Zanesville, Ohio.

Noted by USA Today as one of the best ice cream stores in America, it was a great way to end a day of cruisin before heading back home.

Eating and cruising!
What a way to cap off
2009 cruise season!

The weather held out for the event, but some folks got a natural car wash on the way home.

Fun was had by all! Thanks to

Lonnie for planning this wonderful way to end a cruise season!

Look for another cruise event in May to kick 2010 off right. Lonnie did such a good job with the fall cruise, it was only right to have him plan the next one too!

You know what they say about good deeds....



Did someone say ice cream?







### Pontiac V8 Pistons by Steve Schaeffer

New pistons are now available for your vintage Pontiac V-8 engine. The major manufactures had discontinued pistons for 389 and 421 engines some years ago, leaving classic Pontiac enthusiasts looking for alternatives. With the growth in vintage car collecting and the realization that a classic muscle car is still a good investment, suddenly the engines from the golden muscle car era are popular again. Nostalgic performance parts have becoming a big business.

Packard Industries, http://www.packardind.com, I-800-527-4545 has a full line of coated pistons for vintage cars. These are state of the art. The coating extends the life of the engine and eliminates piston scuffing problems. Benefits include improved piston life, better cylinder sealing, and elimination of cold start scuffing. Coated pistons can be installed without modifying piston to wall clearance.

They offer pistons for;

"...a new

1959-66 Pontiac 389 V8; flathead piston

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1963-66 Pontiac 421 V8

returning."

1967-69 Pontiac 428 V8

With the big three now all producing 400 plus horsepower pony cars and a resurgence of interest in muscle cars by Detroit, a new golden age of muscle is returning.

Contributed by Steve Schaeffer, A.S.E. certified tech, and president of Lancaster Auto Recycling Inc.

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# Parts For Sale

• Send them in if you have stuff for sale!

## Meeting Minutes, March 10, 2010

President Jim Evans called the meeting to order. Those in attendance were Ron Cozzo, Brenda Ferguson, Cody Ferguson, Bill Kauffman, Joyce Clemons (Bills fiancé), Kevin Russo, Jeff Frazier, Max Treier, Bill Hartley, Joe Block, Stan & Pam Farlow, Rick Farrell, Jeff Inskeep, Doug & Toni Boyle, Bill & Karen Sigg, Ron & Donna Landis, Mike Shockley, Lance Hudnell, Steve Schaeffer, Shawn & Kim Rinehart, Garry Booher, Phil McCool, Dan Gregory, Robert Berry.

**Treasurers Report**: Mike Shockley gave the general Treasurers report. Jim gave the Treasurers report for PNC Bank account. Any question contact Mike or Jim.

Ohio Valley GTO Association: John Spies, Co-chairman of the 2009 Nationals and his wife made the trip from Cincinnati to present the club with a check in the amount of \$1,000.00 to donate to the Prevent Blindness of Central Ohio in honor of our club for helping them with the 2009 Nationals in Dayton.

GTOAA Nationals: At this time, no members are going.

**Holiday Party:** What a great time! 37 members attended for good conversation and great food. Thanks to Lonnie and Lynne for their hospitality. There was three pans of pasta left over so the next day Lonnie & Lynne to a homeless shelter. No food was wasted.

**Swap Meet:** Had about 200 people through the door. Attendance was down from last year. Not sure if it was the weather or the recession. Club members Ron Cozzo and Steve Schaeffer said sales were good. Only had a few complaints.

**GTOACO Summer Show:** June 13, 2010 at Haydocy Automotive. Ron Cozzo is once again Co-Chairing the event. Flyers will be going out. Jim suggests that we put a sticker somewhere on the car so that you know it has been judged. Last year, one car was not judged. Jeff Inskeep will possibly try out a new computer scoring.

**Cincinnati Show:** June 27<sup>th</sup>, 2010. Keep you calendar marked for this event. Club will cruise to this show. Time and place to meet has yet to be decided.

**Drag at National Trails:** September 18<sup>th</sup>, 2010 at National Trails. We need insurance for the day. Anyone having any insurance background please contact Jim. Also if you know someone who would like to be a sponsor contact Lance. They would have their name on the flyer and would be added to the post.

**Club Spring Cruise:** Lonnie is working on this. He is looking for the weekend of May 15<sup>th</sup>, 2010. Maybe start at Ron Cozzo's to Lonnie's then to Lebanon Ohio to the Der Dutchman on US 42 for dinner or dessert. Cruise back to Columbus to a cruise in

Meeting Adjourned: Motion made by Bill Hartley, 2nd by Joe Block

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.
- ◆ REMEMBER to let us know if how you want your monthly Paw Prints! See Page 2 for details!
- Spring Cruise coming soon! Current tentative date is May 15, 2010. See the Meeting Minutes for more details and keep your eyes on your Paw Prints and at the next club meeting for the finalized details.
- Don't forget to get signed up at our web site for weekly cruise and car show information. You can also get an electronic copy of the Paw Prints all the way back to November 2008. 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.

# Welcome to Our New Members!

#### Robert Berry

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Robert owns a 1965 Pontiac Tempest 2dr, hard top coupe and enjoys cruising, shows and will love our drag day!

### **Calendar of Events**

April 14, 2010 Regular Meeting at Haydocy Automotive 7: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 just don't have

pizza and have a nice dining room.

May 6, 2010 Start of weekly Wholly Joe's Cruise-in at Polaris (Every Thursday) 6:30pm - 9:30pm

May 15, 2010 Tentative date for Club Spring Cruise.

Plans are a progressive cruise starting up north in Delaware and heading south and west then back to Columbus for a cruise-in. Keep your eyes here in Paw Prints and ears open at the next Club Meeting for more details.

### **APRIL 2010**

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