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SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST:

- VA Hospital Cruise-In
- 2013 Holiday Party Info!

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A Letter from the Editor

Where did 2012 go? Here we are just after Thanksgiving 2012 with the 2012 Holiday Season in full swing!

What are the chances we have a winter like the last one? I'm thinking slim to none! In fact, I'm thinking that at some point, we will have to pay for last winter's mild temps and lack of snow. I mean, they don't call it average temperatures and average snowfall for nothing.

I just hope that whatever Mother Nature has in store for us, that it doesn't involve cold and snow into April or May.

So how many of you have already started at least the list of

items you want to accomplish over this off season in preparation for the big Co-Venture in July?

I know I have. I want to get the correct plug wire set, get my newly acquired steering wheel done and in, put in my wheel well splash guards, get my better glass in my rear driver side window, fix that darn dent in the passenger fender, put my hood tach (working I hope) back into place and the list could go on!

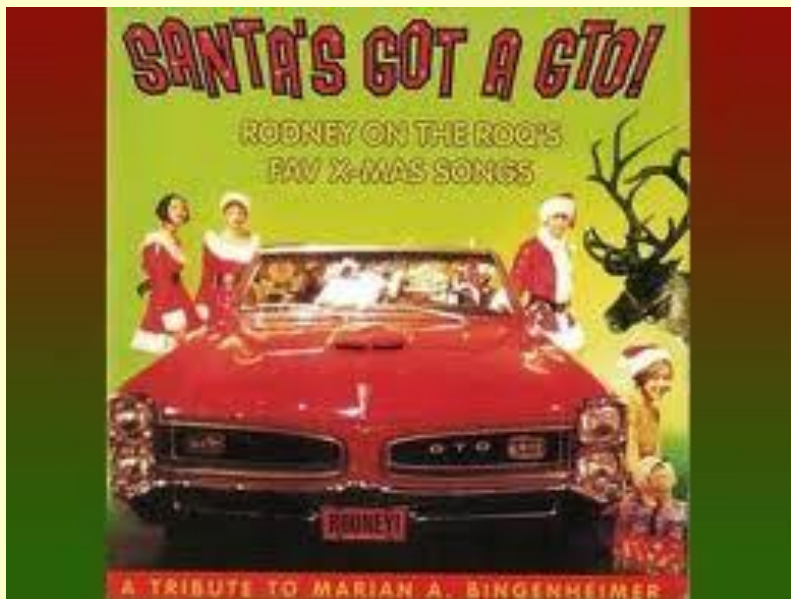
Finally, I want to urge everyone to come to the January club meeting. We will be discussing our 2013 show, where it will be

and if it will be a two day event like 2011. We need all the help we can get. Also, don't forget to see the info inside about the 2013 Holiday Party. Come to January meeting with your \$10/person and RSVP to Lonnie!

I hope to see everyone at both the January meeting and at the Holiday Party!

Be Safe, Happy Holidays, Merry Christmas and Happy New Year! Enjoy the festivities of this time of year!

—Kevin



GTOACO at the VA Cruise-In

On October 20, 2012, our own Dan Gregory, Sr. hosted this year's cruise-in for the Veterans at the Veteran's Administration Hospital in Chillicothe. Rick Farrell, Bill Sigg and Jim Evans attended. It was a great way to say thank you to those who gave so much for our us and our country.



NASCAR's Leaky Fuel Tank by S. Schaeffer

On Nov. 13th the Wall Street Journal ran an article on NASCAR's declining attendance and tv ratings. I sent them the attached letter to the editor. We used to love NASCAR. At work on Monday mornings we would rehash every race. Now it is like nobody cares.

I read an article about the current state of NASCAR in the Nov. 13 edition of the Wall Street Journal. I have been a fan of NASCAR since the early '60's. In the old days they actually raced modified "stock" cars. A '62 Pontiac Catalina was an actual Pontiac. Yes, it had a Super Duty 421 engine, but it was a real Pontiac engine that anyone could purchase. The manufactures got involved in a big way because, It was "Win on Sunday, sell on Monday."

The so called car of tomorrow has no real brand identification. It may be safer, but from the side you can't tell one manufacturer from another. There is nothing stock about a NASCAR race car. They are really racing spec cars. There is no real difference between them. Toyota does not even manufacture a pushrod V-8 engine except for their race cars. Ford and Chevy also race V-8 engines with little similarity to anything you can purchase. All the race cars are built the same. In the old days, it wasn't cheating, it was creative rules interpretation. Today, ingenuity is not permitted. You used to have as much allegiance for your brand, as you had for your driver. The fan has been abandoned in a lot of respects.

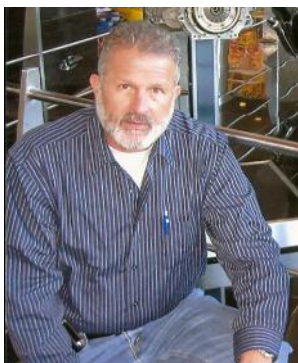


NASCAR's Leaky Fuel Tank *continued*

Most of the racers have become bland corporate spokesmen. The hard driving, hard drinking, hard living drivers are outlawed. Although Jeff Gordon really acted like some of the racers of old Sunday.

With cars going past you at almost 200mph you can't even score the race anymore. The only way to really see the race is at home on television. A lot of the fun for the fans is gone. The old timers miss Plymouth, Pontiac, and Olds. Now Dodge is pulling out too. If it is the Great American Sport, it is hard to root for Toyota.

The restrictor plate races are a joke. The cars run in a big pack waiting for the next major wreck to happen. Maybe the answer is to go back to real stock appearing cars, modified for safety . The brand allegiance would be back and so would the fans. We could run real stock fuel injected V-6 engines that every manufacturer makes for their production cars. If we cut the horsepower back we wouldn't need restrictor plates. The fans could actually root for a car with some similarity to the ones they actually drive. "Win on Sunday, sell on Monday" would be great for the fan and our economy.



Tiger Bites! - Noteworthy News Bites

- ◆ ***There will be no December club meeting!*** Enjoy the free time and Happy Holidays to everyone!
- ◆ Our Holiday Party will be held on February 9, 2013. Location is at Lonnie and Lynn's. \$10 per person. ***Please RSVP to Lonnie @ londart@aol.com or at 614-327-8885 BEFORE THE JANUARY MEETING. Bring your money to the January meeting. Or send it to Donna Landis by February 4, 2013!*** Bring a dessert. See full page information later in this month's Paw Prints.
- ◆ ***Our 2013 Swap Meet will be on March 17, 2013 (not March 23) at Haydocy.*** We will use the same times and pricing as last year. Club members who want a spot will be able to get one at a discounted \$10. Members with one or two items to sell, can use a spot we will set aside for that. Look for information on helping and meeting for breakfast.
- ◆ 2013 is the year of the second GTOAA/POCI Co-Vention in Dayton at the Nutter Center. Many club members are planning on attending. Get your hotel reservations in early if you want to stay close to the show. Host hotel room block (with the co-vention group rate) and the hotel next door are sold out (regular rooms may still be available). Host hotel is the Holiday Inn again. Homewood Suites, Hampton Inn and Fairfield Inn are very close and Residence Inn is relatively close. Come to the next club meeting to find out who is going when and where they are staying.
- ◆ If you need to renew or are thinking of renewing your ***GTOAA membership, please do so*** to ensure our club remains a valid GTOAA chapter with all the benefits of that status. There is an application in your Paw Prints below and the GTOAA can now take membership applications on line. ***You will need to be an active GTOAA member to register for the Co-Vention!***



Welcome New Members!

- ◆ ***No new members this month (unless Mike McVan joined; if he did I'll get him in the November edition!)***

For Sale

- ◆ For Sale! A TON of miscellaneous 1964–1969 GTO parts and some Pontiac Sales Literature for many years. See the club web site, in the Forum section in the For Sale Forum for the entire list and contact information (<http://www.gtoaco.com/forum/index.php>) **CALL 440 254-4642 or email me** (patandgreg2011@hotmail.com)
- ◆ For Sale! 1967 GTO Convertible. Power Steering, Power Brakes, Automatic Trans. **NEEDS TO BE RE-STORED. \$5000** Call Joe Block at 740-472-0347.
- ◆ DJ GTO Parts! Now your one stop shopping place for used and NEW GTO parts. If you know the part number, great, otherwise just let them know what it is you need! See Dan Gregory Jr. (or call 614-563-0877 or email info@djgtoparts.com) for more information and options for taking delivery of your parts or visit their website at <http://djgtoparts.com/>. GTOACO members receive a discount!



*Send in your items for sale to your Paw Prints Newsletter Editor (pictures welcome).
Remember, ads are FREE to GTOACO Members!*



Meeting Minutes, November 14, 2012

President Jim Evans called the meeting to order. Those in attendance were Pam and Stan Farlow, Jim Lowry, Lonnie McLaughlin, Mike Shockley, Kevin Landis, Kevin Russo, Jeff Frazier, Max Trier, Bill Sigg, Donna and Ron Landis.

Treasurers Report: Mike Shockley gave the Treasurer's report.

Nomination of Officers 2013: Motion was made and 2nd to keep the same officers for 2013. All current officers accepted.

Holiday Party: It will be on February 9th, 2013 at Lonnie and Lynne McLaughlin new home in Dublin. 6:00PM This year there is a \$10.00 per person to help offset the cost. Once again we will be having Italian from Ann and Tony's. RSVP to Lonnie at 614-327-8885 or e-mail him at londart@aol.com Money should be sent to Donna Landis at 58 Arlington Ave., London Ohio 43140 no later than February 4, 2013.

Swap Meet: *March 23rd, 2013 has been changed to March 17th, 2013.* March 23rd is Palm Sunday. Vendor space will be \$15.00

2013 Nationals: Most rooms are booked. Little pricey to show your car but should be a great show. Club is considering on getting a vendor space to sell our club merchandise. We would need volunteers for a couple of hours at a time.

Operation Buckeye: Show was at the Sam's club in Hilliard. Not a good showing. Jim Evans and Brenda Ferguson represented the club.

Dan's Cruise: Great turn out. It was a nice day and about 20 cars showed up. Club members Jim Evans, Rick Farrell, Bill Sigg made the trip.

Summer Show: Dates that are being kicked around are June 14th & June 22nd and June 14th & June 15th. Still deciding on a two day event. We will discuss this at greatly length at the January meeting.

Happy Holidays Everyone!

Great Announcement: For those of you who haven't heard Kevin Landis is getting married December 31st on the beach in Anna Maria Island, Florida. Erica, Kevin's fiancé, and he will be having a big party later. Congratulations to them both and much happiness!

Still sending prayers to Jack & Leah Ferron and Joe & Renda Bennett.

Next Meeting: January 9th, 2013 No Meeting in December 2012

Meeting Adjourned: Motion made by Lonnie McLaughlin, 2nd by Kevin Russo

Submitted by Donna Landis, Secretary

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




Calendar of Events



No December Meeting!



DECEMBER 2012

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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2	3	4	5	6	7	8
9	10	11	12 <i>No December Club Meeting</i>	13	14	15
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23	24 <i>Christmas Eve</i>	25 	26	27	28	29
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2013 GTOACO Holiday Party!

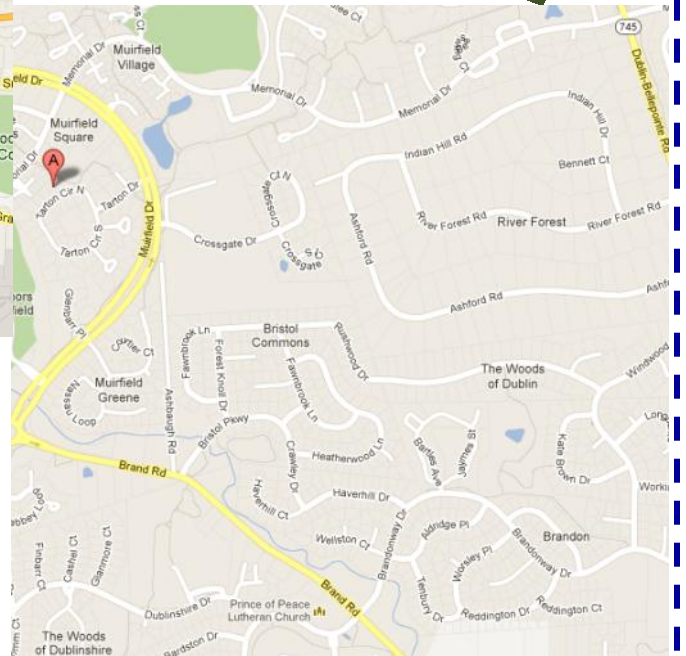
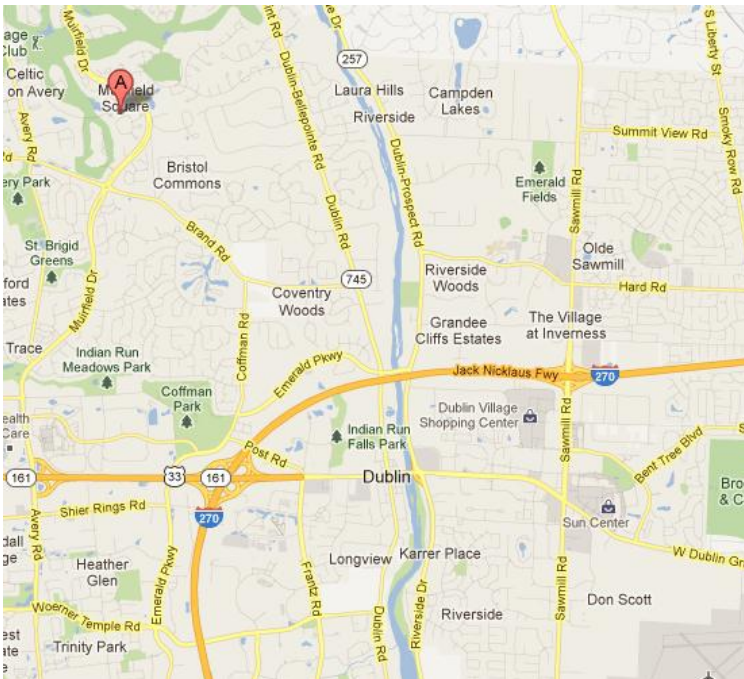
When: Saturday February 9, 2013

Where: Lonnie and Lynn McLaughlin @ 5808 Tarton Circle North Dublin, OH 43017

How much: \$10 per person

What to bring: If you would like to bring something, a dessert would be appreciated

What you need to do: RSVP to Lonnie at londart@aol.com or 614-327-8885 before the January 2013 club meeting. Bring your money to that meeting or send it to Donna Landis @ 58 Arlington Ave London, OH 43140 BEFORE FEBRUARY 4, 2013!



2013 POCI & GTOAA Co-Ventio Registration Form

41st Annual Pontiac Oakland
Club International Convention

34th Annual GTOAA Convention

July 9th-13th, 2013



Office Use Only

Reg # _____

Date _____

Check # _____

Wright State Nutter Center
Dayton, Ohio

REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED FOR ALL ATTENDING MEMBERS, EVEN IF NOT ENTERING A VEHICLE.
MEMBERS OF BOTH NATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS MUST REGISTER WITH EITHER POCI OR GTOAA
REGISTRATION FEE COVERS: MEMBER, SPOUSE OR SIGNIFICANT OTHER, AND CHILDREN

MEMBER REGISTRATION FEE: **\$59.00** ~ AFTER JUNE 1st: **\$80.00**

Name _____ POCI or GTOAA Number _____

Mailing Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Home Phone _____ Cell Phone _____

Email Address _____

Credit Card # _____ - _____ - _____

(VISA, MC or DISCOVER) Exp. Date _____ / _____ Sec. Code _____

CHECK OR MONEY ORDER (NON-REFUNDABLE) MADE PAYABLE TO AND MAIL FORM TO:

CHECK EITHER THE POCI OR GTOAA BOX BELOW AND MAIL ACCORDINGLY

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POCI 2013 Convention
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Maple Plain, MN 55359

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Pontiacs Of Southeastern Indiana
GTOAA 2013 Convention
PO Box 259
Oldenburg, IN 47036



Visit www.gtoaapocinationals.com for updates and the latest event information! For sponsorship opportunities and vendor registration please contact Paul Freese @ 812-614-3332 or see the website. Information will also be available at www.poci.org and www.gtoaa.org.

Convention Activity Sign-Up Packets will be available after March, 1 2013. Please check your delivery preference:

via E-mail

or

via USPS

Save postage and check www.gtoaapocinationals.com regarding electronic registration!
POCI questions can be directed to the POCI Club Office at 877-368-3454.
GTOAA questions can be directed to Doug Pulskamp at 812-212-6280.

Hotel reservations are the responsibility of the registrant. Convention rate rooms will be available for

reservation starting July 23, 2012. Information on the "Host Hotel" and surrounding area hotels can be found at the website. Mention "2013 Co-Ventio" to reserve rooms at the special rate.



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To Join complete the form below and mail in, or join online at www.gtoaa.org



Membership Application

Date: _____

Mem #: _____

Name: _____

Phone: _____

Address: _____

Email: _____

GTO Ownership is not a requirement of membership to the GTOAA

GTO OWNERSHIP

Year _____ Body Style _____ Engine _____

Year _____ Body Style _____ Engine _____

Year _____ Body Style _____ Engine _____

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: _____

DUES:

\$35.00/year for members in the USA, \$40.00USD/year for Canadian members, and \$50.00USD/year for all other international members. \$5.00 for associate memberships in the same family name (includes membership card, decal, and membership listing). There is a \$2.00 bank processing fee for applications paid by credit card.

CHECK / MO # _____

Mastercard / Visa Card # _____ Exp # _____

Signed: _____ Date: _____

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