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On the Front Cover:

2023 GTO Association of Central Ohio Holiday Party

GTO Association of Central Ohio

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London, Ohio 43140



LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

Happy Spring!

First off, I would like to thank everyone who helped make the annual All Pontiac swap meet a success. We had one of the best vendor and spectator attendances in a long time. A lot of planning and leg work goes into making it work a smoothly! Hopefully everyone received the email for the first annual Ladies Day Party on May 13th. This is a great opportunity for the women (Also the backbone) of the club to join for some pre summer fun. Catered food will be provided by the club. Bring along some laughs and your favorite beverage. Festivities start at noon. I look forward to this turning into an annual event and way to build comradery outside the traditional car gatherings.

As the car show season approaches, I often wonder if anyone truly inspects their pride and joy prior to taking to the highway. Soon I would love to host a club safety day for the opportunity or any member to have inspected by other members. Look for additional information and sign-up sheet in the coming days.

So long for now and don't forget to send over any ideas for group gatherings or car shows.

Sincerely,

Kevin Landis

The GTOACO was founded in 1984 by a group of GTO Enthusiasts in the Central OH Region. The club name was slated to be the Goat Owners of Columbus but by popular vote at our first meeting we became known as The GTO Association of Central Ohio. Becoming a chapter of the GTO Association of America in 1985, we were incredibly young and determined, hosting our first national show in 1986.

We continue to host and participate in a variety of national, regional, and local events celebrating a kind of camaraderie not easily found. We are car historians, passionately preserving, protecting, and restoring the Pontiac GTO so that future generations will never lose sight of the era that defined the raw power of the American Muscle Car!

TIGERBITES

Attention all members, dues are payable by January 14, 2023. Check or money orders can be made payable to: THE GTO ASSOCIATION OF CENTRAL OHIO and can be mailed to the Treasurer, Lonnie McLaughlin, at 5808 Tarton Circle North, Dublin, OH 43017.

On behalf of the Officers and Board of Directors, we wish nothing but the best to all of our GTOACO members who are celebrating personal milestones, birthdays, and anniversaries this month. We are privileged to have you as part of our car club family!

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MARCH • 2023 **MEETING** MINUTES

The meeting was called to order by President Kevin Landis.

In attendance were members: Brad Blackburn, Jim Kaho, Brent Barham, Jeff Frazier, Stephen Leonard, Jon Stottsberry, Chris McCracken, Ron Cozzo, Kevin Russo, Rob Wilson, Dan Gregory.

Treasurer's report - Lonnie McLaughlin gave the treasurer's report. Motion to accept by Kevin Russo, 2nd Brad Blackburn.

Upcoming Shows— Kevin Landis suggested we attend the Woodward Dream Cruise as a club as was done in the past. The date is Saturday August 19th this year. Ron Cozzo suggested going to the Pontiacs in Pigeon Forge this year it's June 2 - 4, 2023 . Battle of the Brands is on the works and will be on July 29th. .

Spring Forward tonight

Swap Meet tomorrow

Set up Saturday 6:30

Vendor set up 8:00 AM

Doors open 9:00 AM

Open Discussion - Brad Blackburn said the Franklin County Fair board asked if any member might want to put their GTO on the track during a concert Phil Dirt and the Dozers will be having at the Fair on July 18th.

Kevin Russo said the Delaware Performance Charity Car Show will be October 13th this year and he is looking for more volunteers since they are expanding the size of the show.

Pool Party at Kevin Landis' house on May 13th.

Next Meeting will be at the April 12th at 6:30.

Motion to adjourn - Lonnie McLaughlin, 2nd Kevin Russo.





Meeting Minutes Submitted By:

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APRIL 12 • 2023

MEETING AGENDA

- Treasurers Report—Lonnie McLaughlin
- Club member car inspection April 29
 - Sign-up Sheet
 - Food provided
- Ladies Day Party May 12th
 - 6345 SR 56 SE London, OH 43140
- Battle of the Brands
- Local shows
- Woodward Dream Cruise
 - Book Hotel!
- Online Meetings
 - TEAMS
- Open Discussion
- Next Meeting—May 10th at the Hickory House 7:00 PM
- Motion for adjournment

A couple pictures from our 2023 Holiday party hosted by Lonnie & Lynn McLaughlin.



For those members that are working on their GTO and need some information only found in a factory manual the club has a library that is open to all club members for their use. Lonnie McLaughlin currently has it and can be contacted to access it.

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LADIES DAY POOL PARTY

MAY 13, 2023

NOON- ???

BYOB/Drinks
Food will be provided

GTOes In The Pool!

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Spouse's Name _____

Child's Name _____ Child's Name _____

Child's Name _____ Child's Name _____

List the Year, Color, and Style of the GTO(s) or Pontiac(s) that you currently own.

Year _____ Color _____ Style _____

Year _____ Color _____ Style _____

Year _____ Color _____ Style _____

What Club Activities are you interested in?

Thanks for Joining Us! Every Tiger has a Tale, so sit back a few minutes and let's get better acquainted. Please share a short story about yourself, your family, your occupation, or any hobbies that you enjoy. Tell us how you became interested in the Pontiac GTO.



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