

Goats Cruisin' the 'Burgh

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Editor's Corner

Jim Longo

It's that time of year, the Club's annual election of Officers. We should all take a moment to thank Ken and Cheryl Kasper, our outgoing Treasurer and Secretary, for their service to the Club, along with Tom Monzo and Roger Kral, who have accepted nominations to remain in their positions.



As I wrote last month, we need members to step up to fill the positions of Secretary and Treasurer, which will be vacant heading into 2018. These positions only require a couple of hours a month, but they're critical, probably more so than the positions of President and Vice President! We all know that it's tough to get anyone to volunteer for anything these days; you can read Ken Kasper's candid thoughts on the subject in this month's Officer's Corner. Keep in mind, the Officers' dues are paid, so there is something of value to be had in exchange for your service.

You'll see in the October meeting minutes that it's time to pay Club dues for 2018, and since our current Secretary and Treasurer are going to wrap that up for us, getting dues in sooner rather than later will be a big help. On the Club calendar, the November monthly meeting (when we'll elect Officers) is a week earlier than normal, since it would have been two days before Thanksgiving. You'll see that the Club Christmas Party is coming up on December 2nd; the Reply form is available on Page 9.

With the weather turning, it's a safe bet that we're getting our cars ready for winter storage if we haven't done so already. My preparation will happen in the next couple of weeks and include airing up the tires, filling the tank and adding Stabil, changing the oil and filter, disconnecting the battery, and putting a cover on. After talking to some of our members about the ZDDP content of today's oils, I've been reading a lot on oil. I've never added zinc and have run Castrol GTX for years, but now I'm thinking of changing to Valvoline VR1. Read more than you ever wanted to know about oil at the [Bob is the Oil Guy](#) website. Those who attended the Club picnic might remember Alan Fabritus taking an informal survey about the oil people were using; I haven't seen Alan's results, but you can see [which oils a bunch of Chevelle guys are running](#) at their forum site.

As always, if you'd like to submit a "My GTO Story", other content for the newsletter, please send an email to newsletter@greaterpghgto.com. I hope to see lots of members at our November meeting!

Officer's Corner

By Ken Kasper

Well here it is. That dreaded time of the year again, election of officers. Why is it this way? Why won't anyone step up? I can see now what Joe, Bonnie and Alan went through years ago when they were officers. It was "everyone happy with the officers"? Bing, bang, boom, you're elected again.

Here it is the same way again, but this year Cheryl and I are stepping down. As usual, no one wants the job. Thanks to Tom and Roger for stepping up again this year. It seems like people would rather get a root canal and colonoscopy at the same time with no drugs, than be an officer. What are we supposed to do as a club? It's not fair to the officers that they get stuck every year because no one wants to step up. You get a little discouraged

when with 67 members you get 6 people show up for a meeting. What do you do?

Should we disband the club and give the money to charity? I don't want to do that. Cheryl and I have made lots of great friends over the years. People that we wouldn't have met if it wasn't for the club. I'd like to meet all the members and make more good friends, but people have to show up. I know it's hard to make all the meetings, but at least try to make one a year.

I hope someone steps up. Please excuse my rant. I want this club to survive. I want to be part of it. I hope everyone else does too.

Meeting Minutes

By Cheryl Kasper

Minutes for October 17, 2017 meeting held at Bob Evans Restaurant, Harmarville. Tom called the meeting to order. Seventeen members were in attendance.

We have 67 paid members as of this meeting.

Club store is now open. The club store helps fund our club treasury. Our club gets a percentage on anything sold. GTO merchandise makes great gifts for birthdays and holidays. Contact Chris Sklenar for anything you want to order.

Cheryl read minutes from previous meeting on September 19, 2017. Motion to accept minutes by Roger Kral, seconded by Gary Sklenar.

Ken read treasurer's report. Motion to accept minutes by Gary Sklenar, seconded by John Owoc.

Roger won 50/50 raffle - \$10.00

Jim needs new GTO stories for the newsletter.

2018 GTOAA National Convention is in Valley Forge, June 26 - June 30. Many more details to follow.

Local Cruises:

Norwin Hills Shopping Center - Saturday nights - weather permitting

We helped the Shriner's raise \$4,217 at the car cruise held on August 20th. Thanks to everyone who helped with this great cause.

The date for the 2018 family picnic is September 8 at Maple Grove in White Oak Park. Cheryl will still be chairperson for the picnic. Mark your calendar

Urgent.ly will run their ad for another year. They are running a 1/4 page ad and we received a \$25.00 check.

Jim sent pictures to Mike from Pontiac night and picnic. If you have any pictures from club functions, please send to Jim and Mike for newsletter and website.

Christmas party - Chris Sklenar, chairperson - December 2nd at Banquets Unlimited, North Huntingdon. Dan Kunyak, an illusionist, will be the entertainment. We need to guarantee 30 people attending or our club will have to pay the difference. Chris passed out flyers at the meeting to sign up for the Christmas party. There is also a flyer with this newsletter for those who were not at the meeting.

We will need a new chairperson for the 2018 Christmas party. Chris will help this new person with whatever they need.

Tom mentioned that the GTO Legend is requesting information on charitable events/cruises. Tom is going to send them information about the Shriner's cruise.

Meeting Minutes

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You can start paying dues for 2018. Dues need paid by December 15th, 2017. You can check your Legend Magazine (next to your name) to see when your GTOAA dues run through. If your GTOAA dues run to January, 2019, you would only need to pay the local club dues of \$10.00. If your dues run out anytime during 2018, you will need to pay \$45.00 for the GTOAA dues and local club dues. If you want your newsletter to be mailed to you, please add \$10.00 to either of the above amounts. Checks should be made out to Greater Pittsburgh GTO Club and mailed c/o 1230 Craig Drive, North Huntingdon 15642.

Nominations were made for officers for the 2018 year. Tom Monzo was nominated for President and accepted the nomination. Roger Kral was nominated for Vice-President and accepted the nomination. Ken Kasper and Bill Gilbert were both nominated for Treasurer, but declined the nomination. At the present time, the Treasurer and Secretary position will be open.

Anyone interested in either of these positions, please contact Tom Monzo. Don't forget, if you hold any of the officers positions, your yearly GTOAA dues will be paid by the GTOAA. Tom said in order for the club to stay afloat, we need someone to step forward for these positions.

We will vote at the next meeting for officers.

There was a vote taken to move the November meeting to Tuesday, November 14 because of the Thanksgiving holiday.

There was a vote taken to cancel the December meeting.

Motion to adjourn made by Gary Sklenar, seconded by Roger Kral.

Member News



Phil Kushnar - November 10
Mike Umpleby - November 15
Chuck Zekany - November 17
Gerry Kerna - November 19
Joyce Litvany - November 30
Cheryl Reardon - November 30

Frank and Noreen Thompson -
November 1

Steve and Beth Busalacchi - November 8

John and Connie Bacha - November 20

Gary and Joyce Litvany - November 22

Phil and Erin Shusteric - November 22

Randy and Cindy Reece - November 23



New Members

Bob & Mary Wessel, 1964 Hardtop Coupe

Happy Veterans Day

Thank you for your service!

Happy Thanksgiving

Car of the Month



Click the link to visit our club store at:

<http://stores.customautoapparel.net/greater-pittsburgh-gto-club-apparel>

There is also a link from our website.

**We have polo shirts, denim shirts, sweatshirts, jackets,
hats, license plates, and more!**

Club Schedule

Always check the calendar on our web site for the latest information about our schedule.

SEASONAL WEEKLY CLUB CRUISES

Every Saturday Night

Norwin Hills Shopping Center
Irwin PA
Through November 25th!

November 14, 2017—**NEW DATE!**

General Membership Meeting
Bob Evans Restaurant Harmarville
6:00 PM Dinner—7:00 PM Meeting

December 2, 2017

Club Christmas Party
Banquets Unlimited
North Huntingdon, PA

December 19, 2017—**CANCELED**

General Membership Meeting
Bob Evans Restaurant Harmarville
6:00 PM Dinner—7:00 PM Meeting

January 16, 2018

General Membership Meeting
Bob Evans Restaurant Harmarville
6:00 PM Dinner—7:00 PM Meeting

February 20, 2018

General Membership Meeting
Bob Evans Restaurant Harmarville
6:00 PM Dinner—7:00 PM Meeting

March 20, 2018

General Membership Meeting
Bob Evans Restaurant Harmarville
6:00 PM Dinner—7:00 PM Meeting

Meetings and events will be added as they're identified.



Greater Pittsburgh GTO Club Christmas Party!



Join the Greater Pittsburgh GTO Clubs Christmas party for some great food & entertainment, & door prizes, 50/50.

Come and see Dan Kuniak Magic & Illusion show!

Saturday - December 2 - 6 p.m.

Banquets Unlimited

544 Caruthers lane

Irwin, Pa. 15642

RSVP 412-678-8402

Please respond by November 15th

Or call with any questions!

Hors D' Oeuvres at 6p.m.

Buffet Dinner at 7p.m.

Entertainment to follow!

Menu: Hors D'Oeuvres: Tomato Bruschetta, Cocktail Meat Balls, Stuffed Banana Peppers, Mini Egg Rolls w/Hot Mustard Dip.

Entrees: Sliced Beef w/ Au Jus, Stuffed Chicken Breast w/ bread stuffing w/ Veloute Sauce. Sides: Stuffed Zucchini, Parsley Potatoes, Rigatoni w/meat sauce. Tossed Salad.

Dessert: Holiday sheet cake.

Beverage: Coffee, Tea, Pop Bar. Cash Bar will be available.

**Christmas Party
\$30.00 per person**

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone Number: _____

Number Attending: _____ X \$30.00 = _____

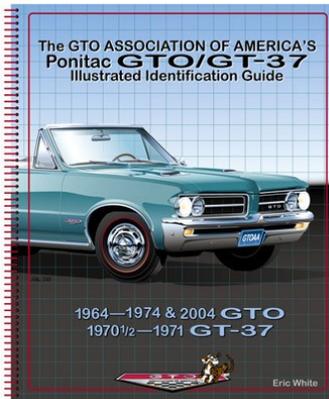
Please send check or money order to:
Greater Pittsburgh GTO Club
Chris Sklenar
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FOR SALE: 1970 Hood – **REDUCED!** Excellent condition - \$200.
Email John Owoc at je70goat@verizon.net.

FOR SALE: 2016 Greater Pittsburgh GTO Club Ceramic Mugs, limited number available. Cannot be shipped. \$4.00 each. If interested contact Chris Sklenar at 412-678-8402 or gnx547@comcast.net



This original version of Eric White's Illustrated Identification Guide is now available **in very limited numbers**. If you are in the process of restoring a GTO or looking to purchase a GTO this book is a must have for identification purposes. It is a one stop shop for everything GTO. This book has 118 pages of information. This book is used by the GTOAA in support of its annual judged concours event. Includes production numbers, weights & measures, assembly line codes, sales codes, casting numbers, drive train, decoding info for VIN. & Fisher Body data tag. Also included are options and accessories numbers descriptions and prices, tune-up specs, and more. Covers the years 1964 - 1974 and 2004 model years. If interested contact Chris Sklenar at 412-678-8402 or gnx547@comcast.net

Send any items for sale or wanted to newsletter@greaterpghgto.com. Advertisements are free for club members but please limit the advertisements to GTO related items. The officers reserve the right to refuse any advertisement for any reason. Submissions are due by the 15th of the month to be included in the next issue. Once included in the Newsletter, it's the member's responsibility to provide notice of any desired modification or request that the advertisement be discontinued.



We are looking for club tech advisors and meeting speakers. Tech advisors can specialize in certain year(s) of GTOs or in some function related to our hobby (general mechanics, bodywork, etc.). If you are interested in becoming a tech advisor or a speaker at one of our meetings, please contact any of the officers listed on the front of this newsletter. Thank you.

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AZ Transmissions

Club member Tom Monzo notes that AZ Transmissions rebuilt the tranny and rear end in his GTO. Throughout the two week process, Tim made sure that he understood everything that they were repairing, kept in touch throughout the repair and asked Tom to come to the shop several times to see the damaged parts and to review the costs of the repair. Tom was very pleased with their service and highly recommend AZ Transmissions for your classic car and daily driver repairs.



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Website/Newsletter Content Needed

If you have pictures of a recent event (cruise, fun run, etc.) and you would like to share them, please describe the event and send the pictures to webmaster@greaterpghgto.com or newsletter@greaterpghgto.com. Submissions are due by the 15th of the month to be included in the next issue.

Membership Information

Please see the Membership Application included in this newsletter.

Sponsor Information

Please see the Sponsor Application included in this newsletter.

Advertising Guidelines

Classified ads up to 50 words are free to members. Add 10 cents per word for any ad over 50 words. Payment is due upon submission. Members need to update ads at 3 month intervals or ads will be dropped. Classified ads up to 50 words for non-members are \$5.00 per issue.

Greater Pittsburgh GTO Car Club Information

The Greater Pittsburgh GTO Car Club was formed in 1998 and is an official chapter of the GTO Association of America. Beginning 1/1/2015, we are a 100% GTOAA membership club which means every member of our club must also be a member of the GTOAA. The club welcomes any GTO enthusiast interested in the enjoyment, restoration, and preservation of the Pontiac GTO. Ownership of a GTO is not required.

Along with our beloved GTOs (old and new), our club members and their families love to get together at the various club functions and events held throughout the year. Typical events include cruises, shows, picnics, parties, and more. The excitement that the GTO brings is a wonderful experience and is only further enhanced by being a member of the Greater Pittsburgh GTO Car Club.

We communicate through this newsletter, *Goats Cruisin' The 'Burgh*, our website, Facebook, and Twitter.

Club meetings are the third Tuesday of every month at Bob Evans Restaurant located at 1 Mariner Ct, Pittsburgh, PA 15238 (Harmarville). Dinner starts at 6:00 and the meeting starts at 7:00.

Membership dues are \$45.00 per year and must be paid by 12/15 of the previous year. The \$45 includes the \$10 dues for our club and the \$35 dues for the GTOAA.

Address Change?

Has your address, phone, or email recently changed? Please notify Cheryl Kasper at secretary@greaterpghgto.com. This will help us keep you informed about the club. Thank you.



MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

GREATER PITTSBURGH GTO CAR CLUB

c/o Cheryl Kasper
1230 Craig Drive
North Huntingdon, PA 15642

Member _____
 Last Name First Name Birth Date

Spouse _____
 Last Name First Name Birth Date Anniversary Date

Address _____
 Street City State Zip

Phone _____
 Home Cell

Email Address _____

GTO Year(s)/
 Body Style(s) _____

GTOAA Number _____
 (see below) Membership Number Exp. Date

Referred By _____
 Name GTOAA Number (of referring person)

Signature _____ Date _____

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If you are not a GTOAA member, leave the GTOAA membership information above blank. You will receive a new membership from the GTOAA. If you are already a GTOAA member, please include your GTOAA membership information above. Your GTOAA membership will be extended by one year.

If you prefer to receive the Club Newsletter and other communications through U.S. mail rather than through email and the Club website, you may do so for an additional cost of \$10 per year to cover printing and postage expenses. Please indicate your preference by checking below:

_____ Annual dues and GTOAA membership, \$45

_____ Annual dues and GTOAA membership, U.S. mail communication, \$55

Please make your check payable to the Greater Pittsburgh GTO Car Club and mail your check and this application to the address above.

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Company Name _____

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 - Your logo with link to your website on our website Sponsors page
- \$50/year
 - Half page advertisement in our monthly newsletter
 - Your logo with link to your website on our website Sponsors page
- \$25/year
 - Quarter page advertisement in our monthly newsletter
 - Your logo with link to your website on our website Sponsors page

Please send logo to webmaster@greaterpghgto.com for the advertisement.

Please send any questions to officers@greaterpghgto.com.

Please send this application with check to Cheryl Kasper 1230 Craig Drive North Huntingdon, PA 15642.

The Greater Pittsburgh GTO Club reserves the right to reject any application for any reason.

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