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NEWSLETTER

GTO Association of Maine May 2008

2008 ANNUAL MEETING

Our Annual Meeting was held on May 3rd, at the Hi-Hat Pancake House, in Farmingdale. In spite of the rainy day, 7 brave souls journeyed to the Hi-Hat to enjoy a meal and good conversation. Three GTOs came out of hibernation to attend the event (along with a Lincoln Continental and a Pontiac Granville Brougham). Not a bad turnout considering the terrible weather and gas prices that surely discouraged others from attending.

During the meeting, we discussed: 1) Election of a new slate of officers; 2) Our membership in GTOAA; 3) Our upcoming events for '08.

Congratulations and good luck to our Officers of 2008. See list above. A big Thank You to Past President, Bob Farwell, for his work while at the helm.

A note to all of our GTOAM members: Please consider joining our national GTO organization, GTOAA (The GTO Association of America). It's only \$35/yr, includes a subscription to their award winning magazine, The Legend and you become a part of a greater group of GTO lovers. If we get our GTOAA membership up then our local chapter, GTOAM, will be affiliated with the national organization. This is the first year that we have fallen short on our numbers to qualify for

affiliation. So, if you used to be a GTOAA member, how about renewing? If you have never been a GTOAA member, how about giving it a test drive?

RAFFLE WINNERS

Don't forget that we have a raffle at every GTOAM event for everybody in attendance. The winner gets their choice of any piece of apparel from our store. The winner at the Annual Meeting was Rose Huntington. Congratulations!

Also at our Annual Meeting we pick names, from a hat, to receive a free "one year" membership to GTOAA. The lucky members are: Don Poulin, Beth & Dale Frenchette and Dick Braunfels. Congratulations....This year is on us!

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Well, my tenure as Vice President has finally come to an end. I think that I've been VP for about 7 years. Now it's time to move up and sit in the big chair.

First of all I wish to thank Bob Farwell for being President of the GTOAM for the past 4 years. He (and Joan) did a great job. While Bob was Prez, our club has maintained a good membership, is thriving financially and enjoys

an active schedule of events. One of Bob's favorite events would have to be the "Bring a Sparkle to a Child's Eye" Car Show, which is a great toy drive that is held in September. Bob has done a superb job organizing this very successful event each year. He assures us that it will continue this year. I look forward to it as it is a lot of fun.

Let me also urge you to renew your membership or become a new member of our national organization of GTOs. Dues to join the GTOAA is only \$35/yr and includes a subscription to "The Legend". Applications can be printed from the GTOAA website, www.gtoaa.com.

Check out our upcoming events for 2008. I hope that you will be able to attend some of these great times. Also, if you haven't had a chance yet, be sure to go to our website, www.badgoat.net and check out the pictures from our 2007 fall foliage cruise to Sugarloaf Mountain and the Stanley Brothers Museum. The weather certainly wasn't ideal but this was one of the best fall cruises we've had. It wasn't "top down" weather but the rain held off just enough to get our cruise in. Some of us even spent the night at an Inn in Kingfield and made it a two day event. The pictures tell the story of a great time.

Lastly, check out our GTOAM roster to see if we have your correct e-mail address. I plan to send you an e-mail asking you three things:

1. Would you like your newsletter emailed to you?
2. Would you like to continue to receive you newsletter by regular mail?
3. Would you like to receive our little reminder cards via e-mail or regular mail (usually a post card sent out approx 1 week prior to a club event)?

If your e-mail address is not correct please forward an e-mail to me at pjrunners@comcast.net so that I can make the necessary corrections.

So let's pray for great summer weather and lower gas prices so that we can get out and enjoy these great cars and this great sport.

Prez PJ

NEXT EVENT

SAT JUNE 21st :

Cookout and Cruise

Charlie & Rose Huntington – Cookout at their house on 78 Lynch Road, Newcastle. After we eat, we'll take a tour of the mid-coast and check out some antique shops. Plan on arriving at 11:00 to 12:00 for the eats at noon. Bring what you'd like to grill, GTOAM will provide side dishes, deserts, and soft drinks. After lunch we can decide on what tour(s) the group would like to take. Directions to Lynch Rd, Newcastle – from the south Lynch Rd is about 5 mile north of Wiscasset, 1st right off Rt 1 ½ mile after Sherman Lake Rest Area. From the north start looking after you pass Newcastle Dodge, Lynch Rd is on the right just after Foster's Auctions. Charlie & Rose's is 4/10 mile on the left, look for the large Gulf sign in the peak of the shop out back. If possible please RSVP at 563-5824 or badgoat@tidewater.net

REQUESTS FOR TRIVIA QUESTIONS AND OTHER FEATURE ARTICLES

Remember, this is your newsletter. We welcome any input.

C'mon, there must be something that you could share.

NEW MEMBERS

Don Poulin – Lewiston – 65 GTO
Richard & Ann Butterfield – Standish – 70 GTO
Joe & Louise Burns – Manchester – 66 GTO
David Haller – Dover, NH – 65 Lemans
Arthur & Joanne Fish – Glenburn – 66 GTO
Gareth & Julie Coward – Lyman – 2006 GTO
Welcome!!

DUES

Are you up-to-date?

Please, if you haven't paid your 2008 dues yet send your check of \$10.00 (or \$20.00) for two years. If you are unsure if your membership is current, just check the GTOAM roster at the end of this newsletter to see if you have "2008" under "Status". Remember this is our only source of income other than the sale of tee shirts

and hats. In saying that lets try to gain new members. Remember we accept any and all Pontiacs not only GTOs. And we welcome any and all new members that have an interest in Pontiacs. You don't even have to own a car to join.

UPCOMING EVENTS

SAT, JUNE 21ST: Cookout and Cruise
Charlie & Rose Huntington at their house in Newcastle. See previous page for more info.

SAT/SUN, AUGUST 16/17TH:
Joint Party with the Yankee Chapter of POCI (Pontiac Oakland Club International) - Steve and Anita Hovanesian are hosting a cruise to their Horse Farm in Livermore. Cookout on Sat and Drive to Freeport on Sunday.

SEPTEMBER (Sat):
PUT A SPARKLE IN A CHILD'S EYE
Car Show and Toy Run – Lakeside Store in Waterboro.

OCTOBER: Fall Foliage Cruise
We are looking for a volunteer to plan this event. Contact PJ or Charlie.

OTHER EVENTS

Check out the MAAC calendar at the end of this newsletter for other events in our area.

GTOAA INTERNATIONAL MEET

July 15th thru 19th: in Saratoga Springs, New York. This is a huge event that is not too far from you. During our Annual Meeting, a couple of people indicated that they might be interested in cruising up to Saratoga Springs for one or two days to check it out. If you are interested contact PJ or Charlie to discuss the possibilities. Note – GTOAM members Paul & Pam Bourbeau's "other" chapter – Pioneer Valley GTO Association is a co-sponsor of this event!

T SHIRTS/SWEAT SHIRTS

Silk Screened:

Sweats are \$20

T Shirts are \$10

Hats are \$5

Embroidered Shirts and Hats!!!!!!

Shirts are \$25

Hats are \$15

Add \$3 per order for shipping.

Lots of colors in stock

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