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## NEWSLETTER April 2016

## GTO Association of Maine

### President's Message

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Hope all of you had an enjoyable winter. It was not a good year for snowmobiling or skiing. However, Gas was cheap! (Unbelievably Cheap) and temperatures were mild so everyone saved on oil and wood. I hope that you got out there to enjoy some of the winter adventures that the beautiful State of Maine has to offer.

I did have a blast doing some snowmobiling with Charlie Huntington up in the Millinocket area. Charlie and Rose have a getaway house up there and were gracious hosts. What little riding we were able to do was memorable (as usual). Thanks again, Charlie and Rose!

Now, it's Spring and GTO time!!

I hope that you can help our GTOAM Car Club flourish for the 2016 season. We have a nice core of members that attend almost all of our events. I sure would like to see you others get out there and join us and bring your new ideas.

Maybe you aren't sure how you can help our Car Club. The best first step is to attend our Annual Meeting (5/1/2016) to help plan the year's events.

The Annual Meeting is when all of us "gearheads" discuss what's already going on this summer/fall and what can we add for our own events. Please plan to attend. It would be great to see you and hear about what you've been up to.

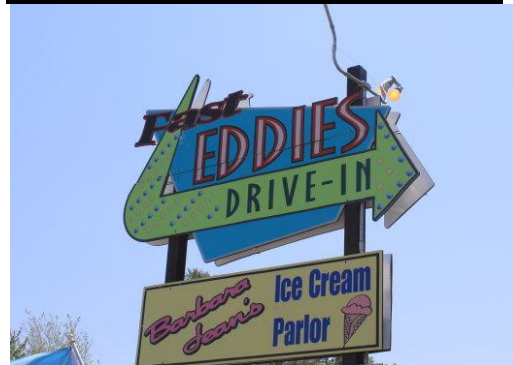
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### NEXT EVENT

May 1<sup>st</sup>, 2016

### GTOAM 2016 Annual Meeting



Fast Eddie's Drive In, Route 202 Winthrop

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**When:** Sunday May 1<sup>st</sup>, 2016

**Where:** Fast Eddie's Drive In, Rte 202, Winthrop

**Time:** We'll eat around noon. Plan to arrive 11:30

Our Annual Meeting is once again at Fast Eddie's Drive In. This is the start of our summer season. We have had it here in the past. It is a nice central location for our members. It will be a nice opportunity to go for a little cruise. There is a great spot to display our cars and there is

now a separate room for us to eat and hold our meeting. Just “keyword” search “Fast Eddies, Winthrop” to get directions. Plan to get there at 11:30 to talk with old friends. It should be a fun “kick off” to our season. Hope you can make it.

**Meeting Agenda Items:**

- 1) Plan our summer events. Do you think that our events are too far away for you to attend? How about hosting a GTOAM event this summer. We’d love to see what you’re up to.
- 2) Any new ideas?
- 3) Election of officers. Wouldn’t you love to be President? Vice President?
- 4) Open forum.

See you there!!



**GTO’s at Fast Eddie’s**

**Last Event**

Submitted By Susan Worcester

We had a GREAT time on the fall cruise! We left Millinocket bright & early and headed to the Worcester’s. We left Williamsburg with nine cars on a nippy but sunny morning and we headed over the rivers and through the woods and through a couple little villages to places some of us had never been before! Along the way we saw some nice foliage – the leaves were just beginning to turn. It was a beautiful ride as we wended our way over the back roads and through Sebec, Charleston, Levant, Stetson, East Newport (where we stopped for a break – AND some hugely delicious snacks!) , Plymouth and Unity.



After meeting up with a couple more members of the GTO Association of Maine, we arrived at our destination on one of the few not-recently-paved back roads of the day – at the Northern Solstice Alpaca Farm!!!! Yep. An alpaca farm. Not the typical destination where you’d expect to see a bunch of car lovers but we had a great tour with co-owner Robin and got to “interact” with the alpacas and learn a LOT about them! We know they came from Peru and are a hybrid of llamas and vicunas. They love the cold weather and the farm is open and does tours all through the winter!



After exploring all around the farm and meeting a LOT of the animals including Space Cowboy (you had to be there to know about that!), we rounded up our rides and headed off to lunch at Joseph’s Fireside Grill in Waterville.



Once we were stuffed, as usual, a number of the group headed off for their own explorations – or just home – but a few die-hards wandered up to the Fairfield Antique Mall before setting sail for home. Some of us found a few bargains but it was interesting just browsing at all the ~~junk~~ - oops, deals! A good time was had by all!!! You shoulda been there!



## **REQUESTS FOR FEATURE ARTICLES**

Please send me some stuff. Any input is welcome.

C'mon, there must be something that you could share. I've run out of things to share. We need your fresh ideas

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## **NEW MEMBERS**

Randy Lilly from Trenton

Thomas & Carroll Fernald from Mt. Desert  
1968 Convertible

## **DUES**

### **Are you up-to-date?**

Please, if you haven't paid your 2016 dues yet send your check of \$20.00 for two years. If your current thru 2015 this will cover 2016 & 2017 dues. If you're past due it will cover 2016 and the past due amount. 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 "2016" 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.

## **GTOAM EVENTS FOR 2016**

Please attend our Annual Meeting to help plan our events for the 2016 season. If you can't make the May 1<sup>ST</sup> meeting and you would like to host an event, please send me an email.