

Annual Gateway GTO Picnic

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The annual Gateway GTO picnic was held on October 3rd at Vago Park in Maryland Heights. As with last few years, the club stuck with the fall date, allowing for a much more pleasant event as compared to when we used to hold it in the summer. We did have a few sprinkles of rain during the event but not until most of us were driving home did it really open up and pour.

Our official club chefs, Tony Bezzole and Rich Vie, under the careful supervision of Gail Schott were at the park early cooking up the brats, burgers, pork steaks, chicken and hot dogs.

In addition to the club supplied meat, there were plenty of side dishes and deserts provided by the members in attendance. We had a particularly good selection of deserts this year.

As has become the tradition, Barb and Earl Lewis conducted the official washer tournament. I made it a bit farther than I did last year, but still not too far. Paula and Terri Oxler teamed up and played for the first time this year. They made it well into the finals. In the end, the winners of the winners this year were Will Bowers and Bob Blattel and the winners of the losers were Earl Lewis and Marty's guest Barbara.

And, of course, the best part of this event is a chance to relax a bit and just socialize as opposed to hosting a car show or running a raffle. Everyone had a great time and we are already planning for next year's picnic.

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