

# The Hood Scoop

February 2002



## GATEWAY GTO ASSOCIATION OFFICERS

### President

Steve Hedrick  
3676 Morgan Way  
Imperial Mo. 63152  
636-942-4020

### Vice President Mo

Jim Kiburz  
1163 Chavaniac Dr.  
Ballwin Mo. 63011  
636-256-0163

### Vice President Il.

Cecil Morton  
2900 Indiana Av.  
Granite City Il. 62040  
618-452-9553

### Treasurer

Will Bowers  
#1 Goshen Woods  
Edwardsville Il. 62025  
618-659-0429

### Secretary/Editor

Donald Bright  
1150 Villa Flora Dr.  
O' Fallon Mo. 63366  
636-240-2229

### GTOAA Chapter Rep.

Vic Nettle  
4450 Nazareth Hills  
St. Louis Mo. 63129  
314-892-3639

### Photo Album Editor

Joyce Nettle  
4450 Nazareth Hills  
St. Louis Mo. 63129  
314-892-3639

### Club Events Chairman

Jim Kiburz  
1163 Chavaniac Dr.  
Ballwin Mo. 63011  
636-256-0163

---

**The Hood Scoop** is published as an informative news bulletin to keep our members up to date on past, present, and future events.

---

### Gateway GTO Association Meetings

Are held monthly. Dates, times, and locations are listed in the **Upcoming Events** section of the newsletter.

---

### Gateway GTO Association Photo Album

If you have photos of past events or if you take pictures of future events that you think would be good for our Photo Album, please put your name and date and a description of the event on the back and send them to the Photo Album Editor.

---

**The Gateway GTO Association** is an official chapter of the **GTO Association of America**

## Gateway GTO Club Information

The Gateway GTO Association was initially formed in the summer of 1984 by a group of seven. They all had a common interest in the Original Muscle Car, the Pontiac GTO. As a for of communication we publish a monthly newsletter called "The Hood Scoop". The purpose of this newsletter is to keep our members informed of all upcoming activities as well as providing interesting event coverage. The club meets every first Wednesday of the month at Culpeppers Restaurant St. Charles Mo. 3010 West Clay 636-916-3105

**Membership dues are \$20.00 per year and all renewals are required to be paid by December 31st. You are allowed to have one associate member.**

### Club Sponsors



820 McDonnell Blvd. 314-895-1600  
Hazelwood Mo. 63042 1-800-892-8267  
[www.behlmann.com](http://www.behlmann.com)

### Quality Pontiac

Alton Il.

[www.qualitypontiac.com](http://www.qualitypontiac.com)

### 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. Advertising rates are: full page \$25.00, 1/2 page \$15.00, 1/4 page \$7.00 for three (3) months running time. Payment is due upon submission, discount of 10% for one year pre-paid. Acceptance is at the sole discretion of the editor. All ads should be submitted to Don Bright by the 10th of the month.

# Gateway GTO Association Ads

## FOR SALE

### Parts:

### Intakes:

1966 AFB #C362 and Quadrajets

### Heads:

#670, #061, #66, #46 (74 GTO), #6H  
64 fenders, 64 trunk lid, 70 Lemans  
valance, 67 GTO passenger door & trunk  
lid, 66-67 dash pads (needs recovering), 64  
bell housings, sell or trade for 12 bolt  
Posi., high performance or 1964 GTO  
parts.

Contact Chris Simmons @ 636-456-3653

### 15 Inch Honeycomb wheels (set of 4)

Off 1971-1972 GTO \$125.00. Complete  
set of NOS Honeycomb center caps  
\$150.00

Contact Mark Clatto @ 314-353-6308

### Literature:

1964-1972 GTO Restoration Guides  
New from club store \$15.00

Contact Chris Simmons @ 636-456-3653

## Cars For Sale

## WANTED

1967 Right side molding

Must be in nice condition

Contact Cecil Morton @ 618-452-955.

Back issues of Pontiac Enthusiast, Mu-  
Car Review, and High Performa  
Pontiac Magazines

Contact Harry Smelcer @ 636-230-6  
or E-Mail me at Harry71gto@aol.com

## Services Available

### Tony's Carburetor Rebuilding

Call Tony Bezzole between 9am-1pm  
@ 314-878-6892

### ABC DJ Productions

All types of occasions from weddings to  
retirement parties. Disc Jockey & Video  
Contact Mobile Marty Howard @  
636-946-8641

### Cee-Jay Auto Body

ASE & I-CAR Certified shop  
2123 East 23rd Street  
Granite City Il.

Contact Cecil Morton@618-452-9553

### Card Services Inc.

#13 Hawks Nest Plaza  
St. Charles Mo.

Contact Craig Glenn @ 636-946-9892

# 2002 Upcoming Events

The following events are a copulation of events from several clubs.

**NOTICE: Entries in BOLD are changes to a previous entree.**

## **March 2002**

- 6th Club Meeting @ Culpeppers 7 pm
- 8th-10th World of Wheels at Americas Center
- 31st. Easter in Park @ Forrest Park

## **April 2002**

- 3rd Club Meeting @ Culpeppers 7 pm
- 6th Cruise in @ Steak N Shake Webster Groves 7 pm
- 13th Roadhouse Cruise @ JJ's In St. Charles 5-10 pm
- 14th Roadhouse race day at Mid America Speed way.
- 20 Club race day @ Mid America Raceway
- 20th Club Car Show @ Quality Pontiac in Alton Il. 10-3 pm
- 27th Rain date for Quality Pontiac Car Show 10-3 pm
- 27th Roadhouse Cruise @ JJ's In St. Charles 5-10 pm

## **May 2002**

- 1st Club Meeting @ Culpeppers 7 pm
- 11th Roadhouse Cruise @ JJ's In St. Charles 5-10 pm
- 12th Arnie Beswick's Pontiac Event @ Mid America Raceway
- 18th 2nd Annual Pontiac Gathering @ Earth City sponsored by Classical Pontiac
- 19th Oldsmobile Car Club Mayfest car show O'Fallon Il.
- 24th Fenton Cruise Night
- 31st Wentzville Cruise Night

## **June 2002**

- 2nd Car show @ Warrenton Outlet Mall, Warrenton Mo. Sponsored by the American Roadhouse club. (GGTOA C0-Sponsored event)
- 5th Club Meeting @ Culpeppers 7 pm

## **July 2002**

- Club Meeting @ To be announced

## **August 2002**

- Club Meeting @ To be announced

## **September 2002**

- 22nd Club picnic @ Vago Park in Maryland Heights Mo.

## **October 2002**

- 2nd Club Meeting @ Culpeppers 7 pm

## **November 2002**

- 6th Club Meeting @ Culpeppers 7 pm

## **December 2002**

- 7th Club Christmas Party @ The Hedricks

## Meeting Minutes February 2002

*The February meeting was a huge success at Culpeppers, our new location. There were 17 members present plus many brought their wives or significant others. It was a full house. We also had a new member sign up. Welcome to Jim Withers from Chesterfield Mo.*

***New Business:** We finally have not one but two new sponsors, thanks to Jim Kiburz and Steve Hedrick's diligence. Good Job guys. Our new Primary Sponsor is Behlmann Pontiac/GMC, and our other sponsor is Quality Pontiac in Alton Il. There will be at least one car show at each of these dealerships as part of our commitment to them. We must have a good showing for these events for them sponsoring us. The show for Quality Pontiac is tentatively set for April 20th 10-3 with April 27th 10-3 as a rain date. Mark you calendars.*

*The new club shirt design's should be done soon and shirts can then be ordered. You can order either t-shirts or Polo.*

*Jim Ford from the Corvette club has contacted us for a joint event. More details as we get them.*

*We are going to try and have a Club Display at the GTO Nationals this year. If you are going, please contact Steve so he can plan this.*

*New business cards are done. Pick yours up at any meeting. We are also making up some fliers for members to take to cruises and put with their cars.*

***World Of Wheels Participants:** For us to be parked together as a club, we must all go in together. We will all meet together and go in together. Where and when to be announced.*

***Easter Show Participants:** For us to be parked together as a club, we must all go in together. We will all meet together and go in together with the members from the POCI Club. Where and when to be announced.*

*The club web sight is back up but not with AOL. We have moved it to Hemmings. See our new web address below.*

***Women's committee update:** Annette and Donna are working up some events for the coming summer. Contact either of them for ideas or to help.*

*[Http://clubs.hemmings.com/thehoodscoop](http://clubs.hemmings.com/thehoodscoop)*

*I hope to see everyone at the next club meeting*

*Don*

## **Tech Tips & Helpful Hints by Chuck Tresp – member of Chicago GTO Club**

(Re-printed with authorization from Chicago GTO Club from April 1999 newsletter issue)

### **Interior Clean Up**

During vehicle use, we pick up dirt, dust, rocks, etc. which collect on the car's carpeting. A good vacuum cleaner and its array of wands always do the trick in removal, bringing the carpet back to a state of cleanliness. I always am careful when vacuuming around the hard plastic seat panels, seat backs, kick panels, etc. There's nothing more that can ruin your day than to scuff, scratch or mar one of these panels. Yes, to some it may not be bothersome but to others it can just make them cry. Grab yourself the roll of trusty ol' 200 MPH Official Nascar Bondo Tape (aka duct tape). Tear a strip of tape long enough to wrap around the tip(s) of the vacuum wand(s) and vacuum away. The tape tends to cushion the "blow" when moving in close on and contacting the color-keyed hard plastic interior trim panels.

In the same environment as above, during interior clean-up, you'll always find a dust build up on the plastic instrument panel lenses over the speedometer, tach, clock, etc. Our first instinct is to grab a rag or paper towel, use a little glass spray and wipe the lens clean. In a crude way, what we've just done is create a piece of about 600 grit sandpaper and sanded the plastic lens. In essence, we've taken the dust and dirt particles on the lens and temporarily collected them on the bottom of the rag or paper towel. Start to wipe away and presto... instant abrasion. Over a period of time, the lens will get a milky finish to it, which are actually fine micron scratches on the lens surface. Again to some, if it's not bothersome, just carry on. If not, you may want to consider this. Purchase a 1" to 1.5" natural bristle paint brush (remember, nylon bristles are plastic). Wrap the brush ferrule (the metal band around the brush which attaches the bristles to the handle) with your duct tape. Place your vacuum wand about 1" from the lens surface, turn on your vacuum and lightly brush the dust and dirt particles away.

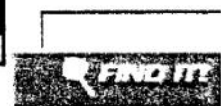
### **Exterior Clean-Up**

I've heard some one tell me about chrome discoloring when cleaning their windows. Nothing that permanently destroys the chrome but just a dark haze that seems to take the reflective shine away from the chrome. After trying a few different glass cleaners, the common denominator appeared to be ammonia based products. After trying Sparkle Glass Cleaner (a non-ammonia based product) the problem was resolved.

Subj: info  
Date: 2/1/2002 11:51:49 AM Central Standard Time  
From: gary1gto@charter.net  
To: DWBGTO@aol.com  
Sent from the Internet (Details)

Customize your vehicle for the way you live.

[Home](#)



## Urgent Federal Scrappage Alert

### U.S. Senate Bill Would Fund Scrappage Programs Nationwide

A bill (S. 1766), authored by Senators Daschle (D-SD) and Bingaman (D-NM), has been introduced in the U.S. Senate containing a provision (Section 803) that would federally fund state scrappage programs for vehicles over 15 years old. Owners who turn in vehicles for crushing would receive a "minimal" payment and a future credit toward purchasing a newer vehicle, all in a misguided attempt to improve the overall fuel economy of the country's vehicle fleet. This bill represents the most formidable Federal legislative threat to the vehicle hobby in many years.

### Oppose the Use of U.S. Taxpayer Dollars for Scrappage

- Section 803 of S. 1766 would give states that don't currently operate scrappage programs an extra incentive to create a program due to generous federal funding.
- Section 803 of S. 1766 requires that federally funded state scrappage programs crush every car. It threatens enthusiasts nationwide with the loss of valuable parts and parts-cars for repair, restoration, and customization projects.
- Section 803 of S. 1766 does not require states to determine the fuel efficiency of vehicles being scrapped or that scrapped vehicles are being replaced by more fuel-efficient vehicles.
- Section 803 of S. 1766 ignores the fact that cars turned in for scrappage often barely run or are rarely driven second or third vehicles that have a minimal impact on overall fuel economy.
- Section 803 of S. 1766 will diminish the availability of affordable transportation and repair parts to low-income drivers as more and more older cars are crushed.
- Section 803 of S. 1766 does not guarantee that low-income individuals will be able to afford to purchase new vehicles – let alone more fuel efficient vehicles – with the money provided by scrappage programs.

[Gallery of Car  
Enthusiast  
Onl  
Your Car an  
the Lay  
Who Makes It  
Press Roor  
Car Club  
Ask The Expert  
Quick Tip  
Event  
Hot Product  
Auto Glossar](#)

GATEWAY GTO ASSOCIATION  
1150 Villa Flora Dr.  
O'Fallon, MO 63366



**BEHRENS**  
FORD FORD TRUCK  
FINANCED

WE ARE PROFESSIONAL GRADE

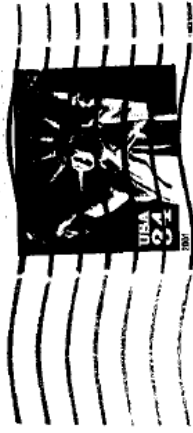
820 McDanneli Blvd  
Hazelwood, MO 63042

314-895-1620  
1-800-892-8287  
www.bohlmann.com

**GOATFINDER**  
**GTO MONTHLY CLASSIFIEDS**  
**P.O. BOX 8001**  
**MADIERA BEACH, FL 33738-8001**

Subscription information:

FIRST CLASS: \$24/Yr. or \$42/2 Yrs. (U.S.)  
\$36/Yr. or \$66/2 Yrs. (Canada)  
\$56/Yr. or \$99/2 Yrs. (U.S.)  
FOURTH CLASS: \$99/Yr. (International)



33704+4513 