

## THE HOOD SCOOP

March 2024

# Association Association



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## **Gateway GTO March Activities**

By Chris Winslow



Gateway GTO's Chief Entertainment Officer, Marty, has outdone himself this month organizing not one but two great events for the club.

First up was our annual Gateway GTO Pinball Wizard Tournament. This was our 11th year in a row for the event. For this year, however, it was in a new venue, Atomic Pinball in Wood River IL.

Atomic Pinball is the new location for what used to be called CP Pinball. The facility is significantly larger and all within one building. The larger space allowed for the tournament to be more spread out and there were lots of new machines to play.

As is typical, there was a large turnout for the event. This year there were over 30 people that took part.

Marty had everything organized and ready to go when we got there. As we have done the past few years, the tournament was run using software that matched up players and then picked a pinball machine for them to play. This system works really well and keeps the players competing almost non stop during the actual tournament.

When the dust settled at the end of the tournament Paula was ranked #1 and Matthew Busch was ranked #2. Then there was a 5 way





tie for third place between Dave Busch, Shelly Schneider, Tom Fox, Stephanie Gelhot, and Frank Chapman. To address that, we had a one game playoff between those 5 with Shelly and Tom winning to round out the Final 4. With the final 4 determined, Paula, Matthew, Shelly and Tom played for the championship. When the dust settled, Matthew won, Shelly was second, Paula was third and Tom took 4th place.



















The second big event that Marty put together for Gateway for March was an Escape Room Event. We were once again at Mastermind Escape Rooms.

Gateway has a 2 for 3 record at these events. The first one we did we broke into two groups and both groups got out before time expired. Then, last year we had one group and we did not make it out in time.

The challenge for this year was the Diamond Heist where the adventure was to pose as diamond thieves and get the diamond out of the safe and escape the room in one hour or less. This year we had myself and Paula, Marty, Brian, Amy, Andrew, and Cindy O'Sullivan, and Randy and Diane Jones.

I will not go into the details on what kind of puzzles we had to solve to complete the task, but I will say it was a collaborative effort with everyone helping to solve one challenge or another. In the end, we got the diamond and escaped the room with 7 minutes to spare. Afterwards, they told us that this room as a 30% escape rate, so that was a good showing by Gateway. Our record now stands at 3 and 1!





## **Presidents Scoop**



## The President's Scoop

**By Chris Winslow** 

As I am writing this months Scoop, I have just yesterday broken the GTO out of winter storage and had it out for a run to Dutzow. Those new flat spot ramps really did the trick. No vibration in the steering wheel after 4 months of storage.

The official start of the St. Louis car show season is coming early this year with the Easter Car Show coming up next weekend. We will have a presence at both the car show put on by the Horseless Carriage Club at the Muny parking lot and also the show put on by the St. Louis Hot Rod Association at the Family Arena in St. Charles. Registration for club participation at the show at the Muny closed last week, but for the show in St. Charles you can register the day of the event. Earl Lewis has reserved spots at the show in St. Charles for Gateway, so if you would like to attend that event, please give Earl a call so he will know you are coming.

A recent add to our calendar is the Marine Corps Trivia Night event on April 6th. Steve Hedrick has arranged for a sponsor for one table for Gateway, so this event is free to the first 8. We still have a few slots left for that first table, so please let me know if you would like to attend. There is a flyer in this newsletter with more details.

As we discussed at the meeting this month, the really big event for the spring will be the Bonne Terre Mine Cruise on April 20th. I have also included the flyer for that in the newsletter. Terry and Gail have put together a great cruise and even coordinated with the Crowne Pointe Lodge in Farmington for those that don't want to drive home on Saturday. A flyer with all of the details is also in this newsletter. Additional details on the mine can be found at this website: Bonne Terre Mine

Mark Melrose is also working on organizing a Gateway GTO Dyno Day this spring so everyone can get their cars tuned up for the drag racing at the GTOAA Convention. More details on that soon once the date firms up, but it looks like it will be sometime in May.

And, of course, the GTOAA convention is coming up in June. If you have not already registered, you will want to do that right away. We also still have a few more worker slots to fill, so if you have not already signed up for that, please let Dan Jackson or me know what slots you would like to fill. You can always find the latest worker schedule on our website at this address: 2017 GTOAA National Convention (gatewaygto.org). Just click on the Worker Schedule Link at the top of the page.





## Gateway GTO Meeting Minutes



## **Minutes**

3/7/24

7:05 PM – Meeting Start – No new members.

## **Old Business**

The "Four Poster" play at the Alton Little Theater was well attended and a great time. Dinner at Castelli's was excellent as well.

Marty Howard talked about the Pinball Wizard event. We had 35 participants. Shelley Schneider and Paula Winslow were in the top three.

## 7:09 - New Business

Chris Winslow presented the 2023 Gateway GTO financial report.

Marty Howard talked about the Mastermind Escape Room event.

Chris Winslow talked about the two Easter car shows.

Terry and Gail Schott talked about the Spring Cruise to the Bonne Terre Mine and NASA Museum.

There was a discussion about a possible Dyno Day, with date to be determined.

Gene from the Olds Club talked about a car show in Lebanon MO on April 13<sup>th</sup>.

## **Upcoming events**

4/20 – Bonne Terre Cruise

5/4 – Immanuel Lutheran Parade

## 7:24 - GTOAA

Steve Hedrick talked about the national convention. He said to sign up for activities soon as they are filling up. We need volunteers to sign up for work details. Officer Kuntz's GTO should be at the show. Chris Winslow will be giving a demonstration on how to solder new batteries into the 04-06 GTO keys.

## 7:29 - Tech

Marty Howard wired up a radio

Chris Winslow replaced his Cadillac with a brand new Toyota Camry

## 7:31 - Personals

Paula Winslow had her second cataract removed. She no longer needs glasses for distance.

Barb Lewis had her first cataract removed and will have the second done on March 27<sup>th</sup>.

Barb and Earl's grandson is scheduled for surgery on March 14<sup>th</sup>.

7:44 – Motion to Adjourn by Paula Winslow, seconded by Gail Schott.

50/50 of \$36 won by Joe Mayweather

## ST. LOUIS STREET ROD ASSOCIATION

38TH ANNUAL

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MARCH 31, 2024 - THE FAMILY ARENA - ST. CHARLES

PARTICIPANTS USE SOUTH GATE - SPECTATORS USE NORTH GATE (\$5.00 PER CAR)

SET UP: 8:00AM - NOON

AWARDS: 2:30PM

PRE-REGISTRATION BY MARCH 22 - \$20.00 DAY OF SHOW - \$25.00 T-SHIRT AND DASH PLAQUE WITH EACH ENTRY

ONE PARKING SPACE PER ENTRY

NO LOUD MUSIC NO GLASS CONTAINERS

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**MUSCLE CARS 1973 - DATE** 

PONY CARS 1964 - 1993

PONY CARS 1994 - 2007

PONY CARS 2008 - DATE

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For more information please call: (314)315-1712 or (636)244-0316 after 5:00pm

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## CRUISE TO BONNE TERRE, MO, Saturday, April 20, 2024

## The Space Museum and Grissom Center The Mine at Bonne Terre Missouri Mines State Historic Site

(Cruise Coordinators, Terry & Gail Schott)

9:00 AM, Meet at Route 66 State Park, 97 N Outer Rd, Eureka, MO 63025

9:30 AM, Depart, 57 miles, 1 ½ hr. drive-time. "Rest" area along the way.

11:30 – 1:00 PM Lunch, "Hub's Pub & Grill", 10 N Dover St, Bonne Terre, MO 63628

1 – 2 PM, Tour the **Space Museum & Grissom Center**, (admission, \$10, Sr's \$9) 118 E School St, Bonne Terre, MO

2:30 – 3:30 PM, Tour the **Bonne Terre Mine**, (admission, \$28 + tax, if greater than 20 people, \$2 discount, prepaid only)

185 Park Ave, Bonne Terre, MO (Non-ADA, 65 steps in and out)

3:50 – 4:00 PM, 10–15-minute, 10-mile drive further south to **Missouri Mines State Historic Site**, 4000 State Hwy 32, Park Hills, MO 63601 (admission \$5) (Approx. 1 hour tour)

5:00 PM, head for home, or spend the night. 5-mile drive south to Farmington for hotel accommodation/check-in.

- Crown Pointe Lodge, Best Western Signature Collection 4245 Hunt Road, Farmington, MO 63640
- Phone: 573-701-9747
- 10-room block, \$115.00 plus tax, double queen standard room
- Group name: Gateway GTO
- Booking deadline is April 6, 2024
- Note: This backs up to the Crown Pointe Golf Club, a public range, if any golfers want to golf on Sunday!

6:00 PM Supper at Dexter Bar-B-Q, 763 Maple Valley Dr, Farmington, MO 63640

FREE SOFT-SERVE ICE CREAM WITH EACH MEAL PURCHASE

[Rain or Shine Event – in case of rain, daily drivers!]



## Trivia Night!



Sponsor a Round: \$10 Silent Auction, 50/50, Raffles, and more! No outside alcohol

> Jeff Co Detachment Marine Corps League #707 will host a trivia night to help support our mission

> > **April 6, 2024**

Arnold Meramec Eagles
1725 Jeffco Blvd, Arnold, MO 63010
Cost: \$20/person or \$160 for table of 8
Beer/Soda will be provided
Bring your own Snacks
To Purchase tickets, contact:
Julio Cruz 314.775.6188 or

707srvicecommandant@gmail.com



## The Evergreen Historic Automobiles



If you fancy old cars, you're going to love the Evergreen. The owner, Steve Plaster will give us a personal tour of his facility. Steve owns Passport Transportation, I'm sure you have all seen his trucks. Steve buys, sells, and trades every day. Even if you have been to the Evergreen before, this visit will contain different vehicles.

You will see 300-400 cars in several interconnected buildings. He employs a restoration staff including one person who is charged with starting the cars. Yes, they all run! And they are all for sale, except one.

Join the Horseless Carriage Club of MO on Saturday April 13<sup>th</sup> for the Evergreen Experience. Lunch in the Dogwood Room and personal tour \$40 per person. Mr. Plaster won't allow individuals to tour, only groups.

To join the tour, fill out the form on the back and send it with your payment and E-mail address to: HCCM, c/o John Hartmann, 1908 Bennington Common Dr., St. Louis, MO 63146-2555, Questions call John at 314 313-0305

Directions will be E-mailed in early April. Join our caravan at Wally's located at 950 Assembly Parkway, Fenton, MO. Gather at 8:30 on the west lot by the Tesla chargers. Plan on leaving at 8:45 and making one rest stop along the way. Drive is 2 ½ hours plus hrest stop.



For more Information: www.Everg	reenhistoricautomobiles.com
Sign me up for the Evergreen expe checks payable to HCCM.	rience on April 13 <sup>th</sup> . Please make
Name	Number in group
Club affiliation	
E-mail address	
Total included @ \$40 per person	

## **GATEWAY GTO ASSOCIATION**

## Membership/Renewal Form

(Please print clearly)

New	Renewal	Returning				
Name:		Date:				
Associate Name (Spouse/Signi	ficant Other):					
Address:						
City, State, Zip:						
Home Phone: ( )	Cell Pho	one: ( )				
E-mail Address:						
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Year & Body Style of Car(s) ALL PONTIACS:						
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GTO Association of America	membership number:					
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## PLEASE FILL IN ALL FIELDS

And mail to:

Will Bowers, Treasurer Gateway GTO Association 4213 Napa View Lane St. Charles, MO 63304

Membership dues are \$20.

You are allowed one associate member (spouse, significant other, etc.).

All Gateway GTO Members must also be members in good standing with GTOAA

Go to WWW.GTOAA.ORG to join or renew GTOAA membership

## Gateway GTO Membership Renewal

Gateway GTO Dues for 2024 are \$20 and are due by the annual Gateway GTO Pizza Party.

 Send dues to Will Bowers by mail or pay in person at the Next Meeting

Will's Address:

4213 Napa View Lane

St. Charles, MO 63304

• In order to Renew with Gateway GTO, members must be members in good standing with GTOAA.

Contact Chris Winslow if you have any questions on renewing your Gateway GTO membership



## GTOAA Membership Renewal

## GTOAA Dues are to be paid directly to GTOAA

- Do not send GTOAA dues to Will Bowers. Instead renew directly with GTOAA by mail or at www.gtoaa.org.
- All Gateway GTO Members must be GTOAA members in good standing.
- Please contact GTOAA Chapter Representative Steve Hedrick with any questions:

## **Steve Hedrick Contact Info:**

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## 2024 GATEWAY GTO CALENDAR OF EVENTS

## March

- 3 11th Annual Pinball Wizard Tournament. NEW LOCATION: Atomic Pinball Arcade, 102 Whitelaw Ave. Wood River, IL 62095. Tournament runs 3:15 to 6:14
- 7 GTO MEETING 7PM at Gingham's
- 16 Escape Room Event at Master Mind Escape Rooms, 3900 Old Highway 94, Suite #1, St. Charles, MO 63301 Challenge for this event is the Diamond Heist. Diamond thieves should plan to arrive by 2:45
- 31 Annual Easter Car Shows

Muny Show - Meet at McDonalds at 1420 Hampton Ave and proceed to the show at 8:30.

Family Arena Show - Meet at the Mobile station at 2311 Upper Bottom Road at 8:30

## April

- 4 GTO MEETING 7PM at Gingham's
- 6 Marine Corps Trivia Night 7pm at Arnold Meramec Eagles, 1725 Jeffco Blvd, Arnold, MO
- 7 April Fools Swap Meet at GCS Ballpark in Sauget, IL
- 13 JJ Cruise Night 1215 S. Deschene in St. Charles
- 13 Evergreen Historic Automobile Tour. See attached flyer for more details.
- 20 Cruise to Bonne Terre, Mo. Meet at Route 66 State Park, 97 N Outer Rd, Eureka, MO 63025 at 9:00a. See flyer for additional details

## **Gateway GTO Classifieds**

Wanted - Black Seat Belts for a 1969 GTO - (JJ's brother)

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## **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 send them to the newsletter editor.

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

## Advertising is free for members in good standing.

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## **Advertising Guidelines**

Classified ads are free to members. Classified ads up to 50 words for non-members are \$5.00 per issue.

## **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 form 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 Thursday of the month at Gingham's, 1566 Country Club Plaza Drive, St. Charles, MO 63303

The yearly dues for Gateway GTO is \$20. The dues are due by the Pizza Party in January. All Gateway GTO members must be a member in good standing with GTOAA. You are allowed to have one associate member.





## The Gateway GTO Association

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