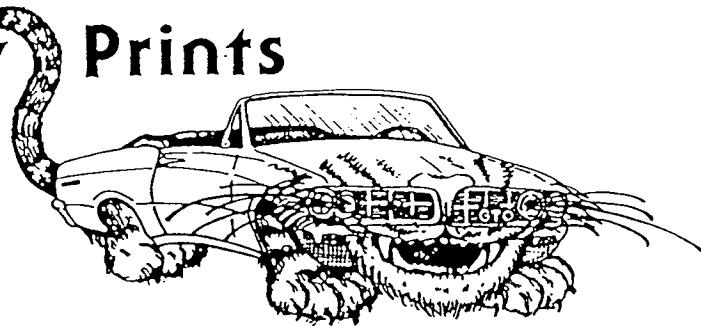


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TO ALL MY GTO FRIENDS:

THE SEPTEMBER MEETING WAS NOT VERY WELL ATTENDED, WHY IS NOT KNOWN. I'M SURE WE ALL HAVE A LOT OF THINGS TO DO ON THE SECOND WEDNESDAY NIGHT AT 7:00 PM, BUT IT SEEMS EVERY ONCE IN A WHILE YOU COULD MAKE A MEETING. WE HAVE 119 MEMBERS AND WE HAVE SOME OF OUR MEMBERS COMING FROM A LONG WAY TO ATTEND BUT WE CAN'T SEEM TO GET TO THE ONES WHO LIVE RIGHT HERE IN COLUMBUS. WELL SO MUCH FOR ALL THE BAD STUFF. WE REALLY HOPE TO SEE AS MANY OF YOU AS POSSIBLE AT THIS MONTHS MEETING.

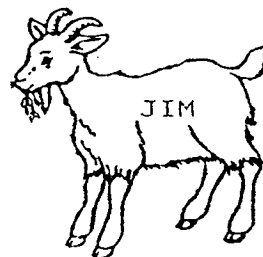
LAST MONTH WE DID NOT HAVE ENOUGH TO HAVE NOMINATIONS FOR NEXT YEARS OFFICERS. THIS MEETING WE MUST, SO WE CAN GET ALL THE BALLOTS OUT. ALSO WE NEED TO HAVE A CHAIRMAN FOR THE SWAP MEET AND FOR OUR '92 CAR SHOW.

IF YOU HAVE ANY SUGGESTIONS WE REALLY WANT TO KNOW ABOUT THEM. ALL YOU HAVE TO DO IS CALL ME OR ANY OTHER OFFICER AND LET THEM KNOW HOW YOU FEEL ABOUT THE CLUB. I KNOW WE GET A LOT OF SUPPORT AT OUR LOCAL SHOW BUT WE WANT TO SEE YOU MORE THEN JUST ONCE A YEAR.

THE HOLIDAY PARTY WILL BE COMING UP SOON SO SIGN UP AND LET'S MAKE THIS PARTY THE BIGGEST EVER. WE ALSO NEED SOMEONE TO COME FORWARD AND VOLUNTEER THEIR HOME TO HAVE THE PARTY.

FOR THOSE OF YOU WHO ARE PLANNING TO ATTEND THE 1992 GTOAA CONVENTION "EARLY IS BEST". HEARING FOR JOHN CAMPBELL, PROMOTIONS CHAIRMAN, AS OF NOW 100 OF THE 500 AVAILABLE ROOMS ARE ALREADY RESERVED. CALL THE MARRIOTT RESERVATION CENTER LINCOLNSHIRE RESORT, LINCOLNSHIRE, ILLINOIS 1-800-228-9290.

SO LONG FOR NOW



September 11, 1991 GTOACO meeting at Dennis Pontiac

Members in attendance were Jim Evans, Richard and Nancy Whaley, Neal Blankenship, Mark Baker. New members in attendance were Jim Lokai and Kevin Johnston. Guests were Jim Turnmeir.

Welcome to Jim Lokai a new member and Kevin Johnston who joined at the meeting.

Report was given on the Carroll show where we had eight cars in attendance.

Nominations for 92 officers was tabled until next meeting because of lack of participants at meeting. Jim will call members to see if any nominations are out there. If you are interested in being an officer please call Jim.

Winter swap meet date was set for February 23, 1992 at Dennis Pontiac. Jim will talk to Aaron and make sure this date is ok and set up a time. Please mark your calendars so you can help work. We need a chairperson Volunteer.

Local show for 1992 date was set June 20, 1992 at Dennis Pontiac. We need volunteers mark you calendars now.

Holiday Party. We need a place to hold this or suggestions from you where you want to go. Call Jim or Nancy with any suggestions.

50/50 drawing: Winner was Jim Lokai 3.50 goes to our charity.

Meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted by Nancy Whaley Secretary

CALENDAR

NOV. 13TH REGULAR MEETING
DENNIS PONTIAC
2900 MORSE RD.
COLUMBUS, OH
TECH SESSION
Bring part numbers
or good description
of a part you need and
NEAL will look to
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available thru GM

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TO ALL OUR MEMBERS:

The old saying goes an organization is only as strong as its membership. For some reason we seem to be missing this important factor at our last two meetings. An organization can not run only on the input of its officers and at this time we seem to be the only ones who care. We may be the chosen ones but we have to have your input. What do you want to do? You say you want to go to shows and then no one shows up. You say you want to have tech sessions, well we have tried this many times and no one shows up. I know everyone is busy but that is no excuse. What I want to know is what you want out of this club. The picnic is only attended by the same ones, the shows are hardly attended, no one shows for tech sessions or gives us any ideas what you want to do. We need articles for the Paw Prints, send us stories about shows you have attended, funny or not so funny things that have happen to you while working on your cars.

This last meeting in my mind was a great meeting for the two new members who attended from Urbana and Findlay. They got time to ask questions about the club and the GTOAA and we had time to answer their questions. But the question they had was is this all that every attends these meetings.

We have a lot of things to discuss in the next few months and we need to see bodies at the meetings with ideas. If you have suggestions we want to hear them.

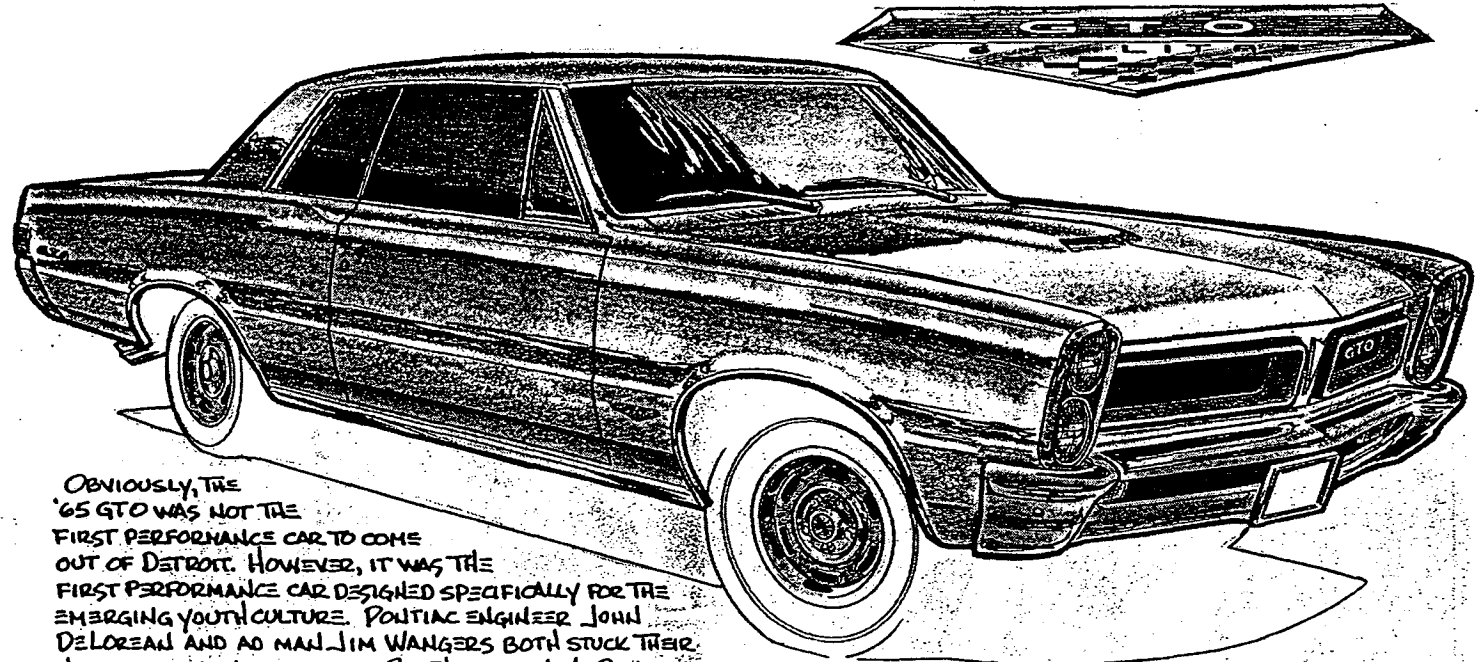
Hope to see more of you at the next meeting so we can accomplish something other than looking at each other.

Nancy Whaley
Secretary GTOACO

THE DOCTOR IS IN

Neal Blankenship has volunteered to offer his expertise at finding what most people consider hard to get parts. Bring your GM part numbers to Novembers meeting. Neal will look to see if your needed part is still available from GM.

THE HISTORY OF MUSCLE CARS



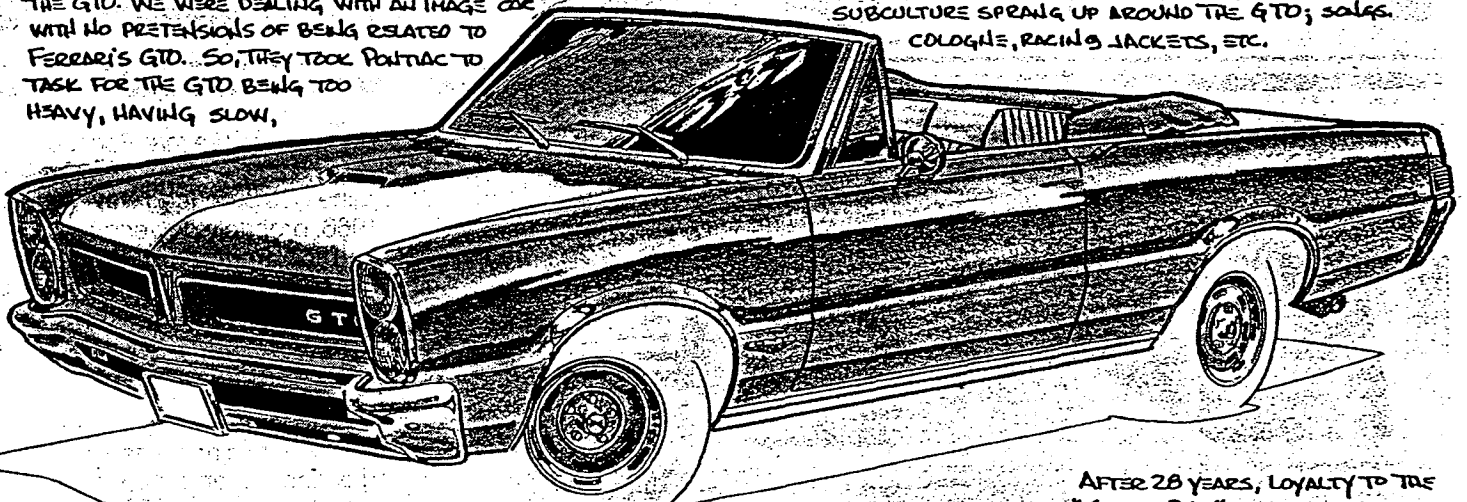
OBVIOUSLY, THE '65 GTO WAS NOT THE FIRST PERFORMANCE CAR TO COME OUT OF DETROIT. HOWEVER, IT WAS THE FIRST PERFORMANCE CAR DESIGNED SPECIFICALLY FOR THE EMERGING YOUTH CULTURE. PONTIAC ENGINEER JOHN DELOREAN AND AD MAN JIM WANGERS BOTH STUCK THEIR NECKS OUT AND HIT PAY DIRT. BY THE END OF '64, PONTIAC SOLD 32,450 GTO'S AND THE MUSCLECAR WARS HAD BEGUN.

THESE WERE THE DAYS WHEN THERE WERE SIGNIFICANT BODY CHANGES EVERY YEAR. THE '65 GTO RECEIVED VERTICAL QUAD HEADLIGHTS, A SPLIT FRONT GRILLE, AND COULD BE ORDERED AS A COUPE, HARDTOP, OR CONVERTIBLE. THE FORWARD-LEANING HEADLIGHTS GAVE THE GTO AN AGGRESSIVE STANCE. ALONG WITH THE CRISP NEW FENDER LINES THE '65 GTO HAD A COMPLETELY UNIQUE LOOK. THERE WAS NO MISTAKING IT FOR A '64 OR '66 EDITION.

SINCE THE CAR WAS NEVER INTENDED TO BE A RACER THE PERFORMANCE HARDWARE WAS ALL BOLT ON. MAGAZINES LIKE CAR & DRIVER AND CAR LIFE MOST HAVE MISUNDERSTOOD THE PREMISE OF THE GTO. WE WERE DEALING WITH AN IMAGE CAR WITH NO PRETENSIONS OF BEING RELATED TO FERRARI'S GTO. SO, THEY TOOK PONTIAC TO TASK FOR THE GTO BEING TOO HEAVY, HAVING SLOW,

MUSHY STEERING, AND WALLOWING THROUGH CORNERS. HOWEVER, THEY WERE BESIDES THEMSELVES OVER THE GTO'S BRUTE, BLASTING POWER. WITH 3.90 GEARS, THE 340 BHP VERSION RAN 0 TO 60 IN 4.6 SECONDS AND THE 1/4 MILE IN 13.1 SECONDS AT 114 MPH! TOP SPEED WAS 115 MPH. SO THE WORD WAS OUT AND 75,352 GTO'S WERE SOLD IN '65.

GRANTED, THOSE PERFORMANCE FIGURES WERE MOST LIKELY PRODUCED BY A PONTIAC-PREPARED CAR. ON THE STREET, UNDER NORMAL CIRCUMSTANCES, MOST GTO'S WERE NOT THAT STRONG. BUT THAT'S REALLY BESIDES THE POINT. GTO'S WERE ALWAYS CONTENDERS BECAUSE ONE NEVER KNEW IF THE GTO NEXT TO HIM WAS "WORKED" OR NOT. AN ENTIRE SUBCULTURE SPANG UP AROUND THE GTO; SOFAS, COLOGNE, RACING JACKETS, ETC.



AFTER 28 YEARS, LOYALTY TO THE "GREAT ONE" IS ALIVE AND WELL.

'65 PONTIAC GTO

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

I WOULD LIKE TO WELCOME OUR TWO NEWEST MEMBERS.

JIM LOKAI
2459 BARGER RD.
URBANA, OHIO 43078
64 GULFSTREAM AQUA H/T
67 FATHON BLUE H/T
70 GOLD H/T

KEVIN JOHNSON
222 FRANCONIA AVE.
MARION OHIO 43302
69 SILVER H/T

BOTH JIM AND KEVIN ARE GTOAA MEMBERS AND THEY WERE AT OUR LAST MEETING. WE THINK THEY ARE GOING TO BE VERY ACTIVE IN THE CLUB. GLAD TO HAVE YOU AS MEMBERS.

FOR SALE

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PONTIAC T-SHIRTS

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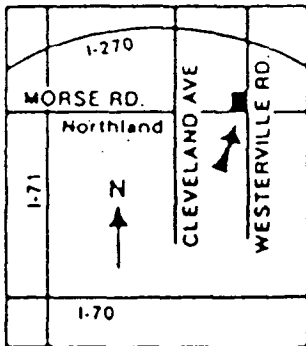
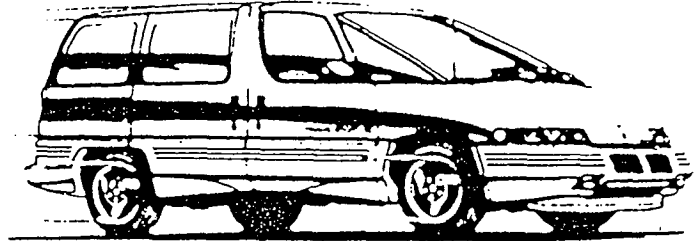
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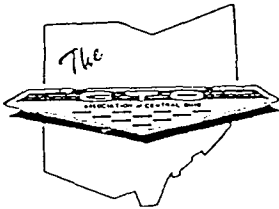


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