



Paw Prints

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SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST:

- Club Holiday Party Info!
- Firebird Drag Car

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Letter from the Editor - Kevin Russo

Happy New Year! I apologize that this edition of the 2017 Paw Prints is a little late. You know how it is during this time of year and I found myself enjoying the company of family and friends and completely forgetting about getting you your most favorite publication!

There are a couple things I want to point out to you in my letter this month. The first is that information for our 2017 Holiday party is enclosed in it. Please see it on page 8 and RSVP so that we can get a good count and ensure there is enough food and drink. Thanks, again, to all your efforts in helping make our club events successful, the party is free to members and their

guests but PLEASE RSVP!

Lastly, the event we’ve been planning for over the last two years is finally here! The Summit Racing Hot Rod & Custom Car Show is happening at the Columbus Convention Center January 27-29, 2017. As the co-hosts, we are helping setup, man and clean up the show. We are also providing club cars for our own club display as well as the Summit Racing display. We need volunteers to help with setup, move-in (mostly with club cars), manning the show, move-out and clean up. We have a volunteer sign up sheet. Contact Ron Cozzo or come to the January Club Meeting on the 11th to sign up. If you want to show your car at our display

or the Summit Racing display, please contact me, if you haven’t already. Lastly, transporting 8 or more cars to and from the Convention Center goes much more quickly the more trailers we have (assuming bad weather/salty roads). If you have an enclosed trailer and can help with that transportation, please contact me too. We currently have two; the more the better.

With the winter weather upon us, I thought you might enjoy a shot from our All Pontiac Indian Uprising below! I hope to see you at the January Meeting. Until then have fun and stay safe (and warm)!

—Kevin



The River Church in a Barn Car Rally

A beautiful early September day was the setting for this little cruise-in at a church in Delaware. As the name suggests, the church is in an old barn with a little “river” running in the front green space used for members’ baptisms. It marked the first time our club attended as a larger group and it was a great little show. With 9 club members attending, a nice parade of Pontiacs (7 GTOs, 1 Fiero and 1 G8) was welcomed to the show field. Club members that joined us were Jim Evans, Bob Gribben, Bryan Steffie, Dan Kirchner, Ron Cozzo, Kevin Russo, Bill Sigg, Mike Shockley and Brian D’ A mico.



14TH ANNUAL CAR RALLY  SEPT 4TH 10 AM
PARKING STARTS AT 9 AM

Make Life Better  RiverBarn.org

14TH ANNUAL RIVER CAR RALLY CRUISE IN  To Benefit Orphan Outreach



“CrowMod” Firebird by Steve Schaeffer

While attending the Performance Racing Industry Trade Show in Indianapolis I spotted Justin “Big Chief” Shearer’s new Firebird race car. This car replaces the Tempest race car that was wrecked on the Street Outlaws TV show. This is the first Pro-Mod race car also designed to run on the street and it is powered by a Butler built turbo real Pontiac engine! It is the first real Pontiac powered car to run in the 3s in the eighth mile. It has 200 mph potential.

A Pro-Mod is a full tube chassis car with an extended wheel base, full rear suspension and a power adder. The power adder can be either a blower, turbo charger, or nitrous. Justin’s car is really a pseudo funny car with doors. These cars typically weigh under 2,500 pounds. The guy’s running back-hafted steel bodied real street cars on Discovery Channel’s “Street Outlaws” no longer have a chance.



Tiger Bites! - Noteworthy News Bites

- ◆ **NOTE FROM THE CLUB SECRETARY:** Attention club members! The secretary will no longer be mailing club dues notices. Instead, you will receive an email and members owing club dues will be listed in the meeting minutes in the Paw Prints.
- ◆ Our club will be co-hosting the Columbus Hot Rod and Custom Car Show in January 2017.
 - ◆ Club members will be asked to help with this event. Come to the **January Meeting** to sign up to help work the show or contact Ron Cozzo (rcozzo@earthlink.net).
 - ◆ The club has been asked to provide 4 GTOs to for display at the Summit Racing area. Additionally Club members can show their cars in our club area. No cost. Kevin Russo is coordinating the displays, the cars and transportation for the cars in the event of inclement weather. Contact him if you are interested or can help with car transportation (krusso_sp@hotmail.com).
- ◆ Our 2017 Holiday Party will be Saturday, February 18, 2017 at Lynne and Lonnie McLaughlin's home (5808 Tarton Circle North Dublin, OH 43017). Please bring a chair. See page 8 for more details and **PLEASE RSVP**
- ◆ Our annual All Pontiac Swap Meet will be held on Sunday, March 19, 2017. See the flyer in this Paw Prints for more details! A volunteer schedule will be made up prior to the event. Please plan to help!
- ◆ If you need to renew or are thinking of renewing your **GTOAA membership**, **please do so** to ensure our club remains a valid GTOAA chapter with all the benefits of that status. There is an application in your Paw Prints below and the GTOAA can now take membership applications on line.



Welcome New Members!

- ◆ No new members this month

Meeting Minutes December 14, 2016



President Ron Cozzo called the meeting to order. Those in attendance were Bill Sigg, Jess Girard, Jeff Frazier, Jim Lowry, Larry Reeb, Brian D'Amico, Brent Barham, Rob Wilson, Mike Berichon, Kevin Russo, Mike Shockley, Ron & Donna Landis.

Treasurer's Report: Mike Shockley gave the Treasurer's report. He reported that we are no longer going to get charged the \$2.00 monthly fee. That was a relief to all members present. Kevin Russo made the motion to approve the report 2nd by Ron Landis.

January 27, 28, 29 2017 Summit Racing Equipment Hot Rod & Custom Car Show: Cohosted by the GTOA-CO. Hopefully at the January meeting Rodd Rainey the organizer will be on hand. Club will have very little duties. Show starts on Friday at 2pm. Awards Sunday at 4:30. Club cars will get moved in on Wed. or Thurs. Two trailers so far to move club cars. If you can help, please offer your trailer. Contact Kevin Russo if you can offer a trailer or if you would like your car to be displayed. Ron will get passes for the club members who are working. He is checking on parking for helpers. Stan Farlow is working on a manpower plan. Ron will also talk to Rodd about shirts for workers. Club insurance has been submitted. This covers our members only.

All Pontiac Swap Meet: March 19th, 2017 @ Dennis Hyundai-Flyers and mailing list sent for printing. Club insurance has been submitted. Ron has put the swap meet information on at least 12 different web sites. Mass e-mail will go out the weekend. Should be in the Legend in February. See if Carolyn will advertise on the radio. Ron is going to try and get the same food vendor as last year.

2nd Annual Battle of the Brands: While at the meeting Bryan got a phone call from Big Walnut Grill and they confirmed the date. July 29th, 2017. Talk more about the format when time gets closer.

Cruise In & All Pontiac Show: Crowne Plaza in Dublin is out. Still looking for a hotel. If no hotel, need to decide what to do.

Holiday Party: Lonnie & Lynne McLaughlin February 18th, 2017. 6:00PM. Food will be catered. RSVP to Lonnie by February 15th, 2017. Club will pick up the tab.

Meeting Adjourned: Kevin Russo made the motion to adjourn the meeting 2nd by Ron Landis Submitted by Kevin Russo for Donna Landis, Secretary

Meetings held
the 2nd
Wednesday
each month
Dennis
Hyundia on
Morse Road.

ATT: MEMBERS!!!! ARE YOUR DUES DUE??????? ATT: MEMBERS!!!

DUES FOR JAN—Earl Boyle, Jerry Brownfield, Jim Evans, Denny Halderman, Ron Landis, Phil McCool, Michael Vedra, Barry Wear, Robert Williams

DUES FOR DEC— Frank Block, Adam Sigg, Mike Shockley, Frank Stewart

DUES FOR OCT - Jess Girard

DUES FOR AUGUST - Dan Bridenbaugh

DUES FOR JUNE - Greg Butler

Please mail dues to Donna Landis, 58 Arlington Ave., London Ohio 43140



Meeting Agenda - January 11, 2017

- Treasurer's Report - Mike Shockley
- ♦ Summit Racing Equipment Hot Rod & Custom Car Show - Ron Cozzo
 - ♦ January 27, 28, 29, 2017, Rodd Rainey organizer
 - ♦ Move-In January 25, 26
 - ♦ Kevin Russo - Club cars
 - ♦ Stan Farlow - Manpower plan
- ♦ Club Holiday Party - Lonnie McLaughin's house
 - ♦ Feb 18, 6pm, Der Dutchman Catering
 - ♦ Details in Paw Prints, please RSVP so we order enough food.
- ♦ All Pontiac Swap Meet - Ron Cozzo
 - ♦ March 19, 2017, Dennis Hyundai
- ♦ Sugar Creek Cruise Jun 9, 10
- ♦ 2nd Annual Battle of the Brands - Brian D'Amico
 - ♦ July 29th 10am - 3pm
- Cruise-In and All Pontiac Show - Ron Cozzo
 - Location/Date: ???
- Open Discussion
- Motion for Adjournment

Calendar of Events

January 11, 2017

*Regular Club Meeting 7pm @ Dennis Automotive 2900 Morse Rd Columbus, OH
5:30pm pre-meeting dinner @ Smokey Bones Bar & Fire Grill, 3939 Morse Crossing, Columbus, OH 43219*

January 1, 2017

New Year's Day!! Happy New Year!!

January 25-27, 2017

*Setup and move cars into the convention center
- Club car move in schedule will be published in email and members notified by K. Russo*

January 27-29, 2017

Summit Racing Hot Rod & Custom Car Show

January 29, 2017

Clean up and move club and show cars out of convention center

January 16, 2017

Martin Luther King Day



JANUARY 2017

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11 <i>Club Meeting 7pm @ Dennis</i>	12	13	14
15	16 	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25 <i>Convention Center setup and move-in</i>	26	27 <i>Summit Racing Hot Rod & Custom Car Show</i>	28
29 <i>Show Awards/ Move out</i>	30	31				

2017 GTOACO Holiday Party!

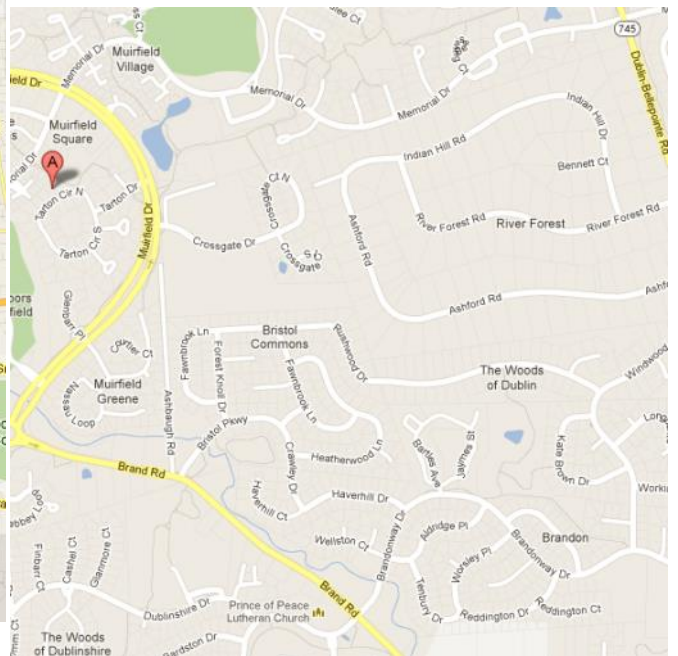
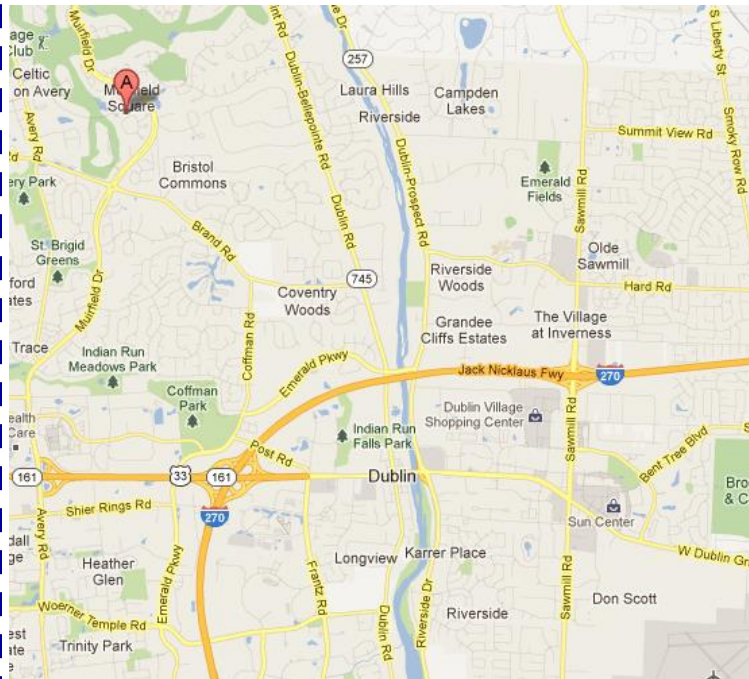
When: Saturday February 18, 2017

Where: Lonnie and Lynn McLaughlin @ 5808 Tarton Circle North Dublin, OH 43017

How much: FREE

What to bring: Chairs. If you want, you may bring a dessert. Everything else is provided by the club

What you need to do: RSVP to Lonnie at londart@aol.com or 614-327-8885.



For Sale

- ◆ DJ GTO Parts! Now your one stop shopping place for used and NEW GTO parts. If you know the part number, great, otherwise just let them know what it is you need! See Dan Gregory Jr. (or call 614-563-0877 or email info@djgtoparts.com) for more information and options for taking delivery of your parts or visit their website at <http://djgtoparts.com/>. GTOACO members receive a discount!



- ◆ *I will rebuild your Muncie '64 to '74, or Borg Warner T-10, '57 to '65 or GM Super T-10, '75 to '81 4 speed transmission for \$375.00 including the following parts that are necessary to freshen up a worn, high mileage unit.*

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I also have new and used gears, cases, side covers, tail housings, etc. available.

Steve Schaeffer, Retired A.S.E. certified mechanic, Lancaster, 740-654-8959 or 740-215-0126.

I also build Ford Top Loaders '64-79 passenger car, overdrive and regular, as well as Chrysler A833 4 speeds. Parts on Ford and Chrysler transmissions are slightly higher.



Send in your items for sale to your Paw Prints Newsletter Editor (pictures welcome).

Remember, ads are FREE to GTOACO Members!



**APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP
GTO ASSOCIATION OF CENTRAL OHIO**

Name: _____ Date: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Home Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____

Occupation: _____ E-mail Address: _____

Membership Dues are \$20/year for email Paw Prints delivery, or \$30/year for postal delivery.

(Check One)

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OR POSTAL MAIL (BLACK AND WHITE) \$30

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Web Site www.gtoaco.com

740-506-5804
E-MAIL ADDRESS
SHARKLANDIS@NETSCAPE.NET

YOU A MEMBER OF THE GTO ASSOCIATION OF AMERICA # _____ Date Expires _____

SPOUSE'S NAME : _____

CHILDREN: _____

YEAR, COLOR AND STYLE OF GTO (s) OR PONTIAC (s) CURRENTLY OWNED:

WHAT ACTIVITIES WOULD YOU BE INTERESTED IN? _____

OPTIONAL:

WRITE A SHORT STORY ABOUT YOURSELF, FAMILY, OCCUPATION, HOBBIES AND HOW YOU GOT INTERESTED IN GTO'S. IF YOU HAVE ANY PICTURES OF YOUR CAR SEND THOSE ALSO. THIS INFORMATION WILL BE USED IN A COLUMN IN THE PAW PRINTS FEATURING MEMBERS. IT IS A GOOD WAY FOR US TO BECOME AQUATINTED WITH EACH OTHER.



GTOAA Information

Your chapter is an affiliated chapter with the GTO Association of America. You can join the National GTO organization, the GTOAA & receive the Golden Quill Award Winning publication, *The Legend*.

To join complete the form below and mail in, or join online at www.gtoaa.org



Membership Application

Date: _____

Mem #: _____

Name: _____

Phone: _____

Address: _____

Email: _____

GTO Ownership is not a requirement of membership to the GTOAA

GTO OWNERSHIP

Year _____ Body Style _____ Engine _____

Year _____ Body Style _____ Engine _____

Year _____ Body Style _____ Engine _____

I agree that, if elected to membership, I will conform to all rules of the Association and conduct myself in the manner that promotes the goals and purposes of the Organization.

Signed: _____ Date: _____

DUES:

\$35.00/year for members in the USA, \$40.00USD/year for Canadian members, and \$50.00USD/year for all other international members. \$5.00 for associate memberships in the same family name (includes membership card, decal, and membership listing). There is a \$2.00 bank processing fee for applications paid by credit card.

CHECK / MO # _____

Mastercard / Visa Card # _____ Exp # _____

Signed: _____ Date: _____

Make Check/Money order payable to GTOAA:

Mail signed Application to: GTOAA, PO BOX 455, Timnath, CO 80547

ALL PONTIAC INDOOR SWAP MEET

March 19, 2017

Enter on East Side of Building
at the Service Entrance



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HYUNDAI OF EASTON

Dennis Hyundai, 2900 Morse Rd., Columbus, OH 43231

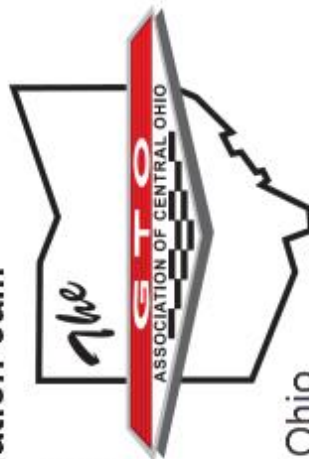
VENDOR SET-UP 7:00 A.M. - 9:00 A.M.

OPEN TO PUBLIC 9:00 A.M. - 1:00 P.M.

10' x 10' spaces - \$15.00 each
\$2.00 general admission

For swap & vendor information call:

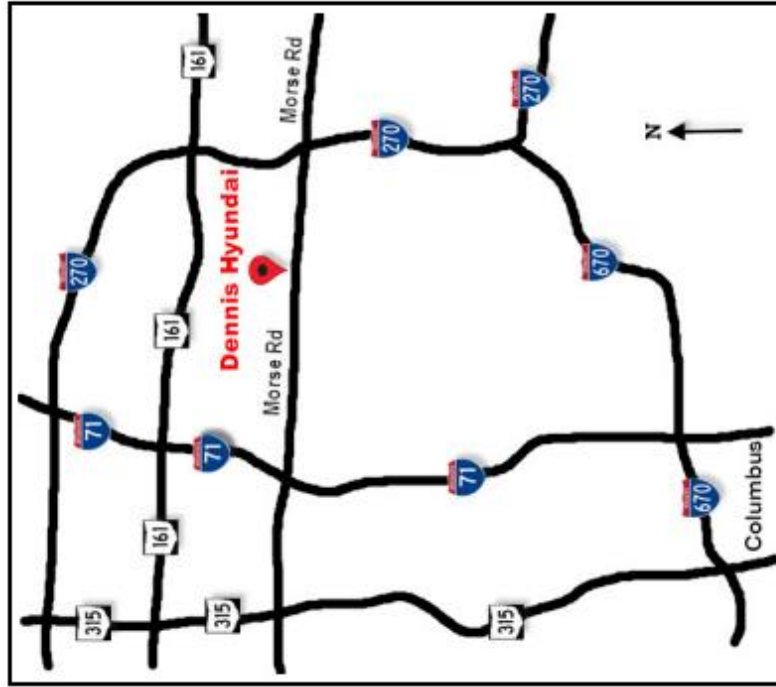
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Burma Shave

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