

Paw Prints

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Letter from the Editor - Kevin Russo

SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST:

- President's Letter
- Who's Working on What

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I hope you all had a very Merry Christmas and will have a safe and happy New Year! I write this column on the day before Christmas Eve (it's snowing here at my Mom's by the way) but by the time you receive and read this Christmas will have come and gone and New Year's Day will be less than a week away.

As you know, we have some changes with club officers for 2018. We will also have a couple changes in the newsletter. Stan Farlow will contribute a letter regularly and we are looking into adding a "Who's Working on What" section where we hope to have a quick list of who might be have a project they are working on.

The first letter from Stan is in this edition as well as a first prototype of Who's Working on What which is likely to change based on ideas and information. So send me what you are working on, please!

Also in this edition is a pictorial coverage of the Indianapolis Performance Racing Industry Show from Steve Schaeffer.

The January meeting will be full of discussion so please plan on attending. We will finalize the club holiday party plans, we will discuss meeting up for a club breakfast one morning in March, we will start working on our cruise-in and all Pontiac show and we will install new board members for 2018.

On the cruise-in and all Pontiac show, we are in desperate need of a chairperson for it. So please come ready to contribute to these topics and ready to volunteer to chair the show. It would be great to have more volunteers than one. This would be a great situation for our 3 vacant board seat as well!

Note that our January meeting will again be at the KEMBA Financial headquarters. Dinner at 5:15pm at the Hickory House. Please RSVP to me for dinner!

Until I see you again, hopefully at the January meeting, have fun and stay safe (and warm)!

—Kevin





's Letter

Happy New Year!!! I hope you all are looking forward to the new year with some good times driving and socializing with your GTO friends.

As I'm looking at taking on the Presidents job it's time to think about what the club is about. The reality is that the club is a sizable group of folks who have the same hobby, share a love of GTOs, and enjoy spending time together. It seems to me that our goal is to help grow our common interests and provide opportunities for members to enjoy each other's company. The club has a few traditions that we need to maintain. The swap meet, the all Pontiac show, the picnic, the holiday party, and our GTOAA affiliation are all part of the club. Finally, the club continues because of the good will and participation of it's members. Without an engaged membership the activities won't happen and we won't grow. We continue to gain new members nearly every month, my challenge is to provide them with a reason to engage and enjoy the club.

We do have some challenges this year. Losing our sponsor and funding is an issue that ripples through most of our activities. We need to find a regular place to meet and hold our events. We have to understand our income and expenses so that we can continue our traditional activities without sponsor funding. We also need a plan on how we are going to attain 100% GTOAA membership over the next few years as the GTOAA continues marching towards all chapters with 100% GTOAA membership. As long as we remember why we belong to the club we will deal with the challenges, and continue to have a good time.

If anyone has ideas for how to meet our challenges or for new activities please bring them up to the group. I will be easy to contact and am always looking for a way to help the club.



Indy PRI Show Pictorial, pictures by Steve Schaeffer

Steve Schaeffer attended the 2017 Performance Racing Industry Show in Indianapolis, December 7-9, 2017. Here is his pictorial coverage of that show. Enjoy!



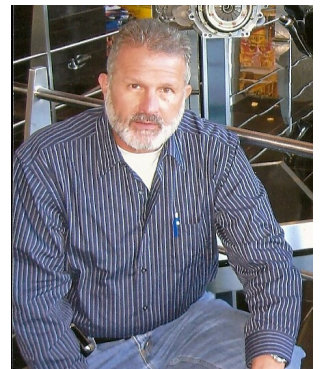
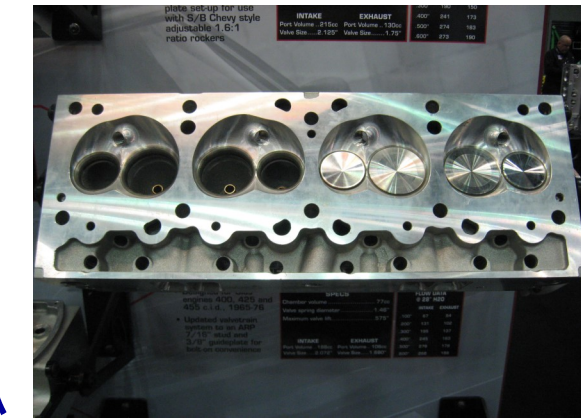
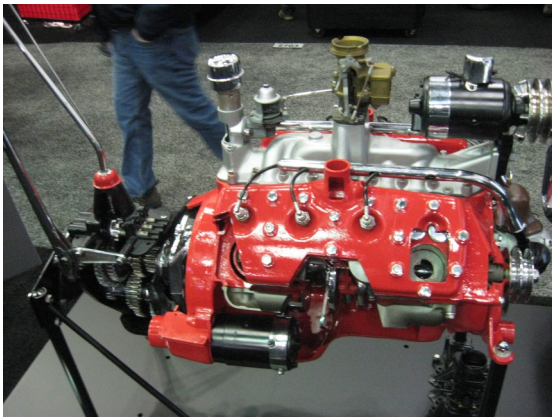
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Tiger Bites! - Noteworthy News Bites

- ◆ *NOTE FROM THE CLUB TREASURER: Attention club members! The treasurer will now be collecting club dues. Members owing club dues will be listed in the meeting minutes in the Paw Prints.*
- ◆ *The January Meeting will again be at the corporate headquarters of KEMBA Financial Credit Union 555 Offcenter Place Gahanna, OH on December 13. RSVP to Kevin Russo at krus-so_sp@hotmail.com if you plan to come for dinner, 5:15pm at Hickory House (across the parking lot) with meeting starting at 7pm.*
- ◆ *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 in December

Who's Working on What

- ◆ *Ron Cozzo is starting work on his 66 LeMans.*
- ◆ *Lonnie McLaughlin is restoring a 65 GTO convertible and is currently waiting on the frame from powder coating.*
- ◆ *Kevin Landis should be putting the finishing touches on his 64 GTO.*
- ◆ *Jess Girard is finishing up his 65 GTO and starting on his 66 Ventura.*

Meeting Minutes November 8, 2017



President Ron Cozzo called the meeting to order. Those in attendance were Kevin Russo, Pam & Stan Farlow, Jane & Jeff Frazier, Mike Shockley, Stephen Leonard, Jim Lowry, Max Treier, Lonnie McLaughlin, Brian D'Amico, Bill & Karen Sigg and Keith & Connie Stevens.

Lonnie McLaughlin gave the Treasurer's report for Mike Shockley. Ron Cozzo presented his expenses for newsletter mailing and other supplies. Both the report and the expenses were approved with a motion from Kevin Russo, seconded by Pam Farlow.

Officer Transition: Transitions from the 2017 club officers to the new 2018 officers is underway and completed with this meeting. 2017 officers are there for help if the 2018 officers need it. Ron Cozzo presented his list of tasks as former president to our new president Stan Farlow and the rest of the club. The other officers are encouraged to provide their successors with similar lists as well. It was determined that a second signer for the club bank account should be in place. Stan and Lonnie to discuss.

2018 GTOAA Chapter Survey: Ron Cozzo completed the survey to be sent to the GTOAA in January.

Officer GTOAA Dues: A motion was made by Kevin Russo and seconded by Max Treier for the club to pay the officer's GTOAA dues.

2018 Battle of the Brands Cruise-In: All set for July 28, 2018 at the Big Walnut Grill in Sunbury with BWG and Jets as sponsors. Show chair Brian D'Amico is working on the flyers and awards.

2018 All Pontiac Swap Meet: With the loss of Dennis as the sponsor, the club has not been able to secure a location for the 2018 swap meet. Discussion resulted in the club deciding to postpone the swap for a year such that a new site can be secured. This will be communicated to the vendors and to participants through various channels (Facebook, OldRide, PY Forum, etc).

2018 Cruise-In and All Pontiac Show: Planning for this show will start in January. A show chairperson is needed with a target timeframe of mid June to hold the show. We also need a location for the show.

2018 Holiday Party: The club holiday party will be held on February 24, 2018. Potential location at the time of the meeting was to ask Mike Berichon to use his facilities. More details on food, confirmation on location and any other info will be handled during the January meeting.

Kevin Russo is being honored at the 2018 Arthritis Foundation Crystal Ball event for his work on the Delaware show in February. Congratulations!

Meeting Adjourned: Lonnie McLaughlin, seconded by Mike Shockley

NEXT MEETING LOCATION (Same as last month): KEMBA Financial Credit Union 555 Officenter Place Gahanna, OH

Submitted by Kevin Russo for Donna Landis, Secretary

**ATT: MEMBERS!!!! If you see your name listed below you owe dues!!!!
Please get your dues to Lonnie McLaughlin @ 5850 Tarton Circle North
Dublin, OH 43017!!**

DUES PAST DUE THRU DECEMBER 2017: Bob Hoffman, Ira Warfield, Robert Burke, Calvin Ferguson, Brian Hall, Tom Frazier, Frank Block, Brenda/Cody/Calvin Ferguson, Mike Shockley

DUES FOR JAN 2018 - Earl Boyle, Jerry Brownfield, Jim Evans,, Ron Landis, Phil McCool, Robert Williams.

DUES FOR FEB - Bob Gibbons, Roy Hess, Shawn Rinehart, Ed Sloan, Lonnie McLaughlin

**Meetings held
the 2nd
Wednesday
each month**



Meeting Agenda - January 10, 2018

- Treasurer's Report - Lonnie McLaughlin
- Review of last meeting minutes- Ron Cozzo
- Nominations of Directors and election process
- Holiday Party February 24
- Prevent Blindness donation amount
- 2018 All Pontiac swap meet deferral to 2019
 - Substitute Breakfast Social need location or Der Dutchman March 24, 2018
- 2018 Battle of the Brands
 - July 29 at Sunbury
- 2018 All Pontiac Swap Meet deferral to 2019
- 2018 Cruise-In and All Pontiac Show
 - Date June 22?
 - Venue
- Next Meeting Location?
- Open Discussion
- Motion for Adjournment

Calendar of Events

January 10, 2018

Regular Club Meeting @ KEMBA Financial Credit Union Corporate 555 Officenter Place Gahanna. Dinner 5:15pm Hickory House (across parking lot) at 5:15pm the meeting starting at 7PM. RSVP to krusso_sp@hotmail.com if you join us for dinner.

January 1, 2018

New Year's Day

January 15, 2018

Martin Luther King Day



JANUARY 2018

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 HAPPY NEW YEAR	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10 <i>Club Meeting 7pm@KEMBA</i>	11	12	13
14	15  Martin Luther King Jr. Day	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30	31			

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!



- ◆ *****NEW ***** For Sale—400 Pontiac motor. New build about 500 mi. Comp Cam and accessories, aluminum .intake, water pump and valve covers asking \$1500.00 Harry Mullins 614 795 2310
- ◆ 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!



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



www.gtoaco.com

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

Name _____ Date _____

Address _____ City _____ ST _____ Zip _____

Home Phone _____ Cell Phone _____

Occupation _____ E-mail Address _____

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

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ARE 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 AQUAINTED WITH EACH OTHER.

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