

## *Greater Pittsburgh GTO Goat Gazette---August 2010 Edition*



Hi everyone! Another month has come and gone as we slowly slip into the end of cruising season. Our August meeting was held on Wednesday, August 18 at Kings in Wexford. Discussion was held on the upcoming events, especially the picnic on Saturday, September 11 at beautiful Alameda Park in Butler, just off State Road 356, near the 356 & 68 intersection. A full day of FUN is planned so come on out and join us. Here is the tentative agenda for the day:

10a -- Set-up  
11a -- Picnic starts  
12:30(ish) -- Food is served!  
1:30 -- Meeting  
2p -- Cruise around Lake Arthur  
3p -- Volleyball, bocce ball, bean-bag toss  
5:30p -- End of picnic, anyone interested can head to E-Racers  
(east on SR68, opens @ 6p -- [Check it out!](#))

See the park's webpage [here](#) (our shelter is The Pines, with lots of paved parking all around, plus nice, clean bathrooms)

See the reservation email sent out last week by picnic coordinator, Deb DeCoursey for more details. Make sure to let her know ASAP if you can make it and what you would like to bring.

**Deadline to RSVP is September 5.**

\*\*\*To celebrate the 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the reorganization of the Greater Pittsburgh GTO Club, we are inviting former members to join us at the picnic. Please let one of our officers know if you know anyone that you might like to have invited.\*\*\*

## MEMBERSHIP CORNER

We are still recruiting members into the club. If you know anyone who has a GTO or is a GTO lover, invite them to join. I have attached the application to this message. Please print a few out and keep them in your glove box. The [application](#) is also on our club website. Please remember that membership is the responsibility of all members and we all run into people each and every day that are potential members. Those who join now for \$10 are paid members through the cruising season of 2011.

## TECH CORNER

Greater Pittsburgh GTO Club is now on Facebook!! Please make it a point to join the group on Facebook. For those of you who fear getting too wrapped up in Facebook, you need only to create a basic account to join the club page. You can monitor your own security settings and share only what you want. This is a great way for the club to communicate news/events/and things you want to share with other members. For questions on the Facebook page, etc; please contact Website Coordinator, Steve Busalacchi at [bus15241@verizon.net](mailto:bus15241@verizon.net).

Website Coordinator, Steve Busalacchi has been adding a Car of the Month to the website by featuring a different member's car on the front page each week. Those of you who have pictures can forward them to Steve at [bus15241@verizon.net](mailto:bus15241@verizon.net). We need pictures! Be next in line to have your car featured!

## OUT AND ABOUT

**September 3**...Last cruise of the season for the [Wexford Starlite Cruise](#). If you have never been there, make this a "Must attend"!

**September 5**...Pontiac, Buick, Olds Nationals/Summit Racing Equipment - Tallmadge, OH

**September 19**...There is a cruise at Word of Life Church in Greensburg from 12:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. The cost is \$6.00 a person. One person gets in free if they bring their classic car. They have lots of food, drinks, desserts, rides and inflatable jumping things for kids. You can go to their [website](#) for a listing of the events for the cruise.

**September 19**...All Pontiac display at Mikan in Butler

## ON THE HORIZON

**October....Date TBD...**Impromptu Fall Fun Run weather dependent. Tentatively hold the first few weekends in October for an impromptu Fun Run to Ligonier. We will schedule based on the weather forecast for those weekends. **Please let Joe Barber know if you are interested.** If we discover a few days before that the weekend is to be nice, then we will call those on the list to schedule time, meeting place, etc;

**October 10...**All Pontiac display at Arnold Pontiac

**December 3...**Club Christmas party at Carmody's in Wexford, PA. Stay tuned for details and reservation information.

## IN THE PAST

We were all singing "rain, rain, go away" on Sunday, August 15<sup>th</sup> when we met for our Fun Run to Conneaut and Pymatuming. We had a total of 7 cars, 5 of them classics. We left Cranberry and drove to McConnell's for photo opportunities with the cars. The rain held off until we got ready to depart the Conneaut Historical Museum and then the Heavens opened. After waiting for over ½ hour, we left there to drive to the park for lunch. Ironically the street we left the museum on was Water Street and boy was there water!! The classic Bonneville had water to its floor boards! The Carps were well fed by participants as we visited the Pymatuming Spillway before heading home. Thanks go to Joe Barber for planning the route and organizing the run.

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Seventeen club members attended the Woodward Dream Cruise in Pontiac Michigan August 20-22. What a great time we had and what a great event! We had such a terrific time that we decided to once again make it a club event for 2011! Make plans now to attend as this is something every car enthusiast MUST see at least once in their lifetime. Over 1,000,000 people attended over the course of the weekend. We had rain on Saturday during the cruise but it didn't deter the cruisers or attendees. Thanks to the Woodward GTO Tigers, parking on Woodward was made easy as well as getting a delicious lunch. They also hosted a fantastic parking lot party on Saturday evening at the Marriott/Centerpoint Parkway which was their base hotel for the weekend. The Woodward GTO Tigers GTO Classic Weekend GTO show was held on Sunday in the hotel parking lot. Four of our members walked away with trophies. Alan Fabritius won 1<sup>st</sup> place in the 68/69 Altered/Restored class; John Owoc won 1<sup>st</sup> place in the 70 Altered/ Restored class; Steve Busalacchi won 2<sup>nd</sup> place in the 67 Stock class; and Kirk McFarland won 2<sup>nd</sup> place in the 04-06 class. Those attending were John and Karen Owoc; Steve and Beth Busalacchi; Ken and Cheryl Kasper; Alan and Bonnie Fabritius; John and Carol Odrey; Jim and Cindy Mastroianni; Kirk, Cindy, and Sammie McFarland; John and Connie Bacha; and Pat Gallagher. Watch for pictures to be posted on the club website soon.

## MEMBER BULLETIN BOARD

For Sale...67 Stock GTO Hardtop. Very good condition. It is numbers matching with too many new items to list here. Asking \$28K. Contact Gary Coulter if interested at [grcoulter729@gmail.com](mailto:grcoulter729@gmail.com)

## CLUB CLOTHES CLOSET

We have voted to use Doreen Nelson as our club's provider for embroidered logo wear. Doreen will be in attendance at the picnic with samples of some of the items available for purchase with the club logo. I think you will agree that her prices are very reasonable as well as beautifully done. I've attached a flyer of just some of the items she has readily available. Production time is very fast! You can order directly through her by using the information on the flyer. I also have a couple of catalogs that I will bring to the picnic.

## CELEBRATION CORNER

### August Birthdays---Happy Birthday everyone!!

*John Odrey---August 22*  
*Jim Early---August 4*  
*Noreen Thompson---August 27*  
*Cheryl Gaertner---August 31*

### August Anniversaries---Happy Anniversary everyone!!

*Kirk and Cindy McFarland---August 1*  
*Doug and Linda Sappington---August 2*  
*Jim and Linda Early---August 3*  
*Alan and Bonnie Fabritius---August 13*  
*Barry and Penny Brill---August 23*  
*Scott and Lisa Werner---August 26*  
*Don and Paulette Willochell---August 30*