

GREATER PITTSBURGH GTO GOAT GAZETTE---MARCH, 2012 EDITION



Hello fellow club members! WOW! With the summer like weather upon us for the last couple of weeks, who has had their GTO out?

Our March meeting was held on Thursday, March 15 with 20 members in attendance. Karen Owoc was the winner of the 50/50 drawing. Congrats Karen! Discussion began at the meeting by reinforcing why our members should become members of the GTOAA also. It will soon be a requirement for chapters to have 100% of their members also be members of the GTOAA so the members/officers discussed how we could best “enforce” it within our club. There are many reasons why it is beneficial to you as well as to the club to be a member of the National Organization AND will be a requirement in order to register your GTO as a GTO when we host the 2014 event. If you are not a member, please consider joining now. You can join online or I have applications that I could send upon request. The club membership information was submitted to the GTOAA currently with 62% of our members belonging to the national organization.

Joe Barber is looking into the possibility of dates for GTO Days at Kennywood over the July 4th weekend. Stay tuned!

Our main discussion centered on the contract details for the event. The Nationals steering committee met on Tuesday, March 27 to fine tune the contract and prepare to take our final changes to the facility before signing. Should you have any questions/concerns regarding the contract or the event in general, we encourage you to contact event Co-Chair, John Owoc or club President, Joe Barber. Our goal is to have the contract in place within the next couple of weeks.

If you have not already done so, please review the list of committees below and let us know ASAP which area you think you are willing to serve. Please keep in mind as you volunteer for a certain committee, that you realize that as time draws nearer, we will need to ask for your attendance at our monthly meetings and some special meetings that will need to be held in preparation for the event.

Committees:

Hotel—Carol Odrey/Chair

Registration/Promotion/Sponsors—Cheryl Kasper/Chair

Finance—Alan Fabritius/Chair

Activities—John Odrey/Chair

Car Show/Parking Lot—Ken Kasper/Chair

Swap Meet—Joe Barber/Chair

Drag Race/Road Rally—Bill Gilbert/Chair

Security—Chair TBD
Signage—Chair TBD
Floaters—Chair TBD

All committees will need people to work behind the scenes and people onsite. Please make sure to specify in which capacity you would like to serve. We realize that 2014 is 2+ years away; however, the planning must begin now! **If you have previously requested to serve in a certain capacity, there is no need to reply again...we have already plugged you into the committee you requested. A list will be distributed at a later date.**

We have decided to change the location of our meetings at least temporarily. Beginning with April's meeting we will meet at Perkins Restaurant on Route 19 in Cranberry Twp. ******Please note that for April ONLY, we will meet on TUESDAY, April 17.******

ON THE HORIZON--Mark your calendars!

TUESDAY, April 17---Next meeting at **PERKINS IN CRANBERRY**...come early and join us for dinner! Buy a ticket for a chance to win the 50/50 drawing. Each ticket only \$1.00!

SATURDAY, July 14---Gathering at French Creek Cruise-In...our club is organizing and in charge of the cruise. We will be organizing a fun run so that members can travel to the event in Union City, PA together. We did this last year and it was an awesome day out with the cars and friends. Mark your calendar now so you too can enjoy the day with us!

SATURDAY, July 21---GTOs at the Pittsburgh Vintage Grand Prix

SATURDAY, September 15---Club picnic at the Maple Grove in Whiteoak Park.

SATURDAY, December 1...club Christmas party at Carmodys in Wexford.

Mark your calendars now for the above events and please stay tuned as we add more events for the 2012 season!

CELEBRATION CORNER

March Birthdays---Happy Birthday Everyone!!!

Andy	Musiolowski	March 2
Paulette	Willochell	March 6
Cissy	Spongross	March 16
Kathi	Leptinsky	March 16
Bill	Gilbert	March 17
Wendy	Bumbera	March 19
Debbie	DeCoursey	March 26
Chuck	Nuzzo	March 27
Mary	King	March 27

March Anniversaries---Happy Anniversary Everyone!!!

Keith and Ellen Moore – March 7
Jim and Cindy Mastroianni – March 20

******Please accept my sincerest apologies if I've forgotten anyone...but please let me know so I can change my records. ******

Stay tuned for more on the 2014 GTOAA Nationals. And please make sure to reply ASAP with your choice of area/areas that you would like to serve!

Bonnie Fabritius, Secretary
Greater Pittsburgh GTO Club