

## GREATER PITTSBURGH GTO GOAT GAZETTE---PICNIC, 2012 EDITION



Hello fellow club members! The days are shortening and the warnings of frost have been in the weather forecast. Have you put your GTO away for the year yet? Hopefully not yet, as there are still a few events on the horizon and we will still have several nice fall days to be out and about. Our September meeting was held during our annual picnic on September 15. There were approximately 31 members in attendance. A great time was had by all and of course tons of great food!! I think the picnic lasted longer than any other in history...some of us didn't leave the park until well past 6 p.m. Next year's picnic will be held on Saturday, September 7 again at White Oak Park. As you may remember, our club supported the Shriners during their cruise in Erie. We received a letter of thanks for our donation to their organization. More discussion was held regarding the LLC of the club. The officers are still looking into our options regarding this matter. John Odrey announced that the club was celebrating it's 12 year anniversary that day!

Please keep in mind the possibility of becoming a member of the GTOAA. 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.

**It's also not too early to pay your 2013 dues for the Greater Pittsburgh GTO Club! All dues must be paid by December 31 in order to maintain your active membership status. Why not do it now before it slips your mind?? Checks can be sent to the attention of Alan Fabritius, 136 Ridge Avenue, Beaver Falls PA 15010 and made payable to the Greater Pittsburgh GTO Club. Dues are still only \$10!**

As I mentioned previously, the contract for 2014 Nationals has been signed and we are now ready to complete our roster of committees and those who wish to serve in what capacity. It is not too late to choose which committee you think you are willing to serve on or which area you feel is the best fit for you. 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. **\*\*\*Please note\*\*\***Committee Chairs are being asked to begin thinking of a budget for their needs to carry through with their respective responsibilities for the event. You won't need to turn this in just yet but be thinking of the various items that you will need and the approximate budget to obtain them. They are also encouraged to begin attending our monthly meetings so that they are included in the discussions that are held regarding the different issues that might arise in the preparations for the event. As you can see below, we are still in search of a few chairs to handle a few of the committees...can you help?? Not able to serve on an actual committee or can't commit to the event for the full time?? We still need your help! Just let us

know what times you would be able to help during the event and we will plug your name into the roster.

**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—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.**

Our meeting days have changed days and location. We are now meeting at **Perkins Restaurant on Route 19 in Cranberry Twp** on the 3<sup>rd</sup> **Tuesday** of the month. Our next meeting is **Tuesday, October 16**. *Those over 50 will receive a 20% discount on their meals!!*

**ON THE HORIZON--Mark your calendars!**

**SATURDAY, October 13<sup>th</sup>**---Fall fun run to Dubois, PA. This is in conjunction with another car club from Beaver County. The group will leave Cranberry at 9:30 a.m. arriving by noon for lunch. The group will tour a private car collection with over 100 cars. They will be there until around 3 o'clock. If you would like to participate, please contact Joe Barber by October 1st. He will have further details as to the meeting place in Cranberry, etc;

**SUNDAY, October 14<sup>th</sup>**--- Arnold Pontiac reunion. They will be giving a flat screen tv away. The show is 9 to 3. Lets show a good GTO support. There is an Autumn fest within walking distance of the show. It is in Houston, PA just off of the Houston Exit of Interstate 79.

**TUESDAY, October 16<sup>th</sup>**---next meeting. Perkins in Cranberry. Dinner at 6 p.m. if you care to join us and the meeting begins at 7 p.m.

**SATURDAY, December 1**...club Christmas party at Carmody's in Wexford. Reservation forms coming soon! SAVE THE DATE!!

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

A very **Happy Birthday** and a **Happy Anniversary** to those celebrating in September!!

**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