

## THE HOOD SCOOP

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#### **Immanuel Lutheran Parade**

by Chris Winslow



A few years ago, Earl Lewis got Gateway GTO starting participating in the annual parade at Immanuel Lutheran Church in St. Charles. Our role has been to provide cars for the parade to transport veterans and also church officials from the church over to church picnic at Blanchette Park.

For this year we had Earl Lewis, Mark Melrose, and me . Frank Chapman, despite having just had a knee replacement, was still planning to come, but had to cancel when the Judge he was planning to bring had a breakdown.

In my case, I had the same veteran, Jim, that I had last year. He is a Vietnam veteran who, other than his time in the service, has lived his whole life in St. Charles and even went to the Immanuel Lutheran school. (By the way, while talking with Jim and Earl before the parade, I actually learned that Earl's connection to the school at the church is that he was a teacher and taught music there before he went in the insurance business).

Like last year, we were once again able to toss candy to the folks lining the streets to see the parade. The crowds at the church and along the route and the crowds at Blanchette Park were huge. The day was beautiful, so that certainly helped

This year I was in front in the T/A (T-Tops out of course) followed by Earl and Mark.

This is a really worthwhile event as it allows us to showcase the club while at the same time giving some of our veterans a well deserved moment in the spotlight.



## **Immanuel Lutheran Parade**







### **Presidents Scoop**



#### The President's Scoop

**By Chris Winslow** 

June is nearly upon us, so the GTOAA convention is just a few weeks away. If you have not already registered, you will want to do that right away. We also still have a few more worker slots left. If you have not already signed up for that, please let Dan Jackson or me know what slots you would like to fill. You can always find the latest worker schedule on our website at this address: 2024 GTOAA National Convention (gatewaygto.org). Just click on the Worker Schedule Link at the top of the page.

There is another big GTO event coming up in July on the 12th-14th. The Good Guys Nationals for 2024 is going to be in Columbus and their theme is celebrating 60 Years of the Pontiac GTO. They are offering indoor parking to GTOs of all years for the event. To be considered for the indoor display you will need to be pre-registered for the event and send two photos of your GTO to axel@goodguys.com for approval. See page 17 of your April *Legend* magazine for additional details.

Of course, the week following the Good Guys show on July 19th to the 21st is the Tri Power Nationals at Norwalk

Right now our calendar is pretty wide open in August, so if anyone has an activity that we could do sometime in August please let me know. Our last two big cruises have been on the Missouri side of the river so perhaps some of our Illinois members could map out a cruise.

Finally, I have included in this newsletter the flyers for the Wheels In Motion and also our annual show in Pontiac. For the Wheels in Motion, Eliot has moved the show from the back lot at Westport Plaza to the Elks Lodge on Ladue Road. I think this is going to be a huge improvement. For the show in Pontiac, we are focusing on the anniversary years for the 1964, 1974, and 2004 GTOs. I am looking for any ideas on how we could promote that to help with our attendance. So, if you have any ideas, send them my way.





## Gateway GTO Meeting Minutes



#### Minutes

5/2/24

7:06 PM – Meeting Start – Earl Lewis signed up a new member, Jerry Krug. Was not present

7:07 – Old Business

Chris Winslow talked about the Marine trivia night. Gateway GTO ended up in 7<sup>th</sup> place despite not having the ringers. The event raised \$1100 to help Marines in need.

Gail Schott talked about the Bonne Terre Cruise. The turned out great and we had an excellent turn out. The space museum and mine tours were fun. Some of the members that stayed overnight, cruised out Elephant Rock and Taum Sauk Mountain on Sunday morning. Chris Winslow brought in his laptop and had a slide show from the event.

Chris Winslow inquired whether anyone attended the Evergreen auto tour. No one in attendance spoke up.

Chris Winslow mentioned that the first JJ's car cruise was packed.

Earl Lewis talked about the Wings and Wheels car cruise. He said that there were 321 cars and that they had great door prizes. There was a B45 that you pay \$5 to have your car photo'd in front of. The Mustang club had 30 cars there.

#### 7:17 – New Business

Chris Winslow spoke a bit about the Immanuel Lutheran Parade. He said that there are a lot more Vets participating now that all the Covid worries are done. We currently have 5 cars signed up.

Marty Howard talked about the pinball event that he is holding at his house. He has two new machines for everyone to try out. Toy Story and Elton John.

Mark Melrose said that the Dyno Day event was going to be postponed for several reasons. It will tentatively be moved to June or July.

7:25 - Upcoming events

5/29-6/1 – Pontiacs at Pidgeon Forge

#### 7:27 – GTOAA

Steve Hedrick said that if you haven't done so, you should register now. Activities are filling up quickly and the host hotel is already full. There is plenty of space left for indoor concourse cars for anyone who's interested. There are still some open spots that need volunteer work. Please sign up if you are available. Officer Kuntz's restored GTO and patrol car will be at the event.

Terrie Oxler said that the ladies should dig out the outfits that they didn't get to wear at last years event.

7:33 - Tech

Jessie Gill talked about replacing the wire harness on his GTO. He thanked Terry Schott for using his garage, tools and know how to get it all taken care. He also personally thanked several other members of the club who lent a hand. They had an excellent lunch courtesy of the Gill's. Chris Winslow showed a small side show the group working on the car.

7:41 – Club Personals

Barb Lewis' grandson is still doing fantastic after his surgery.

7:43 – Motion to Adjourn by Brian O'Sullivan, seconded by Craig Glenn

50/50 of \$31 won by Sharon Wildebrandt





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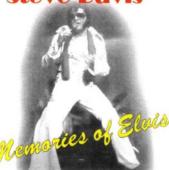
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Will Bowers, Treasurer Gateway GTO Association 4213 Napa View Lane St. Charles, MO 63304

Membership dues are \$20.

You are allowed one associate member (spouse, significant other, etc.).

All Gateway GTO Members must also be members in good standing with GTOAA

Go to WWW.GTOAA.ORG to join or renew GTOAA membership

# Gateway GTO Membership Renewal

Gateway GTO Dues for 2024 are \$20 and are due by the annual Gateway GTO Pizza Party.

 Send dues to Will Bowers by mail or pay in person at the Next Meeting

Will's Address:

4213 Napa View Lane

St. Charles, MO 63304

• In order to Renew with Gateway GTO, members must be members in good standing with GTOAA.

Contact Chris Winslow if you have any questions on renewing your Gateway GTO membership



## **GTOAA Membership Renewal**

# GTOAA Dues are to be paid directly to GTOAA

- Do not send GTOAA dues to Will Bowers. Instead renew directly with GTOAA by mail or at www.gtoaa.org.
- All Gateway GTO Members must be GTOAA members in good standing.
- Please contact GTOAA Chapter Representative Steve Hedrick with any questions:

## **Steve Hedrick Contact Info:**

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## 2024 GATEWAY GTO CALENDAR OF EVENTS

#### June

- 6 GTO MEETING 7PM at Gingham's
- 8 JJ Cruise Night 1215 S. Deschene in St. Charles
- 18-22 GTOAA National Convention in Springfield, MO

#### July

- 11 GTO MEETING 7PM at Gingham's
- 12 14 60 Years of the GTO at the Good Guys Nationals in Columbus, OH
- 13 JJ Cruise Night 1215 S. Deschene in St. Charles
- 19-21 Tri Power Nationals

#### August

- 1 GTO MEETING 7PM at Gingham's
- 10 JJ Cruise Night 1215 S. Deschene in St. Charles
- 17 Woodward Dream Cruise

#### SEE THE FULL CALENDAR AT WWW.GATEWAYGTO.ORG

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#### **Gateway GTO Association Photo Album**

If you have photos of past events or if you take pictures of future events that you think would be good for our Photo Album, please send them to the newsletter editor.

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#### **Gateway GTO Club Information**

The Gateway GTO Association was initially formed in the summer of 1984 by a group of seven. They all had a common interest in the Original Muscle Car, the Pontiac GTO. As a form of communication we publish a monthly newsletter called "The Hood Scoop". The purpose of this newsletter is to keep our members informed of all upcoming activities as well as providing interesting event coverage. The club meets every first Thursday of the month at Gingham's, 1566 Country Club Plaza Drive, St. Charles, MO 63303

The yearly dues for Gateway GTO is \$20. The dues are due by the Pizza Party in January. All Gateway GTO members must be a member in good standing with GTOAA. You are allowed to have one associate member.





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