



September Wheels In Motion Car Show

Gateway GTO Association



Every year, Gateway GTO takes part in two big charity car shows in September. The first is the Wheels In Motion - Old Cars Against Cancer show that we put on with First Capital Classics. This fall was no different as we participated in the 29th such show.

What was different for this year is that we were at the new location that Earl had found for the event, the Church on the Rock in St. Peters. We had already had one show at the church in May that went really well, especially as compared to some of the Wheels In Motion events where the locations were less than ideal. In contrast, the Church on the Rock is a perfect location for a car show. It has a huge parking lot for the show itself and adjacent large parking lots for spectators. In addition, the Church on the Rock is an excellent partner for the event. They have embraced the show fully and were a major factor in the success of both shows. Tommy Prater, whose day job is managing finances for the church has been nothing short of amazing in his support and enthusiasm for the show. With his help, the shows in both the spring and the fall were excellent.

For the fall show we set up and ran our traditional Gateway GTO raffle as a fund raiser. As usual, Gateway members stepped up and gathered lots of great prizes like gift baskets and restaurant gift certificates. Gateway also kicked in a TV and two kids bikes.

With this new location at a church, there are a lot more kids at the show

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than we have had in recent years. This makes a perfect built in audience for Bob Blattel to perform magic! Bob is always happy to support this event and for this one he came and performed three magic shows for the kids. All were very well attended.

Of course, the centerpiece of Gateways support of this show is our own Earl Lewis. As he has been doing for years, Earl spent the weeks before the show soliciting donations from a variety of local businesses. As a result of his efforts, he walked into the show with \$2350 already in his pocket. In addition to that Earl raised another \$495 doing 50/50, bringing his grand total for the event to an amazing \$2845!

The other big donation, of course, was the money we raised from the raffle. The final tally for that was \$772. Adding that to the till, the grand total raised by Gateway for the event was \$3617.

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I don't yet have the overall totals for the event, but I do know from talking to Sharon Mercer that overall there were 141 cars that paid at the gate. While we would have liked that number to be higher, it is far better than the attendance we have had for this show in years.

For 2026, the current plan is to do two car shows again, one in May and one in September. We will be meeting with First Capital Classics in October to kick off the planning for those two events. If you have any ideas on ways to better promote the event or get more attendance, please let me or Earl know.





Presidents Scoop

The President's Scoop

By Chris Winslow

As I write this just after returning from our 14th Annual All Pontiac Show at the Pontiac Museum, it would be nice to take a week or so off and recover, but this time of the year our calendar is full!

Next up, is our October meeting at Gingham's on the 2nd. Following that is our annual picnic at Vago Park in Maryland Heights on Sunday, October 5th. We are able to have the event each year at this park thanks to Tony Bezzole who every year makes the trip to City Hall on January 2nd to lock in the date for us. As usual the club will provide the meat (burgers, dogs, brats, pork steaks, chicken) and we ask everyone to bring side dishes and desserts to share. The picnic will start around 11 with the Bar-B-Que usually ready to eat by noon. Plan to come hungry!

We generally have a winery run sometime in October as well. The date for that has not been set yet, so stay tuned for updates.

Coming up in November is the annual Olds Club Trivia night. As everyone will remember, we won last year, hence GTOs (including Earl's '67) are on the flyer. We currently have enough people to fill one 8 person table. If you are interested in attending, please let me know so I can figure out if we need to reserve a second table. The cost per table is \$160 or \$20 per person.

One final item is that 2025 is an election year for Gateway. As such, per our constitution, I am including a nomination form for the officers. If you are interested in running or would like to nominate someone for an officer position at Gateway, please use the attached form to submit your nominations. A ballot will appear in the November newsletter with election results announced at the Christmas party on December 6th.





Gateway GTO Meeting Minutes



Minutes 9/4/25

7:04 PM – Meeting Start – John Ferguson has returned to Gateway GTO

Old Business

Will Bowers talked about the Gateway Poker Run. It was well attended and the weather turned out great. Chris Winslow won the poker hand and Donna Bowers came in second.

There were a couple of car issues. Allen Neal's GTO ended up having a problem which was thought to be brakes but may be a bad bearing, and Frank Chapman had someone back into his GTO.

Chris Winslow talked about "Outback in the Midwest". It was an event held on someone's property in Indianapolis, where any car manufactured in Australia is welcome to attend. There were 600 cars in attendance. Chris went with Lucas Hedrick and Eric Freese. It was a really interesting event.

Jim Schneider talked about the O'Fallon Elks Club car show.

7:10 – New Business and Upcoming Events

Chris Winslow talked about the Wheels in Motion Fall Show and the Wheelin' and Healin' show in Jacksonville, AR.

Chris Winslow talked about the Annual Regional Car Show in Pontiac, Illinois on September 19th-21st. The dinner on Friday Night will be held at "Bob and Ringo's" instead of the Finkenbinder's as they will be out of town. He needs a head count and plans on arriving between 6 and 6:30PM. Those who want to caravan on Friday can meet at the Cracker Barrel in Troy, Illinois at 11:00AM Friday morning.

Earl Lewis made a motion to have Chris Winslow serve another term as Club President if he is willing, since he has done such a fantastic job running things. Chris is currently in his second consecutive term which is the limit set in Gateway GTO's by-laws. Chris reviewed the by-laws and found that the term limit could be extended if membership agreed to it. There was

a vote and a majority of attendees voted to allow him to run for a third term.

9/19-9/21 – Regional Show in Pontiac, Illinois.

10/5 – Gateway GTO Annual Picnic at Vago Park in Maryland Heights.

11/1 – Olds Club Trivia

7:41 – GTOAA

Steve Hedrick was unavailable as he was at LS-Fest with Lucas.

Chris Winslow talked a bit about the Nationals in Colorado and some events that were discussed and some of the amenities at the hotel.

7:45 – Tech

Allen Neal talked about the issue that he was having at the poker run.

Marty Howard talked about some things that he learned about tire sizes on his Honda.

Chris Winslow talked about an A/C leak on his Trans Am.

Tom Oxler talked about an interior repair that he had done on his GTO. He ended up getting a cut on his driver's seat and had Top Stitch Interiors take care of it. They did a great job.

Personals

Amy and Brian O'Sullivan are riding with Pedal the Cause, on September 21st. Jessie and Sharon are also participating.

Laura Fox will be running for St. Jude in December.

Paul Freese recently had to have part of his foot removed.

Motion to adjourn by Earl Lewis, seconded by Brian O'Sullivan

50/50 of \$37 won by Barb Lewis.



Official Gateway GTO Officer Nomination Form For 2025

This is the official Nominations form that must be filled out and Mailed or
Emailed to Will Bowers.

Only this form will be accepted.

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Treasurer

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GTOAA Chapter Rep

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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 2025 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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2025 GATEWAY GTO CALENDAR OF EVENTS

October

2 - GTO MEETING 7PM at Gingham's

5 - Gateway GTO Picnic - Vago Park

November

1 - Olds Club Trivia Night - 7:00 to 11:00 at American Legion Hall 312, 2500 Raymond Drive, St. Charles MO, 63301

6 - GTO MEETING 7PM at Gingham's

December

6 - Gateway GTO Christmas Party—5:00 to 10:00 at the Webster Groves Barn, 1155 South Rock Hill Rd, Webster Groves MO, 63119

SEE THE FULL CALENDAR AT WWW.GATEWAYGTO.ORG

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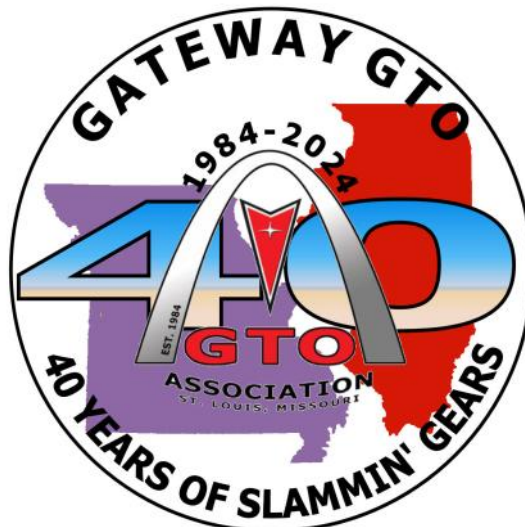
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Gateway GTO Club Information

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.

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.

The Hood Scoop is published as an informative news bulletin to keep our members up to date on past, present, and future events.

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