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OPENING REMARKS

Last issue it was "here's another season upon us", now it's "we're in the thick of it. As I write this it's just before Memorial weekend. I've got the footings in the ground for the new shop. I need to pull the tripower from the GTO and paint the engine. We need to make some firm plans for the trip to MO for the POCI convention. I never did like a dull moment.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Guess what ? You have a new President!! Me BOB FARWELL!! Mike was glad to get a break. We should all Thank Mike for all his years of service.

I look forward to working with Vice President Paul Johnson and Charlie (the king pin of the club) . Charlie will be working on the dates of this year events and they will be in the next issue.

Now a little info on me ,my wife Joan and our Goat. Joan and I moved to Maine 31/2 years. ago from Brockton

Ma. and now live on Little Ossippie Lake in North Waterboro, Me. We made our summer home year round. We spend the winter months on the road in our motorhome.

We bought our 65 GTO in 66 with 8,000 miles on it for \$2,900.00. We couldn't afford a new one they were \$3,000 and for a conv. like the one we have would have been \$3,400. She still runs good, the drive train has never been touched. We raised three children in it (they new enough not to spill any ice cream or soda in dads pride and joy.)

Enough about us and our goat. We look forward to working with all of you this year. We only have four meets a year , but we don't seem to have many cars attending. My goal is to have better attendance at our tours and fun parties the most cars in attendance I've seen is 13 lets see if we can bet that this year. So take pride in your cars shine them up and bring them out for everyone to see.

Your President,
BOB FARWELL

ANNUAL MEETING

Always a great turnout, this year was no exception. Weather was great, the company even better. The first root beer float of the season - aaah!

Most notable news of the new season - New president Bob Farwell - congratulations!

In the confusion, we forgot to have the drawing for GTOAA memberships. What we do is pick 2 GTOAM member numbers, one from the club at large and one from those in attendance at the meeting. The two lucky winners get a year's worth of GTOAA membership paid. This year to make up for it I made two columns of random numbers in a statistical package at work. In the first set I selected the first number of a current member - Ben and Mary Llewellyn. The second column was for a member in attendance at the meeting. I glad to announce it was #8 - yours truly! Numbers on the list in from of mine but not in attendance were Dale Ellis, Mike & Joanna Monroe, Paul Philips, Rob & Becky Vining, Ray Butler, Mike & Ruby Bamford. It just show that it pays to attend GTOAM eveeeents!

NEW MEMBERS

Welcome to:

Paul & Patti Gregoire - Sidney
1967 Tempest. Welcome!

NEXT EVENT

Sunday June 27th Mark Dissell's. Lobster Bake, cookout, lots o' summer fun. Kicks off at noon. If you want lobsters call Mark to place your order, phone is 846-6955

Directions – In Yarmouth take exit 17 off 295. Head south on Rt 1 for a very short distance, take the road behind the Texaco onto Rt 88. After you pass the boatyard on the left you'll come to the Westcustago Restaurant, take a left there. At the first stop sign go straight and the road becomes the Prince's Point Rd. Bear right at the 3 way intersection and go to the end. The 3 car garage on the right is Mark's and that's the general vicinity for parking.

Come prepared for summer fun. Lawn games, salt water swimming, and the possibility of a sail await you! President Bob promises a raffle for a GTOAM shirt for those in attendance.

See you then!

UPCOMING PONTIAC EVENTS

June 6th - Pontiac Days at Winterport Dragway 223-3998

June 13th - 12th Annual Tulley Pontiac Buick Show - Merrimack, NH - contact Matt Turner - 603-679-5738

July 6th - 10th - POCI Convention - contact Charlie Huntington 563-5824

July 14th - 19th - GTOAA International Meet - Pontiac, MI - contact Rick Beecherl 586-777-1583

ASSISTANCE REQUESTED

We received this letter recently:

TO: GTOAA MEMBERS IN MAINE

I am writing to request your help in tracking down a GTO.

In 1970 I purchased a new 1970 GTO, blue convertible, 400/4-speed, VIN#242670P193447. I was in the Navy at the time, stationed at NAS Brunswick, ME from 1971-1973. I sold the car in Brunswick in 1972 and have missed it ever since. I last saw the car in 1973 in a barn on Lookout Point Road in South Harpswell.

I know this is a long shot, but I thought if the car was still alive and registered in Maine, one of you may have seen it, know of its whereabouts, or (miracle) know its owner. If so I would greatly appreciate a contact.

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GTOAA

Paul Johnson did a great job last year getting us back into the chapter listings by conducting a one man recruitment campaign. This year the new requirement is 33%. If all the member on my list are current then we're OK. You can help keep us there. If you're a member, **make sure I have your member #**, If you're not, consider (strongly) joining today. Dues are a mere \$30 send to:

GTO Association of America
5829 Stroebel Rd
Saginaw, MI 48609

DUES

Dues are due - if your status is "2003" send \$10 (or pay now for 2 years and save the hassle). - Use Charlie's address above.

"AUTO" BIOGRAPHS

Remember the "auto"biographs that we used to run? These were member's life story with a slant towards their automobile involvement. I enjoyed reading them. How about submitting yours today? Send it via e-mail or snail mail to Charlie.

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