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## NEWSLETTER

## GTO Association of Maine May 2009

### President's Message

Happy 2009, GTO and Pontiac lovers throughout the States of Maine and NH. I hope that you survived the winter of high heating oil prices. I hope that the economy hasn't got you or your family down so that you will be able to enjoy a spring and summer of Pontiac excitement.

By now you should have wrapped up your winter car projects and pulled your Pontiac(s) out of the barn and already put on some miles. So here is something to mark on your calendar for May. Sunday May 24<sup>th</sup> will be our Annual Meeting. It will be held at the Owl's Head Transportation Museum in Owl's Head, Maine. This is a change from previous years and I hope you will take advantage of this new location and opportunity to visit this great museum.

The Annual Meeting is the time when we:  
1)select the Officers for the coming year; 2)plan our events for the 09 summer season; 3)select 2 free memberships to our National Organization, GTOAA; 4)enjoy good food and grog (always!); 5)See old friends and their awesome cars.

So please make an extra effort to make this meeting and bring your car because the Museum is having their Spring Car Show on that day (5/24/09). See all the details for this event later in this newsletter.

Pres. PJ

### LAST EVENT FALL FOLIAGE CRUISE October 19th, 2008

Here's a report on our final club event in 2008. It was a drive to and a tour of Bryant's Stove Works Museum in Thorndike, Maine. VP Mike King organized this great event. Great Job, Mike!

This place was great! Joe and Bea Bryant were our special hosts for most of the day. What a pleasant surprise for us to be greeted with coffee and donuts on a day that the museum is usually closed. Those of us who had visited the museum before and were familiar with the operation agreed that the day exceeded our expectations. Those of us who were first time visitors were simply in awe of all of the wonderful things that are on display in one place. It is always a pleasure to chat with both Joe and Bea on subjects ranging from old cars to buttons, from old stoves to dolls and music, and from life experiences to politics. It was great fun.

The museum consists of a huge building with a large display of restored antique wood stoves, nickelodeon and other antique music playing devices and antique dolls. There is also a nice selection of old cars. While we were there, they fired up many of the music makers and the whole place felt like a carnival. There

certainly were a lot of smiles on the faces of those who visited as they admired these amazing machines.

A special treat for us was when Joe took us through the back doors of the museum out into the restoration area. It was very impressive to learn how rebuild these old stoves.

Unfortunately, my camera was “on the blink” for this event. If anyone has pictures of the museum please bring them to our annual meeting and forward them to me. Thanks, PJ

## **NEXT EVENT:** **OUR ANNUAL MEETING**

Our Annual Meeting will be held on Sunday, May 24<sup>th</sup> at the Owl’s Head Transportation Museum, just South of Rockland, Maine. The museum is holding a Car Show that day (and Saturday, the 23<sup>rd</sup> too). Here are the details:

What: GTOAM 2009 Annual Meeting

When: 12 Noon, Sunday May 24<sup>th</sup>

Where: The Library Boardroom at the Owl’s Head Transportation Museum (outside if the weather is nice)

The Spring Car Show (right at the museum) opens it gates for cars starting at 9:30am.

Normally, there is a fee to enter the show; but tell them you are a GTOAM member and they will let you in FREE and direct you to our special area where we will park.

Plan to get to Owl’s Head early enough that you can check out the show, grab a bite to eat before you attend the meeting at noon. The food available at the show is: Hot dogs, Hamburgers, Crab rolls, Lobster rolls, Wraps, Drinks and Ice Cream. After our meeting there will still be time to wander around the museum and show until about 3pm when the show ends.

I hope that you can make this fun event and that we can have a good showing of cars and members.

## **REQUESTS FOR TRIVIA** **QUESTIONS AND OTHER** **FEATURE ARTICLES**

Remember, this is your newsletter. We welcome any input.

C’mon, there must be something that you could share.

## **NEW MEMBERS**

It might have been winter but we still got a couple new members. Welcome to:

John & Lisa Eckert from Augusta with 2 1966 and 1 1968 GTOs. Lisa bought the membership for John’s birthday.

Eric & Pamela Perry from Saco with a 65 GTO  
WELCOME!

## **DUES**

### **Are you up-to-date?**

Please, if you haven’t paid your 2009 dues yet send your check of \$10.00 (or \$20.00) for two years. If you are unsure if your membership is current, just check the GTOAM roster at the end of this newsletter to see if you have “2009” under “Status”. Remember this is our only source of income other than the sale of tee shirts and hats. In saying that lets try to gain new members. Remember we accept any and all Pontiacs not only GTOs. And we welcome any and all new members that have an interest in Pontiacs. You don’t even have to own a car to join.

## **GTOAM** **IS A MEMBER OF** **GTOAA**

Many thanks to Charlie Huntington who worked hard with our National Association to continue to recognize us as an official chapter of GTOAA. Every year this is a challenge and we encourage you to join GTOAA. We are a Charter Member of the National Organization.

## **Big Smile at Work**

NH members Jay and Sandra Vilchock just bought a 2006 GTO (400hp and 6 speed) to go with their 67 GTO. I work with Jay and he now uses the '06 goat as his daily commuter. Something is different lately at work. Jay seems to always have a grin on his face. When I asked Jay about it, he says it is because his workday commute is shorter now!!

## **UPCOMING EVENTS**

### **17 May 2009**

Don't forget the Bonney Eagle Car Show on May 17<sup>th</sup> at Bonney Eagle High School. This is the 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary show.

### **14 June 2009**

Pontiac / Buick Show sponsored by Tully Pontiac on June 14<sup>th</sup> at the Budweiser Plant in Merrimac, NH

See details in this newsletter.

### **7-11 July 2009**

GTOAM/ POCI Co-vention  
Dayton, OHIO

## **OTHER EVENTS**

Check out the MAAC calendar at the end of this newsletter for other events in our area.

## **T SHIRTS/SWEAT SHIRTS**

### **Silk Screened:**

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