

# THE GOAT CONNECTION

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GTO CLUB OF THE GREATER SAN FRANCISCO BAY AREA



## CLUB MEETING FEBRUARY 7 at THE ENGLANDER, SAN LEANDRO THIS JANUARY

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## **PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE**

Howdy Folks,

My President's message will be short and sweet this month.....

Us 49er's fans are certainly in good spirits these days! Certainly none of us were at all concerned when we quickly trailed 17 -0 in the NFL championship game? I am confident we all will be celebrating a 49er's Super Bowl victory! As January fades away let's focus on our

upcoming Jim Wangers planning meeting which is rapidly approaching on Thursday February 7th at The Englander in San Leandro. 6:30 start time for meet/greet/eat and the meeting starts promptly at 7:30. Nor-Cal GTO's (The Kid's) have accepted our invitation to attend this event, I have invited a couple of their members to our meeting. To recap, several members are looking into various venues for this event. Feel free to review my last two President's messages as a refresher on what has been previously discussed. To help us stay on topic and focused during the meeting;

Those of you that will be presenting your ideas please be prepared to give us an overview to include;

- 1) Why you chose this location
- 2) Overview of available parking for car show
- 3) Availability of onsite audio video equipment
- 4) Nearby and/or onsite options for food/drink
- 5) Cost plus any other requirements of facility
- 6) Availability on Saturday May 18th
- 7) Any other details you believe are relevant

My thought is that if we all present in the same manner it will make it an easier task to keep the meeting on track and narrow down the list to a couple of choices. Perhaps one venue will be the obvious choice? As you all know, a visit by Jim Wangers always makes for an outstanding experience!

Until February 7th, see ya in the fast lane!

Prez John

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## **Email List**

**We have an active list that provides frequent updates on club activities and provides links to pictures of club activities. E-mail**

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**CHANGES, MISSPELLINGS, ETC.**

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**Please contact Jim Lent with any name, address, phone number or vehicle corrections or changes. (510) 799-6096.**

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### **CAR OF THE MONTH ARTICLES**

**Would you like to see your car, and its story, published in this newsletter. Take this opportunity now to memorialise your ride!**

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**You can email your story and pictures to Jim Lent at; [jimlent@comcast.net](mailto:jimlent@comcast.net)**

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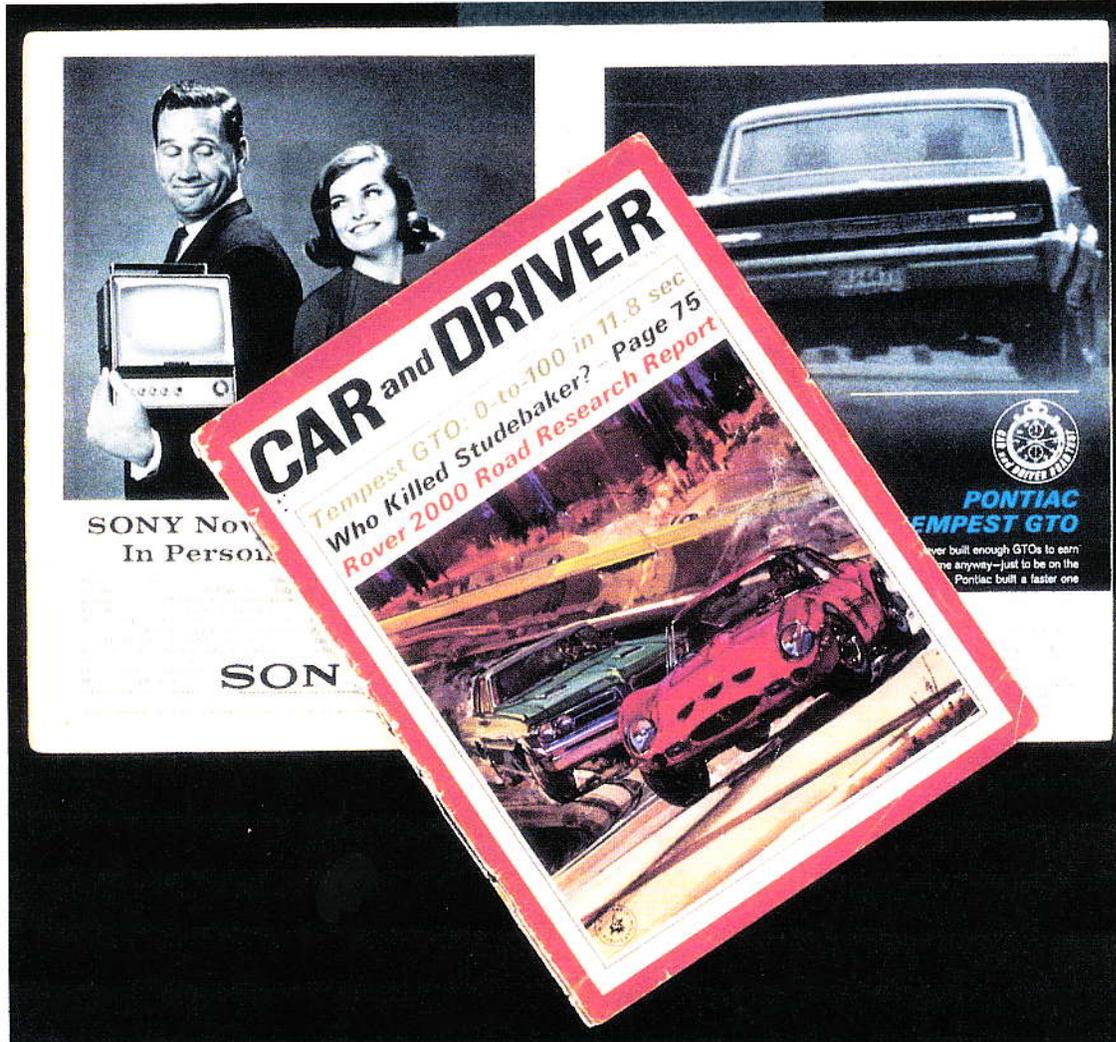
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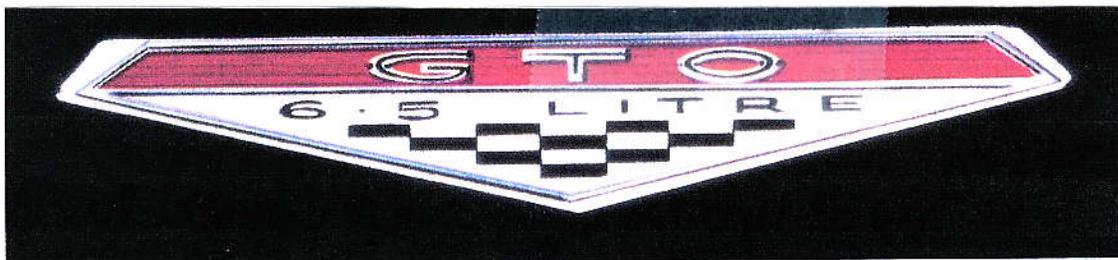
## Jim Wangers Visits the Golden Gate Goats - May 18, 2013

Jim has agreed to join us on this weekend to continue our journey of learning about Pontiac and the GTO.

What a fitting time as the 50th anniversary of the GTO is upon us in 2013. "What" you say, "Wouldn't that be in 2014." Well, just think back to the old days when the fall preview of the new cars signaled the time to head to the showrooms. This is the first time in several visits that Jim will present us with a presentation about Pontiac and the GTO. Please set this date as a must attend to learn about your GTO.



*It was my idea for "Car and Driver" magazine to make a GTO comparison between the highly-revered Ferrari and the upstart Pontiac. The incredible article made the GTO legitimate, even in the eyes of the most critical sports car enthusiasts. For David E. Davis and "Car and Driver", it was the beginning of a whole new image for the magazine.*



*The GTO emblem was unique as it was the first time an American car maker had used "litres" instead of cubic inches to designate engine displacement. This was part of our effort to tie the GTO name into its European heritage. At the time, it was one of the most intricately stamped pieces of die-cast metal ever used by a car maker for an exterior emblem.*



Two 1964 GTOs were made available to "Car and Driver," one a Nocturne Blue coupe (like the one shown above; the original car had the side view mirror on the front fender and a front mounted aerial on the right side) with a Tri-Power engine, wide-ratio 4-speed and 3.55:1 rear gears. This car was set up for the handling and cornering tests. The second GTO was painted Grenadier Red and was also equipped with a Tri-Power engine, but featured the optional close-ratio 4-speed and 3.90:1 rear gears. It had been set up as a Royal Bobcat, and was to be used for acceleration testing only.



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## **CLUB LOGO ITEMS**

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[www.cafepress.com/gggoats](http://www.cafepress.com/gggoats)

**Our goal is to preserve and keep the legend of the Pontiac GTO alive. We plan to do this by having fun as we learn more about our GTOs through various club activities: Cruises, Parades, Car Shows, Picnics & MORE!**

## **2013 - Club Meetings**

Club meetings are scheduled for the following months:  
February, March, April, May  
September, October, November  
and December.  
Check newsletter or website for updated dates, times & locations.

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**WANTED:**

**FOR SALE:**

**'64 GTO-Tri Power-4spd-Black on Black \$36,000.00**

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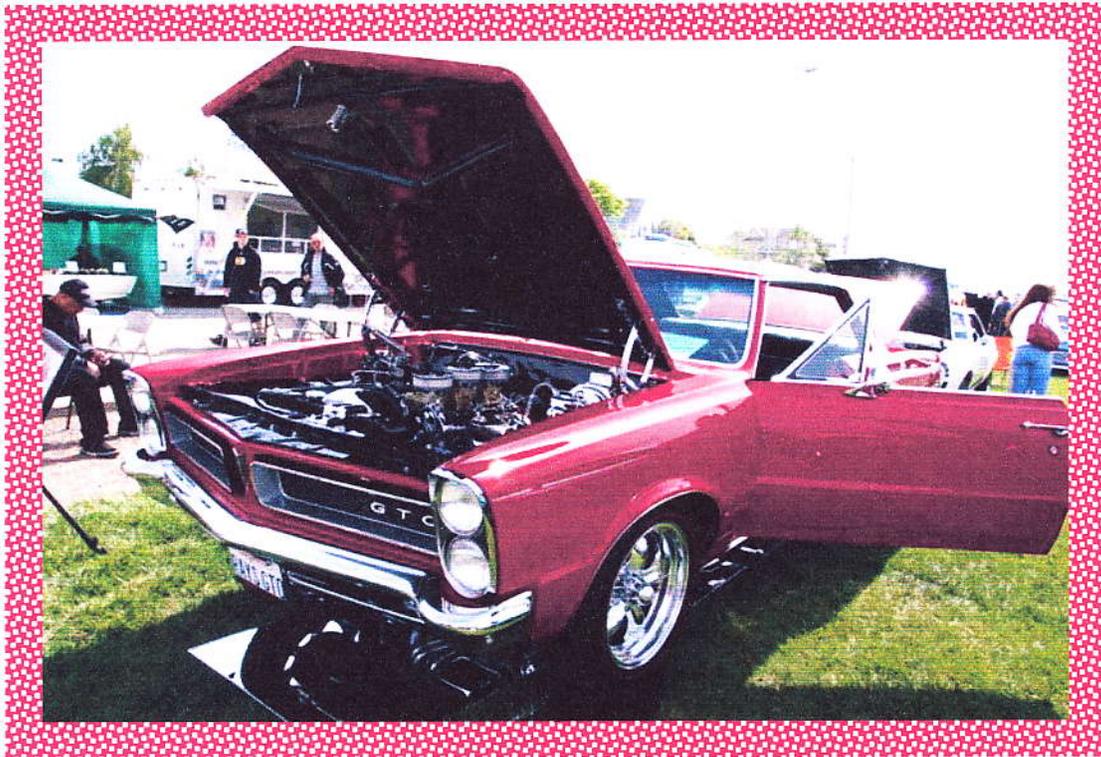
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## **GOLDEN GATE GOATS CAR OF THE MONTH**



### **RAY BELL'S 1965 GTO**

I think my love of cars started on the day I was born. I can't remember a time when I was not fascinated by cars. As a little kid, I used to ride with my parents and name the make and model of cars that we would pass. When I was growing up, my dad always bought Pontiacs so, naturally, Pontiacs became my favorite car. In the early 1960's, Pontiac offered full sized models with 421 engines, tri-power carburetion and 4-speed transmissions. These cars not only looked good but ran good too. On January 2, 1965 I got my first new car at the age of 18. My dad and I went to Winter's Pontiac on Ocean Avenue in San Francisco to buy a brand new, red, 1965 GTO. I kept that car until October of 1966 and traded it in on a 1967 GTO.

Over the years I have owned and restored a lot of cars: sports, luxury, race and show. I have enjoyed all of them. They all have something to offer. But there was something about that red, 1965 GTO that stuck with me over the years. Many times I thought about and planned to get another one and restore it. Finally, in 2005, 39 years after I traded my first GTO, I bought another one and started a total rotisserie restoration. At the time I bought this car, I had no shortage of cars to drive. I had a Ferrari Testarossa, Z06 Corvette, convertible Mercedes and a convertible Corvette. I wanted to make the GTO the best car in my collection.

I thought to myself that if I worked for GM and they told me to produce a 1965 GTO using today's technology

and all of the resources that GM has, what would the car be like? I would want it to look basically as it did in 1965, but drive, handle and brake like the cars of today. The body would stay the same. The color would be red, but with more ruby in it. The engine would be a 428 with 4-bolt mains, painted black with tri-power carburetion, polished, aluminum heads, ceramic coat headers, and chromed nuts, bolts, washers and pulleys. It would have four-wheel, disc brakes, a five-speed transmission with overdrive, 12-bolt rear end, boxed, rear suspension and coil over, front suspension, chrome, sway bars in front and rear, and stainless steel, polished exhaust. The engine compartment and under-body would be painted with base coat and clear-coat and then polished. All of the accessories in the engine compartment, such as the master cylinder, the power brake booster, alternator, radiator shroud and fan would be chromed. The brake lines and fuel lines would be polished, stainless steel and the fuel lines would be 3/8" instead of 5/16". The entire underbody including nuts, bolts, washers, drive shaft and running assembly would be chromed. The entire 5-speed transmission would be polished. The frame, rear-end housing, fuel tank, springs, control arms and bumper brackets would all be powder-coated. It would have a 10-disc CD changer, four speakers, quick ratio, power steering, quick ratio steering box, tilt wheel, power brakes, air conditioning, an electric antenna and power windows. The GTO would sit on 17-inch, polished and chrome, American mag wheels with red-line tires. The complete interior, including the trunk area would be insulated with Dynamat, carpeted and fitted with side panels to match the door panels. The dash and pillars would be painted with base coat, clear coat and then polished. The instrument panel including the A/C controller would be covered in wood grain. The radio would look like the original, but would be AM/FM with a tape deck and a CD controller. The carpets would be cut pile instead of loop pile.

The restoration started in June, 2005 and was completed in February 2007, just in time for the Sacramento Autorama on February 9. With the help and inspiration of my wife, Linda, my son, Greg, my friend, Marty Andrews at Chuck's Auto Repair and many good friends, this is the car I was able to build. I would like to think that John DeLorean and GM would approve.

