

THE GOAT CONNECTION

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Happy New Year & New Decade GGG,

Hope everyone enjoyed the holidays; they seemed a long way's off until they weren't! Thanksgiving being a week later might have been the culprit? Thank you to everyone that was able to attend making for another absolutely fantastic GGG Xmas Party whose highlights were covered in last month's December 2019 newsletter. Now Santa is back working in his North Pole workshop and another new year is upon us. Happy to report the odd looking wooden head that Bea Phillip's was kind enough to gift to me has found a new

home; it was a gift for a friend's ugly sweater party just before Xmas. Hope none of you will be missing it too badly next year; it had to go as Marsha didn't like it any more than Bea did.

Please note that 2020 dues are currently due, thanks to Jim Lent for his subtle e mail reminder. Thanks to all of you that have already paid and thanks in advance to those of you that plan to soon. And speaking of 2020, not only is this going to be Golden Gate Goats 24th year, on top of that accomplishment we have achieved being an active club during part of **FOUR DECADES**. Perhaps a new t shirt design with that theme is in order?

Thursday February 6th will be the date of our 2020 Kick-Off Meeting at The Englander in San Leandro. 11:30 meet/greet/ eat with the meeting starting 12:15. Prior to our meeting please think about what existing events we should attend this year along with any new GGG only event ideas you may have. Once Nor-Cal Chevelles have their event schedule set we can talk about any events we/they may want to join in on. I hope to have some details for a club outing to the Disney Museum in SF to present at the meeting.

We have two members currently having their GTO's restored by Josiah Coy that should be on the road this year. A couple other cars are currently being updated with projects ranging from paint and bodywork to adding fuel injection. If the

**Club Dues
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The dues amount for 2020 is \$36.00.

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The following members still owe their 2020 dues:

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Tad Kuwano
Judy Holcomb
Alan Blake
Mark Howard**

**Josiah Coy
Graham Reid
Al Bender
Shawn Rowles
Harry Johnson
Damiam Schinella
Mike Margozzi
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'68' GTO turbo 400 transmission, transmission with stand, 67 trunk skins, engine hoist, \$500 for everything or BO. Contact member **Paul Gribaldo** @
Cell: 510-209-3909, Hm: 510-429-6930

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Start sharing your ideas, stories, parts and recommendations with the club!



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CLUB LOGO ITEMS

In 2005 we opened our online club store on our website. The store carries a full line of apparel, house wares, and gifts with the Golden Gate Goats logo, Outlaw GTO Association of Western America logo, and images of our club cars! Go check it out at:
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!

2018 - Club Meetings

Club Meetings are scheduled for the following months:

February, March, April, May

July, October, November

Check the newsletter or website for updated dates, times & locations

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JUNE 2004

A Big Thanks From Jim Wangers

"Come up to the Bay Area", they said, "and don't bring any of your stuff",
"We just want to listen to you talk GTO...right off the cuff."

"You know what," I said to myself, "I'm not so sure I should go?"
"How can I tell the GTO-story, with out puttin' on a show?"

"Don't worry about that, they said, we'll have fun picking your brain,"
Oh, that's OK, I smiled, "Then that should be no strain."

So, I flew into San Jose, and got picked up by Barb and Ken,
If I've ever met a "more fun" couple, I'm sure I don't know when.

Have you ridden in his red Ragtop...65's were never that good,
He's got a big new engine, and it runs better than it should!

Brother Dale and his wife Aneta joined us too...and if you promise you won't quote,
I know their white '65 Tempest wants, so much to become a "GOAT".

Off to Sonoma County we went, toward the Wine Country green,
Right through the big city and across the Golden Gate scene.

We took the 101 of course and saw way too many "Benzes" and "Beamers",
But this is where they all hang out, seems like Pontiacs have all gone to the cleaners.

It looked like rain but it never did, and we were really on a roll,
The Stipanov Place was not far away, in the middle of Sebastopol.

Mark and Deidre, bless their hearts, were standing at their gate,
Waving arms of welcome to a hungry crew, I'm sure glad we weren't late.

We hugged, (ladies only) shook hands and said how great it was to meet,
What we really wanted at that time was something good to eat.

And it was there indeed it was, as we all prepared to imbibe,
What a feast these ladies had prepared, impossible to describe.

We began to talk GTO, as more and more great cars arrived,
There's a '66 and there's a '64, but it seemed like all the rest were beautiful '65's.

Jim and Jeannie Lent's magnificent '66 boast a new tri-power now,
And when you see Wayne Barnes' new red '67, you'll only say "Wow".

I saw a whole bunch of "Goats", more than I ever expected to see,
Tri-Powers and 4-speed, and Ram Air's...and even a '73.

There were 26 "Great Ones" headed to the Champagne House of Korbel,
What a great sight that was, boy did those "Goats" look swell

Those Korbel folks were magnificent too, when we arrived on time,
They had reserved places waiting and we all parked on a dime.

I led the parade...riding in Mark and Deidre's "new" '68,
What a nice car that's gonna' be with new Verdoro Green paint.

We learned how to make Champagne, even learned how to "riddle",
I wish I knew what that means, it's designed to keep the yeast in the middle.

The best part of our visit to Korbel came at the very end,
We got free tastes and could sample every blend.

It rained a little bit, as we prepared to leave for the coast,
And when it dried up and got sunny, you should have heard those locals boast.

We haven't got a coast like Bodega, in the South, oh boy what a sight,
Natural beauty at its very best, basking in the rare sunlight.

When we motored into Bloomfield, Stormy's Road House was our goal,
We were a hungry bunch of "Goat Lovers", ready to "rock and roll".

Now I've had prime-rib at some of the best restaurants around,
But the 20 oz. cut they served me could match any...pound for pound.

Sunday morning we were back at Stipanov's for more food and good cheers,
By then I knew that this would be...one of my best times in years.

So to all of you "Golden Gaters" I humbly say "Thanks", while I go,
What food, what drink, what sights, but in all our time together, all we spoke was GTO.



June
2004

Club Member, April Winston gets local press coverage

High school automotive club is a girl thing

■ College Park High's April Winston and Chelsea Newcomer were obsessed with cars, so they joined to form the group

By Kiley Russell
TIMES STAFF WRITER

PLEASANT HILL — April Winston's first word was GTO. As in Pontiac.

As in muscle car.

So it's fitting that the 16-year-old and her friend, 17-year-old Chelsea Newcomer, started the College Park High School Car Club to revel in all things automotive.

"We've been obsessed with cars since we were little," Winston said.

That obsession was manifest in the school parking lot Saturday during the club's second car show, where gear heads and their admirers strolled under blustery skies past roughly 40 vehicles, including Winston's 1979 Trans Am, Newcomer's 1988 GTO and various Mustangs, Rancheros and Model Ts.

The club is supported by a fluctuating group of 10 to 15 students, mostly girls, who meet to talk about cars and plan activities around their cars.

"It's just like any regular club at school except we have loud cars instead of chess," Winston said.



DEAN COPPOLA/TIMES

COLLEGE PARK CAR CLUB MEMBERS April Winston, far right, and Kanane Souza, right, judge a vehicle during the club's car show at College Park High School in Pleasant Hill on Saturday.

The new organization got off to a bit of a rocky start when, at the first meeting last fall, a group of boys got up and walked out after learning that girls would be

in charge, Winston said.

She has taken flak from girls, as well. "I've had girls ask me why I like cars ... I tell them I'm one of the guys and I like cars.

They can keep their pink froufrou stuff," she said.

Raised eyebrows have not dampened either girl's enthusiasm for the club or the show.

Newcomer, who graduated in January and now attends Diablo Valley College, worked for months to round up about 40 sponsors for the event, including Trader Joe's, Pep Boys and the Elephant Bar, all of which donated prizes or supplies.

She even drummed up media attention and lined up a discount from Diablo Trophies so the club could give out high-quality awards for Best in Show, People's Choice and Best Custom Car, among other categories.

The girls charged \$15 per car entered — \$10 for College Park students. They will spend some of the money putting on the club's next show and give some to charity.

The club's adviser, English teacher Lori Gielegem, said that she jumped at the chance when Winston asked her to help form the club but that the girls do all the work themselves.

"I'm just the hood ornament," Gielegem said. "They have that high-energy-teen-girl thing combined with absolute laser focus. These girls could plan the Normandy invasion."

Gielegem hailed the car show and the club generally for exposing the girls to "community-based learning."

"These are the skills kids need to know in the real world," she said.