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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

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Greetings GGG,
Will start out on a sad note this month. Long time member Don Micale passed on August 27th after a long string of illnesses. The amount of fighting and desire to beat everything that came Don's way was a real inspiration to me. Our condolences go out to wife Sue and their entire family. RIP Mr. Micale, you will be missed. Look for information about Don's Celebration of Life in this newsletter. Sue shared that Don would have loved to see some GTO's in attendance hopefully some of you will be able to attend.

Writing this on the weekend after Labor Day Weekend as Jim and I are both on the sideline at the moment, we apologize this newsletter is late. Neither of us can drive as I write this so please note that our **Tuesday 9/9 meeting is CANCELLED**. Good news is there was no urgent club business for this meeting so it was comfortable cancelling it. We believe this is the first time we have both been unable to attend a meeting. Out of respect for Jim's privacy I will let him share what is going on with him as he sees fit. (Jim says that it appear bleeding ulcers caused my system to shut down. spent two weeks in Hospital and am now home recuperating) In my case I strained a muscle while stretching on 8/30. Hurt a bit but I went on with my day. Saturday 8/31 did an easy workout about two hours later was having coffee with Marsha and when I got up out of my chair could not put weight on my right leg or walk and the pain was not pretty. Sucked it up for a couple hours but the pain kept getting worse. Marsha urged me to have her take me to the ER. She was right however I was unable to walk

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out to the truck under my own power, there was just no way. We had a walker from my back surgery in 2020 that had never been used until now and that made it possible to get to the truck. Getting in the truck was not pretty but I made it. The Kaiser ER was very busy at 2:30 on a Saturday afternoon. They took me in after an hour wait and ER Doc determined my muscle strain had caused a flare up of my old nemesis sciatica. Gave me meds including Lidocaine patches and a muscle relaxer and sent me home. Like flipping a light switch pain was gone and I could walk gingerly with diminished balance. Can't drive with the muscle relaxers, I tried but didn't feel comfortable. Handed the keys to Marsha and she drove me home. Full recovery expected in 2 to 4 weeks say the doctors fingers crossed. Have a follow up appointment on 9/17.

Danville car show is on Sunday 9/7, Dave Svoboda reported attendance looked strong. Thanks to Dave for coordinating this event for us. I am sure Dave will have photos to follow. Hope all in attendance has a great time.

Our next meeting date is Tuesday October 14th at JP's in Castro Valley with a start time of 11:30. We can recap recent shows and begin a discussion of our Christmas event and dues collection for 2026 which will be our 30th year. Tilden 2026 is coming into sight.

A bit of hobby related news. Lenos's Law SB 712 (Yes Jay Leno) that would have exempted pre 1990 limited use collector cars from the smog check program didn't pass. Too bad lots of cool rides would fit in those years including early 5 liter Mustangs and member Al Schendan's Buick GN for example. Tom Schafers Corvette also if my memory serves me correctly. With current pre smog iron so expensive that could have made for a new frontier here in car crazy California. Heard it was a near miss but no go. Till our 10/14 meeting see ya in the fast lane; although I may not be driving!

Prez John

CHANGES, MISPELLINGS, ETC.

IF WE HAVEN'T GOT YOUR INFORMATION
MIXED UP YET, JUST GIVE US TIME. WE ARE
WORKING AS FAST AS WE CAN.

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

E-MAIL: jimlent@comcast.net

CAR OF THE MONTH ARTICLES

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

Tell us about your ride: how you got it, what
you have done to it, where you like to drive it,
etc. Make your car the star.

You can email your story and pictures to Jim
Lent at; jimlent@comcast.net
or send them by snail mail to:

Jim Lent
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Hercules, CA 94547

EMAIL List We have an active list that
provides frequent updates on club activities
and provides links to pictures of club
activities. E-mail jimlent@comcast.net to join

You are invited to visit an online album
named "2024 GGGoats Christmas Party"

To view, simply click on this link to go to
the album:

[http://imageevent.com/jimlent/
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GOLDEN GATE GOATS WEB SITE

AVAILABLE AT:

www.gggoats.com



JPs Restaurant
3600 Castro Valley Blvd.
Castro Valley, CA 94547



Don Micale Celebration of life Saturday, September 20th

Hi Jim,

I believe you might have heard that Don passed away on Aug 27th with all the family around him. He was diagnosed in July with ALS & got weaker & weaker. He told me he wanted to go home & be with Jesus. He is at peace now & I look forward to seeing him again. The Celebration of Life is Sat, Sept 20th at Noon.
Summerset Orchards
770 Centennial Pl
Brentwood 94513

Please let Jim Lent Know if you can attend with your GTO. Summerset will set aside parking for GTOs all together. Please respond by Monday, Sept.15th

JimLent@comcast.net

Danville car show.

(This will be the last communication on this show)

To All Golden Gate Goats Club Members,

This Sunday September 7th. Danville is putting on the biggest car show they have ever had. They have over 400 cars registered (a sell out), from on line registration, which is now closed.

The organizers of the show are giving GGG and other GTO's, along with "A" body owners from 1964-1974 the opportunity to still enter this event and show their cars as long as they enter with our group.

They're allowing us to bring in as many cars as we want at the pre-registration price.

The pre-registration price is \$40.00 **(exact cash only)** and has to be paid at the entry booth as we enter in a single file line to our parking area. Our parking area will be at the corner of Hertz Ave and Diablo Rd. This will be in the center of town with easy access to exiting the show.

My goal is to line the cars up by manufactured year 64, 65, 66, and so on to 1974 in the staging area. We have 25 cars committed to attending right now and would like to see 30 plus.

This is going to be largest gathering of GTO's in many years and would like to let people know that the GTO is strong and thriving.

Please contact me with your **Name, Email address and phone number**, so I can add you to the list and send you meeting time, staging area and Parking location.

We are trying to make this as simple as possible so there will be no confusion.

Looking forward to seeing you there.

Dave Svoboda

(925) 788-0919 (phone or text)

dave22349@gmail.com



Golden Gate Goats 2025 Event Schedule



3/14 FRIDAY NIGHT GET TOGETHERS START AT DOMINOOS SUN VALEEEY MALL

3/11 Tuesday 11:30 LUNCH MEETING at JPs – Castro Valley-

4/8 Tuesday 11:30 LUNCH MEETING at JPs – Castro Valley-

4/27 Sunday Benicia Car Show hosted by Stuart Cole

?? MORAGA CAR SHOW (Unknown if there will be 2025 show))

5/13 Tuesday 11:30 LUNCH MEETING at JPs – Castro Valley-

5/31 Elks Club Car Show - Walnut Creek

JUNE No Meetings – Summer break

6/8 Saturday Elks Walnut Creek Show

6/22 SUNDAY PINOLE CAR SHOW

7/19 Saturday Tilden Park Picnic catered by Back Forty BBQ

8/?? Alameda / Elks Classic Car Show

9/6 Roaring Camp Car Show

9/9 Tuesday 11:30 LUNCH MEETING at JPs – Castro Valley-

9/ ?? Saturday NorCal Run thru the Canyon-

10/14 Tuesday 11:30 LUNCH MEETING at JPs – Castro Valley-

11/3 Tuesday 11:30 LUNCH MEETING at JPs – Castro Valley-

12/6 HOLIDAY PARTY –

YOUR AD COULD BE HERE!

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510) 799-6096 or email - iimlent@comcast.net

WANTED

FOR SALE

Leaving the hobby

455 crankshafts

Misc engine parts-oil pans, windage trays,4 bolt caps (3.25),valley pans, valve covers, connecting rods, flywheels, balances, pulleys, oil filter mounts,

INOS super power shot kit, new with 3 sets of under carb plates, Holly, QJet and Tri-Power.Holly street dominator, misc jet manifold,

carburetors- Qjets, AFB, Hollys, 1000 CFM thermoquad,

70s cylinder heads including 1972 455HO bare,

MT 325/50R 15 ET street tires mounted on 15 x 10 ET slotted mags

671 supercharger core, Misc headers

Too much to list all.

Call for more details and negotiate prices.

Contact club member **Larry Weiss**

510 566-7506

call, leave a message or text

1960-65 Pontiac Tri-power center carburetors. I can offer units that are cleaned and previously rebuilt but require some work before put into service to fresh rebuilds ready to run. Prices range from \$ 300.00 to \$ 700.00 depending on the condition. Contact club member Al Schendan schendan@gmail.com

N O S 1965 PONTIAC GTO Passengers Side Grill Insert. Slight Shelf Wear, no original Box. Never installed. \$600.00. You'll likely look long and hard to find another one. Don't wait for your Insurance Company to try to find one of these. I have one in Heated Storage protected by Sig & Sauer. Call Ken Davis. 408-209-2553. kendavis14@sbcglobal.net



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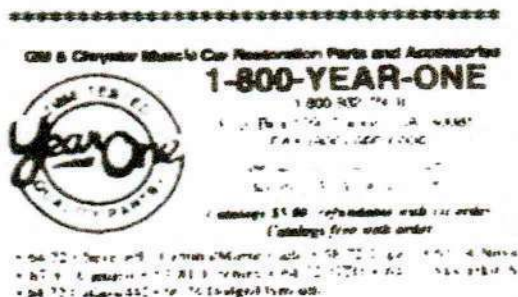
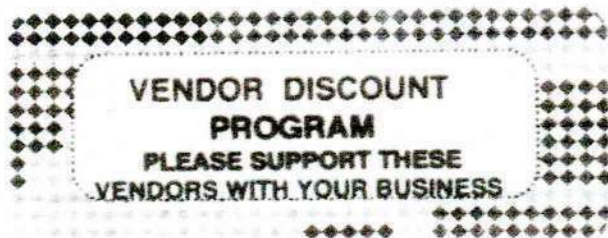
CLUB LOGO ITEMS

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!

**GOLDEN GATE GOATS EVENT PICTURES
CAN BE VIEWED AT:**

[HTTP://imageevent.com/jimlent](http://imageevent.com/jimlent)



Bethel's Goat Farm - 10% discount - ask for Ed (408) 295-7611

Performance Years - offers discounts to club members on orders up to \$500 of 3% w/charge card or 5% prepay. Orders over \$500 8% with charge card or 10% prepay. 215-712-7400

Paddock West - offers club members a 10% discount on their orders. Identify yourselves with the code "GGG1" to get the discount. 800 854-8532 or (909) 798-4166.

World Muffler - 10% Discount - 966 E. El Camino Real, Sunnyvale - 408-738-2318 Contact Maynard Rougier or Patrick Karl

Victory Automotive Machine, 10 % Discount - 3500 Pearl Ave, Unit E. San Jose -Contact Vic Anderson 408-266-7570 victorymachine@netscape.com.

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Find the 'Request to Join' on the page and send your request to us. Acceptance will take about a day, and you will be notified when you have been given permission.

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