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## **Southeastern GTO Association**

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## Celebrating our 36th Year!

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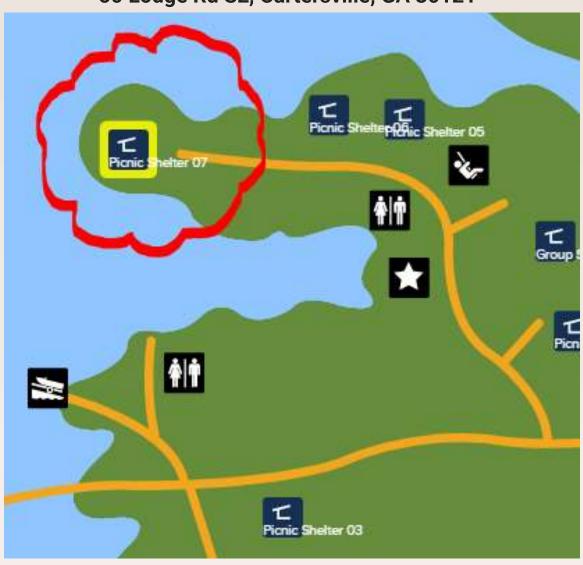
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## Next Event:

# Summer Picnic **Saturday August 13th**

**Red Top Mountain Park** Shelter #7; 11am—3pm

50 Lodge Rd SE, Cartersville, GA 30121



See details on Pq. 5

# **President's Message:**

## Jim Andrews

After looking at last month's President's letter, I can see that I need to take a little more time proof-reading. But then, a few minor gaffs here and there never hurt anyone.

I neglected to mention last month that the Southeastern GTO Association was recognized for our growth by the GTOAA at the National Convention. It seems we are picking up a new member or two every month, and that's great news. It lets us know that the hobby and our group are still alive and well. I received notification that the GTOAA will be donating \$1920 to our group based on the volunteers we provided at the Nationals. They also refunded a total of \$490 in registration fees to those who worked more than one shift.

Our August event is the annual picnic at Red Top Mountain State Park in Acworth on Saturday August 13th. Details are in this issue. This is one of our two biggest events of the year, so dust off those GTOs and other Pontiacs and meet us there. It's always a great time. BBQ will again be provided by Williamson Bros.

I am sad to announce that Mike Walling, our Events and Meetings VP, has informed me that he will be stepping down from that position at the end of this year. Please consider helping us out by taking on these responsibilities. This is one of the most important board positions – much more so than President... I will be happy to send you the position description if you will email me.



You can also talk to Mike at the picnic for details.

I'm still making progress on my '67, and I've been telling those who ask when it will be done "next month." I was chastised by my wi-... I mean CFO that I exceeded my spending limit last month. When speaking of a particularly large purchase, the conversation went like this:

CFO: I thought you were going to wait on that one?

Me: For what?

My son had exactly the same conversation with his wi-... I mean CFO. I hope you all are keeping your GTOs and other Pontiacs in tip-top shape and I look forward to seeing them at the picnic. Which is this month. Glad I don't have to finish my car until next month...

Hope to see you on the 13th!

Keep 'em running and stay safe (and cool) out there!

# **Welcome New Members:**



**Tommy Jackson** 



July 25, 2022

Southeastern GTO Association James Andrews 224 Philadelphia Dr. Jasper, GA 30413-6836

Dear Jim Andrews,

As many of you know, GTOAA agreed to make a donation to SEGTOA based on the number of volunteers we provided for the 42nd GTOAA Nationals in Kingsport, TN. At left is the "Thank You" letter SEGTOA received from Vic Schreck, President of GTOAA. Below is the list of those who volunteered their time. Thank you to all who volunteered and attended for helping to make the Nationals a great success! ~ Jim Andrews.

Jim Andrews Ed Bellair Pam Immekus Eric Elbel

Kenny Simpson Steve Weisbarth

Mike Walling Bo Dunn
Chris McPherson Bill Thiele
Steve Hart John Link

On behalf of the Board of Directors and Staff of the GTO Association of America, I extend to you and your membership a sincere and profound thank you for your hard work and assistance leading up to and during the entire week of GTOAA's 43<sup>rd</sup> International Convention in Kingsport, Tennessee. Your membership's dedication and commitment helped make the convention the success it was. We could not have enjoyed the success we had without your club's assistance.

I am happy to inform you, a check in the amount of \$1,920.00 for your membership's assistance is included. That amount in combination with \$490.00 in event registration compensations for the 28 hours of work sessions your members worked, The Southeastern GTO Association's total compensation equates to \$2,410.00.

It was a pleasure working with your members. We are fortunate to have chapters with members such as yours who rise to the occasion when asked. I personally cannot thank you and the Southeastern GTO Association enough for your assistance. We are grateful.

Sincerely,

President: GTO Association of America

www.gtoaa.org

## Road Trips!

By Mike Walling

I need suggestions for upcoming events for our club meetings/activities. See below for upcoming events. Those in bold type are "official" SEGTOA events. As always, we need your input to keep things rolling! As you can see below, we need suggestions for several months. Email your ideas to <a href="mike@smarterfs.com">mike@smarterfs.com</a>



**August 13 SEGTOA Annual Picnic** 

**Redtop Mountain Park, Shelter #7** 

Cartersville, GA Park opens at 8am,

Arrive by 11am; Lunch at 12pm

September/ October **Currently Open** 

Send Cruise-In or Car Show suggestions to

Mike Walling; Click Here

November 11-13 Tail of the Dragon

Historic Topoco Lodge 14981 Tapoco Road Robbinsville, NC 28771

## Pontiacs on the BIG & small screen:



1969 Grand Prix in "Brother John"; (1971) source: Internet Movie Car Database



1975 Firebird in "Rockford Files"; (1974—1980); S2/Epo3 source: Internet Movie Car Database

## SEGTOA ANNUAL SUMMER PICNIC

# SATURDAY August 13th—Red Top Mountain Park

## Shelter 7; 10am—3pm



The much anticipated SEGTOA picnic will be held August 13, 2022 at Red Top Mountain State Park located at Picnic Shelter #7 on Red Top Beach Road, Cartersville, GA 30121. The gate opens at 8am and we have the shelter until park closing 8pm. Come and stay as long as you wish. It's the same location as we've had most of the recent year's picnic. It's the shelter that over looks Lake Allatoona! The food will be purchased from Williamson Bros again. Lunch will be served at 12 Noon.

In the past we had one of the largest turnouts in club history and it was a quite the sight having all of our

Pontiacs lined up around the lake! We've traditionally had great weather and we hope for great weather again!

In the event we have leftover food, members are welcome to take portions home. However, I would suggest that you bring a container with you to the picnic for that purpose. There will be tea and lemonade with the Williamson Bros ordered food. If you wish to bring other non-alcoholic beverages please do so, to include ice.

In the past a few of our members donated their time and talents to provide decorations, music, games, side dishes, ice, and desserts. If you would like to bring your favorite dish to share with the SEGTOA family, we will be happy to enjoy your offering! If you would like to lead or assist in setting up decorations or play music, please let me know.

Please bring your family—children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren are welcomed!

Williamson Bros will be providing:

BBQ Pork and BBQ Chicken

**BBQ Beans** 

Cole Slaw

Cookies

Tea

Lemonade

Buns

Plates napkins and utensils for 40+ people



Please reply <u>here to Mike Walling</u> with your attendance and if you are interested in bringing something to share with everyone.

# 2022 TAIL OF THE DRAGON

**Now it's your turn to make your reservations at the Historic Tapoco Lodge!** Below are the instructions on how to accomplish this with the discounted room rates expiring October 10, 2022. Once you have completed your reservations, please email **Mike Walling** so he can confirm everything is set on your behalf. A map of the property is attached.

For 2022 the Club will be utilizing the White Oak 1 Cabin as our club host cabin. The description of the cabin is below. It has a huge living room area to host 20 people and a big porch outside as well as a private fire pit. It of course is the most expensive of the cabins and therefore we have assembled some new guidelines on how the club will utilize it:

- To rent the cabin is strictly voluntary. If you choose to, you would have to be willing to host the Happy Hour, Dinner, and post-dinner festivities for both Friday and Saturday nights.
- The average cabin rents for \$250/night all in. This one rents for \$360/night all in.
- In order to be considered for the cabin, once the trip attendees are finalized on October 1 of 2022, the names of those who would like to have the cabin will have their names "thrown into a hat" and a winner chosen.
- That winner would pay the standard \$250/night and the club would pay the \$110/night difference.
- Each yearly winner cannot be considered in future years for the cabin to give everyone a chance to be in the host cabin that wants to and to avoid anyone from having the cabin more than once.

The White Oak 1 Cabin is reserved for the club already, so do not attempt to reserve that one.

#### White Oak 1 Cabin:

This cabin features a private bedroom with a plush king bed, a private full bath, a large private porch and a spacious living room with cathedral ceilings and wide windows to take in your beautiful surroundings. This cabin is unique as it has a full kitchen to enjoy your time dining with friends and family. This cabin is perfect for those who want to have space to enjoy company.

## **Reservations:**

- 1. Go to www.tapoco.com
- 2. Click on "Reservations"
- 3. Enter your arrival (11/11) and departure (11/13) dates
- 4. Enter the access code SE111122
- 5. Review and select your preferred room
- 6. Note the \$100 deposit and 30-day cancellation policy
- 7. Complete the remaining steps

Once you sign up and book a room, or plan to join us just for Saturday, send and email confirmation to <a href="Mike Walling">Mike Walling</a>.

## 2022 TAIL OF THE DRAGON

We are starting the 2022 Tail of the Dragon sign up early this year as the response has been overwhelming about what's in store for us in 2022! Below is a summary of our itinerary with a few new adjustments highlighted in yellow that will make the trip even better. Meeting locations will be provided as the event gets closer.

## Friday November 11th.

- 1. Meet from various locations for a back roads cruise to Topoco. Arrive around 4:30pm.
- 2. Happy Hour will be at the White Oak 1 Cabin starting at 5:30 PM. Huge indoor and outdoor reception area. Dinner will be at 6:30 at the White Oak Cabin and this will give everyone time to check in and freshen up or take a walk around the grounds.
- 3. Friday night dinner will be a pot luck dinner with all attending members bringing a dish from home for all to share. With a full size kitchen to include a full size oven, microwave, and refrigerator, we can bring dishes pre-cooked or cook them there. This is a change from past years where we will not eat dinner at the restaurant.

After dinner we will gather around our private fire pit for some adult beverages, fellowship, and tall tales.

## Saturday November 12<sup>th</sup>.

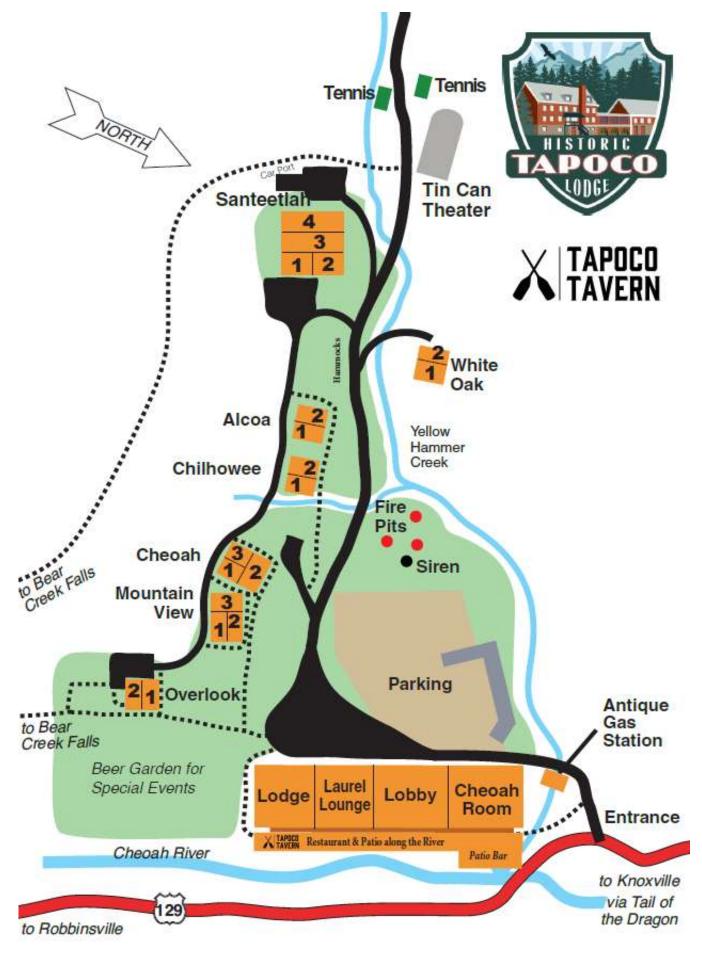
- 1. We will depart the hotel at 10:30 AM and for our loop around Lake Santeetlah and onto the Cherohala Skyway.
- 2. Lunch will be the Fort Loudon State Historic Park. This year as the last two, we are all going to picnic outside and bring our lunches. You have the option to bring your Saturday lunch from home or order one of the boxed lunches from the Tapoco restaurant. Please see the attached picture from 2021.
- 3. Drive the Tail of the Dragon and stop at the Souvenir Store.
- 4. Last stop will be the Fontana Dam. Time permitting we will also stop at the Cheoah Dam.
- 5. Back to the Tapoco Lodge. ETA to the lodge will be around 4:30 PM.
- 6. Happy Hour will be at the White Oak 1 Cabin at 5:30 PM. Dinner will be at 6:30 PM at the hotel restaurant.

After dinner we will gather return to White Oak 1 Cabin and our private fire pit for some adult beverages, fellowship, and tall tales. More Duck tales.

## **Sunday November 13<sup>th</sup>.**

- 1. For those that want to run the Tail of the Dragon again before heading home, a much more spirited drive with less traffic, we will meet in the parking lot at 9 AM. This way we are back by 10 AM to meet the rest of the group and not delay the regular departure time.
- 2. At 10 AM we will gather at the lower parking lot with all cars packed and ready to depart for home.
- 3. At 10:15 AM we will depart and drive the reverse of the route up on Friday. 7

# 2022 TAIL OF THE DRAGON



## SEGTOA CLASSIFEDS



Looking for a nice 1967 GTO convertible; prefer auto. Does not have to be show, but at least driver quality

Rick 239-839-0257



Looking for a '66 GTO frame Tom Arnold

Phone is 770-367-1444

## **FOR SALE:**

Pontiac OEM Crank .30/.30 ready: \$175

'70 GTO repairable sheet metal. Doors, Fenders, Decklids, Hoods: \$200-\$400 ea.

'70 GTO front bare bumper repairable: \$500.

'70 GTO repro black int. door panels: \$100.

'65 GTO straight front and rear bumpers, great cores (possibly use as is): \$300 ea.

'69 GTO factory intake for 4bbl, call/text for cast # and dates: \$175.

1972 GTO Rally Gauge cluster restored and ready: \$500.

'65-'66 Lemans hubcaps like new: (4) \$150.

'65 Lemans OEM flat hood: \$175.

Edelbrock PontiacTorker intake: \$100.

Bill Thiele in Marietta (305) 302-0776 text is best.

Prices are flexible for club members.

# **GTO Maintenance/Repair Resource**List:

Club Resource Reference

A few years ago I came up with an idea of compiling a list of shops or people that provide important services for our vintage cars. The list had the services performed listed in alphabetical order to make finding what you need easy.

Members were asked to send a message to me to add info to the list which was sent out to the club members every year for a while. I thought this was good for club members especially those who would prefer others to do work they cannot.

Unfortunately my own computer had several internal issues and somehow my own copy of the list is gone. I would appreciate if you would look to see if you may have saved this list and if so please send me a copy. If you have a preferred shop, etc. please send that to me as well so that I can compile a new list. Thanks so much!

Paul Sorrells (404) 702-3398 / p.sorrells@comcast.net

## A/C UPDATE—Jim Norman

Just checked with all of the local parts stores:

DUPONT R134A Freon has gone from \$10 per 12oz can to \$26 per can.

Online; R12 Freon has gone from \$45 per 12oz can to \$65 per can.

ALL ARE CLAIMING INFLATION.



## SEGTOA CLASSIFEDS

## GTO Rebuilding/Repair

Ready to have your GTO refreshed? Recent projects on member's cars have included:

ENGINE DETAILING—FRONT END SUSPENSION UPGRADES—AC RECHARGING/ REPAIR—QUADRAJET REBUILD—DISTRIBUTOR REBUILD—REPLACEMENT OF HEAD LINERS, VINYL TOPS, CARPET—SEATS RECOVERED—DASH CLEANED UP—REBUILD AUTO OR HURST SHIFTER—REPAIR ANY WIRING—REAR PACKAGE TRAY REPLACE-MENT—TRUNK REPAINTING—COMPLETE ORIGINAL JACK—BRAKE JOBS

I am currently working on a 1970 Orbit Orange GTO with Judge stripes and rear spoiler as seen in the movies "Two Lane Blacktop" and "Dazed and Confused" as well as chase scenes from the tv shows "Beretta" and "Adam-12". The project included complete engine detail and interior installation. A/C and dash will also be completed as part of the project.











JAMES LEE NORMAN 770-778-5945 Segtoa70guy@yahoo.com

### Pontiac Resources

### **GTO Parts Resources**

#### **General Info**

http://www.oldride.com/library/pontiac gto.html

Pontiac Years Forum on Everything Pontiac <a href="http://forums.maxperformanceinc.com/forums/">http://forums.maxperformanceinc.com/forums/</a>

#### Carbs

http://www.carburetion.com/ https://quadrajetparts.com/ http://quadrajetpower.com/

QuadraJet Forum, rebuild service, parts, Q&A <a href="https://cliffshighperformance.com">https://cliffshighperformance.com</a>

Excellent Article on Quadrajet Tuning & Operation www.studebaker-info.org/Tech/qjet/tuneaOjet.pdf

## **Engines & Heads**

http://www.spottsperformance.com/engineid.htm

http://www.wallaceracing.com

#### Wheels

http://www.pontiacserver.com/wheels.html#rally2

## **Pontiac Tripower**

http://www.pontiactripower.com

#### **GT-37 and LeMans GT Literature**

http://www.at-37.ora

## **Engine Color Reference**

http://www.pontiacpower.org/enginecolor.htm

#### **Original Classic Car Brochures**

http://wildaboutcarsonline.com/cgi-bin/pub9990289237970.cgi?categoryid=9990289238012

#### Accessories and prices for 1966 Pontiac full car line

http://wildaboutcarsonline.com/members/ AardvarkPublisherAttachments/9990414098658/1966 Mini Accessorizer Catalog.pdf

## **Battery Cables**

http://www.battervcablesusa.com

#### **Fastener Kits & Hardware**

https://www.amkproducts.com/i-kits/pontiac/

## **Pontiac Instrument Gauges Restoration & Hurst Shifters**

http://precisionpontiac.net/Default.aspx

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The members listed below have volunteered to share their special knowledge with other members. To contact an Officer, Board Member, or Technical Advisor, email us at segtoaboards@gmail.com, specify who you need to speak with and we will forward your information to that individual.

### SEGTOA TECHNICAL ADVISORY PANEL

1964	Doug Askew	t-daskew@segtoa.org	706-453-2234
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1966	Bob Immekus	brimmekus@gmail.com	770-686-4592
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1971-1974	BJ Benton	bjbenton@unitedpump.com	678-414-7135
2004-2006	Paul McGinnett	pontiacbubba@aol.com	770-653-0365

## **Club Membership Dues**

Dues are \$20 per year, payable January 1st each year. New members receive a \$10 discount on membership their first year. SEGTOA dues requirements are waived for all active military. Membership in GTOAA (preferred) or POCI is required for all members joining after 2007. Members must be in good standing to attend meetings, with the option to bring their membership up to date at any scheduled meeting. Membership application is available on the SEGTOA website.

Checks should be made payable to Southeastern GTO Association and mailed to Dan Williams, 154 Whitney Street, Eatonton, GA 31024-5732.

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SEGTOA is a chapter of the GTO Association of America (www.gtoaa.org), the premier organization for GTO enthusiasts. Each month GTOAA members receive *The Legend* magazine, a Golden Quill Award Winning publication. SEGTOA is also associated with Pontiac Oakland Club International (www.poci.org). POCI members receive their monthly magazine *Smoke Signals*.

SEGTOA is an organization dedicated to the survival of the Pontiac GTO, LeMans, and other classic Pontiacs. SEGTOA is open to anyone who shares our common interest in GTOs and other Pontiacs. We enjoy monthly Chapter meetings, including cruises, car shows, picnics, technical sessions and other fun