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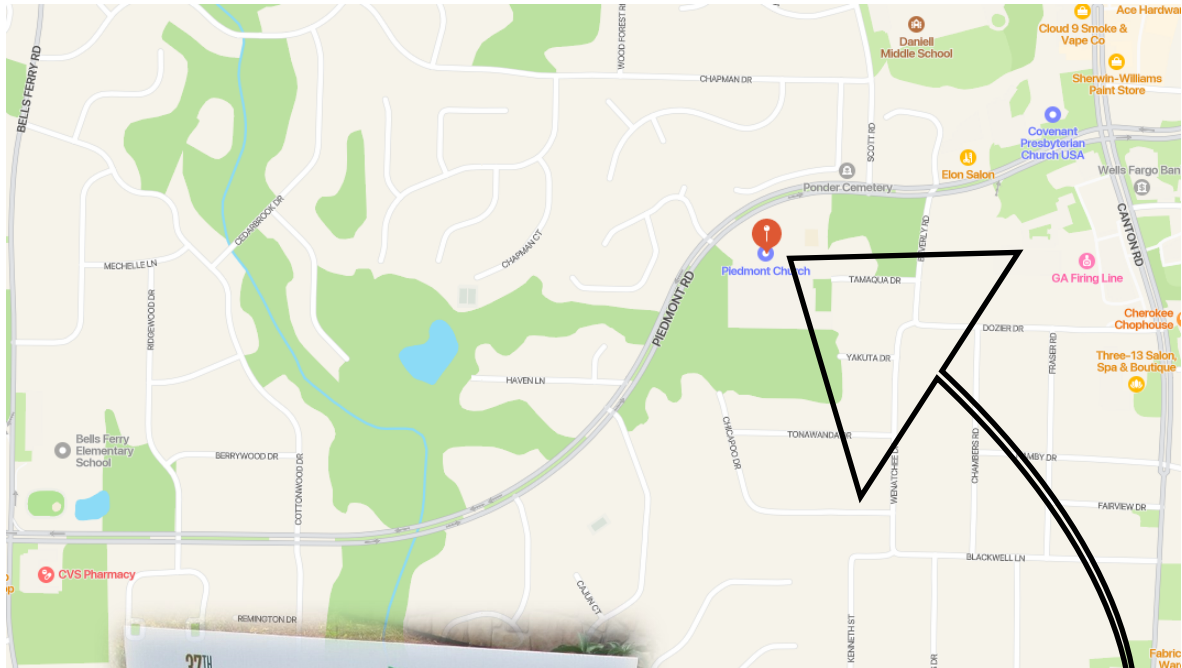
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**October Club Event:  
~ Saturday October 7th ~**

## **2024 BOPC Planning Meeting**

**Piedmont Church  
570 Piedmont Rd  
Marietta, GA**



# President's Message:

## *Jim Andrews*

"It is three days past the Autumnal Equinox as I write this, which means that it is officially Fall. From a club perspective this means one thing: Tail of the Dragon weekend is getting close. This year it is November 3-5, and we are getting back to October for 2024, trying to hit the fall colors. It is hit or miss as you know, but TOD weekend is my favorite event of the year. We have a core group that has been attending every year since 2015, my first year. Though it is without a doubt a driver's weekend, the after-drive gatherings and camaraderie are what really make it a great time. Many long-term friendships have been forged over those dinners, campfires, and Happy Hours.

October is the month we announce candidates for Officers and Board of Directors for 2024, to be voted on at the Christmas party. We have one of two positions that we need someone to take over: President or Events VP. I have been doing both and I am unable to do both effectively. I will step down from either position, but I need someone to take one of them on. Please take some time to consider which of these positions you might be able to take over. Both positions will continue to suffer as long as I have to fill them both. Please help me out here.

We had a nice turnout for our September event, the car show in Flowery Branch. It was a big disappointment that the chili cookoff

didn't happen, but we still had a good time. If we go again next year, we'll

need to meet well before 8AM if we want a decent area to park in. The downtown area simply didn't have room for the number of cars that showed up.

We have two events in October. First and foremost is the first planning meeting for the 2024 BOPC at the Piedmont Cruise-in on Saturday October 7<sup>th</sup> at 9AM. Please clear your calendars now and make every effort to attend this meeting, as we will begin preparations for the 2024 show. I truly believe that we have put on the best shows of the four groups involved, even in 2020 during Covid. And Pontiacs are traditionally the largest marque represented at the show year after year.

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## Road Trips!

We 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 [d\\_finkelstein@comcast.net](mailto:d_finkelstein@comcast.net)



## SEGTOA EVENTS CALENDAR

\* **October 7**  
**8am—11am**      **2024 BOPC Planning Meeting**  
**Piedmont Church**  
**Marietta, GA**

### Other October Events:

\* **October 21**  
**9am-1pm**      **Children's Healthcare of Atlanta Car Show**  
**Dogwood Dental**  
**2421 Shallowford Rd., Marietta, GA**  
**(\$25 donation for show vehicles)**

October 21  
3pm      PoBoys  
225 Reformation Pkwy  
Canton, GA

October 28  
8am—5pm      56th Annual Moonshine Festival  
*Georgia Racing Hall of Fame*  
*Douglasville, GA*

\* **Club Event; all members welcome**

### ***Pontiacs on the BIG & small screen:***



1961 Catalina Safari in "Bikini Beach"; (1964)  
source: Internet Movie Car Database



1970 TransAm in "Chips"; (1977—1983);  
S1.Ep21  
source: Internet Movie Car Database

## **President's Message, cont.**

We will have another meeting on December 2nd at The Cue Barbecue prior to our annual Christmas Bash, and every month until the day of the show. Again, we need everyone who can attend to be there. I'll be sending out reminders the week before.

Our second event for October is the Children's Healthcare of Atlanta car show at Dogwood Dental in Marietta on Saturday October 21st. The flyer is in this issue.

You'll want to clear your calendar on Saturday December 2<sup>nd</sup> for the annual Christmas Bash at The Cue Barbecue 5260 Peachtree Industrial Blvd, Peachtree Corners, GA 30071. The festivities begin at 11AM, with a BOPC meeting at 9:30AM.

***Keep 'em between the ditches!***

*Jim Andrews*  
President

Welcome New Members!

**Jay & Debbie Drew; Dawsonville, GA; 1979 TransAM**

**Charles & Rose Didion; Fernandina Beach, FL; 1967 GTO Coupe**



Benefiting



**Children's**<sup>™</sup>  
Healthcare of Atlanta

DOGWOOD DENTAL PRESENTS

# CHARITY CAR SHOW

**Vendor Spaces  
Available for \$100**

Contact Dogwood Dental for Details



**\$25**  
Donation for  
Show Vehicles,  
Free for  
Spectators

Trophies will be awarded in many categories

Dogwood Dental is proud to sponsor this charity event where you can admire a variety of interesting models or even show off your own! All proceeds from this event will go to the dentistry department at Children's Healthcare of Atlanta, so come see the best of the auto industry while supporting a great cause!

## WHEN?

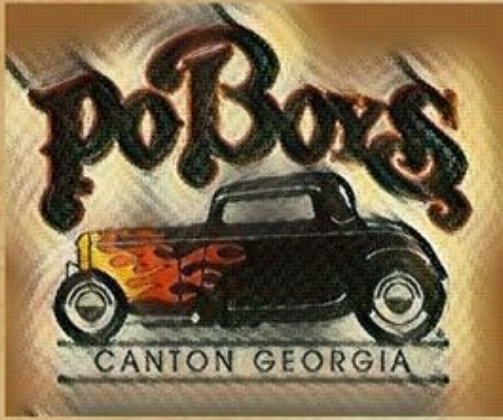
October 21, 2023 | 9am - 1pm  
(Rain Date November 4, 2023)

## WHERE?

2421 Shallowford Road,  
Marietta GA 30066

(770) 926-6886 | [DogWoodDental.com](http://DogWoodDental.com)

<https://www.facebook.com/poboyscarclub>



# NEW LOCATION!

Cruise-Ins &  
Fundraiser



225 Reformation Pkwy, Canton, GA 30114

## **2023 Schedule @3 PM**

March 18th

July 15th

April 22nd

August 19th

May 20th

September 16th

June 17th

October 21st

Questions? Call Keith Cline at 404-226-8087 or Mike McCracken at 404-597-6689

# Tail of the Dragon

## November 3-5, 2023

It's time to start thinking about our 2023 Tail of the Dragon weekend. Those of you who have made the trip before know it's one of our best events of the year. If you've never gone, you'll want to consider it. The drive on the Cherohala Skyway and the Tail of the Dragon is only part of the experience. More than anything it is the camaraderie. I have attended every year since 2015 and it gets better every year. Many members who have gone for the first time remark that they'll be going every year.

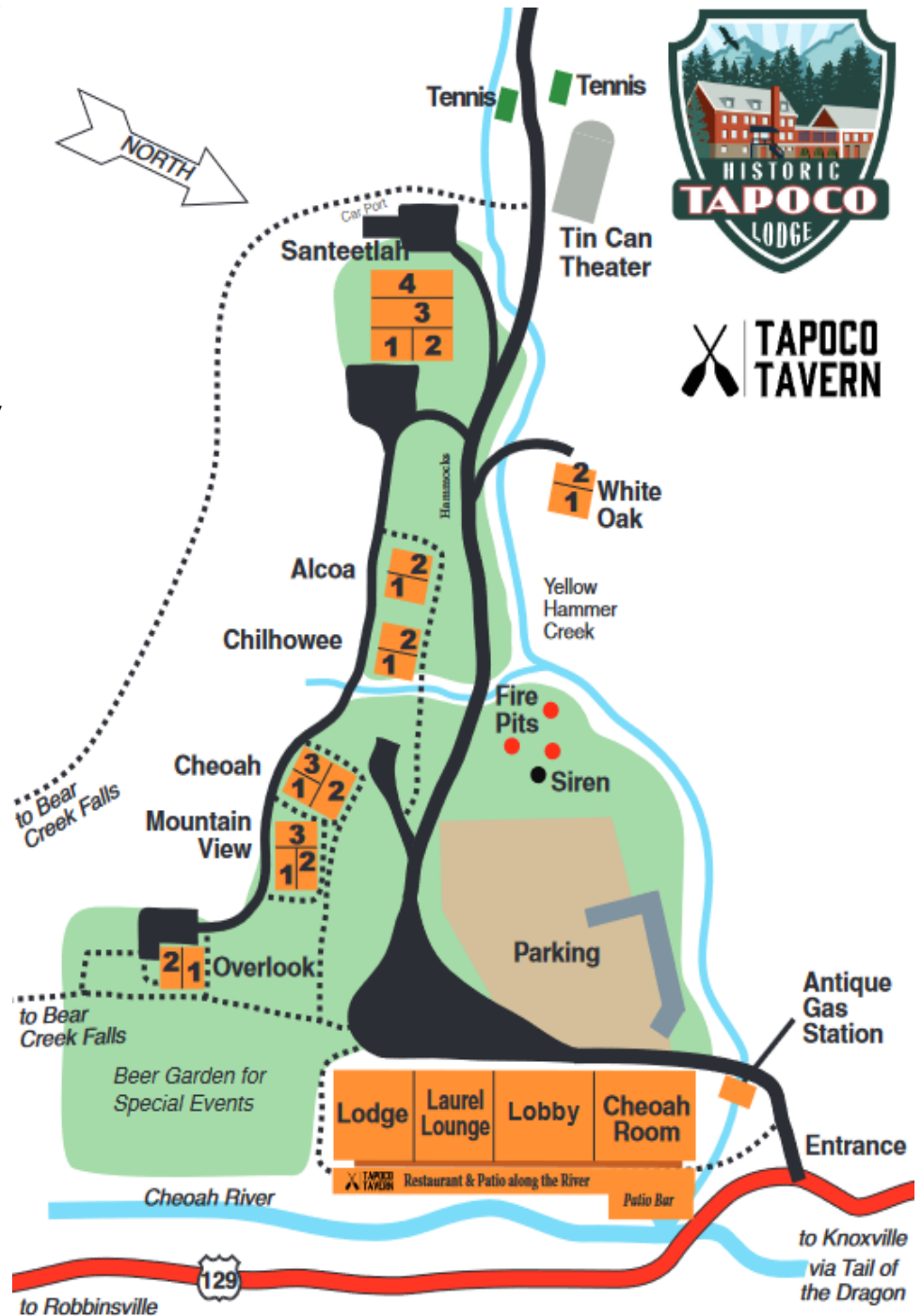
We gather for lunch midday Friday (11/3) and travel to the Historic Tapoco Lodge north of Robbinsville NC. After Happy Hour, a carry-in dinner and campfire stories Friday evening, we head out Saturday morning (11/4) after breakfast at the lodge for our loop around Lake Santeetlah, the Cherohala Skyway, lunch at Fort Loudon State Park, then onto the Tail of the Dragon and back to Tapoco. Sunday (11/5) is breakfast at the lodge and a 'spirited' run up and down the Tail for those interested, check-out, and departure. Multiple gas and restroom stops are scheduled. This is just an overview. I have attached a more detailed agenda, subject to change, but basically accurate.

As we have done the last few years we have a block of cabins from which you can reserve, including White Oak 1, which is a large cabin with a full kitchen, private fire pit, and room for a crowd inside and out. If you want to be the hosts for the group you can go ahead and reserve White Oak 1. The club will reimburse you for the difference between White Oak 1 and the other cabins. Alternatively, we will hold a lottery in late August to see who stays in White Oak 1. Hosting the group does not require any effort at all.

**If you reserve White Oak 1 or want in on the lottery, let me know via email.** Reservation instructions, the list of cabins, and a property map are attached. You will be charged a refundable deposit, and we will send out reminders as cancellation and event dates approach.

I'm looking forward to another great outing.

Jim Andrews



# **Tail of the Dragon; Agenda**

**November 3-5, 2023**

## ***Friday November 3rd***

1. The Marietta and Jasper groups will meet at BigUn's BBQ for lunch, 362 Carns Mill Road, Talking Rock GA 30175 at 12:00 noon. Depart at 1:00 PM to drive to Murphy NC.
2. The Murphy NC group will meet at Citgo/Subway at 451 US 64 West, Murphy NC at 2:00 PM and meet up with the Marietta/Jasper group. Restrooms and fuel, then we will depart at 2:30 to head to Robbinsville NC. There will be one more stop for gas for anyone who wants to top off before Saturday's loop.
3. Happy Hour (BYOB) will be at the White Oak 1 Cabin starting at 5:30 PM and this will give everyone time to check in and freshen up or take a walk around the grounds. White Oak 1 has a huge indoor and outdoor reception area. Your hosts this year are TBD. Dinner will be at 6:30 at White Oak 1 cabin
4. Friday night dinner will be a pot luck carry-in with all attending members bringing a dish from home for all to share. With a full-size kitchen including 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 ate dinner at the restaurant. More details on dinner to come as the event gets closer and we have a count.
5. After dinner we will gather around our private fire pit and/or inside for some adult beverages (BYOB), fellowship, and tall tales.

## ***Saturday November 4th***

1. Breakfast at the lodge whenever you get up.
2. Meet in the lower parking lot with cars packed and warming up, at 10:15. Departure at 10:30.
3. Everyone should bring their own cooler and chairs. The cooler should be large enough to hold their beverages and box lunches (made by the hotel or from home) for Saturday's day-long trip.
4. Anyone arriving on Saturday should arrive no later than 10:15 Saturday AM, gassed up and ready to go.
5. We will depart the hotel at 10:30 AM for our loop around Lake Santeetlah and onto the Cherohala Skyway.
6. Stop at the Turkey Creek Overlook for pictures and restrooms. (1 hour, 41 miles)
7. Next stop will be the Fort Loudon State Historic Park for lunch. We will picnic outside. You have the option to bring your Saturday lunch from home or order one of the boxed lunches from the Tapoco restaurant. (1 hour, 37 miles)
8. Shell station for fuel & restrooms. (6 minutes, 2 miles)
9. Drive the Tail of the Dragon and stop at the Souvenir Store. (1 hour, 34 miles). Time permitting you may skip the store and travel to Fontana dam for a short visit, then back to Tapoco with a stop at the store if desired. (1.5 hours, 27 miles)
10. Return to Tapoco to freshen up for dinner and Happy Hour (6 minutes, 3 miles)
11. 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.
12. After dinner we will gather return to White Oak 1 Cabin and our private fire pit for some adult beverages, fellowship, and tall tales.

## ***Sunday November 5th***

1. Breakfast at the lodge whenever you get up.
2. For those of you who want to run the tail of the Dragon again, a 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 check out, meet the rest of the group, and Not delay the regular departure time.
3. After checkout we will gather at the lower parking lot with all cars packed and ready to depart for home.



# Tail of the Dragon; Lodging

November 3-5, 2023



## Historic Tapoco Lodge

14981 Tapoco Rd.  
Robbinsville, NC 28771  
828.498.2800  
[info@tapoco.com](mailto:info@tapoco.com)  
[www.tapoco.com](http://www.tapoco.com)

## Lodging Proposal

for SE GTO Association

Proposal Date: 11/3/22

Check-In	Check-Out	Nights	Room Description	Avg Nightly	Sub-Total
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- 1) Visit [www.tapoco.com](http://www.tapoco.com)
- 2) Click on "Reservations"
- 3) Enter in your arrival and departure date and the number of adults and children staying in the room
- 4) Enter in the access code of: SE110323
- 5) Review and select your preferred room
- 6) Include each guest name staying in the selected room
- 7) Complete the remaining reservation steps

For further assistance, please feel free to call us at the Historic Tapoco Lodge at (828) 498-2800 or email us at [info@tapoco.com](mailto:info@tapoco.com).

11/3/23	11/5/23	2	Mountain View Cabin 3 for 2 Adults	\$278.10	\$556.20
11/3/23	11/5/23	2	Cheoah Cabin 1 for 4 Adults	\$278.10	\$576.20
11/3/23	11/5/23	2	Cheoah Cabin 2 for 4 Adults	\$278.10	\$576.20
11/3/23	11/5/23	2	Cheoah Cabin 3 for 3 Adults	\$269.10	\$548.20
11/3/23	11/5/23	2	Santeetlah Cabin 1 for 2 Adults	\$269.10	\$538.20
11/3/23	11/5/23	2	Santeetlah Cabin 2 for 3 Adults	\$269.10	\$548.20
11/3/23	11/5/23	2	Santeetlah Cabin 3 for 2 Adults	\$278.10	\$556.20
11/3/23	11/5/23	2	Santeetlah Cabin 4 for 3 Adults	\$278.10	\$566.20
11/3/23	11/5/23	2	White Oak Cabin Suite 1 for 4 Adults	\$368.10	\$756.20
11/3/23	11/5/23	2	White Oak Cabin 2 for 2 Adults	\$269.10	\$538.20

**WANTED**

Set of Rally II center hubs - Red or Black

Paul (404) 702-3398;  
[p.sorrells@comcast.net](mailto:p.sorrells@comcast.net)

**WANTED**

Enclosed trailer about 6x10 or 12.  
Could buy or rent.

Ed Downing; [goat455ho@icloud.com](mailto:goat455ho@icloud.com)

**GTO TLC**

Recently completed! This '65 Tri-Power factory A/C 4-speed is ready to go and show! Stop by and get your GTO ready for summer cruising!

James Lee Norman; 770-778-5945



**WANTED**

Looking to purchase any old Rochester Quadrajets sitting around on a shelf or rebuild any you have on your car.

James Lee Norman; 770-778-5945



**GTO Interiors**

Do you need your dash upgraded or cleaned, seat covers replaced, or interior restored? Stop by GTO Drive for a Spring cleaning or repair of your GTO!

James Lee Norman; 770-778-5945



**GTO & LeMans Parts For Sale**

If you don't see what you need for a 1969 or 1970 GTO, ask.  
 Bill Thiele, Marietta. 305 302 0776 text is best.

***Prices are flexible for SEGTOA members***

Pontiac OEM Crank .30/.30 Ready	\$150
1970 GTO Repairable Original Sheet Metal: Doors, Fenders, Deck, Hoods	\$200—\$400
1970 GTO Front Bumpers Repairable. One bare, One Loaded	\$500 & \$800
1965 GTO Front and Rear Bumpers, Good Cores or use as is	\$300 ea
1972 GTO Rally Gauge Cluster, Restored and Ready	\$500
1965-1966 Lemans Hub Caps like new	\$150
1965 Lemans Flat Hood OEM Repairable	\$125
Pontiac Edelbrock Torker Alum Intake (needs cleaning)	\$75
1969 GTO Bare Front Endura Bumper Repairable OEM	\$800
1969 GTO Front Endura Bumper Brackets (New Repro)	\$300
1969 GTO Radiator/Core Support OEM Repairable	\$350
1969 Gold Cad Caliper Brackets repro	\$45
1969 GTO Interior Door Trim. Repro and nice originals	\$10 - \$50 ea
1969 GTO upper and lower Radiator hoses nice repros	\$20 ea
1969 GTO Fixed Headlight bezels Driver Q	\$50
1969 GTO Hideaway Headlight hardware & door covers Driver Q	\$30 - \$150
1969 GTO RA III Water Pump Pulley (late production)	\$75
1969 GTO Black Plastic 8 track covers OEM Diff conditions	\$50 - \$75 ea
1969 GTO Non-A/C Dash Air Controls Driver Q	\$100
1969 GTO Oval Antenna and lead, correct repros new	\$100
1969 GTO Trunk mat slightly used, but correct	\$20
1969 GTO Door Weather Strip (New Repro)	\$40
1969 GTO Front Hood Spring Repro	\$20
1969 GTO Ram Air Pan Foam (New Repro)	\$30
1969 GTO Front Lower Valance Moldings several	\$25 - \$50 ea
1969-70 GTO Glove Box inserts OEM Driver Q	\$50 - \$75 ea
1969 GTO Rear Taillight Bezles Driver Q (several)	\$50 - \$75 ea
1969 GTO Three Pod Dash gauge bezel (New Repro)	\$125
1969 GTO Red Dot AM/FM Stereo radio prof. reconditioned	\$600
1969 GTO Trunk Lid edge moldings most pieces, (several)	\$50 - \$75 ea
1969 GTO Throttle Bracket (mounts to intake)	\$35
1969 GTO Heat Riser Exhaust Shield (New Repro)	\$75
1969 GTO Stove/riser black tube (New Repro)	\$10
1969 GTO Ram Air Underdash cable bracket and cable (New Repro)	\$100
1969 GTO Front Windshield, Driver Q	\$50
1968-1970 GTO hood scoop inserts closed type (several)	\$30 ea

## GTO Parts Resources

### General Info

[http://www.olderide.com/library/pontiac\\_gto.html](http://www.olderide.com/library/pontiac_gto.html)

Pontiac Years Forum on Everything Pontiac  
<http://forums.maxperformanceinc.com/forums/>

### Carbs

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

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

Excellent Article on Quadrajet Tuning & Operation  
[www.studebaker-info.org/Tech/qjet/tuneaQjet.pdf](http://www.studebaker-info.org/Tech/qjet/tuneaQjet.pdf)

### Engines & Heads

<http://www.spottperformance.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.gt-37.org>

### 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](http://wildaboutcarsonline.com/members/AardvarkPublisherAttachments/9990414098658/1966_Mini_Accessorizer_Catalog.pdf)

### Battery Cables

<http://www.batterycablesusa.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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### SEGTOA TECHNICAL ADVISORY PANEL

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1969	William Thiele	WilliamThiele@hotmail.com
1970	Jim Norman	segtoa70guy@yahoo.com
1971-1974	BJ Benton	bjbenton@unitedpump.com
2004-2006	<i>OPEN</i>	

### 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 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