



Tiger Tales

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**Celebrating our
36th Year!**

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Next Event:
Saturday, October 15, 2022
10am to 3pm
Ridz By The River
210 Etowah Springs Rd
Cartersville, GA



President's Message:

Jim Andrews

A few days before writing this it officially became Fall as determined by the Autumnal Equinox, one of two times a year when a consecutive day and night are the same length of time. Where I grew up in Michigan, it was readily apparent by the change in weather, but not so much here in the Sunny South. It's kind of nice – no, very nice – that we can drive our classic GTOs and other Pontiacs all year long and that they are exposed to the ravages of road salt very infrequently.

Fall also means that my favorite road trip, the Tail of the Dragon weekend, is coming soon. Since we're going a little later than normal, we may miss the more brilliant colors that we've seen on past trips, but the trip itself is only part of the enjoyment. Though the cool weather allows our cars to run a little cooler and affords us a more potent air/fuel charge, it is more the time we are spending with other club members. That is largely what this hobby is all about.

Having bought my first GTO almost 20 years ago, I have to say I do not recall meeting any "difficult" car people. Some characters to be sure (many in our club I'm glad to say), and that's part of the fun. If we were all dull



and boring, our gatherings wouldn't be nearly as much fun. The stories we tell around the table or the campfire, at the car show or cruise-in, or in the garage... they all serve as a personal connection, and I believe life-long friendships have been forged.

I hope your projects are going well. We've been traveling so much I haven't had much time to work on my '67. It's the price we pay for our kids and grandkids being spread from the Midwest to California.

I hope to see many of you at Ridz on the River on October 15. Details are in this issue. One last note, we are still in need of a member to take over the position of Meetings and Events VP for next year. Please shoot me an email if you can help us out.

Keep 'em between the ditches!



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 mike@smarterfs.com



SEGTOA EVENTS CALENDAR

October

Ridz By The River
10am—3pm
210 Etowah Springs Rd
Cartersville, GA

November 11-13

Tail of the Dragon
Historic Topoco Lodge
14981 Tapoco Road
Robbinsville, NC 28771

December 10

Holiday Party
11am—2:30pm
The Hickory Room @ Cue Barbecue
5260 Peachtree Industrial Blvd
Peachtree Corners, GA

Pontiacs on the BIG & small screen:



1971 Firebird Trans Am in "Corvette Summer";
(1978)

source: Internet Movie Car Database



2005 GTO in "CSI: Miami"; (2002—2012); S6/Ep18
source: Internet Movie Car Database

October Club Event—Ridz By The River

Saturday October 15, 10 am – 3pm

RSVP to Mike Walling by clicking [HERE](#)

The voting that went out two months ago about going to either Chattanooga or Cartersville in October was concluded with Cartersville winning. Fairly new show that some of us have been to before but as a club we have not. There is no registration fee, no awards, no swap meet. A cruise in. Food vendors will include BBQ, Pizza, Hamburgers and Hot dogs. The location is a grass field with plenty of parking. Let's go make this an event to get together as a club without the stress or requirements of a car show. The show is from 10 AM to 3 PM. I am setting up one meeting point just 5 miles from the Cruise In. With so many cars in attendance, this would be a great event to bring our tent and hand out membership applications. The May 2022 event had 1500+ cars.

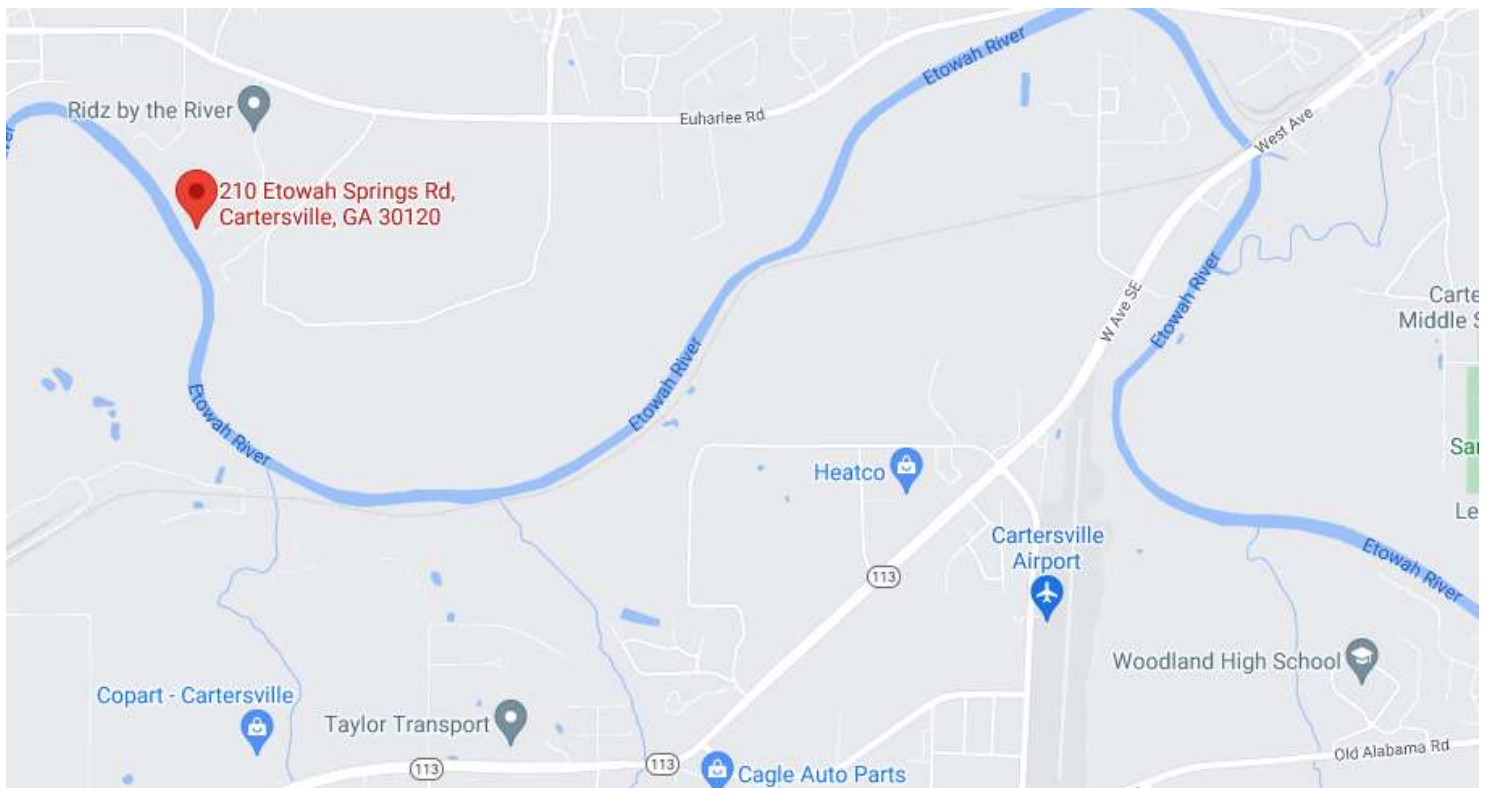
This is a charity event and all proceeds benefit the local Backpack Buddies Program, which provides weekend meals to local children in food-insecure homes.

Food Trucks

- O Holy Knight BBQ
- Chuck's Curbside Cheesesteaks
- Coconuts Ice Cream
- Chica's Birria's Tacos
- Hillbilly Cafe
- Sticky Fingers Kettle Corn

Meet from 9:00 AM to 9:15 AM at St. Angelos Pizza, 77 Old Allatoona Road SE, Cartersville GA 30121. Plenty of parking to the left of the pizza place.

At 9:15 AM we will depart and drive the 5 miles to 210 Etowah Springs Road, Cartersville GA 30120.



GTO Projects

Jim Norman—1969 GTO Restoration

Restoration Update:

EARLY JUNE 2022.

THE 1ST THREE PHOTOS ARE OF THE '69 GTO THAT ARRIVED AT MY HOUSE AFTER SITTING IN AN OPEN BARN SHED FOR 42 YEARS.

LATE SEPTEMBER 2022.

THE SECOND FIVE PHOTOS ARE OF THE FULLY RESTORED INTERIOR, REBUILT ENGINE, AND FULLY RUNNING AND DRIVABLE TIGER.

NOW TO REINSTALL THE WORKING AC AND NEW EXPRESSO BROWN PAINT.

JUNE 2022



SEPTEMBER 2022



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](mailto:mike.walling@tapoco.com) 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 [Mike Walling](mailto:mike.walling@tapoco.com).

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 12th.

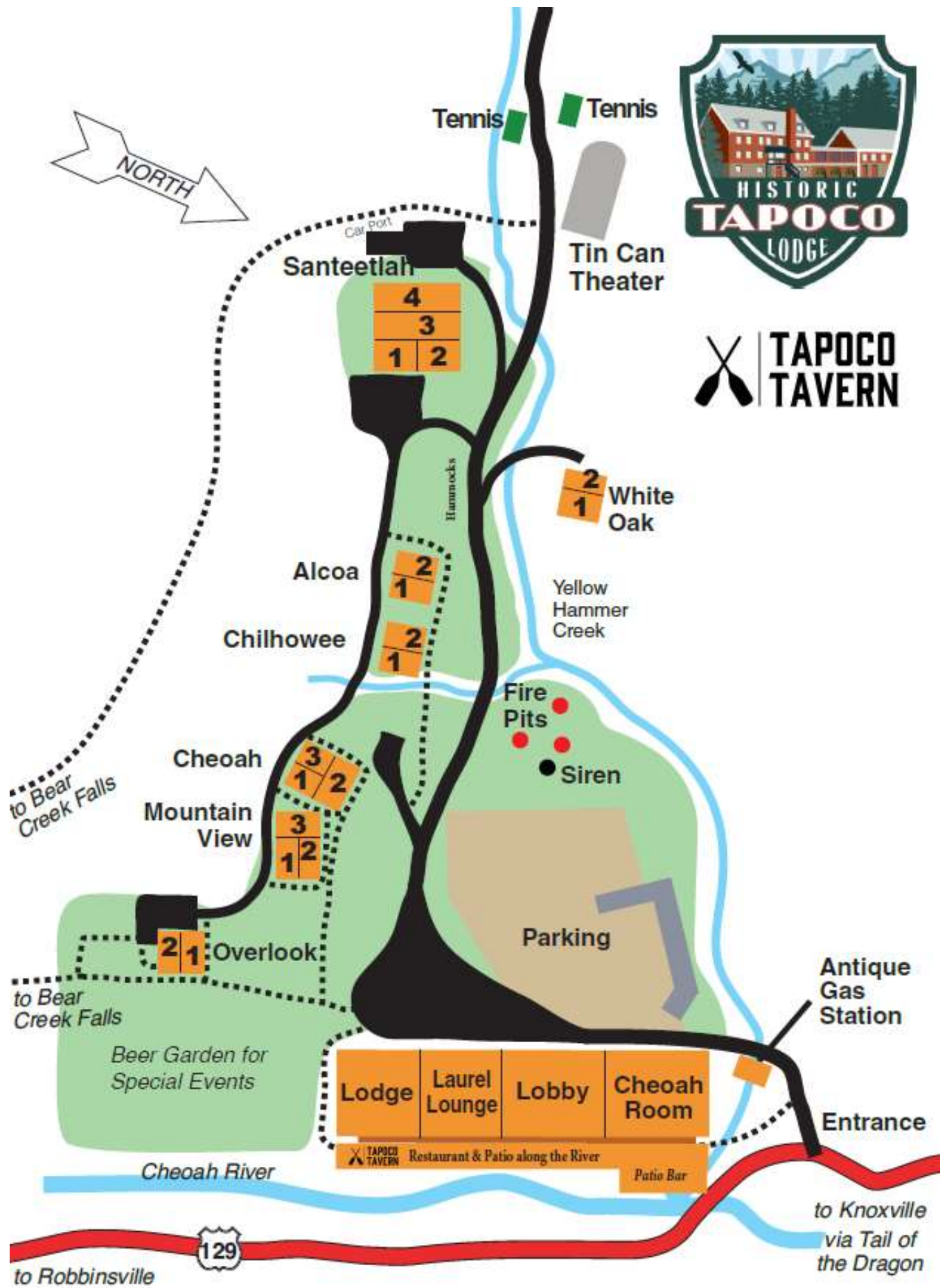
1. We will depart the hotel at 10:30 AM and for our loop around Lake Santeetlah and onto the Cherohala Skyway.
2. Lunch will be the Fort Loudon State Historic Park. This year as the last two, we are all going to picnic outside and bring our lunches. You have the option to bring your Saturday lunch from 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 13th.

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





1990 Wells Cargo Car Trailer For Sale. Black in color. Very Solid. 24' X 98". Front aero bubble, 5k winch, optima battery, front storage box. Recent roof vent. New brakes and New Hancock E-rated tires, new rims/caps. just serviced. 2 spare tires, new spare loaded brake hub (with bearings). 5200# axles. Tows great. Need pictures? Just ask.

Asking \$11,500.

Price is flexible for SEGTOA members

Bill Thiele Text (305)302-0776 Text.



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



**Fan Shroud for 1970-72 GTO
Paul Sorrells (404) 702-3398 /
p.sorrells@comcast.net**

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

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

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

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

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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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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1969	John Link	linkltrs@bellsouth.net	404-578-8973
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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