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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Happy New Year GGG,
Hopefully, everyone had a nice holiday season.
Now that the holidays are over and a new year
begins time to move forward.....

As we welcome in 2025, GGG will celebrate
our 29th Anniversary continuing our yearly
tradition of July Tilden Park picnics date TBD.
GGG30 is now right around the corner. 29

years is a long time and GGG has been a part
of many of our lives for a long time. Want to
experience a déjà vu moment? Think back to
what age you were when you either joined
GGG or entered the hobby lol. If there was
enough interest in sharing this, it could become
a newsletter addition. Let me know what you
think. We could name the column Flashback
or? For me please set the wayback machine to
1966 or 1967. One of my aunts had two
younger sisters that lived with her, and they
were twins. I was 13 and they were 18. The
family used to get together on Saturday nights,
usually we went to their house and it was
typically date night. I considered the girls
goddesses... dresses, heels and BIG hair were
the norm sending this boy into overdrive. Their
steady boyfriends were totally into cars as was
I although all I could do was read car
magazines! One owned a 65 GTO tri-power 4
speed with the Bobcat package and other
mods. The other is a 64 Corvette coupe 365hp
4 speed with mods. They could tell I had cars
on the brain and would talk cars with me before
taking the girls out. On occasion they would

take me for a ride, and these were the first GTO and Corvette I ever rode in. Boys being boys you can guess what happened next. The El Camino Real in South City back then was a hot spot for cruising. Both these cars could hold their own. After a bit of cruising, they caught a light side by side. I was in the Corvette and borderline hyper-ventilating as they egged each other on. That night it was the Corvette by a couple car lengths. What happened that night left a lasting impression on me that remains to this day. Once of driving/working age owned a variety of high-performance cars that continued after Marsha and I married in 1976 thanks to her continuing support. Corvettes, specifically mid-years 64 to 67 are my favorite rides however have never owned one having owned both earlier and later model years. Fast forward to 1994 when Marsha gifted me our 70 GTO for my 40th B Day. GGG was founded two years later. Fast forward again to 2025 and we still own the 70 GTO along with a 96 Corvette purchased in 2002. It started with a fascination for GTO's and Corvettes that has never changed. 58 years in the hobby to date and will stay in it as long as possible. And now back to regular programming and GGG business. If you would like to share your story, please send it to Jim. I hope some of you choose to participate as I know there are many great stories to be shared. Bring them on!

Thanks to those of you that have paid your 2025 dues. For those of you that have not paid yet, please follow the instructions in this month's newsletter. Thanks in advance for taking care of paying your dues promptly. If you paid and make Jim's unpaid list, I erred so please contact me.

GGG's Kick-Off meeting for 2025 will be held on Tuesday February 11th at JP's. Several members asked for a consistent monthly meeting date and that is what we will do going forward. Meetings will be on the second Tuesday of the month in the months when meetings are held. July will be at Tilden on a

Saturday. Let us start working on our 2025 event calendar at this meeting so please put on your thinking caps for an event that can be held rain or shine early in the year. We might be able to join NorCal Chevelles for one of their early 2025 events once their schedule is announced. Dave Svoboda, Rich Mestrich and Tony Billeci have event ideas in the works. Details to follow. I will have a Treasurers report to share with you as well.

Next month's President's message/newsletter will go out after our Feb 11th Kickoff meeting so we can keep everyone up to date on our schedule, etc.

Stay safe, take care, and see you at our Feb 11th KICK OFF meeting.

Until then, see ya in the fast lane.

Prez John

GOLDEN GATE GOATS WEB SITE

AVAILABLE AT:

www.gggoats.com

2025 Club Dues Call

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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/2024gggoatschristmasparty>



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.

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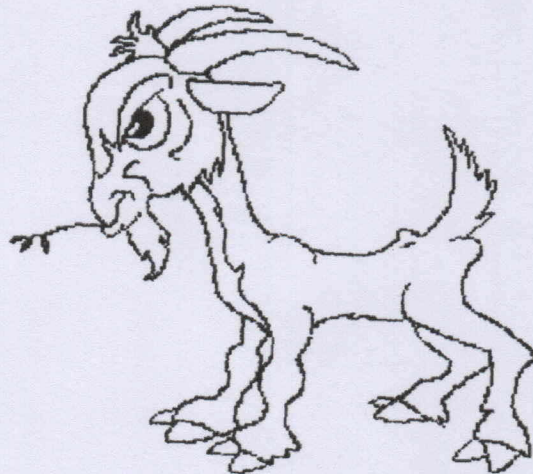
CAR OF THE MONTH ARTICLES

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.

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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,

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carburetors- Qjets, AFB, Hollis, 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

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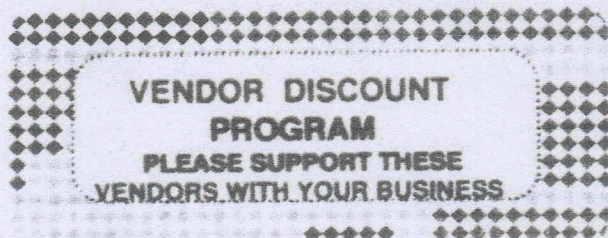
CLUB LOGO ITEMS

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