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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Happy Spring GGG,

Writing this a little before Easter, hope the Easter Bunny visits your house.

At last month's meeting Rich Mestrich and Dave Svoboda presented an idea to lower the food cost at Tilden for us while maintaining comparable if not a better experience using someone whose food they have had themselves and say is fantastic. After some thought offered them a \$850 budget. We had some back-and-forth dialogue/ negotiating resulting in what is proposed here. Below is Dave's text as explained to us with a couple edit's by me. The lower cost will allow us to reduce last year's co-pay by 50% to \$10 per person up to 2 people. 2+ goes to \$20 co-pay for each additional person. Credit for your savings goes to Rich and Dave.

JOHN & JIM,

Rick conversed with Ken and Ken put the rubber on the streets. After looking at ways to cut the BBQ cost, Ken came back with this.

He is faced with an unknown number of participants that will be attending the Picnic. He always wants to have enough food for all and a good presentation and build a reputation. The rule for a good catering event is to always allow for a few extra heads and for big eaters. Based off last year's attendance, Ken is prepared to supply enough food for 40 people that will include the following.

3 Meats, Chicken, Ribs and Brisket, all smoked along with heated trays to keep meats warm. 3 salads, BBQ Beans, Potato Salad, Coleslaw, Rolls and Butter. He will also provide knives,

forks, spoons, napkins and plates, plus food containers for extra food to raffle off.

He needs to stay at \$850.00 to cover these expenses plus preparation and transportation. Everyone will need to bring their own drinks, and Marsha will provide the best ever cookies.

Last year we had 34 people show up. This year the plan is to increase attendance by providing a smaller co-pay, plus adding activities to get members involved. This should bring us very close to 40 attendees and hopefully more. We just need to spread the word earlier and more often.

Let me know if this will work for the club and keep your peddle to the metal on this.

Thanks Dave

Dues are pretty much all in, 2025 membership looks to fall in the high 50's so we are holding our own retaining members. Just paid some website expenses, our current bank balance is \$1750. \$850 of this will go towards the club portion to cover our nut for Tilden.

All I have to share for now, see you at our Tuesday April 8th meeting.

Till then see ya in the fast lane.

Prez John

<u>List</u>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

GOLDEN GATE GOATS WEB SITE AVAILABLE AT:

www.gggoats.comEmail



JPs Restaurant 3600 Castro Valley Blvd. Castro Valley, CA 94546 MARCH 11TH MEETING

CHANGES, MISSPELLINGS, 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 118 Iris Court Hercules, CA 94547



Golden Gate Goats 2025 Event Schedule



3/14	FRIDAY NIGHT GET TOGETHERS START AT DOMINOOS SUN VALEEY MALL
3/11	Tuesday 11:30 LUNCH MEETING at IPs – 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-

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

12/6 HOLIDAY PARTY -



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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,

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

Car Shows. Picnics & MORE!

GOLDEN GATE GOATS EVENT PICTURES CAN BE VIEWED AT:

HTTP://imageevent.com/iimlent

YOUR AD COULD BE HERE!

PERSONAL ADS FOR ALL GOLDEN GATE MEMBERS ARE FREE.

NON-MEMBERS Ads - \$10,@ per month per ad.

Contact: Jlm Lent, 118Iris Ct., Hercules CA 94547 (

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

NOS 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. kendavisl 4@sbcglobal.net

Proforged 116-10012 Steering Rebuild Kit, 66-67 Tempest/ 64-67 GTO 75.00

Contact Club member Carmel Difede @ 88dinanbmw@gmail.com





Register Today!

- \$50 Registration Fee when you register by 5/23
- Includes BBQ lunch, choice of beverage & 2025 Car Show Gift.

Name / Carrier Manage

Space Is Limited!

- Register Your Group. If you want to park next to someone
 or with a group please register early and make a note on
 this form or email us so we can assign spaces together.
- Registration Fees after May 23 will be \$60 if any spaces remain available.

name / Group name:					
Phone:	Email				
Address:					
City, State, Zip:					
Car 1 Year, Make & Model:					
Car 2 Year, Make & Model:					
Car 3 Year, Make & Model:					
Total Number of Cars:	x \$50 Per Car = \$				
I hereby understand that I am fully responsible for my vehicle(s) and content and agree to hold harmless and release the Walnut Creek Elks Lodge #1811, its officers, volunteers, and sponsors of any lability for damage, injury or loss of property during the event.					
Signature:	Date:				

Register Online:

Elks1811.com/Events

- Payment can be made online at elks1811.com/events and email your completed registration form to: WalnutCreekElksCarshow@gmail.com
- Or Mail/Drop off this form and your payment or donation to the Elks Lodge:
 1475 Creekside Dr. Walnut Creek, CA 94596 / Attn: Car Show
- Make checks payable to; Walnut Creek Elks Lodge #1811
 Office Hours: Mon, Wed & Friday 10am 2pm. Office Phone: (925) 935-1811



For More Info: Art Laforteza | WalnutCreekElksCarshow@gmail.com | (925) 953-3260

Pinole Classic Car Show

Sunday, June 22, 2025 7:00AM to 3:00PM **Fernandez Park Historic Old Town Pinole**

Pancake Breakfast **Pinole Senior Center** 7:00AM to 9:45AM Breakfast: \$12 Pay at the door

Pre-registration is required and has priority over late entries. The show will be limited to the first 325 Classic American (pre 1981) car registrants, providing space is available.

All late entries will be admitted after 9:00AM and will be located on the baseball field.

If you need to leave before 3:00PM, must park on the baseball field. No loud music or noise of any kind. No alcohol consumption.

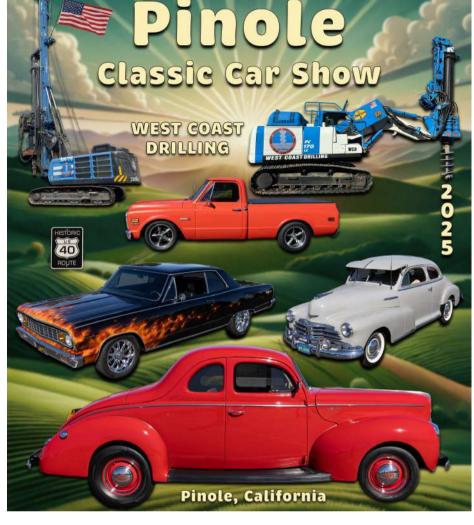
No entries after 10:00AM.

Sponsor: West Coast Drilling



Pre-registration is \$30 per car (\$35 day of event) T-shirt orders must be received by 6/9/2025 Please make checks payable to:

Kopp Productions, 2320 Doidge Ave. Pinole, CA 94564 For more information call Bob (510) 772-0016 or email: KoppProductions@comcast.net



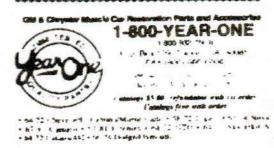
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In consideration of the acceptance of the participants to Pinole's Annual Classic Car Show Event by execution of the entry form, I/WE herby release the City of Pinole, Kopp Productions, Z Rentals LP, their members, officers and anyone else connected with this event from any and all known and unknown damages, injuries, liabilities, losses, judgments, and/or claims arising from any causes whatsoever that may be caused by the participation in this event. I/WE will not accept responsibility for Bank Fees or returned check fees.

VENDOR DISCOUNT PROGRAM

PLEASE SUPPORT THESE VENDORS WITH YOUR BUSINESS.





Bether's Goet 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 Multher - 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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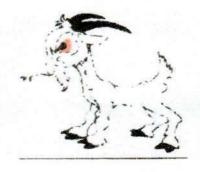
Sheetmetal Replacement: Rust repair, body modifications, panel replacement, etc.

Suspension: Stock rebuilds, Spring replacement, front end rebuilds, Complete Chassis upgrades, etc.

Electrical: Custom harness fabrication, stock harness repair, electrical diagnosis, Fuel injection wiring, etc.

Engine: Rebuilds, tune ups, performance modifications, Drivability improvements, Fuel injection service

What ever your automotive needs maybe we can handle it.





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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!