

New Jersey Open Road Thunderbird Club  
Chapter 41 - Classic Thunderbird Club International



# The Thunder Heard

November 2023

## 2023 Meeting Schedule

November 19	Mark Santimauro
December 9	Christmas Party
<b>2024</b>	<b>Tentative Sch</b>
Jan/Feb	
March	Sean Dillon
April	Bruce Hardy
May	Rich Martin
June	Mel Ramos
July	Steve Schmidt
August	Picnic
Sept	Marco Totaro

The next meeting is November 19. Mark Santimauro is the host RSVP 201-891-6068 or mrscratchoff@yahoo.com

If you cannot host your meeting as scheduled, it is your responsibility to get someone to switch with.

Please let Arlene know at least **2 months** before your scheduled month that **YOU WILL BE HOSTING** the meeting and give the date/time/etc.



## President's Message

Fall is here and by time you read this, the Fall colors cruise will have taken place. I was not there as I was getting ready for my Florida Convention trip. I will be leaving (driving my regular car) on Monday 10/23. There are a few other club members also going some by air, some driving. I will give my review at the next meeting. This will be the first convention that includes Retros.

Our October meeting was very well attended as this was the "Annual Meeting" where voting is done. Up for election was me for President and Donna Jessie for CTCI rep. We were both unopposed and therefore Toni Sabino our Secretary cast 1 vote for for each of us to make it official. See you at the November meeting  
*Pat LeStrange*



Mark Santimauro's 55





### Vice President's Message



What weather!!! Seven Saturdays in a row, rain rain, rain!!! Couldn't take our Tbirds out because you know how our little birds do in this weather!!!

Joan is hanging in there. Keep her in your thoughts and prayers. They are working. For all others that are having health problems. Hope you feel better soon.

On the 22nd we had our Fall Cruise. It was a small group, but from what I understand a great success. Joe and I were supposed to go, but I did not feel good, so I passed. Maybe next Fall we can do the same cruise. Mike Parillo, you did a great job in organizing the cruise in such a short period of time. We will ask Parillo Tours to plan the cruise again. I have gotten some phone calls from members asking if we can do this cruise again being that everyone had a good time.

Congratulations to Pat for being elected for another two years as President and Donna Jesse for being elected for CTCI Representative.

Not much else going on, so now we will talk about the Christmas party. The cost of the party is the same as the last few years. The cost to come to the party is \$130.00 a couple, which includes your Club dues paid for 2024. \$65.00 for a single person, which pays for half a year dues for 2024. The date of the party is Saturday, December 9th. Cocktail hour 5:00 pm. Party is same place as last year, AIDiLa in East Rutherford, NJ. We are NOT having a grab bag this year. The Club is not giving out gifts this year. I was told at this age we have everything. **WE ARE GOING TO HAVE TOYS FOR TOTS** Please bring an unwrapped toy. **IF YOU PLAN ON ATTENDING ALL MONEY HAS TO BE PAID BY OUR NEXT MEETING, SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 19th.** at Anthony Franco's in Wayne, NJ. **IF I DO NOT HAVE YOUR MONEY BY THEN, I AM ASSUMING YOU ARE NOT COMING TO THE PARTY. PARTY HAS TO BE PAID IN**

**ADVANCE, NO MONEY ACCEPTED AT THE DOOR.** Please mail your check to Steve Handy or me. For our new members, please try and come to our party, it is good food, entertainment and members. It is a good time.

We had a few members that went to CTCI Convention at the Villages in Florida. Bill and Donna, Lorraine and Al, Vince and Sandra, Tom and Sue Mirro and cannot forget our very own President, Pat went. Hope you all had a good time. Most important be safe.  
Arlene

### October Meeting

We had a well attended meeting. It was a nice sunny day but only 5 Tbirds attended.

Business meeting was short and sweet so there was plenty of time to comisserate. Diane had home baked goodies for dessert. Food was good, always nice to get together. Thanks to Gene and Diane for hosting

### Highlights of the Business Meeting

The minutes of the last meeting were read and accepted as was the Treasurer's report

Donna mentined the CTCI by-laws changes and asked if members received the ballot.

As this was our formal Annual Meeting, voting for President and CTCI rep was required for this year. Since there was only one candidate for each posiion, the Secretary, in lieu of formal vote, cast a ballot for the nominees - Pat for President and Donna for CTCI rep.

Mike Parrillo discussed the Fall Cruise. It is scheduled for 10/21 but with a rain date of 10/22.

Arlene discussed the Chritmas party scheduled for 12/9. Same venue, same dues credit as last year. Toys for Tots collection.

Pat spoke about breast cancer awareness month

Irene won the 50/50

Next meeting 11/19





# Membership News

*Happy Anniversary*

Al & Lorraine Cirinelli 2nd  
 Paul & Sheryl Adamoff 16th  
 Charles & Lisa Musto 16th



Susan Mirro 3rd  
 Phil Guidone 4th  
 Mary Green 11th  
 Izabela Costa 14th  
 Ailene Corbett 23rd

**GET WELL  
 SON!**

## October Meeting Pics



Thanks to Mike & Theresa Parillo for some of the Fall Cruise pics

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## Club Announcements

### November Meeting

Mark Santimauro is the host. Date is **11/19**. Time is **2 PM**. Anthony Francos , 1176 Hamburg Tpke, Wayne is the location. Be sure to RSVP, including regrets.

### Christmas Party

As noted the Christmas party is **December 9th**. Location is the same, AI-DI-LA, 1 Hoboken Rd, East Rutherford. Time is **5 PM**. Cost is the same as last year, 65.00 per person. Same deal on credit for dues for next year. We will have a Toys for Tots collection so bring a toy. Send check (made out to NJORTC) to Arlene or Steve Handy. Due by the next meeting, Nov 19th. Let Arlene know you are coming.



11/13 is Sadie Hawkin's Day - be careful

Nov 7th is election day

## Cruise Nights

No cruises open to my knowledge

## Cars & Coffee

Saturday - 2nd & 4th Saturdays of the month - Franklin Lakes-649 Franklin Ave. Crossroads Church

## Car Shows/Swap Meets

No shows scheduled to my knowledge



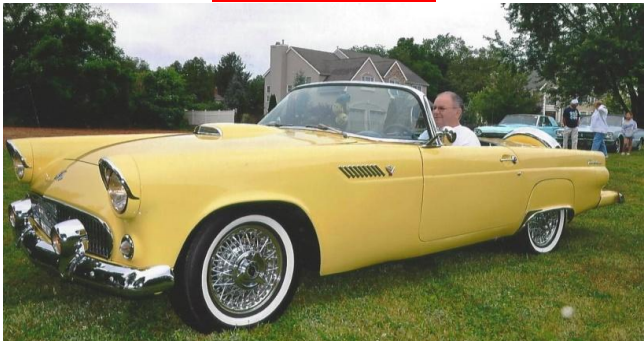
## Did You Know

The last letter added to the alphabet was the letter  
J





## **For Sale**



### **1955 T-Bird**

Goldenrod yellow clearcoat. 1989 Mustang H.O. , Fuel Injection, Paxton supercharger. 12 Volt. Griffin radiator. T-5 trans, Hurst shifter. Disc brakes (Lincoln Versailles), dual master.

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**I want your input. Please send any items to be included by the middle of the month if possible. Email is best, snail mail ok.**



## Fall Cruise

We had a good time on the cruise. It was a day late (yep - rain) in which we lost some participants but 6 members took a nice cruise on the highways and by-ways of northern NJ on a route set up by Mike Parillo. The foliage was turning and it accorded us some beautiful scenery. Starting from Boonton, the first part of the cruise was to the highest point in NJ, aptly called High Point. After a cold and blustery time up there we cruised to a local diner where we had some good eats. The last part of the cruise was to Windy Brow Farms, an apple farmer's store. After many twists and turns (plus nice foliage) and a few wrong turns, Vince got us there. They had a good selection of apple related products. I understand Mike and Theresa went on the hay ride.

Thanks to Mike and Theresa for a great outing.



122 likes on Facebook TBird site in one week







From the Villages, Florida





**Members Out & About with their Thunderbirds**



**Mike on the boardwalk at Ocean City MD**



**Ron & Paul S at the Oakland show**



**Paul A at a new hot dog joint in Westwood former Callahan's location**