



New Jersey Open Road Thunderbird Club

Chapter 41 - Classic Thunderbird Club International



The Thunder Heard

July 2013

Off to San Jose

2013 Meeting Schedule

July 14	Joe & Arlene Kubat
August 11	Picnic
September	Joe & Lori Matrone
Sept.28	50's Dance
October	Fran & Lucille Chabala
October 20	Fall Cruise
November	Walter Strohmaier
December	Holiday party

The July meeting will be on the 14th at 4 PM and will be hosted by Joe & Arlene Kubat. See Page 4 for location

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



Geez, it's July already. I have to get working on my Christmas decorations! I hope everyone has a safe and happy 4th of July.

Our last meeting was hosted by Bob and Joan Notar. Thanks. A lot of Birds on the lawn. A few of their neighbors came out and took pictures. It was a large meeting and we welcomed a new member, Mike Perillo. That makes 3 new members this month. As most of you have heard, I had another flat tire on the way to the meeting (it only happens when Joanne is in the car - I am beginning to wonder).

Good luck to Rich Martin, Walter Strohmaier and Paul Schroll for driving and to everyone else going to the conventions.

The President and CTCI Rep terms will end this year so get your nominations in if you wish to run or nominate someone else for either office. Lois and I have accepted our nominations.

Have a safe summer.

Pat LeStrange.





A few Words From Alec

Well, less than a month to go and its off to LALA land. Many of us are also going to "Hot August Nights" in Reno to finish up our trip-should be a great time and add to our many great trips that our club has made in the past. I wish everyone that is going (myself included) have a safe trip there and back

Some of us are going by air and several of our members are driving their "LIL Bird" there and back. Good luck and have a great time.
Alec

June Meeting

Joan & Bob Notar were the hosts for the June meeting.

A nice sunny day brought out 12 TBirds, including the debut of Steve Handy's. Bob and Joan had some delicious eats. Again, we had a large number attending.

Many thanks to Bob & Joan for a great meeting.

Highlights of the Business Meeting

The Secretary's minutes and Treasurer's report were given and accepted.

We received two applications for membership. and added a new member, Mike Perillo.

A new set of grille plaques was authorized. Paul S to look into it.

Nominations are open for President and CTCI Rep. Also open is the position of CTCI Region 1 Director. Contact CTCI if interested in the Region 1 position.

The Szura's printed up business cards for the club to be given to prospective members.

Joanne reported that there was a small problem on the jackets and other clothing but the order should be in by the July meeting.

Bill Downing reported on the picnic plans.

Joanne reported that the southern New Jersey TBird Club is planning a cruise to Gettysburg in either Sept, Oct. or Nov. Any one interested contact Joanne for info.

A tentative meeting schedule has been set up. This will be sent to members .

Next meeting 7/14 at DeLizia Pizza Kitchen.
50/50 won by Paul A.

Strange Facts

The term "the whole nine yards" came from WW II fighter pilots in the South Pacific. When arming their plans on the ground, the 50 caliber machine gun ammo belts measured exactly 27 feet, before being loaded. If the pilots fired all their ammo at a target, it got "the whole nine yards"



Vice President's Message

HOT, HOT, HOT. Summer is officially here!!!
Enjoy your little and big Birds. Summer is short.

We had a good meeting this month thanks to Joan & Bob Notar. Food, hospitality were great. We had a good turn out of members and cars. The meeting itself was good.

Congratulations to Mara Madden and Todd Salamon on the birth of their daughter, Grace Elizabeth. Grace arrived nine weeks early and weighed about 3 lbs. She is still in the hospital and getting bigger every day. Our prayers are with Grace, Mara and Todd.

Congratulations to Ron Case who received three awards for his car in one week at three different shows. Good going Ron. Joe Kubat and Paul A had their pictures in various town newspapers. All I can say is that Joe's head gets bigger and bigger with all the attention his car has gotten. OMG!!!

This is our last newsletter until Sept. because Paul is going to the CTCI Conventions in California and Iowa. Paul, Rich, Bill Jessie (Bill is going with Rich) and Walter are driving their TBirds out there and will be gone for a little over a month. Pat will be sending out a notice for July and August updating us on important dates such as our picnic, dance, election of officers (up for election President and CTCI Rep. and the Fall Cruise.

Preparations for our picnic are well under way. Bill Downing has a great day planned-plenty of food, pie tasting contest, horseshoes, and other games. We are not just going to sit around, we are going to be busy having a lot of fun. He also has games and activities for the kids. So come one and all. Bill will be sending around sign up sheets again at the next meeting for signing up for the pie tasting contest, horseshoes and to find out who is coming, guests and who will bring food. So please come and enjoy, the more the better. Hopefully Pat will have the CD of our trip to Memphis. Remember, the picnic is rain or shine.

Before you know it our 50's dance will be here (Sept 28). Pat and Joanne have gotten the hall and booked the DJ. They are looking for gum ball machines from the dollar store (Dollar Tree). If you see them get them. (Cont'd on page 5)

Membership News

Anniversary

Gene & Diane Szura 2nd



Julie Andriolo 11th

Frank Gloss 12th

Bob Notar 12th

Sandra Pyrros 16th

Paul Adamoff 16th

Pauline Schroll 17th

Charlie Costa 18th

Lorrie Matrone 19th

Diane Szura 21st

Alec Johnstone 24th

Bill Downing 31st

Get Well Soon!

Rich Martin

FOR SALE

Congratulations

To Mara Madden and Todd Salamon on the 5/28 birth of their second child, daughter Grace Elizabeth. She decided to come a little early, but she and Mara are doing fine.



A pessimist is really an optimist with experience

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Reporter/Photographer Needed

Since I am going away and will not be able to attend either the picnic nor the trip to the Chatterbox, I need a budding reporter to provide pictures and a narrative to be included in the October newsletter. Volunteer anyone? Digital pictures only.

June Meeting



Another 57 Hits the Road

Steve Handy has gotten his 57 all together and on the road. Colonial white with a red interior



Our newest member, Mike Parrillo. Mike and his wife Theresa live in Belleville and has 60 Bird. He is looking for an early Bird. Welcome Mike and Theresa

Officer Nominations

Up for election this year are the offices of President and CTCI Representative. Nominations must be made by the September meeting. If you have some one to nominate you must make it at the July or September meeting. The election will be held in October

I want your input. Please send any items to be included by the middle of the month if possible. They can be e-mailed or snail mailed to me.

Club Events

July Meeting

Arlene & Joe Kubat will be our hosts and it is scheduled for July 14. Location will be at Delizia's Pizza Kitchen in Boonton, NJ, 308 Wootten Street in the Wal-Mart Shopping Center. 4 PM, remember to RSVP the Kubats either way.

August Meeting

The August meeting will be the club picnic.

Club Picnic

The picnic is going on August 11th. Now is the time to set the date aside for this. Rain or shine. We have just as much fun if its raining or if the sun is out. Pat may have the long anticipated CD on the Memphis trip ready and will show it if possible. Bill Downing is in charge so contact him if you are going to attend. He is interested in getting your suggestions for activities, etc. The picnic will be the meeting for August. Also contact Bill on what food you are going to bring.

50's Dance

This is scheduled for Sept. 28th. Also set this date aside. Pat and Joanne are in charge of this and they will need help in setting up on the day before. Contact your friends for tickets now so they won't have an excuse not to buy tickets. Cost \$45.00. Actual tickets will be available later. Dance will be in the same location as last year.

Scottsdale in 2014?

Phil is looking into a trip in January. Anyone interested contact Phil.

Chatterbox Cruise

This is set for Aug.17 (raindate the 24th) Meet there at 4PM. 1 Rte 15, Augusta, NJ

August and Sept. Newsletters

There will not be any newsletter for August and September as the editor will be attending the CTCI Conventions

Des Moines Iowa Convention Plans

Donna Jessie is making plans for a caravan to the CTCI Convention in Des Moines, including route and hotels. Donna and Bill are driving out. If you are planning to drive to Des Moines, contact Donna if you wish to caravan with her. Last chance.

Fall Cruise

Scheduled for Oct 20th. Details forthcoming.

Cruise Nights

Sunday

Hawthorne, Goffle Grill 1140 Goffle Rd

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Tuesday

Clifton, Ruts Hut

Wayne-Wendys, Rte 23 West

Saddle Brook-405 N. Midland Ave-Bennigans

Wednesday

Wycoff, Greenwood Ave.

Denville, Wendy's-Rte 46

Clifton-1146 Rte 46 W, The Hearth

Thursday

Wayne, Kohls, Rte 23 North.

Emerson, Kinderkermack Rd.(Emer. Shop. Ctr)

Whippany, 1245 Rte 10 East(Cruisin' Diner)

Friday

Midland Park, RR Station, Central Ave

Boonton, Wooten Rd.(Wal-Mart Shop Ctr)

Saturday

Clifton, Rte 46 West (The Hearth Rest.) 11AM

Lyndhurst, 1050 Wall St (Whiskey Cafe)

June Meeting



Trivia Quiz

What country consumes more spicy food than any other? After two easy ones, a real poser. First correct answer is the winner.

Winner of last month's Trivia Quiz was John P and the answer was tennis ball.

Car Shows-Swap Meets

July 4-Livingston-30 Robert Harp Dr. Livingston High

July 14-River Edge-Continental Ave (Memorial Park) F

July 14-Pompton Lakes-1 Perrin Ave-Elks Lodge F

July 20-Lincoln Park-Concert at Lincoln Park Lake. Free

Admission - old cars wanted. 7PM F

July 21-Morristown-170 Ridgedale Ave-Beyer Ford-Ford

Powered only

July 21-Hillsdale-244 Wierimus Rd-DeMarest Farms F

Aug 10-Hackettstown-Vasa Park 1 Vasa Drive

Aug 11-Boonton-Main Street 2-6PM F

Aug 16-18-West Milford-Greenwood Lake Airport-126

Airport Road F

Aug 30-Sept 1-Parsippany-Lead East-Parsippany Hilton

Exit 39 off Rte 10 West

Sept 6-Ridgewood-Main Street-6-9PM-Contact

Ridgewood Chamber of Commerce

Sept 15-Woodland Park-1150 McBride Ave-Singer

Kearfoot Parking Lot

Sept 22-Mahwah-Lincoln Tech-70 McKee Drive F

Sept 22-W. Caldwell-950 Bloomfield Ave-Conner Chev.

Sept 28-Dover-530 Mt Pleasant Ave-Home Depot

Sept 29-W. Haverstraw NY-140 Samsondale Ave-Bowline

Point Park F

Sept 29-Lyndhurst-1050 Wall St-Whiskey Cafe F

Oct 5-Allendale-NJ Transit Parking Lot (at the end of W.

Allendale Ave.)

F=Flyer Available

For more shows go to

<http://holtononline.com/carshows.html>

www.newjerseycarshows.com

www.njortc.org

Vice President's Message (Cont'd)

I believe October 20th is the Fall cruise. Phil & Dorothy are working on it.

It is almost time for our election of officers. Up for election is President and CTCI Representative. Pat says he will run for President again and Lois said she will run for CTCI Rep. again. Pat is also going to run for CTCI Region 1 Director.

Enjoy the weather, get your cars out to cruise nights and car shows-the summer files by so quickly.

Have a Happy Fourth of July. See you soon.

Arlene

Join CTCI now if you haven't yet. The Early Bird magazine alone is worth the dues.

June Meeting



Franklin Lakes



Laws

Law of Gravity

Any tool, nut, bolt, screw, when dropped, will roll to the least accessible corner

Franklin Lakes Show

A number of our members attended this show. A nice sunny day with a mild breeze made it very pleasant. The lot was filled with cars, although the swap meet has really dwindled.



Thanks to Martha Downing and Charlie Costa for contributing to this newsletter

All TBird Show

A very nice show. About 90 cars, TBirds only of all years. About 10 club members attended with their cars. They finally had sunny weather, although it was hot and muggy.



Cruise - On Water

Want to go on a different type of old car cruise? Go to www.classiccarcruise.com for a 7 night ocean cruise with a classic car theme, cruising the Caribbean. February 8 -15, 2014. We have no connection with the operators of this cruise, just a heads up for a possible winter vacation. Two of our members went last year and they said they had a very good time.

Free Concert

There is a free concert at the Lincoln Park Lake, 1 Comely Rd., Lincoln Park. Music by the Frankie g Band. 50's music. They are welcoming classic cars and have a special parking area for them. Date is July 20th. at 7 PM. No preregistration is required.

June Meeting



Tech Tips

Battery Tray Liner

Want to keep that battery tray pristine but have something easily removable for that Concours judging? Also good for that driver. Below is an article from the November 09 issue of Auto Restorer.

In the past I always had a problem with the durability of battery trays. In fact, mine always used to rust out pretty quickly; no matter how carefully they were painted. Then I found a great source of tough, acid-resistant liners.

Ironically, the product I discovered is not a high tech, leading edge component developed for this purpose. It's much more common than that-I used the bottom of one of those handy storage boxes that you can find in any of the major discount retail stores.

One word of caution-avoid clear plastic ones as they are acrylic and a bit brittle for the weight of a battery. My favorites are the ones marked with that "5 in a triangle" recycling symbol. They are probably polypropylene and a bit translucent. These boxes come in a variety of shapes and sizes so make a note of your tray's inside dimensions as well as the battery's outside largest dimensions. Then go shopping.

One you have found the right box, set it in the tray, mark it for the desired height and cut it with heavy duty snips. Be careful going around the box's corners so as not to split the plastic from too much stress and be sure you don't leave any sharp edges. Yes, there is a visible liner below the battery but it's very subdued.. From Bob Swartz (article edited for newsletter)



Beyond???

Misc



Joe's newest addition-you won't believe how much these cost.



Franklin Lakes - remember purple (lilac) 98 Olds's?



Joan Crawford in a 33/34 Ford

