



# New Jersey Open Road Thunderbird Club

## Chapter 41 - Classic Thunderbird Club International



# The Thunder Heard

## Jan - Feb 2016

### 2016 Meeting Schedule

Feb 21	Paul Dorne
Feb 14	Sweetheart Brunch
March 20	Paul & Pauline Schroll
March 13	Harold's Deli
April	Bob & Toni Sabino
April 9	50's Dance-Tenative
May	Vince Ucci & Julia
May	Spring Cruise
June	Tune Up Clinic
June	Bruce & Eileen Corbett
July	Joe & Arlene Kubat
August 14	Picnic
Sept	Henry & Judy Semmler

The Jan/Feb meeting will be hosted by Paul Dorne on February 21st at 2PM. RSVP 973-769-6256 or pdorne@aol.com See Page 4 for details

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.



## January

## February



### President's Message



The Holidays are over and the balmy holiday weather is gone too. Birds are tucked away. Hummmm... I'm not liking this too much! Anyway we held our Annual Board meeting at Sandy and John Pyrros' home. We have made a few changes we will let you know about at the next regular meeting. We also set up an activities agenda, a lot of great stuff coming this year. Joanne and I will be going to the American Legion Hall to arrange for the sock-hop for early April.

In a few weeks I will be accompanying the new Region 1 Director to California for the CTCI board meeting. We will update you on the new stuff from them.

But again some big stuff will be discussed at the next meeting, you don't want to miss this one. As a hint, try to come up with a real catchy phrase for New Jersey and Thunderbirds,

By time you read this we will have had our 1st major snow fall. Please be careful and pay attention to your heart, don't ignore any chest pains. You should stretch and warm up the muscles before attempting any shoveling. as you would do before any sporting activity, the stress is about the same.

See you soon and it won't be long before we talk T Birds again

Pat LeStrange





### A few Words From Alec

Here it is one month into the new year. The recent storm was a reminder that we are always at the mercy of nature. The

crew at the condo where I live did a great job in cleaning up and digging out. Best response in years.

I hope all of our club members survived and all are well and that this storm is our quota of snow for the winter.

I am looking forward to our club functions for the coming year. Stay warm.

Happy motoring, Alec

### December Meeting

There was no December meeting.

### Christmas Party

On December 5th, 2015 we had our annual Christmas party at San Carlo Catering in Lyndhurst, NJ. 60 members attended. We had appetizers and then a Buffet followed by an ice cream station, plus pastries. Food, as usual, at the San Carlo was very good and plenty of it. Great music by our own DJ, Pat LaStrange. The beautiful table decorations were made by Joann Seiler. Our members bought plenty of toys for Toys for Tots. Thanks to Gene Szura for delivering the toys. We had a grab bag for women and the men. A lot of members participated in this, which made our party fun with receiving gifts. The Club gave out key chains with our club logo on it, to all our members and guests. Hope everyone liked them. Thank you Joanne for your help with the gifts.

We had a Christmas Parade before we welcomed our special guests, SANTA CLAUS and Mrs. Claus. A big thank you goes out to Dorothy Guidone, who put this show together. Our stars were: The Music Man, Pat LaStrange, who played all the music for the show, Candy Man-Diane Szura, Frosty the Snowman-Sandra Pyrros, Snowflake-Carol Ehm and, of course, we had a beautiful lighted Christmas tree-Dorothy Guidone. The Christmas tree even did a little dancing, plus the other characters paraded around the room giving out candy. Also thank you to Sheryl Adamoff for being the MC and Lorraine Cirinelli for being stage coordinator. It definitely was a great parade. Thank you to all who participated. After the parade we welcomed Santa and Mrs. Claus. (Santa played by Ray Braun and Mrs Claus played by Linda Antinucci. They did a fantastic job, they even visited the party that was going on in the room next door. (Cont'd next column)



### Vice President's Message

Happy and healthy New Year to all. Hope everyone had a great holiday season. We had a great Christmas party. See the separate article in the news letter.

Winter is finally here. Our first big snow storm is history. I guess we have to have one, but that's it for the season. I said so!!!

A thank you goes out to John and Sandra Pyrros for hosting our annual Board of Trustees meeting on January 16th. Sandra put out a delicious lunch and desserts. Like usual too much food. Thanks again.

We have good events planned for 2016. First event, the Bethwood, for our annual Sweetheart Brunch on February 14th at 11:30 am. Please send check to Carol Ehm in the amount of \$50.00 per person, also let Lucille Chabala know that you are coming. We have tried other venues, the Bethwood is the best around. March 13th, Harold's Deli. April 23rd our annual 50/60's dance, American Legion, Elmwood Park. May our annual Spring cruise, which will be on a boat ride on Lake Hopatcong. June, Barrett Jackson Car Auction, Mohegan Sun, Connecticut- Joe Kubat is planning a bus ride. June, tune-up clinic hosted by "our snow birds" Rich and Lois Martin. August 14th, our yearly picnic. September 13th - 18th San Diego CTCI International convention. Make your reservations now. October spring cruise. Nothing in November and on December 3rd our Christmas party. I believe our Club will be celebrating 40 years. It is going to be a busy year with our members and our little birds.

Our next meeting February 21st. All stay safe and warm.

See you soon  
Arlene

### Christmas Party (Cont'd).

We also raffled a chocolate snowman that stood about 3' tall. The winner was Bob Heissler. Hope you enjoyed it Bob. We also had our 50/50. Joe Kubat won.

Hope everyone had fun.

Arlene

# Membership News

**Happy Anniversary**

Charlie & Izabela Costa Feb. 8



Steve handy Jan 6th  
 Steve Schmidt Jan 16  
 Joe Saville Jan 17  
 Jan Saville Jan 19  
 Joe matrone Jan 22  
 Donna Jessie Jan 20  
 Martha Downing Jan 26  
 Merry Case Jan 29  
 Robert Heissler Jan 29  
 Rich Martin Jan 30  
 Bi9ll Hyde Feb 1  
 Dorothy Guidone Feb 2  
 Dot Hyde Feb 5  
 Paul Dorne Feb 7  
 Sheila Klein Feb 15

**Get Well Soon!**

Bob Belli  
 John Pyrros



Did you know that Feb 29th is called "Leap Day"

## Winter Safety Tip

Never use your Cruise Control when driving on snow. Or in heavy rain because there is a strong possibility of the vehicle hydroplaning and you losing control. From Mr. A

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**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. email [ptschroll@verizon.net](mailto:ptschroll@verizon.net)**



## Christmas Party



## Events

### Jan/Feb 2106 Meeting

The host for the November meeting is Paul Dorne. It is February 21st at Delizia's Pizza in Boonton. Time is 2 PM. Be sure to RSVP (see page 1 for info) including regrets.

### Sweetheart Brunch

Valentine's Day ( 2/14) will be the date for the brunch at the Bethwood, 38 Lackawana Ave, Totowa. We get the first seating so meet there at 11:30. Cost is \$50 per person, children 6-12 25.69. Mail your check to Carol Ehm. Always a great time with lots of good food. See last page.

### Club Dues

For those who did not attend the Christmas Party, club dues are payable this month. Submit your check to Carol Ehm.

### March Meeting

The March Meeting is scheduled for March 20th at Delizia's Pizza, 2 PM. Paul & Pauline Schroll are hosts.

### Harold's Deli

Back to Harold's and those delicious pastrami and corned beef sandwiches. Date is March 13th. Time to be announced later. Harold's is located at 1173 King Georges Rd., Edison, NJ. Sandy Pyrros is the chair, contact her if you are going. She will be away for most of February, so call her before Feb. 9th or after March 1st.

### 50's/60's Dance

Happening April 23rd. American Legion Post 147, Elmwood Park. More info to follow.

### Pittsburgh, PA Car Show

Preliminary plans are being made to return to the Pittsburgh car show (in conjunction with the Pittsburgh Vintage Grand Prix) this year. Date is July 16 & 17. Let Pat know if you are interested in going.



Six More weeks of winter?



## Car Shows-Swap Meets

Feb 26-28 Atlantic City Auction & Show

Atl. City Convention Ctr.

March 20 Woodstone (Sharptown) AACA Swap

Meet. Salem County Fairgrounds

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

<http://www.newjerseycarshows.com/>

[www.njortc.org](http://www.njortc.org)



**FOR SALE**

### 1991 Caddy Allante

Pearl White, Black cloth top 67K Excellent condition Vince 973-980-4312

### TBird Parts

57 Used Gas tank Make Offer

57 Rear Hardtop glass, New, Make offer

Vince 973-980-4312

### 1956 Ford Fairlane Parts

2 dr Club Sedan right and left doors

..SHIPPING??? PICK

UP???...HEAVY!!!!...GENE...201-991-8459



## Cruise Nights

Monday

Tuesday

Clifton, Rutt's Hutt

Wednesday

Thursday

Friday

Saturday

Hawthorne-this is a inside get together for any car person. Car optional. Free coffee and munchies. 8 AM to 1 PM-MGM Auto Body Supplies, 344 Wagaraw Rd



Join CTCI now if you haven't yet. The Early Bird magazine alone is worth the dues. And for latest info, go to [ctci.org](http://ctci.org)





Toys for Tots Donations



February 15th



## Tech Tip

### Silicone Sealant

Having an awful time with silicone sealant tubes getting plugged up? Next time you are through with the tube, squeeze some out so that it sticks up. Then put on the tapered top (use a spare one which does not have the end cut off). Then, when you need the silicone again, take off the top and there will be some hardened silicone sticking up. Simply pull this out of the tube and the soft silicone is available to squeeze out.

### TRIVIA

What is the only vegetable or fruit that is never sold frozen, canned, processed, cooked or in any other way than fresh?

No one was able to identify last month's item - it was a device to measure braking in NYS car inspections.



### CTCI San Diego Convention

The hotel is now booking rooms and registration forms are available. Book early. The date is Sept. 13-18. See [ctci.org](http://ctci.org) for forms and contact info.

Thanks to Joanne for pictures and Arlene for the story



It's bad luck to listen to the voices in your head







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Sweetheart Brunch

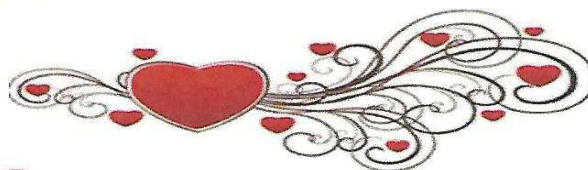
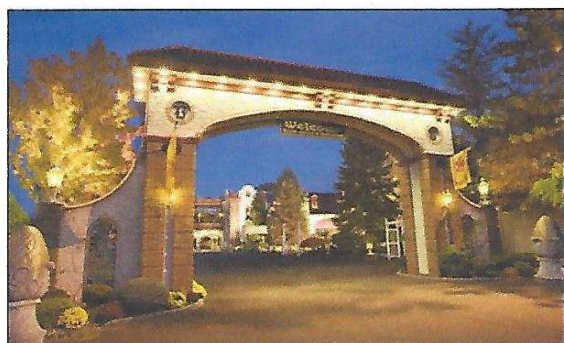


Sunday February 14<sup>th</sup> 2016  at 11:30am

*Come celebrate Valentine's Day with us. Take your Sweetheart to Brunch.*

*Good food, great friends, always a good time.*

*Lucille Chabala is chairperson; any questions please call her 973-731-9133*



The Bethwood

38 Lackawanna Avenue, Totowa, NJ 07512

\$50 per person    Children 6-12 \$25.69    Children 1-5 No Charge



*RSVP and payment in advance needed by Feb 7<sup>th</sup>.*

*Include how many adults and children in what age group.*

*Please make check out to NJORTC and mail to our treasurer*

*Carol Ehm 24 Pleasant Ave; Lincoln Park, NJ 07035*

### Sunday Brunch

Imagine being surrounded by elegance, treated like royalty and served the finest cuisine. Our award-winning chefs present the classic buffet at The Bethwood. Join us for our Sunday brunch and feast on a selection of delectable salads, sliced fresh fruit, seafood, beef, ham & poultry entrees, omelettes, waffles, a sumptuous medley of desserts and more. Choose from over thirty selections representing the freshest and finest that nature's bounty has to offer. Whether it's a special occasion, a time for good friends to catch up on busy lives, or a lovely start to a leisurely weekend day, The Bethwood Sunday Brunch is the perfect opportunity to relax and indulge.