

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



# The Thunder Heard

**DECEMBER 2010**

**HAPPY HOLIDAYS**

**2010/11 Meeting Schedule**

December 5	Holiday Party-Brownstone
Jan 22	Nick & Adrienne Malanga
Jan 23	Harold's Deli
March	Al & Lorraine Cirinelli
April	Alec Johnstone
May	Bill Pat Selby
June	Paul & Sheryl Adamoff

The Jan/Feb meeting will be on **Jan 22** at 12:30 PM and will be hosted by Nick & Adrienne Malanga/Susan & Anthony Gaeta at the Pheasants Landing Restaurant/Pub, 311 Amwell Rd., Hillsborough, NJ 08844. RSVP 908-359-9883 or tsgaeta@yahoo.com. RSVP's must be in by Jan 15th.

**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**



I can't believe the year is almost gone and Winter is closing in. We still have plenty of activities to last us until Spring. This is the time to tinker and repair the Birds

The Christmas Party is almost here too. It looks like very big turnout, over 50 people. That is more than 50 people not just people over 50.

I am wishing everyone a joyful and healthy Holiday Season. Eat, Drink and be Merry. I have fixed our house up Grizwald style, 6800 lights and connected to the computer, all programmed to music. Gheeze, my neighbors are going to hate me by New Years. So if you are out for a drive, be sure to call me and I will let you know the show schedule

Merry Christmas, Happy Hanukkah, Happy New Year to all.

Pat LeStrange



December



### A few words from Alec

Season's Greetings to all. I hope that the end of the year finds everyone in good health and spirits. Looking forward to the new year and all the activities that good weather allows.

I had an accident with my "03" TBird - collided with a Mustang in an intersection. The "03" is at the body shop awaiting the insurance company to appraise the damage (quite a bit). I did not suffer any injury. I will let you know in a future newsletter how I made out getting the Bird fixed.

Alec

### November Business Meeting

The meeting was hosted by Frank Gloss and Mary Green. It was a clear day, windy and somewhat cool, but great traveling weather to the wilds of New York. The meeting was well attended. Thanks to Mary and Frank for hosting.

#### Highlights of the meeting:

The minutes of the last meeting were read and accepted.

The treasurers report was read and accepted.

Since Arlene Kubat and Frank Chaballa were running unopposed for Vice President and Treasurer, respectively, Pat asked that the Secretary, Sandra Pyrros, make a motion, which was seconded, to accept both members for their respective positions.

Arlene Kubat reported that all was ready for the Holiday Party.

Pat said that Vince D'Andrea confirmed the lunch at Harold's, Edison and that a sign up sheet will be at the Holiday Party.

Wendy and Mike Meehan reported that the calendars are being ordered.

Dominick passed around a sample of the finished membership pin which will be given to qualifying members at the Holiday party.

Pat mentioned that the Board meeting must be held within the first 45 days of 2011. Sandra suggested that the meeting be held at their home on January 30th. Member of the Board will be contacted to confirm the date

Meeting adjourned at 3:10pm



### The Vice President's Message

Well, its that time of the month gain for our newsletter. The month goes by so fast. Weather Report: Nice!!! It has been a beautiful fall. I am sure the weather is going to change quickly, so lets enjoy it while we can. It is great because some of our TBirds have not been put to rest for the winter yet.

By the time we get this newsletter Thanksgiving will be behind us. I hope everyone had a great Thanksgiving, plenty of food (what else), family and friends. We should all be thankful and count our blessings.

Reminder - our Christmas party is Sunday, December 5th at 5:30 PM at the Brownstone, Paterson, NJ. This party is going to be our best attended that we ever had. Fifty six so far. I am so excited. I am sure we will all have a good time. We will have good food, good music and great friends and, of course, a visit from Santa Claus. One reminder, grab bag gift \$25.00 woman and \$25.00 man. Bring a gift, get a gift.

Joe and I want to wish everyone a Merry Christmas, Happy Hanukkah and a Happy and Healthy New Year.

2011 will bring a new year and hope for plenty of activities for our club.

See you all at the Christmas Party.

Arlene

### Idiot Sighting

At a good-bye luncheon for an old and dear co-worker who was leaving the company due to 'downsizing', our manager commented cheerfully, 'This is fun. We should do this more often'. Not another word was spoken. We all just looked at each other with that deer-in-the-headlights stare.

# Membership News



Ken & Linda Herb 3rd



Bill Jessie 3rd  
Paul Schroll 15th  
Bruce Corbett 20th  
Lois Martin 21st



I hope everyone is well

**FOR SALE**

## Milestones

Condolences to Bob Notar and his family on the passing of Bob's father.

## Congratulations

To Joe and Lorrie Matrone on the wedding of their daughter to Brian Wargo, on Oct 2nd

Next Year - Richmond, Va, June 15-19 and Omaha, Nebraska August 24-28. It has been mentioned that rooms for Richmond, like in Dayton, are going to be tight, so make your reservation now. They can always be canceled if you decide not to go at a later date.

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## November Meeting

The meeting was hosted by Frank Gloss and Mary Green. It was a great weather day, sunny with just a little crispness to the temperature. We had a large attendance and despite the great weather only three brought their Birds. I guess the rest have migrated south. There was plenty of good food and drink to go along with the great hospitality. Many thanks to Frank and Mary. a few pics.



**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. Pictures, articles, tech, etc. Paul Schroll**  
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## Club events

### Holiday Party

Our annual holiday party is scheduled for December 5<sup>th</sup> at the Brownstone Restaurant, 351 West Broadway, Paterson 07522. 5:30 PM. Mark this on your calendar. Cost is \$50.00 per person. If you go to the party, 1/2 of dues will be forgiven. If a couple goes, the total amount of dues will be forgiven. Get your check (payable to NJORTC) into Frank Chabala ASAP. It should be in by the now. Also notify Arlene if you are going.

### Harold's Deli

After a one year hiatus, Harold's is back on the schedule. It is going to be on Jan 23, in Edison. Keep the date open and join us. I can taste the pastrami and pickles now!!!! Vince will be notifying us of the time and arrangements as well as directions.



**Wedding Day - Joe & Lorri Matrone's Daughter Michelle**



Is Joe a little nervous?



Mr. and Mrs. Wargo off to the reception

Strange Facts

Coca-Cola was originally green

First novel ever written on typewriter - Tom Sawyer



Got any stories about the past regarding a NJORTC event, preferably with pictures, that you would like to tell us about? Write them up and send it to me along with the pictures and we will use it in the newsletter.

Cruise Nights

Saturday

Little Falls-Great Notch Inn Rte 46W 11:30 AM to 3:00 PM. Till it snows?

.CAR SHOWS/SWAP MEETS

Feb – Atlantic City Auction

If any one has info on shows and swap meets in Dec and forward please let me have the particulars for the newsletter.

The last cruise spot of the year-Great Notch Inn.

On this day (Nov. 13th) was sunny with a temp of around 65 degrees. There was a full house



# Blast from the past - 1978 Club Picnic-Surprise Lake

Thanks to Henry Semmler

