

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



The Thunder Heard

March 2019

2019 Meeting Schedule

March 24	Bill & Martha Downing
April 7	Harold's Deli
April 14	Gene & Diane Szura
May 5	Tune Up Clinic
May 5	Pat & Joanne
June	Jayne & Ray Braun
July	Don & Linda
August 11	Picnic
September	Don Dobres
October	Paul Dorne
November	Drew Eckman
December	Christmas Party

The March meeting is on March 24th. Bill and Martha Downing are hosts are the hosts. RSVP 973-627-1384 or wdowning@optonline.net

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



Hope all is well with all of you. February was busy. We held our Annual Board meeting (actually Jan. 26), make a few changes in Bereavement gifts from \$50 to \$100. The audit showed we are in good shape, thanks Steve. Still looking for some chair people for this years' activities (let Joanne know if you are interested in doing any of them).

A big thank you to Lucille Chabla and her daughter for hosting the Sweetheart brunch at a new location, McLoon's Boat House in Orange, it was well attended and we were treated very good. We are looking at going back in the near future. We also held our first meeting of the year in a new location, the Mason Jar. About 40 members attended including a few guests. As this was the first meeting since November we had a lot of business to cover. We are coming up with a lot of new places for meetings, which always keeps it interesting.

It won't be long now until our Birds are back out on the road then the fun really begins

Stay healthy and safe
Pat Le Strange

Winter Warning

Don't use your cruise/speed control when the roads are covered in snow. Loss of control may develop. The same goes for rainy days.

An old farmers advice - Good judgment comes from experience, and a lotta that comes from bad judgment

March

January/February Meeting

The meeting was held at a new venue this month. The day was rainy so all the little Birds stayed snug in their nests (perhaps with visions of premium fuel dancing in their heads). The meeting was well attended despite a number of members enjoying Florida. The food was good as well as the conversations. Many thanks to Sheryl and Paul A for hosting.

Highlights of the Business Meeting

The reading of the minutes from the last meeting (NOV) was waived as was the Treasurer's report.

We had some guests attend who are interested in the club.

Pat gave a summary of the Board meeting held in January which included, among other things, an audit of the books which were found to be in order. Other decisions of the Board will be found in the web site in the members only section.

Pat mentioned that we are still looking for someone to run the Fall event

Joanne said that Rich Martin has been appointed CTCI Tech Advisor on 56 Birds.

A few new locations for meeting places were looked into but were not good. The Mason Jar is interested in having us back.

Pat added a memorial page to the web site to honor those members that have passed away. He also mentioned that there were a number of items related to NJORTC listed for sale on the sight.

Toni and Joanne mentioned that CTCI will be sending out E-ballots for the Retro Bird issue. Joanne requested that members who wanted to comment on this issue to send them to her.

Calendars were received from Hill's Restorations and were passed out to members

Lorraine mentioned the Sock Hop at the Brownstone and reminded members to get their tickets early if they plan to attend. See the December newsletter for information. Contact Arlene Sedlacik at 973-876-5923.

Vince/Sandra won the 50/50
Next meeting March 24th.

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



Vice President's Message



What crazy weather cold, warm, heavy winds, snow, rain, we have had it all. Spring will be here real soon, hopefully!!!

Wendy is doing better. She still has a long way to go, so let's keep her in our prayers. I understand that Valerie Kriney fell and hurt her knee and might have to have surgery. Joanne is our worrier. Keep it up Joanne, we are all praying for you.

Hope that everyone has checked out our web site. Pat and Joanne have worked very hard on this and are always adding new pages. Pat has put a memorial page up in honor of our past members, it is quite an honor for those who have passed. Joanne has posted pictures of all of our activities. If anyone wants any pictures Joanne will get them for you.

Thank you Lucille Chabala and Julieanne for putting together our Sweetheart Brunch. The Brunch was held at McLoone's Boat House in West Orange. It was very nice and food was very good. We all enjoyed it.

Our next activity will be Harold's Deli in Edison on April 7th. Toni Sabino is the Chairperson, so all you have to do is to let her know if you are going. Please let her know no later than March 24th.

I also want to thank Mike and Theresa Parrillo for stepping up and volunteering to Chair our Spring Cruise. The date of the cruise will be April 28th so mark your calendars. Details will follow.

Joanne's term as CTCI Region 1 Director will come to an end this year. If anyone is interested in this position please tell Joanne or Toni and they will tell you what you have to do. Rich Martin is going to be the new 56 tech support advisor for the Early Bird.

Thank you Paul and Sheryl Adamoff for hosting our February meeting. The meeting was held at the Mason Jar in Mahwah. Food was good and plenty of it, we also had a full house. It was good to see everyone since it was our first meeting of the year.

Our next meeting is March 24th hosted by Bill and Martha Downing.

See you soon, Arlene

Membership News

Happy Anniversary

Bill & Pat Selby 12th
Bruce & Eileen Corbett 30th

Happy Birthday

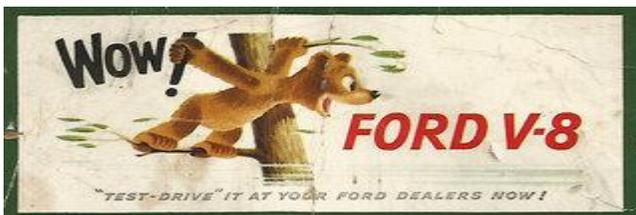
Vince Ucci 1st
Joanne Seiler 5th
Rich Oleski 5th
Bruce Dailey 8th
Rocco Notarfrancesco 19th

GET WELL SON!

Wendy Meehan
Joanne Seiler
Valery Kriney

2019 Dues

For those who did not attend the Christmas party, your dues must be paid. Since Steve is out of town, send your check to Pat



VCTI National Meet 2019

This is being held in Princeton, NJ on August 8-11

Western Class Round Up

Flagstaff Convention May 15-19

Preregistration and hotel reservations are now open. The preregistration form may be downloaded from www.arizonaclassicthunderbirds.org. Hotel reservations may be made direct to the hotel, the Little America Hotel & Resort, 928-779-7900. Mention "Thunderbird Regional Convention". The room rate is 139.00 plus tax (151.22)

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Club Announcements

March Meeting

The meeting will be on **March 24** at Marcino's, 490 East Main St, Denville, NJ Meeting time is **2 PM**. The hosts are the Dowlings. Be sure to RSVP the hosts, including regrets

Harold's Deli

Harold's in on **April 7th**. Toni is handling arrangements. Let Toni know if you are attending by **March 24th**. See attached flyer for all information.

Spring Cruise

Mike and Theresa Parillo are hosting this event. The date is **April 28th**. Additional information will be announced later.

Tune Up Clinic

This event is **May 5th** at the Martin's Additional information will be announced later.



When you send something by truck it is called a shipment, but when you send something by sea why is it called a cargo?

Jan/Feb Meeting





Cruise Nights

Monday

Tuesday

Clifton - Rutts Hut

Wednesday

Thursday

Friday

Saturday

Hawthorne-. 8 AM to 1 PM-MGM Auto Body Supplies, 344 Wagaraw Rd



Car Shows-Swap Meets

4/24-28 Carlisle, Spring event

5/1 Washington-Warren Hills High Sch



Ford History in March

3/13/58 - The 50 millionth Ford, a Thunderbird, was assembled.

3/31/32 - The Ford V8 was publicly unveiled for sale



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

Sweetheart Brunch

The brunch, which was put together by Lucille and her daughter Julieanne, was great. The food was excellent (especially, I thought, the omelets) and was plentiful. There was something for everyone and no one went away hungry. We had mimosa's waiting for us. Pat smooched with all the ladies while giving them a rose and candy was passed out to every couple. In addition,

Rich Iuso brought a little container of chocolates (which were very tasty). For the gents, Lucille had lottery tickets (no one admitted to winning the million dollar price, but I won 1.00). The facility was very accommodating and all had a very good time.



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Tech Tip

Starting Problems

Engine Starts but Won't Run

If your 12V Tbird starts ok but then dies as soon as you release the key from the start position, your problem is a defective coil resistor. If this happens you can verify this by removing the two wires from the resistor and joining them together. The engine should then run. Be sure to replace the defective resistor ASAP or you will be putting too much voltage to the ignition circuit. Point life will definitely be reduced and coil damage may occur when you run without the resistor (from CASCO)





The Vernal Equinox March 20th





Starts March 10th





Who wants to eat???
We're going to ...



POSTAL ADDRESS 3050 WOODBRIDGE AVE, EDISON, NJ 08837
GPS ADDRESS 1173 KING GEORGES POST RD., EDISON, NJ 08837

*We're going to our NJORTC Annual Harold's Lunch
guaranteed to fill you up*

Sunday April 7th 2019 arrive by 12:45 pm for 1pm seating
Reservations required.

**Please contact Toni Sabino tonisabino@yahoo.com
201-815-1694 and let her know who's coming.
No advanced payment we pay as we go.**



*Don't I wouldn't even
think about it if I
were you....
I'm not sharing!*

