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Chapter 41 - Classic Thunderbird Club International

*The Thunderhead*

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**MINI CONCOURS**

2006 Meeting Schedule	
Aug 6	<b>** Mini-Concours **</b>
Sept.	Rich & Lois Martin
Oct.	Stan & Cindy Gersch
Nov	Bob & Christina Calvo
Dec 2	<b>** Christmas Party **</b>
2007 Meeting Schedule	
Jan / Feb	Bob & Shelley Belli
Mar	John & Sandra Bolger
Apr	John & Terry O'Brian
May	Ed & Theresa Powell
Jun	Steve Rose / Julie Levine
Jul	Charles & Isabella Costa
Aug	REGIONAL CONVENTION
Sept	Richard & Susan Titone
Oct	Frank Gloss / Mary Green
Nov	Jack & Shelia Granowitz
Dec	CHRISTMAS PARTY

If you cannot host your meeting as scheduled, it is your responsibility to get someone to switch with. Let Joanne know  
Please let us know as soon as you can on your details date/time/etc.



**President's Message**

August is here and our mini concours is upon us. I hope that everyone will attend. Come on out! Enjoy, all the cars and the great food that is sure to please even the most discerning taste. Remember it will be rain or shine! (Lets hope for sunshine)

I would like to congratulate our newsletter editors, Alec Johnstone & Pat LeStrange, for their Silver Award in "Concours Newsletter" (accepted by Alec); Rich & Lois Martin for winning 1<sup>st</sup> Place in the "hoods up touring" class. Wendy & Mike Meehan for winning 2<sup>nd</sup> Place in '56 Touring class. Yours truly won a Silver Award in Concours 1 with our 1957 E-Bird. Our club was well represented, in attendance were Bill, Donna & Vicky Jessie, John Pyrros, Alec Johnstone, Vince DeAndrea (and guest), Rich & Lois Martin, Wendy & Mike Meehan along with BarbaraAnna and myself. We had many inquiries in reference to our Regional show, either from the ad we took out in the Wichita program or from the table that we had set up at the National Convention. "CONGRATUATIONS TO ALL".

We still have a lot of activities planned for August and right into the fall, so lets keep our cars running and enjoy all the good times ahead.

See you down the road,

John Kefalonitis

August Meetings for both Regular monthly & Convention Chairpersons will be at the Mini Concours

Please check our **CONVENTION MEETING SCHEDULE**. On the last page. Do not mix it up with the regular schedule. The meetings will be the first Sunday of the month at 5pm.

Hosts are urged "Not to make

the refreshments extravagant " stick with sandwiches or finger food.



**A few words from Alec**

The International Convention in Wichita, this past July 4<sup>th</sup> was a very nice experience for all of our club members that were in attendance. The recently renovated Hyatt regency hotel was beautiful inside & out. The convention show area was indoors and air conditioned, which was a good thing as it was hot 98 degrees and very humid everyday. In my opinion it was a very well run convention.

**Happy motoring, Alec**



**Pat's Message**

We had a very good turn out at our house for the Convention Chairpersons meeting on July 9<sup>th</sup>. Thanks to all, we made progress in several areas.

**Thanks Pat**



**Our 2007 Regional IS Going to Happen.....**

Come to the meeting and find out

how it is progressing and how you can help

**Check out the Convention Page**

Any items you want us to publish in the newsletter must be received before the 20<sup>th</sup> of the month they can be e-mailed directly to me Pat LeStrange rolodexp@aol.com.

**2006 Club Calendar**

- Aug 6** Mini Concours  
Chairman: Mike Meehan
- Oct. 15** Fall Cruise to Lambertville  
Chairman: Phil Guidone
- Nov. 19** Club fund raiser Concert  
Chairman: Vince DeAndrea
- ???** Somerville Cruise Night
- Dec 2** Christmas Party

There won't be any tomatoes in T Bird Heaven in NJ in 07



Thanks Dominick & Eva for a great meeting and wonderful food. Also it was good to see a lot of T Birds there



**2006 Car Shows**

**Aug. 6 8am-4pm**

**Cruisin' for Kids Benefit 2006**

North Rockland HS, Hammond Rd. Thiells, NY

\$10PR/\$15DOS

Judged Show

Susan 845-942-1030 or Grace 845-786-3777

(Donna & Bill Jessie)

**Aug. 12 Walpack Inn (Free Show)**

Anyone wishing to go in a caravan, we will meet at 930am at Lafayette Village on Rt. 15 north. and leave there 10 am sharp to proceed to the show.

**Aug. 13 10am-5pm**

**Riverdale Armory**

107 Nwk.Pompton Tpk. Riverdale,NJ

Free Reg. MUST PRE REGISTER 201-368-3312

**Aug. 14-20 ITC Convention**

Salisbury, N.Carolina

Contact:WWW.intl-tbirdclub.com or E-Mail

mmgg02@cs.com

**Saturday, August 19,2006, 6pm – 9pm**

**Movin' on Cruisers**

Middletown Plaza, Route # 35 South & Kings Hwy,

Middletown, NJ

(John & BarbaraAnna Kefalonitis )

**Aug. 31-Sept. 3**

**Lead East**

Parsippany, NJ

**Sept 10 9am-4pm**

**Ridgefield Pk Elk's Car Show**

Spruce Ave & Cedar St, Ridgefield Pk., NJ

(Pat LeStrange, Joanne Seiler, Alec Johnstone, John Pyrros)

\$15DOS

**Sept. 17 r/d 9/24 9am-4pm**

Fords of Fall Rt 23 Auto Mall

\$12PR/\$20DOS

973-460-3241

# MEMBERSHIP NEWS



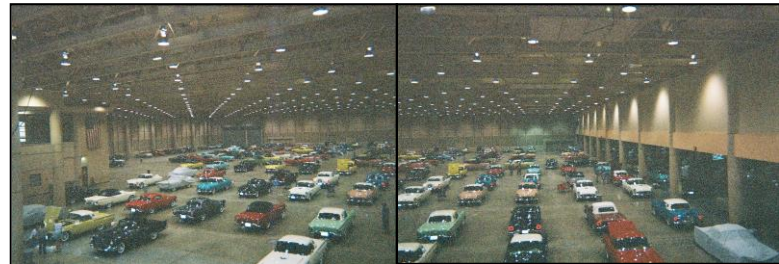
We are happy to report that Dennis is home recuperating, after receiving a heart transplant over the 4<sup>th</sup> of July weekend. He is looking forward to getting on a Convention Committee and resuming all his activities. Dennis you are looking good!!

## WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

**Paul & Pauline Schroll**  
 With their 1956 Red Thunderbird  
 51 Glen Ave. Midland Pk., NJ  
 201-652-7027  
 E-Mail: [pts1231@aol.com](mailto:pts1231@aol.com)  
 They also have a 1934 and a 1949 Ford



## WICHITA CONVENTION



John & Barbara Anna Kefalonitis  
 Silver Award Concours 1



Rich & Lois Martin  
 1<sup>st</sup> Place Hoods-Up Touring



Wendy & Mike Meehan  
 2<sup>nd</sup> Place '56 Touring

The Underheard Letter Silver Award  
 Concours Class

**August Anniversari**

Rich & Lois Martin.....	6
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Henry & Judy Semmler .....	11
Stanley & Cindy Gersch.....	19
Al & Ellen Catanzaro .....	27

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY August**

Sheryl Adamoff...1	Ed Powell...3
Dennis Chirico...9	Al Cirinelli...13
Jack Granowitz...13	Wendy Meehan...18
Shelly Belli...18	Joe Kubat...22
Bob Belli...27	Ludy Bosco... 20

### TOOL OF THE MONTH

**MECHANIC'S KNIFE:** Used to open and slice through the contents of cardboard cartons delivered to your front door; works particularly well on boxes containing seats and motorcycle

jackets.



1955 T-Bird  
Many new parts, 2 tops, 3 speed  
w/overdrive Body was acid  
dipped and is in primer. Car is  
apart  
For more info call  
Arnold Dworkin 732-985-5554  
Please call after 11 am



Dear Members,

We need your help! As the Chairpersons of the Corporate Sponsor Committee for our Regional Convention in August 2007 we are asking for your help in identifying any leads. Basically a corporate sponsor would help underwrite some of the expenses associated with the convention, which are considerable.

The levels of contribution are:

Gold	\$1,000 (plus)
Silver	\$ 500
Bronze	\$ 250

If you know of a business that you think would consider a sponsorship, we would ask that you contact us so that we can coordinate our efforts.

Each sponsor will receive:

- (1) Appropriate recognition at the event;
- (2) An ad in the booklet of activities;
- (3) Tickets to the award Banquet (number of tickets will vary depending on the level of sponsorship).

We can be flexible with the other promotional choices, as the sponsor may request.

While our Committee is focused on raising money, there are other Committees that need door prizes or giveaways. If you have any leads, in this regard, or if you have any questions let us know.

Please contact Phil at:

Business: 908-879-6169  
 Home: 908-879-6261  
 Fax: 908-879-2302  
 Email [Phil@guidone.com](mailto:Phil@guidone.com)

Your assistance will insure a successful convention.

Thank you,

Phil and Dorothy Guidone.



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Vince DeAndrea

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Alec Johnstone

Name Badges

John Pyrros

Jackets

Joe Kubat

Grill Plaques & Hats

Frank Chabala

Club Historian

Lucille Chabala

Club Photographer

Lucille Chabala

Sunshine

Lucille Chabala

Master at Arms

Bruce Corbett

Meeting Schedules & Activities Coordinator

Joanne Seiler

Webmaster

Wendy Meehan

**Important Club Election Notice !!!**

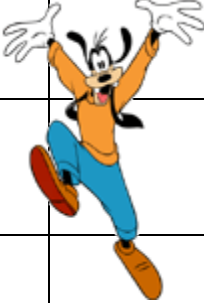
As per Club By Laws (Pg 6 Sec. 2) The election for the office for Club Vice President and for the office of Club Treasurer for 2007/8 will take place in October 2006.

**Nominations must be in no later than 30 days prior to the 3<sup>rd</sup> Friday in October (20th)**

Call the Nominating Committee, Joe Kubat at 973-956-5729 with the names of the nominees

As of now, we do not have a date for the Oct. meeting. The election will take place at the monthly Oct. meeting to be held on or soon after the 3<sup>rd</sup> Friday.

# 2006 CRUISE NIGHTS

SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THUR	FRI	SAT
	<u>Wayne N.J.</u> Wayne Auto Spa, 2122 Hamburg Turnpike, 6-9 PM	<u>Stony Point, NY</u> Don's Neighborhood Grill, (Starting 05/09) 6PM	<u>Bear Mountain</u> Inn & State Park, 5/3 to 9/27 6-9pm	<u>Denville</u> Stewarts 101 Bloomfield Ave 5/4	<u>Nanuet, NY</u> Nanuet Mall in. (starting 05/05) 6 PM	<u>Lyndhurst, NJ</u> Whiskey Cafe, Wall St., (May 6 to Oct 31) 6-9PM
		<u>Succasunna, N.J</u> McDONALD'S, ROUTE 10,. 6-9pm (5/2 Through Sept)	<u>Wycoff</u> Brick Shopping Center	<u>Pompton Lakes, NJ</u> Pompton Lakes Town Square Mall, Wanaque Ave, (Starts 4//21, cars 1978 & older only)		<u>AUGUSTA, NJ</u> CHATTERBOX DRIVE-IN, ROUTE 15 & 206 6PM (5/6 through September
		<u>Tappan, NY</u> Tappan Shopping Center Rt303 630-930pm	<u>Bloomfield, NJ</u> Bloomfield Center Every other Wed. 7/5& 19 6-9pm	<u>Secaucus</u> Harmon Meadow Rt3 6pm CRUISIN' FOR KIDS May 11		
		<u>Saddle Brook, NJ</u> Benegin's 6- 9pm, (Starting 5/2nd to 10/31)		<u>Flanders, N.J</u> McDonalds, Rt 206, A&P Shopping Center,		
		<u>Clifton, NJ</u> Rutt's Hut River Rd		<u>Landing NJ Danielle's</u> (formerly Pit Stop Pub) 131 Lakeside Blvd, (starts 5/4) 6- 9pm		



More to come as dates and locations are confirmed



PLEASE DON'T TRY THIS AT HOME !!!



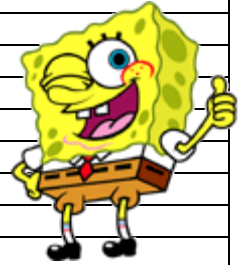
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## CONVENTION MEETING SCHEDULE

All Meetings are on the 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of the month at 5 pm **UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED**

Month & Year	Date	Time	Host
JUNE 2006	June 4	5pm	Vince DeAndrea
JULY 2006	July 9	5pm	Pat LeStrange & Joanne Seiler
AUG 2006	Aug. 6	During Picnic	Mini Concours Doe Meadow Park
SEPT 2006	Sept 8 (Fri)	7pm	Mike & Wendy Meehan
OCT 2006	Oct. 1	5pm	Dominic & Eva Tucci
NOV 2006	Nov. 5	5pm	Joe & Arleen Kubat
DEC 2006	No Meeting Due to Holidays		
JAN 2007			
FEB 2007			
MAR 2007			
APR 2007	April 1	5pm	Rich & Lois Martin
MAY 2007			
JUNE 2007			
JULY 2007			John & Barbaranna Kefalonitis



## Convention Committees for 2007

**Hotel & Legal-** Vince DeAndrea  
**Trophies-** Dominick Tucci  
**Merchandise, shirts, hats, etc... (Souvenir items)-** Joanne Seiler  
**Corporate support-** Phil & Dorothy Guidone  
**Judging-** Vince DeAndrea, Rich Martin, Mike Meehan  
**Hospitality-** Joe & Arlene Kubat  
**Publications-** Pat LeStrange & Alec Johnstone  
**Logistics layout-** Bruce Corbett & Bill Shelby  
**Goodie bags & Door prizes-** Eva Tucci & BarbaraAnna Kefalonitis  
**Registration-** Aileen Corbett  
**Activities (on & off site)-** Lucille Chabala & Joe Kubat  
**Treasurer, 50/50-** Frank Chabala  
**Welcoming-** Joanne Seiler  
**Program, Publicity & Advertising-** Wendy & Mike Meehan  
**Vender Room-** John Pyrros  
**Secretary-** Arlene Kubat  
**Volunteers-** Alec Johnstone  
**Master of Ceremonies-** Vince De Andrea  
**Decorations-** Ron & Merry Case