



# New Jersey Open Road Thunderbird Club

## Chapter 41 - Classic Thunderbird Club International

# The Thunder Heard

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### 2007 Meeting Schedule

Jan 28	Bob & Shelley Belli
Mar	John & Sandra Bolger
Apr	John & Terry O'Brian
May	Ed & Theresa Powell
Jun	Al & Ellen Catanzaro
Jul	Charles & Isabella Costa
Aug	REGIONAL CONVENTION
Sept	Richard & Susan Titone
Oct	Frank Gloss / Mary Green
Nov	Jack & Shelia Granowitz
Dec	CHRISTMAS PARTY

The Jan/Feb meeting will be hosted by Bob & Shelley Belli at their home on Sunday, January 28, 2007 at 2PM.  
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 Directions on page 6

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

It's hard to believe that 2007 is here already. It seems like yesterday that we were either cruising to a show or just out enjoying our little birds.

With the holidays behind us, we can start putting all of our efforts towards the Regional show. We still have a lot of work ahead of us. Whichever committee you volunteered for, and I hope that everyone is on at least one, talk to your chairperson and see what has to be done. Now is the time when activities and programs will be moving faster. Remember, communication is the key to having a REALLY GREAT REGIONAL!

Let's start out the New Year by making a resolution to RSVP the member hosting the monthly meeting; so, that they may better plan for the correct number of people that will be attending the club meeting.

BarbaraAnna and myself would like to wish everyone a Happy, Healthy & Prosperous New Year.

See you down the road,  
 John Kefalonitis

Please check our **CONVENTION MEETING SCHEDULE**. On page 5. 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.

READY OR NOT HERE IT COMES  
 HAPPY NEW YEAR





### A few words from Alec

With the spring-like weather we have been enjoying it's easy to forget that we still have a winter season ahead of us, let's hope it will be a mild one and we can be back on the road enjoying our little birds after their winter nap. I trust that every one has had a great holiday season and hope that we all have a healthy and happy new year.  
Happy Motoring ,Alec



### Vice President's Message

The Christmas party was a fun time. It went very well even if we did cut a few corners.

Who was that guy in the chicken hat ????

Frank did a terrific job, as usual, as our Santa, He really enjoys posing for pictures with the ladies.

Arlene Kubat did a great job putting the party together.

The DJ was really the best one we ever had, and what dancer !!! (hehe)

We are looking for paid advertisers for this news letter to off-set the cost.

Please contact Alec or me if you know someone who would be interested. We also need some tech tips.

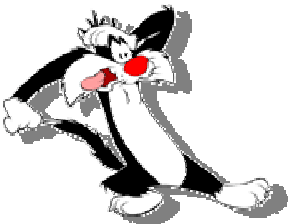
Thanks Pat



**The 2007 Regional IS  
Coming Soon !!**

Come to the meeting and find out how it is progressing and how you can help

**Check out the  
Convention Page**



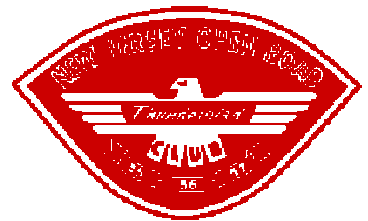
**AS OF JANUARY 1, 2007  
IT IS 212 DAYS  
UNTIL THE CONVENTION**

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.

## 2007 Club Calendar

**Aug 1-5 Regional Convention  
Parsippany, NJ**

**Dues are Due  
\$36  
Send to  
Frank Chabala  
6 Brook Way  
West Orange, NJ  
07052**







## 2006 Christmas Party



# MEMBERSHIP NEWS



**HAPPY  
BIRTHDAY**

*January*

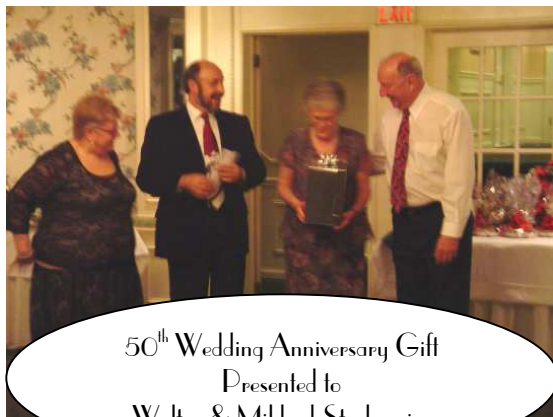
**Rodger De Plero.....3**

**John Kefalonitis.....4**

**Donna Jessie.....20**

**Merry Case.....29**

**Rich Martin.....30**



50<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary Gift  
Presented to  
Walter & Mildred Strohmaier

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## **TOOL OF THE MONTH**

**ELECTRIC HAND DRILL:** Normally used for spinning steel Pop rivets in their holes until you die of old age, but it also works great for drilling mounting holes in fenders just above the brake line that goes to the rear wheel.



# THE CONVENTION PAGE



## 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
JAN 2007	Jan 7	Sunday 2 pm	Walter & Mildred Strohmaier
FEB 2007			
MAR 2007			
APR 2007	April 1	5pm	Rich & Lois Martin
MAY 2007	Combined with Tune Up Clinic		Bruce & Aileen Corbett
JUNE 2007			
JULY 2007			John & Barbaranna Kefalonitis

Oh My, Oh My  
Still a couple of open months!



## 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

Why not get on a committee now?



Bob & Shelley Belli  
57 Longview Dr. Emerson, NJ  
2pm Nov 26, 2006

Sunday, January 28, 2007 at 2PM.

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**Directions to our home:**

Garden State Parkway- (North or South)

Exit 165- when you get off the Garden State Parkway, follow signs to Oradell. This will put you on Ridgewood/Oradell Ave. Go east on Oradell Ave to the second traffic light. (Forest Ave). Take a left on Forest Ave. to the next traffic light. (Soldier Hill Road) Take a right turn on Soldier Hill. Go approximately 1/2 mile to Ross Ave on the left side. Take a left turn to first left ( Longview Drive). go to the next corner on right side, #57. Grey House.

Route 17- North or South- Take Exit Linwood Ave. Go east on Linwood to end. (Pascack Road) Turn right on Pascack to 1st light. (Soldier Hill Road) Take a left on Soldier Hill Road to Ross Ave. (on left side). Take a left turn on Ross to first left (Longview Drive). Go to the next corner on right side, #57. Grey House

Route 4- Take Forest Ave exit ( Bergen Mall) Go north on Forest Ave approximately 5 miles to Soldier Hill Road. There is a light on the corner of Soldier Hill and Forest Ave. Turn right on Soldier Hill Rd to Ross Ave on the left side. Take a left turn to first left ( Longview Drive). Go to the next corner on right side, #57. Grey house.

