

## **NJ Open Road Thunderbird Club Minutes    Saturday Nov. 17, 2012**

Meeting called to order by President Pat LeStrange at 7:15 pm. Flag Salute by Bruce Corbett. Mike & Wendy Meehan were thanked for hosting this meeting. Pat said he hoped everyone got thru hurricane Sandy with not too much damage, it seems Al Cirinelli's office in Edison, and some of his trucks, and their shore home had a great deal of damage.

Minutes of Oct. 28, 2012 meeting were read by Sandy Pyrros. Motion made to accept the minutes as read.

Treasurer's Report read by Lucille Chaballa.

**Opening Balance \$4,347.92**    Income: 50/50 \$50, Badge fines \$3, 50's Dance tickets cash=\$1,101.00, Checks=\$960.00, Holiday party tickets=\$1,000.    Expenses – Last year's Sweetheart Brunch \$96.93, 50's Dance Market Basket catering \$3,133.23, \$700 American Legion Hall, \$700 AL Beverages, \$40.00 Lottery tickets car giveaway, \$125.40 to Phil Guidone for Fall Cruise.

**Closing Balance \$7,691.17**    Bank charges still not refunded=\$82.75.

Lucille explained that the bank now says that to keep from being charged fees, we should keep \$3,000 + in the checking account. She transferred some money from the CD.

Motion to accept Treasurer's report made. Since we are a non-profit club, Pat received a \$400 check from the American Legion for reimbursement from the 50's dance.

Club CD \$7,060.17

### **Correspondence**

Pat & Lois Martin mentioned the Atlantic City Car Auction & Sale taking place on March 1-3, 2013 at the convention center. Also there is a cruise ship line that is sponsoring a themed "Classic Car" cruise leaving from Florida, from Feb 11-16, 2013.

Bob Belli re: Paquito D'Rivera email requesting help with his T-bird. There was an article in Casco on overheating of Birds and Joanne will send it to him.

### **Sunshine**

Lucille said that she had spoken with Dominic Tucci and that Eva was in the hospital and then the family has brought her home with hospice care. Also, since the last meeting, Pat, Arlene & Joe Kubat all had cataract surgery and they are now seeing much better.

### **Membership**

We welcomed our old member from 10 years ago who has become a member once again Paul Dorne and Julie Andriolo.

### **CTCI Report**

Lois reported that there will be 2 Regionals next year, San Jose, CA from 7/31 to 8/4/13 and Des Moines, Iowa from 8/21 to 8/25/13. Pat reported that the Election of Director at Large was won by Geraldine Knuckles. Rich Martin and Walter Strohmaier are driving to San Jose, anyone else care to join them??

A friend of Pat's, Perry Anthony is challenging CTCl Chapters to report that has the highest percentage of T-Birds with original color of paint on their cars. Please email Pat and let him know about your car. Pat is going to CA the beginning of February for a CTCl meeting.

### **Old Business**

Pat, Joanne & Arlene asked that we allow gifts to be given to the women at this year's Holiday party. Calendars will be given to the men. Rich Martin said there's money in the treasury that is to be spent on club members for such purposes. Members voted to repeal last month's vote and allow the gifts this year. Discussion was tabled until after the board meeting.

Arlene Kubat mentioned that the club Holiday Party will be December 1<sup>st</sup> at the San Carlo restaurant in Lyndhurst. 5 pm cocktail hour and 6:30 buffet. \$50 pp. If 2 people pay \$100, dues will be considered paid for the year. Lucille Chaballa said that 50 people have paid and attending the party, so please let her know ASAP if you are attending. Arlene must give the catering hall the number of attendees very soon. Lois Martin asked if members wanted to raffle off a "Lottery ticket frame" as we have done in the past and that was approved.

Wendy Meehan said that the next day, Sunday, was the drop-dead day for submitting car photos for the calendar, she was ordering them Sunday night.

### **New Business**

Paul Schroll congratulated and gave a prize to Laurie Matrone for answering correctly last month's Trivia question and to Sandra Pyrros for this month's question.

Bob Belli said that a body shop owner in Emerson had a 1937 Cadillac for sale for \$15,000. It was owned by a gangster years ago and even has some bullet holes. It needs work, but runs. The owner bought a \$1000 wiring harness but hasn't installed it and that will go to the new owner.

Lucille mentioned the Sweetheart Brunch at the Bethwood and the date agreed upon is to be Sunday, February 17, 2013.

Pat mentioned that there will be a Board Meeting held 2 hrs. before the next club meeting which is on January 27<sup>th</sup> at 2PM at Bob & Shelly Belli's home in Emerson, NJ. Activities for next year will be discussed. Mike Meehan was asked if he would handle Harold's Deli on March 3<sup>rd</sup> in Edison at 2:00. Lois mentioned the August Club Picnic and asked if Mike would discuss with Phil Guidone and obtain the permit.

50/50 was held and \$50 was won by Joe Kubat.

Badge fines \$5 collected by Bruce Corbett Meeting adjourned at 8:20 pm.

Minutes submitted by Sandra Pyrros.