



New Jersey Open Road Thunderbird Club

Chapter 41 - Classic Thunderbird Club International



The Thunder Heard

April 2018

2018 Meeting Schedule

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| April 22 | Donna & Bill Jessie |
| April 15 | Spring Cruise |
| May 6 | Al & Lorraine Cirinelli |
| May 20 | Tune Up Clinic |
| June 2 | Charles & Lisa Musto |
| July | Valerie Kriney |
| August 5 | Picnic |
| September | Bill & Pat Selby |
| October | Steve & Annette Schmidt |
| November | Charlie & Izebela Costa |
| December 1 | Holiday Party |

The April meeting is on the 22nd.



President's Message



It's Spring. I only have about a 4 inch deep snow covering on the ground, maybe it will be gone soon.

The March meeting was very well attended. There seemed to be a lot more views on changing the voting rules. We will be voting on this at the April meeting. After that issue is settled, I will be proposing a few other by-law changes.

I hope everyone going to Knoxville have their reservations and registrations all set - don't forget your hotel reservations for the trip to Knoxville as well as for the Nashville hotels for those making the extended trip. Let Donna Jessie know what you are planning.

I was happy to see we have a new member Sean Dillon. He does not have a T Bird yet, so lets help him find a nice one.

We have a lot of other events coming up, The Spring cruise and the Tune up clinic to name a couple

I will be sending a check to the Smoky Mountain club to help them with some seed money for their Convention. Joanne has told me there will also be some big changes coming to CTCL, so stay tuned for that, she has not told me the details so I cannot discuss it yet. They are working very hard to make CTCL better.

Please don't forget our members who are shut in or feeling down. I congratulate the R.O.M.E.O. (Retired Old Men Eating Out) club for their part in getting those people out for lunches. Good job guys.

Pat LeStrange



March Meeting

Our host was Frank Gloss. Two old cars made the meeting including Henry Semmler with his 57. As always, the food was good and we had a good crowd. Thanks to Frank for hosting.

Highlights of the Business Meeting

The prior meeting's minutes were read by and the Treasurer's report was made by Pat. Both were accepted.

We had a visitor, Sean Dillon who subsequently signed up.

Pat reminded the members that there will be a vote on amending the by-laws at the next (April) meeting

1. To allow electronic voting
2. To allow spouses and SO's to vote on club business.

There was some discussion on the second item - final discussion in April

Various items relating to Knoxville was discussed, including our donation. Donna mentioned that there are nine cars going at this time.

Lucille reported on the Sweetheart Brunch and Toni on the Harold's event.

Carol went over some items on the Spring Cruise.

Lorraine needs names of people who are attending the 50's dinner and entertainment.

For more details on the meeting go to the members section of the website.

Next meeting April 22nd.

New Member



Welcome to Sean Dillon, from Ramsey, NJ. Sean doesn't have a Bird yet, but he is looking



Vice President's Message

Guess what everyone, Spring is here, do you believe it??? Snow storm on first day of spring!!! We still have a big mountain of snow on our front lawn. Hopefully Spring will be here very soon and we can get our Tbirds on the open road.

Maybe the snow will be gone on the day of our Spring cruise. The Spring cruise is on Sunday, April 15th. We will be meeting at Delizias Resturant, Boonton, (where we have most of our meetings) at 9:00 am. Then a cruise to Ringwood Manor State Park, tour around, visit the mansion, cruise to Berta's Chateau in Wanaque for a buffet lunch. If you are attending, please send Carol Ehm, who is Chairperson for the event, a check made out to New Jersey Open Road Thunderbird Club. The cost is \$45.00 per person.

Get well wishes being sent to Alex Johnstone, who fell again and is back in the Atrium Nursing Home, Alps Road, Wayne. He would be very happy to hear from us. Please send him a card, call him or go for a visit. Please keep him in your prayers. Also let's pray for Bill Jesse. His eye is getting better (detached retina, reattached twice), but it is taking a while. Hopefully it will better soon. Dot Hyde's eye surgery is also healing. Pray for speedy recovery for the three of them.

We will be welcoming home our snowbirds from Florida. Safe travels home. I feel so bad that you all missed our fantastic winter, you really do not know what you have missed!!!! record breaking cold temps, ice, snow storms, trees down and power outages, it was just great!!!

For all of us who attended Harold's Deli, it was great as usual. Sooo much food and big desserts. Thank you Toni Sabino for chairing this trip, job well done.

Hope everyone enjoyed St. Patrick's day.

Please try to make our next meeting, because we will be discussing by-laws and voting on changes. Meeting will be Sunday, APRIL 22nd at 2:00 pm at Delizias in Boonton, hosted by Bill and Donna Jesse.

Have a Happy Easter, see you at the next meeting. Arlene

Membership News

Happy Anniversary

None this month

Happy Birthday

Judy Semmler 12th

Charles Musto 16th

Lucille Chabala 27th

Bruce Dailey 8th

**GET WELL
SON!**

Alec Johnstone

Bill Jessie

Dot Hyde

2018 Int'l Convention Knoxville, TN

It's not too early to start planning for this. Hotel and other information is posted on Smokey Mountain Thunderbirds website www.SmokyMountainThunderbirds.org

There is no "host hotel" but there are two hotels that have a special convention rate. All activities will take place at the convention center. NJORTC members are signing up for the Holiday Inn (the closest one). Make reservations now to insure you have a room. If circumstance are that you cannot go, they can be canceled without charge 24 hours before.

Donna Jessie is setting up travel plans for those driving. Present plans call for a one and a half day trip. Contact Donna for info. In order to get another Ford Johnson Award, we need twelve cars.

Note - the 'show field" is indoors



April 27th

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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.

Club Announcements

March Meeting

The April meeting is scheduled for April 22nd.

The hosts are Donna and Bill Jessie. The meeting will be at Delizia's, starting at 2 PM.

Be sure to RSVP Donna or Bill, including regrets. See Page 1 for more info

Spring Cruise

Carol Ehm has put together a great cruise. First will be to Ringwood Manor State Park and then to Berta's Chateau in Wanaque. Date is April 15th (Make sure you finished your taxes)

Cost is 45.00 per person and covers everything. Be sure to notify Carol you are coming. Make checks out to NJORTC and send to Carol. See attached flyer

May Meeting

The May meeting is scheduled for May 6th.

Keep the date open. Additional info forthcoming

June Meeting

The June meeting is scheduled for June 2nd
Additional info forthcoming

Tune Up Clinic

May 20th - another date to keep open. This also is Thunderbird Appreciation Day. If you are planning to have any work done on your car, make sure you tell Rich. In addition, remember to bring any parts, oil, etc that you will need. There will be coffee and for the early birds. Come and chit-chat. Notify Lois if you are coming to commiserate.

March Meeting



Filing date this year is April 17th



Plant another tree

Cruise Nights

Monday

Tuesday

Clifton - Rutts Hut

Friday

Saturday

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

Car Shows-Swap Meets

4/8 Clifton - Cruise 11AM Hearth 1116 Rte 46

4/22 Mahwah- 209 Ramapo Valley Rd- River
Palm Terrace

4/22 East Hanover-175 Rte 10 Nielson
Chrysler

5/6 Morristown AACA show, MennonArena,
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Harold's

The food, as usual, was very good and very plentiful. We had a good turn out and everyone stuffed themselves and brought the rest home for a second and sometimes a third meal. Thanks to Toni for making all the arrangements and for the St Patrick's Day decorations.





Ford History this Month

On 4/29/59 the 50 Millionth Ford was produced at Dearborn Assembly - a Galaxie 4 DR.
On 4/6/34, Ford announced that white wall tires would be an option



Doggy Bags

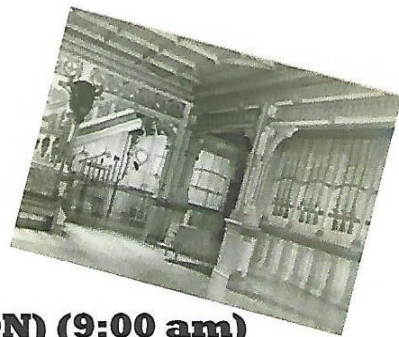




NEW JERSEY OPEN ROAD THUNDERBIRD CLUB JOIN US FOR THE 2018 SPRING CRUISE



**Sunday
April 15th**



MEET AT DELIZIA'S (BOONTON) (9:00 am)

CRUISE TO RINGWOOD MANOR STATE PARK

Ringwood Manor is a National Historic Landmark District, having historical importance spanning from Native American occupation through the early 20th century. The surrounding Ramapo Mountains' rich magnetite iron deposits made the area a major iron supplier and became the home to a succession of ironmasters for over two hundred years. During the Gilded Age, Ringwood Manor became a large summer estate for partners Peter Cooper and Abram S. Hewitt and their families. In 1938, the house, its contents, and the surrounding property were donated by the family to the State of New Jersey as a museum and a state park. With original historical structures, gardens, and landscapes on 582 acres and extensive historical collections illustrative of family life, community, industry and culture, Ringwood Manor is a unique repository of American history.

CRUISE TO BERTA'S CHATEAU (WANAQUE)

Berta's, located in a beautiful historic home, celebrated its 90 year anniversary in 2017! Come enjoy a delicious buffet starting with crudités, melon, baked stuffed clams, fresh ricotta with truffle honey, sea salt & black pepper, house marinated vegetables, tuna in olive oil, Tuscan beans & ceci, fresh mozzarella & ripe tomatoes in basil oil, roasted peppers, prosciutto di parma & Artisan salumi (coppa and salami). And after all of that...it's time for the main course, which includes Rotolo ("jelly-roll" of fresh pasta with spinach, ricotta and crescenza cheese), eggplant parmigiana, chicken breast in champagne sauce (light cream sauce) with mushrooms, slow-cooked free-range veal & peppers, green vegetable of the day and their house specialty farina dolce (a type of fried polenta with lemon & orange peel), rice pilaf, and penne. Don't forget to save room for the fresh seasonal berries and biscotti. Coffee and tea are included. Cash bar is available.

\$45/person

(includes admission to Ringwood Manor and Berta's Buffet)

**Make checks payable to NJORTC and mail to:
Carol Ehm**



TUNE-UP CLINIC



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AT 8:30 AM

RICH & LOIS MARTIN'S HOME



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