

## **NJ Open Road Thunderbird Club Minutes Sunday June 26, 2016**

Meeting called to order by Pat LeStrange at 1:10 pm. Pat led the Pledge of Allegiance. Pat thanked Aileen & Bruce Corbet for hosting the meeting at Lois & Rich Martins home. Pat also thanked Lois & Rich for holding the Tune-Up Clinic and the meeting at their home. Minutes read by Sandy Pyrros. Treasurer, Carol Ehm, read the Treasurer's report with a balance of \$11,432.07.

**Correspondence:** Lois Martin-None

**Sunshine:** Pat mentioned that Alec Johnstone was in & now out of the hospital.

**CTCI-** Lois received confirmation that CTCI has sanctioned our Convention for July 2017. Mickey & Dixie Harris will be taking over the newsletter contest. Roster list now online of members of CTCI. Also, money has been approved to purchase special vaults to house the invoices that the Dearborn TARTC Club was handling, so now CTCI will be doing the distribution of original car invoices. Copies of car invoices will be \$30.

**Newsletter-**Paul Schroll mentioned that he's gathering info & please email him.

**Membership**—Paul Adamoff met some folks that showed interest in joining our club and he handed out information to them.

Joanne said that "Go Daddy" page changed their format & Pat has reformatted our club info. Password is "Classic" for member's section. Check it out. Facebook site still the same.

Pat introduced Steve Schmidt of the North Jersey T-bird club who was attending our meeting. Steve mentioned that this year is their club's 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. They held a successful all Ford show on June 11 in Pompton Plains, they had over 70 cars.

Joanne Seiler mentioned that yesterday was our club's 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary too. Started on June 25, 1976 and originally called the Salty Birds.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

4 cars driving out to the San Diego Convention in Sept.—8 days out driving & 7 days back. 3 cars are going to the Pittsburgh T-Bird weekend on July 16-17 weekend.

Bill Downing re: Club Picnic on August 14<sup>th</sup>. Let him know if you will be bringing children. He passed around a sheet for members to sign up and bring salads, etc. Please volunteer a dish. The picnic will have the same format as last year; food, games, and a cookie-baking contest.

The club has signed a contract with the Marriott Hotel for the Regional Convention that our club will run Wednesday to Sunday August 2-6, 2017. Slogan was chosen "Follow

the Open Road to NJ 2017". Mock-up for logo was presented. Pre-registration forms will be ready and our club will have a table set-up at the San Diego convention to give info to members at the show. An "online" registration program will be acquired for a fee of \$200 paid by CTCl. Mike Meehan said that we should start arranging events like a Circle Line Cruise/Ellis Island/Statue of Liberty etc., and monthly committee meetings should be held.

Next meeting will be hosted by Arlene & Joe Kubat on Sunday, July 31<sup>st</sup> at DeLizia's Pizza in Boonton. Meeting adjourned at 2:15

50/50 won by Bill Jesse for \$60.

Minutes submitted by Sandra Pyrros