

The Fireplace Restaurant, Saturday, June 16, 2012

Nineteen people ate lunch

Seventeen people participated in the meeting

Seven Thunderbirds graced the parking lot

NJ Open Road Thunderbird Club Minutes Saturday June 16, 2012

Meeting called to order by President Pat LeStrange at 3:00 pm. Flag Salute by Alec Johnstone.

Frank from The Fireplace was thanked by Pat for accommodating the Club.

Minutes of the May 20, 2012 were read by Martha Downing. Motion to accept the minutes by Paul Adamoff, seconded by Alec Johnstone.

Neither the Treasurer Frank Chabala nor his backup, Arlene Kubat was able to attend. Motion by Bill Hyde, seconded by Alec Johnstone to dispense with the Treasurer's Report.

Correspondence

Alec Johnstone received an e-mail from the South Jersey Club last week. They are too busy at the end of July so they will not be able to attend our picnic. Alec has extended a picnic invitation to the New York Early Bird Club but has not received a response.

Sunshine

Frank Chabala had a successful hip replacement and is in rehab. Lucille Chabala had by-pass complications but is home and doing fine. No update on Eva Tucci was available.

Membership

Paul Adamoff, Chairman, introduced the newest member, Steve Handy, from Oakland. Steve has a '57 T-bird. Paul is cultivating Eddie from Dobbs Ferry as a possible new member. Paul has also handed out several membership packages but has not heard back.

Old Business

50's Dance. Joanne Seiler is still searching for gumball machines to use as table decorations. Dollar Tree is the best source for gumball machines so let her know if you find any, she has about a dozen. If necessary the gumball machines will be given as prizes and other table decorations will be used. Joanne is expecting to finalize the dance details in the next month and intends to have a flyer ready for distribution at the picnic.

Joanne and Pat said the American Legion (dance site) has a Cruise Night every Friday evening. The American Legion address is Legion Place, Elmwood Park (off Market

Street). They encouraged members to attend Cruise Night and look at the facility.

Pat, on behalf of the Picnic Committee, passed around a sign-up sheet. The committee is looking for salads and desserts. Alec pointed out that the picnic is under cover, even though it rained last year there was Bingo, games and a movie. Although all cars were welcome only one '57 T-bird came in the rain. The '57 received a round of applause. A discussion reminding people that this was neither a car show nor a concourse followed. Phil Guidone stated that car shows require special insurance. Pat stated "who needs more awards." The park also has trails and a swimming hole.

New Business

Paul Schroll said the last newsletter prize was won by Sandy Pyrros who was the first person to answer correctly.

Bob Belli, invited everyone to the Thursday evening Cruise Night in Emerson. Last Thursday 45 cars participated. Stop & Shop is an enthusiastic Cruise Night supporter allowing access to their rest rooms. Food is available from Stop & Shop as well as delivered pizza.

Paul Adamoff generously donated American flag decals for car windows.

Phil Guidone said that eight people are interested in the Winter Cruise to the Barrett-Jackson Auction in Scottsdale, Arizona. (Auction scheduled for January 13 – 20, 2013). Through his connection he is able to get excellent rooms at a very deep discount. Please let him know if you would like participate. You will need to make your own airline reservations.

Pat said everyone had a great time at the auction last January.

The next meeting is Sunday, July 15th 2pm at Bruce and Aileen Corbett's in Hewitt, NJ.

Pat thanked everyone who came today and said at the next meeting the key people will be back. Pat may not make the next meeting because of a birthday conflict.

Lottery tickets for the members who brought their birds today will be handed out at the next meeting.

\$4.00 in badge fines was collected. No 50/50 was held in case that would cause a problem for our host, The Fireplace.

Motion to Adjourn by Paul Adamoff, seconded by Bob Belli.

Meeting adjourned 3:32 pm

Respectfully submitted, Martha Downing

