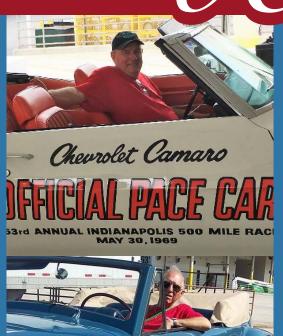


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editor's corner

MAY 2016

Hello Club Members.

The May issue will feature recaps of the Auction America and Barrett-Jackson auctions in April. Thanks to Bob Ferretti for submitting a story about his experience at the Auction America, Ft. Lauderdale, the auction for which our Classic Thunderbird Club organize and coordinate the driving staff.

A lot goes into auction preparation and once again this year was a big success! Thanks to all who volunteered!

The CTCI Convention will be in September from th 13th -18th It would be nice to know how many of our Club members plan to attend.

Pictures of the Events are also available for viewing on our Club Facebook Page www.facebook.com/ThunderbirdClubSouthFLoridaand our club Website www.thunderbirdclubsouthflorida.com

I surely appreciate the articles that are being contributed to our Thunderbird News by our members. Please keep them coming! Top priority will go to articles about a Classic Thunderbird of South Florida Events and we welcome any story about a Classic Car Event where Thunderbirds appear. Technical articles are much appreciated, as some of us do get our fingernails dirty and our knuckles bloodied!

This year I look forward to a short story from EVERY CLUB MEMBER who owns a 1956 T-Bird for the 2016 Thunderbird News

Tell us how you found it and why you bought it.

Where and from whom you bought it. i.e. (a nice couple living in Indianapolis who had owned it for 20 years)

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What condition was it in when you bought it?

What you have had done to it since you became the owner of it

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Believe me, we want to hear about YOUR car!

You don't need to be a 'literary genius' to write a few lines. I can fix up if you like

Please us Microsoft Word or the Apple Pages

If you have favorite pictures of your "baby" please send those also, 1mb or smaller

Deadline is the 3rd Thursday of the month right after or month club meeting.

Thanks to you all for contributing to this month's edition,

Ed Raabe

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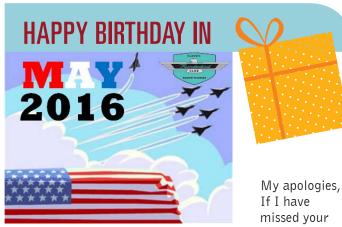
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my apologies, If I have missed your birthday it is because I do not have your information. Please contact me to update your records.

INTERNET PAGE

Have you seen our internet page? We have changed our address **www.thunderbirdclubsouthflorida.com** and we have a Facebook page too! Search Classic Thunderbird Club South Florida or

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We encourage participation on our Facebook page. Send Posts about everything Thunderbird related and we will enjoy other "car stuff too.

Like Museum Visits, Car shows and Cruise Ins you attend. And other stuff you think we T-Bird lovers would like. Just keep it as clean as your T-Bird on "Detail Day"!

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APRIL 2016



ABOVE THE TOP AND AWESOME are the words I used last month to describe the response we had to our request for help with what was then, the upcoming RM auction, a major source of financing for our club. Now after the 2016 auction has come and gone, I can very happily say the same words again, only double! A lot of the shifts had more people than were requested, AWESOME, Thank You all that helped! Thank You Leo for taking on the difficult job of coordinating the volunteers after Mike fell ill. Thank You Peter for a very detailed accounting of all the beans and making sure that everyone received the proper credit!

We had a great meeting for the month of April, so many people showed up that we had to set up 2 extra tables on the low end of our normal "L" formation, then as more showed up and we had to setup one more table on the other end. Now our" L" is beginning to look like a "U", so what are U waiting for, we've missed you, come on over to our May meeting and see why our attendance is growing! [The preceding was a subliminal message for those that of you that have not been to our monthly meetings for a while...]

Our secretary Poppy is ill, so she could not attend the meeting; we wish her a speedy recovery. Since she could not take the minutes of the meeting, I gathered about 35 of them and here they are. We convened at 7:27 and adjourned at 8:02, meals were served immediately after, and almost everyone stayed chatting till well after 9 pm. During the meeting ...

Ed presented a plaque to our guest Greg Kersul for his help during the RM auctions. We thanked Richard Crochet and Richard Manso (two new



members) for coming to their first meeting, and we recognized two visitors and potential new members, Deacon" Skip" Cliff and Graham Sutt. We look forward to having them all back during our May meeting as returning or new members!

I presented a report on the recent Florida Car Marathon 500 Mile Precision Rally where our club was represented by John and Celia Layzell and Oscar and Marcia Castro. Thank you Celia and Marcia for your great navigation, all John and I had to do was follow directions and drive the car, you made it very easy for us, PLUS, we had a ton of fun!

We then recognized the various members that had not only represented us by attending some recent shows, but had placed in the winning categories as well! At the Homestead Main Street show, Gary won Best Corvette! At the Cystic Fibrosis show, Steve Vogel, Richard Manso, and Ed Raabe won 1st, 2nd, and 3rd places in the Thunderbird category. Also at this show, Norm Gabe and Marcia Castro each won the 2nd place in the 2000's and 1960's categories. Congratulations to our "wining" members and thank you for representing us so well!

We discussed the upcoming LUAU, just one of the ways that we are demonstrating our commitment to invest in our members and to thank them for their continued support during our activities and their willingness to say "present" when we need help with our fundraisers. We still do not have a date or location set, but since it will be a night event, it will be sometime during the summer on a Saturday and will involve a super show by a troupe of Polynesian dancers and the exciting fire-knife warrior. a great meal, and a fun car cruise! We'll try and narrow down the details a bit during our next meeting, so please come in, help with the planning, and put your 2 cents in, you'll get a dollar's worth of value! In the meantime, start looking for that festive Island wear, those flowers for your hair, and come ready to (try to) learn the Hula!

We heard a report from our events director, Daisy, she has already started working on the Annual Sunday Brunch. We thought that this year the Hillcrest was not going to be available to us, however, Leo mentioned that it was still operational, so we may still be able to do it there. Daisy will set the date, finalize the location and will let us know the results during the May meeting. Hopefully it will be at the Hillcrest, but if not, I am sure she'll find a great spot for us.

We closed the meeting on a sad, yet happy note. One of Felipe's passions, I would say one of the biggest, was his love of the precision rally and the enthusiasm he showed when he talked about the different ones and tried to get more and more of us involved in them. During the past years, he even presented a few of them which I was fortunate enough to be able to attend and share the good times with him. Sometime late this year or early in 2017, we will try and put together another edition of the Florida 300 Mile Rally! It will be a combination of the traditional Precision Rally components, plus it will add the social features of the Classic Car Road Tour. Felipe was the first to introduce the 300 Mile Precision Rally to South Florida. now, not only will that rally live on, but it will also become the first to introduce the Classic Car Road Tour to South Florida! Details to follow...

Information on all of our activities will be posted on our website www.thunderbirdclubsouthflorida.com, check in often!

Thank you all for being members of the best Classic Thunderbird Club in South Florida!

Happy Thundering!

Oscar Castro President - 2016

Classic Thunderbird Club of South Florida





AUCTIONS AMERICA

Auctions America 2016

Bob Ferretti

Auctions America 2016

Ed Raabe

I had the pleasure once again this year to work with some of our Thunderbird Club members and helpers from the Mercury, Studebaker and Cruisers Clubs to assist in preparation for the 2016 Auctions America Event. The event took place over a 7-day period. Some people volunteered and stayed from 5 days to all 7, like Leo did.

Before the actual 3-day auction event, Friday-Sunday, we assist bringing in the cars from the car haulers from around the country starting 3 days earlier. You get to drive many more cars these days than on the auction days. After taking most of the gas out of the cars, as required to meet the fire code inside a building, we get them in for processing. They are checked by the Auctions America staff for proper papers, VIN numbers, serial numbers and personal items. Everything is documented before we drive or tow the vehicles to the assigned parking spot on the building floor. Spots are assigned by the day of auction so they come out in better order to que up for their assigned time.

Each car going up for auction has a day in the catalog assigned, so interested potential buyers are there at those times. Because many cars come in late Thursday near the first auction day, Friday, it becomes a real challenge to move them into their spots among the other 600 cars or more! Many need to be towed or pushed by hand.

This year after the auction we were asked to help move the cars out Monday to the car haulers and to the new owners of 1 to 8 cars to each. Over the years the same group of us normally are there for most days of the event. In a way we are in away glad it's over, but we enjoyed working with each other. We left with much new knowledge about cars that we maybe never in our lives would have the chance to drive if it wasn't for the Auction!

So I'll be looking forward again as before around January or February to find out when we will do it again. For now, I'm straightening my legs out from some of those low small cars made for young small people that I needed to squeeze into.

Bob's article brings to light some of the inner workings of the Auction, our club members responsibilities and their contributions. I think some of the most fun is the set up in the days prior to the



Auction. Sure it's a lot more "work" but this is when you really get a chance to DRIVE the cars, for real! You get a chance to evaluate your favorite Marque. Would I buy one? As a kid my passion was to own a '32 "Highboy". The passion never left me, UNTIL I was able to drive a few 32 roadsters at these Auctions. Well, I have gained a few pounds, but really not that much, but guess what? I can't fit in the darn things! I guess that's why I love my T-Bird. It is the Ford factory "Hot Rod" after all! The guys look like kids in a toy store driving those E Jags, Ferraris, Maserati and Lambos. Some of the Guys AND Gals like the Bentley and Rolls Royce cars. Bottom line, there is something for everyone! If you would like to see yourself on TV driving your "dream car", remember the Action at the Auction Block is all recorded.

While we had a nice turn out, with great support from the Mercury, Studebaker and Cruisers Clubs I would have liked to have seen more members of our own Thunderbird Club volunteer next year.

This is, after all, this the way we fund our activities. It would be nice to eliminate the co-pay for our Events like the Luau, the Brunch, the Holiday dinner, etc. It can only happen if you volunteer!

Greg Kersul once again did an outstanding job making sure, on the Auction days all the cars were queued up and ready to go, but many do not realize how much effort he puts in during the prep days. He is there at least 12 hours very day form 7:30 in the morning.

It is because of his dedication and cooperation with the members of our Thunderbird club, we awarded him a citation of appreciation at our last meeting.

Say hello to Greg the next time you see him at one of the many car shows in our area he assists at.

I hope you like some of the pictures I took as well as the synopsis of the Early Bird Auction results!







Bob Ferretti drives a 48 Lincoln Continental



Auctions America Show Room



Leo gives a Pep talk before the Auction on Friday



Frank Jones in a 1961 Jaguar XKE



Leo Saladino 1969 Camaro Pace Car



Gary Stump looking at the site map



Gary Stump drives a 57 Bel Air



Frank Jones drives a 60 T-Bird



Bob Ferretti Drove the BMW electric



Watch out for those hot "lake pipes"!



The guys at the Queue Friday morning



Leo Saladino drive a Model A





Auction Results South Florida 2016

Ed Raabe

This was a wild 2 weeks of local Auctions! Our Club in conjunction with the Mercury Club, Marauder Club, Studebaker Club and South Florida Cruisers assisted at the Auctions America Ft Lauderdale Event. This was followed by Barrett-Jackson in West Palm Bch at the South Florida Fair grounds a week later. Of interest to our members would be the results of Thunderbirds at auction, particularly the "Early Birds". Following will be those results, first from Auctions America and then Barrett-Jackson. Dollar amounts include the 10% buyers fee. Results and details can be found by visiting either Auction company website. Editorial note; Barrett-Jackson provided the venue for more affluent bidders.

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Lot #490 1957 E-Code Willow Green/ Wht Top: Sold \$63,250
Lot #716 1956 P-Code Sunset Coral: Sold \$47,300
Lot #443 1957 D-Code Custom Pearlescent Rose: Sold \$37,400
Lot #732 1955 P-Code Black/ Blk Hrd. Top "Not restored": Sold \$30,800
Lot #187 1957 D-Code Starmist Blue/ Wht Hrd. Top: Not Sold \$43,000
Lot #497 1957 D-Code Dusk Rose/ Wht Hrd. Top: Not Sold \$60,500*

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Lot #386 1957 F-Code Red: Sold \$193,600***

Lot #118 1957 D-Code Dusk Rose / Wht Hrd. Top: Sold \$73,700**

Lot #459 1957 E-Code Dusk Rose / Blk Hrd. Top: Sold \$67,100

Lot #455 1955 347 cu.in. Stroker 435 HP Gurney Eagle Ford Custom Red: Sold \$66,000

Lot #157 1957 D-Code Red/ Wht Hrd. Top: Sold \$55,000

Lot #148 1956 D-Code Thunderbird Green/ Wht Hrd. Top: Sold \$39,600

Lot # 97 1957 D-Code Red: Sold 34,100

Lot #355 1955 P-Code Red/ Wht Hrd. Top: Sold \$27,700

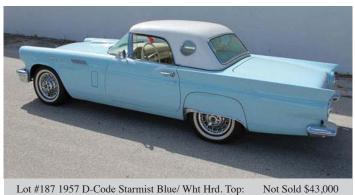
Lot #185 1955 Rebuilt D-Code 312 cu in Thunderbird Blue "Not restored" Wht Hrd. Top Sold \$26,400

- *Sold at Barrett-Jackson
- **Purchased by John Staluppi
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Lot #497 1957 D-Code Dusk Rose/ Wht Hrd. Top: Not Sold \$60,500*



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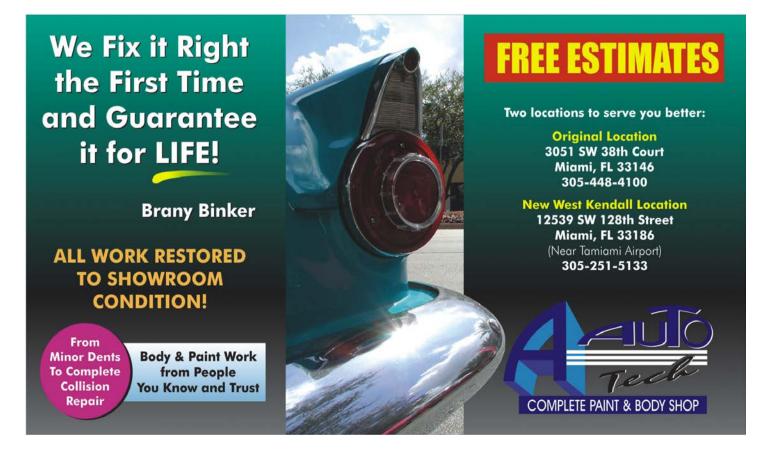
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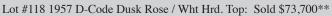


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Plans for the event include a Polynesian style welcome pool party, a tour of the USS Midway, including a luncheon at the Bow area, the Corvette Challenge at the Corvette Diner, a Scenic coastal cruise drive to the San Diego Botanical Garden, an Outing to the Viejas Casino and Outlet Center, finishing off with the Concours d' Elegance and Awards Banquet.

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Car Show for the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation

Sunday April 17th a few of our club members went down to Virginia Key to help support Benefit Car Shows and the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation. This has become an annual Event and we are hoping for more Thunderbird Club members to come out next time. This was my second year attending. The weather threatened rain but the strong breeze chased the clouds away and it turned out to be a beautiful day! The park, located right on the beach is a nice spot for a car show with plenty of room for cars in the parking lot. There were over 60 cars with owners from as far as Big Pine Key to Coral Springs! In attendance from the Thunderbird Club, were Norm and Robin Gabe, Richard Mareylis Manso, Steve Vogel and myself.

Ed Raabe











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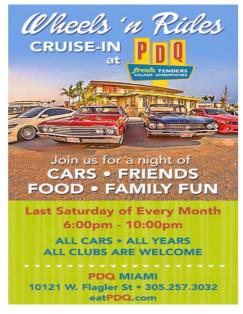






































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July 14-16, 2016—Central Spring Meet - North Mankato, MN
July 17-21, 2016—Founders Tour - Huntingdon, PA
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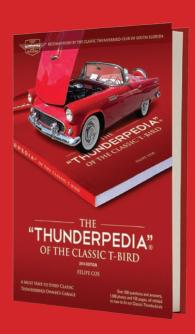
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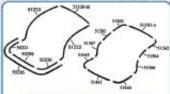


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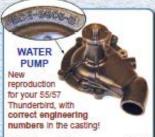
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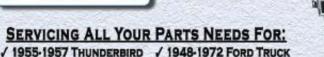


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