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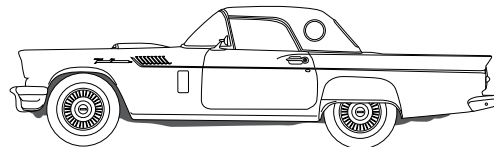
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editor's CORNER

JULY 2016

Hello Club Members,

The Summer is here for sure! Car shows will be fewer and most of our cars will remain indoors out of the rain.

One show, not to be missed is the 4th of July Show held at Venetian Isles Monday July 4th This is a Pre-registration event. See the Flyer in the Car show section for more details.

This issue will feature the Wings Over Miami Benefits Car Show and the Thalatta Estate on Father's Day

Please sign up for our Annual Sunday Brunch on August 7th.

See you on the 4th at Venetian Isles!

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

Some Photos courtesy of BRP Brandon Rudich Productions Tech Corner reprinted with permission from Restoration & Redemption BlogSpot.

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) If it has "history" or "celebrity". What condition was it in when you bought it?. What you have had done to it since you became the owner of it. What your plans are for the car in the future. 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



CTC CHAPTER #114 JULY 2016 VOLUME 18, #7 REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING

Our meetings are held the Third Wednesday of each month at The Trattoria Pampered Chef
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missed your
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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

www.facebook.com/ThunderbirdClubSouthFLorida

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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JULY 2016



GREAT News! Our meeting attendance continues to grow; we had just over 41 members in attendance at the June meeting, and they were all "Old Members", which means that someone is actually reading these messages and deciding to come in! Just in case I have not said it before, come to our monthly meetings, see why our attendance is growing and have some fun in the process! In the meantime, please read the meeting minutes, included in this Newsletter, so that you can catch up on what has been happening, get excited about the news, and naturally get the urge to come to the next meeting, like a lot of you are starting to do! Please make sure that your membership dues are current so that you don't miss any of the planned activities.

Our next event will be the annual Sunday Brunch meeting. Daisy and her crew evaluated a bunch of new locations and will announce the location and date at the July meeting, so plan to be there and find out what they discovered.

We have a location for our LUAU; it will be LAKESIDE at the Venetian Isles Homeowner's Association Club House! Enclosed below is a picture of the facilities, it's on the flyer they sent to invite the Thunderbird Club to their July 4th Celebration and Fireworks (Lunch will be provided)!

Venetian Isles will get back to us so that we can coordinate a date for the LUAU, which should be sometime in October so that the temperature will be a bit colder. We have plans to bring in a troupe of Polynesian Dancers and a Fire-Knife Dancer, as well as a very special Chef that will cook a great meal for us, right at the feast! This event will be at no cost to our members, 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.

The Felipe Cos Memorial Florida's 300 Mile Rally is schedule for September 16-18, 2016. Along with the normal rally components, this one will have lots of social events mixed in, just like thesocial Road Tours that are so common in the northern states.

Registration opened on June 22 and it is very important that if you are thinking of going on the Rally, that you PLEASE don't delay in registering, since the overnight hotel rooms reserved for our block, are limited and you will have to pay almost double when they run out. Details of the Rally as well as the registration form are already posted on our website

www.thunderbirdclubsouthflorida.com

Information on all of our activities are 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





CLASSIC THUNDERBIRD CLUB OF SOUTH FLORIDA

June 14th, 2016 7:20 PM at Trattoria Pampered Chef, Miami Lakes

BY SHELLY FAUST

MINUTES OF MEETING

Meeting called by: Oscar Castro

Oscar Castro, President

Type of meeting: Monthly Dinner meeting

Facilitator: Oscar Castro

Recording the Minutes: Shelly Faust

Attendees: 39

THE MINUTES

Business Agenda item: Old Business Sebring Rallye and Thunder Event Presenter: Oscar Castro

Discussion: Oscar said he would have all the information by next week.

He said we would need to act fast to get the current rates at the Kenilworth Hotel which is currently \$ 166.00 for the 2 nights.

The event will be Sept. 16, 17 and 18th.

This will be a memorial for Felipe.

Our club will start with a road rally.

Our club plans to go to a Museum in Lake Placid, Wine tasting, etc.

There will be a reception at the hotel in Sebring @ 4.

The cost for the show on Saturday is \$ 30 per car, which includes a T Shirt and Barbecue after the show.

You can purchase extra T shirts and it will be \$ 10 for the barbecue for your spouse, etc.

On Sunday everyone will meet at the Runway Cafe and then proceed for the Lap around the track.

In the evening we will be going to the Murder Mystery train, which will be \$80 per person.

Conclusions: Oscar will get the information out next week.

You can go online to "Sebring Thunder 2016" and get a lot of information.

Agenda item: Yearly club brunch Presenter: Daisy Hernandez

Discussion: Several members went to 3 different brunches to check out a good place for our yearly club brunch.

The 3 venues were Bonaventure Country Club, Plantation Country club and the winner Miami Shores Country Club.

The service there was wonderful as was the food and desserts.

All in attendance at the brunches were in agreement.

Bonaventure was nice as they said they would give us a separate room and charge just \$2.00 extra for table linens.

Unfortunately, the day I and the other club members went there they did not have an omelet station which turned them off.

Conclusions: It was concluded that the brunch would be sometime in the beginning of August. Daisy will explore date options.

The majority of members at the meeting agreed to pay \$ 20.00 extra per person to make up the difference in price.

The buffet is \$ 34.95 per person.

Agenda item: July 4th Presenter: Oscar Oscar with Eddie Alvarez

Discussion: Eddie Alvarez was our guest from the Venetian Isles on SW 24th and 153rd.

They will be having a car show from 10-4p Monday July 4th Please register.

For every vehicle registered they will give 2 vouchers for food.

They will be giving out good adult goody bags and there will be fun for the kids with a pool, etc.

They also said we can stay for the 9pm fireworks show.

Conclusions: We are also having our Luau there.

The clubhouse has been recently renovated and is beautiful.

Date to be established.

Presenter: Oscar Castro

Agenda item: Miami springs will have their annual car show on July 3rd 5pm , \$ 10.00 per car you can preregister or pay at the show.

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Agenda item: Peter Klein talked about the shirts for the car club.

They will be in Beige and Black, with or without name and will be in sizes for females and males.

He also will have black hats for the next meeting to sell

Just to mention his Birthday is 9/11.

Discussion: Peter said he sent out Emails to ask who would want to order shirts.

Please contact him if you would like one.

Conclusions: Order your shirts – we need a minimum amount to do so.

Agenda item: General Presenter: Peter Klein and others

Discussion: It was discussed that the club is a Social Club with and interest in cars. It is very important that everyone participate in Auction America and shows.

Stuart made a motion at 8:01PM to adjourn. Jay seconded the motion.



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Thalatta Estate Father's Day Event

Father's Day we were invited to join a selected group of classic car owners to display their cars at the Thalatta Estate in Palmetto Bay FL. The home and grounds of this beautiful estate was acquired by the town of Palmetto Bay with the intent of preserving the Estate home and creating a pleasant park experience. The Funds raised went to the preservation of the park.

Our Club President, Oscar Castro, is very active producing the Benefits Car Shows, a non-profit to raise funds for causes as Cystic Fibrosis, DARE, The Wings Museum and various other Charities. The town of Palmetto Bay created a great venue for Dads to enjoy this Father's Day, a Classic Car show, complete with a live Band and great BBQ food. The result, 40 incredible Classic Cars and hundreds of people there to enjoy the day!





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membership about, club meetings, club activities, Classic Car events and articles of interest to Ford Thunderbird owners.

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The Classic Thunderbird Club of South Florida will be holding its annual **Sunday Brunch on August 7th at 11 am** at the **Miami Shores Country Club** located at **10000 Biscayne Boulevard, Miami Shores 33138** at 11 am. The total price of the brunch including, great food, bottomless Mimosas and Bloody Mary's, coffee or tea, tax and tip is \$37.78

Each member will pay only **\$20 per person** and the club will pay the balance
Guests are welcomed, but they must pay the \$37.78, the full price of the brunch

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They will be providing a special parking area at the County Club for our Classic Cars
When you ([click here to](#)) RSVP please let me know if you are bringing your car as
I need to provide with how many parking spaces to save for us!

Please RSVP by July 29th!



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FESTIVAL & CAR SHOW

SATURDAY MAY 28, 2016

2016 celebrates Benefit Car Shows 5th anniversary of the Wings Over Miami Festival and Car Show.

Every year proceeds from this show goes to maintain the Museum and the Aircraft.

Your show admission includes both access to the museum and the show field.

ABOUT THE WINGS OVER MIAMI AIR MUSEUM

Wings Over Miami Air Museum is a non-profit organization.

The museum is for the education and enjoyment of all the community.

With this goal in mind, the museum both displays and flies' military and classic aircraft to share the rich history of flight.

It provides an operating legacy of aircraft with an insight to the stories of the pilots who flew them.

Located at the Tamiami Airport, the museum serves as a tribute to those veterans and aviators who pioneered civilian and military aviation.

While there were no Thunderbirds represented, there were many beautiful Classics, Muscle, Hot Rod and Sports Cars to be seen. This is a terrific Venue and if you love Classic Aircraft you will really enjoy the flyovers from the Museum planes each year!

I attend every year and have a great time.

The Civil Air Patrol presents a Color Guard Ceremony as the show is tied into the Veteran's Day Holiday.

DJ Elvis provides great tunes and the food from Candy Bistro is fantastic!

Note; The PBY was just sold and will not be a feature next year. Enjoy the pictures!







CTCI NEWS **Announcing the 2016 International Convention in San Diego, CA**

“FUN, FUN, FUN in THE CALIFORNIA SUN”



The CTCL Board of Directors has voted to approve the sanctioning of the 2016 International Convention in San Diego, California. It will be co-hosted by the Earlybirds of Southern California and the Classic Thunderbirds of San Diego, to be held September 13-18, 2016 at the Crowne Plaza Hotel 2270 Hotel Circle North, San Diego, CA 92108 Phone 1-800-2- Crowne. The room rate is \$124 per night, promo code '2016 Thunderbird Convention'. The Hotel with start taking reservations in October 2015. Registration forms will be in the January-February 2016 Early Bird.

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.

For further information look for updates at www.CTCL.org

Or contact Martha Lazdins 949-6611426 hmlazdins@att.net or Alan Custinger, 760-745-9345 1940mv8@cox.net

CTCL International Convention San Diego, CA - September 13-18 2016

OVERFLOW HOTEL INFORMATION

The Earlybirds of Southern California and the Classic Thunderbirds of San Diego invite you to have "Fun, Fun, Fun in the California Sun" at our 2016 CTCL International Convention at the Crowne Plaza Hotel in San Diego, California! We hope to see you in San Diego. However, If you haven't made your reservations yet, please note,

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rooms at the Crowne Plaza are now SOLD OUT.*


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-For more information, please [click here](#) to go to the CTCL website for additional information and registration forms.

-For questions, contact: Convention Co-Chairs
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Convention Registration Form Information:

When you're filling out the registration form, here are a couple of tips:

-The event registration fee of \$65.00 is for a couple and their children under 18 years old.

-The Scenic Coastal Driving Tour fee of \$14.00 is per car and includes 2 admissions to the Botanic Gardens.



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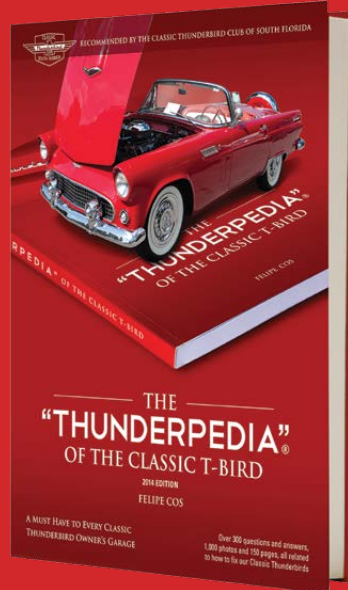
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