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1956 Thunderbird Green



Richard's 1966 Thunderbird

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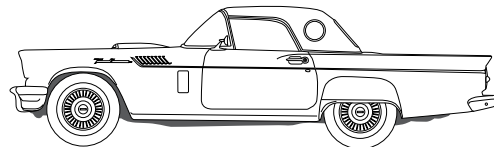
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# editor's CORNER

NOVEMBER 2016

Hello Club Members,

What a great time we had at the Luau! In This issue you will find pictures of the festivities. Many thanks to Eddie Alvarez, President of the Venetian Isles HOA and Alexander Candelario, the Facilities Manager for a great venue! Also thanks to the Aloha Islander Dancers, the Fire Knife Dancer for their wonderful performance and to Chef Lester from Homemade Paellas for the great food!

Christy Cos was there as we commemorated Felipe's birthday.

I can hardly believe there is only one more issue in 2016. If you have a story about your 1956 Thunderbird please get it to me by Nov.18th

November is time to renew your Club Membership. The best way is on line at [www.thunderbirdclubsouthflorida.com](http://www.thunderbirdclubsouthflorida.com)

Our monthly News magazine has lots of useful information, including upcoming Car Shows and Cruise-ins, Club contact information and technical articles. From time to time information becomes outdated. If you see an error, please let us know as soon as possible, so we can be correct in the next issue.

Recently we have been honored by receiving the OLD CARS Weekly 2015 GOLDEN QUILL AWARD for a Collector Car Club Newsletter.

We have just received a CTCI Newsletter SILVER AWARD for our February 2016, Felipe Cos Tribute Edition

Thank you all who have contributed stories and pictures in 2016. We again compete among hundreds of Club publications for 2017!

Pictures of the Events are also available for viewing on our Club Facebook Page [www.facebook.com/ThunderbirdClubSouthFLorida](http://www.facebook.com/ThunderbirdClubSouthFLorida)

and our club Website [www.thunderbirdclubsouthflorida.com](http://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)

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

## CTCI CHAPTER #114 NOVEMBER 2016 VOLUME 18, #11 REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING

Our meetings are held the Third Wednesday of each month at The Trattoria Pampered Chef 7347 Miami Lakes Dr. Miami Lakes FL 33014  
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**Ed Raabe** 2014-15



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# November Auto Trivia

**Q: Where was the first drive-in restaurant?**



The answer is on the last page!

## THUNDERBIRD INFORMATION SUPER HIGHWAY:

Our Club's web page:

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**Bob Ferretti** 01st  
**Ed Raabe** 19th  
**Joe LaVista** 24th

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](http://www.thunderbirdclubsouthflorida.com) and we have a Facebook page too! Search Classic Thunderbird Club South Florida or

[www.facebook.com/ThunderbirdClubSouthFLorida](http://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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# Letter from the President

Oscar Castro

NOVEMBER 2016



Hello Fellow Members!

We did not have a monthly Wednesday meeting for October, because it was replaced by the LUAU (see more below). I hope to see all for our last Wednesday meeting of the year, which will be on Wednesday November 16th. The December meeting will be replaced by the Holiday Party on Sunday December 11th (see more below) and the January meeting will be replaced by the Tropical Park Car Show, which means that the November 16th meeting will be the last Wednesday meeting until February 15, 2017, so please come to the November meeting, it will be your last chance for the next 3 months to attend a Wednesday meeting! More importantly, there will be a slight format change starting with the November meeting.

Each month, I will try to have a guest speaker that will come in and give us a short, informative talk on automotive and other issues that may be of importance to us. I already have someone lined up for November, but if you know of anyone that has information they can share with us, so that we could benefit from the experience, please let me know so that I can try and "book" them for future meetings starting with February.

October 15th, was LUAU night for the Club and we had an awesome turnout! Seventy-four members and their guests braved the rainy forecast and came to the Venetian Isles Homeowner's Association Lakeside Club House for a night of Fun, Food, and Friendship! The Hawaiian Islander Dancers, Fire-Knife Dancer, and Chef Lester from Homemade Paellas all lent a hand to make this a memorable evening for all. Although there was only a 20% chance of showers for the night, we were among the 20% "lucky" group that won the rain lottery! No problem, the Chef moved his equipment under the porch and the Islander Dancers performed for us inside the club house. It was a bit crowded, but that just made for a cozier atmosphere and we all had a great time!

We received a very pleasant surprise when Christy Cos joined us for the Luau! Check out the article in this edition of the Thunderbird News for more about the Luau and the Pictures.

A BIG THANK YOU to the Venetian Isles Homeowner's Association for

giving us the use of their wonderful facilities. This is the same location where they will have their July 4th 2017 FREE car show, bring your antique car and they will provide lunch for you! AND, a BIG THANK YOU to the member families (Raabe, Padron, Manso, Sanchez, Heffernan, Werner, Sotelo, and Castro) that came in early to help set up and stayed late to help pick up, we could not have done it without you!

The Holiday Party is almost here! Please go to our website [www.thunderbirdclubsouthflorida.com](http://www.thunderbirdclubsouthflorida.com) and read all about it, we have a wonderful menu planned and as always a bunch of fun activities. I am particularly looking forward to the Mean Santa Exchange brought to you by our Premier Mean Santa Coordinator, Daisy! We will send out an email soon with the details and the link so that you can RSVP and choose your entree. But if you are reading this now and you go to our website ([www.thunderbirdclubsouthflorida.com](http://www.thunderbirdclubsouthflorida.com)) right now, registration is OPEN so you can register and choose your entree and dessert! You must RSVP and choose your entree for this event.

Please save the date, SUNDAY JANUARY 29, 2017, that will be the day for our yearly Tropical Park Show! This year, the attendance by show cars was super, and we also had many people come forward and volunteer to work the show! The result was an awesome show, and as history has shown, we get better every year, so get ready for another super show in 2017! More information coming soon!

Information on all of our activities are posted on our website [www.thunderbirdclubsouthflorida.com](http://www.thunderbirdclubsouthflorida.com), check in often! Please make sure that your yearly club dues are up to date so that you can take full advantage of all our activities!

**Please remember to renew your membership in November!** To renew your membership; Please go on line to [www.thunderbirdclubsouthflorida.com](http://www.thunderbirdclubsouthflorida.com). Checks may also be sent to:

THE CLASSIC THUNDERBIRD CLUB of SOUTH FLORIDA  
Attention: Peter Klein, Treasurer  
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Thank you all for being members.

Happy Thundering!

**Oscar Castro**  
President - 2016  
Classic Thunderbird Club of South Florida



## UPCOMING CLUB EVENTS

December 11th Sunday, The Holiday Party  
94th Aero Squadron 1395 NW 57th Ave Miami FL 6-9PM

January 29th 2017 Sunday Club Car Show, Tropical Park





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## 2016 AACA NATIONAL/REGION EVENTS

Check **Antique Automobile** or [www.aaca.org](http://www.aaca.org) for more information



- May 5-7, 2016- AACA Special Meet Auburn, IN; hosted by AACA National
- May 19-21, 2016- Eastern Spring Meet; Vineland, NJ - hosted by South Jersey Region
- June 3-4, 2016- Annual Grand National , Williamsport, PA – hosted by the Susquehannock Region
- June 12-17, 2016—Sentimental Tour - Salisbury, NC
- July 14-16, 2016—Central Spring Meet - North Mankato, MN
- July 17-21, 2016—Founders Tour - Huntingdon, PA
- July 31-August 3, 2016—Eastern Divisional Tour - Richmond, VA
- August 11-13, 2016—Southeastern Fall Meet - New Bern, NC
- September 1-3, 2016—Western Fall Meet - Cheyenne, WY
- September 11-16, 2016—Revival AAA Glidden Tour® (VMCCA) - North Conway, NH
- October 5-8, 2016—Eastern Fall Meet - Hershey, PA
- October 20-22, 2016—Central Fall Meet -Galveston, TX
- November 5-11, 2016—Reliability Tour - Savannah, GA



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# CTCI Classic Thunderbird Club International Membership



It's called the **Classic Thunderbird Club International**, and you will find members throughout the United States and all over the world.

**Why a Thunderbird Club?**

Classic Thunderbird Club International (CTCI) was formed to band together owners and admirers of the 1955-57 Ford Thunderbird — to serve as a medium of exchange of ideas, technical information, and sources for parts. Lasting friendships have been formed through local chapters, Regional Conventions and International Conventions. Moreover, CTCI is recognized and sanctioned by the Ford Motor Company, which extends cooperation and support.



## What Membership Means

Whether your Classic Thunderbird serves as everyday transportation, a relaxing hobby or both, you will find valuable help in your restoration and maintenance problems in the TECH TIPS printed in the club publication, the **EarlyBird**. This informative, illustrated periodical is distributed every two months and contains a variety of interesting features. Articles about historical data, members and their cars, news of chapter events and activities, are all profusely illustrated with photos. In addition, the **EarlyBird** offers an advertising service to those wishing to buy, sell, or swap parts or cars. You can review the contents of the current issue on our web site: [www.ctci.org](http://www.ctci.org).

Tours, meets, road rallies, picnics and other outings designed to encourage group participation are regularly conducted by the various chapter groups. Check our web site [www.ctci.org](http://www.ctci.org) for a chapter near you. You are cordially invited to attend any of these friendly chapter meetings or events. CTCI members may also participate in Concours d'Elegance competition at CTCI conventions.

## Standard or Premium Packet

Every new member receives a Standard New Member Packet upon payment of the initiation fee and dues. This includes a striking windshield decal, the latest edition of the **EarlyBird**, a membership roster with our club By-Laws, 3"x5" CTCI logo dash plaque and other general information. The optional Premium Packet includes the above plus a beautiful metal CTCI grille emblem. Many items such as service and transmission manuals, decals, handbooks and numerous self help items are available and sold to CTCI members only. See our Member Store at [www.ctci.org](http://www.ctci.org).



SCAN ME!

**OUR OBJECTIVE:**  
**EVERY CLASSIC T-BIRD OWNER IS A CTCI MEMBER**

I encourage all New Club Members to join CTCI as soon as possible and Current Members to keep your CTCI membership up to date.

Felipe Cos founded our CTCI Chapter, #114 for South Florida in November 1998. Since then our club has hosted a CTCI International Convention in 2004 and grown to include 50 member families.

Look at the benefits of membership. For myself, I have saved a lot of time and money by visiting Gil's Garage, hosted by Gil Baumgartner CTCI Authenticity Chairman and 'Thunderbird Guru' and the Early Bird Club magazine is full of great articles and Club stories!

I have included the current CTCI membership application, which is available [www.ctci.org](http://www.ctci.org) in an editable .pdf format.

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I give permission for my  phone number and/or  email address to be listed in the CTCI roster.

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This section is optional, but will help us to complete our historical data base registry. Your ownership information will be kept confidential and will be used only for statistical purposes. This data will be found on the fire wall, inside the engine compartment; left hand side by the heater box. Please fill in the number and letters as stamped on the data plate. If you have more than one T-Bird, please copy this form and submit each car's data. How many Thunderbirds do you own? \_\_\_\_\_ 55's \_\_\_\_\_ 56's \_\_\_\_\_ 57's

Year \_\_\_\_\_ Serial Number \_\_\_\_\_

For 1955, 1956, and early 1957's: (see example)

Body \_\_\_\_\_ Color \_\_\_\_\_ Trim \_\_\_\_\_ Production Code \_\_\_\_\_

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Body \_\_\_\_\_ Color \_\_\_\_\_ Trim \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_ Trans \_\_\_\_\_ Axle \_\_\_\_\_

Registered Owner (if other than member) \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

License Number \_\_\_\_\_ State/Province \_\_\_\_\_ Is your T-Bird primarily  Original or  Modified?

Color (if not per data plate) \_\_\_\_\_ Mileage \_\_\_\_\_ Condition (rate from 1-5, 1 is best) \_\_\_\_\_

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# Historic Cocoa Village Car Show

BY BRIDGET HAGOOD AND FRANK

Last Saturday, the 17th of September, was the fall Historic Cocoa Village Car Show. The event was put on by the Village Association but was staffed and run by the Cape Canaveral Region of the Antique Automobile Club of America. Frank and I, as the representatives of the North chapter of the Classic Thunderbird Club of South Florida, were in attendance.

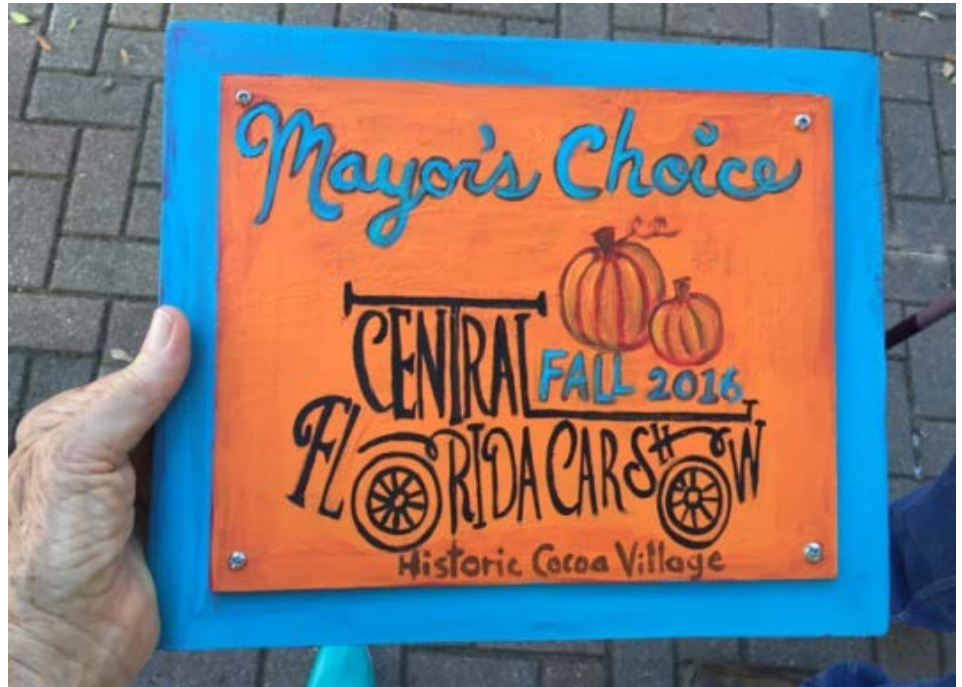
The organization of the show was great and over 200 cars were staged along Brevard Avenue, the main street of Historic Cocoa Village. The weather started out brutally hot with the respite of a few light showers, and as the water fell, car owners hurriedly unpacked car covers and draped their rolling sculptures. We had our 1957 Thunderbird "Thor" in attendance, sans hard top, and as we all know the convertible soft top is not the easiest apparatus to get up and is especially difficult to stow so Frank and I were among those draping our vehicles. We offset the high temperatures by patronizing one of the two local ice cream parlors with homemade delights, the customer lines of both parlors were going out their doors.

As the sun started to sink a light breeze stirred that made life wonderful as it dried our perspiration drenched clothing. The ambiance was outstanding as families and gear heads alike stopped to share experiences and admire the hardware.

The Cocoa Village Car show was the perfect length, 2:00 to 5:00 with registration opening at 1200 for those of us who waited to see what Mother Nature held for the day before making the commitment to participate. The awards ceremony started late as it

seems all do; but not too tardy. Frank and I were quite pleased when our Mayor, Henry Parrish, announced his selection for the prestigious Mayor's Choice Award; our Peacock Blue 1957 Thunderbird, Thor. Our pride and joy was once again in the winner's circle. By then, with prize in hand, the

tribulations of the event had melted away and all was great in Who Ville! Frank and I agreed that the only thing that could have made this show better would have been the presents of our fellow Classic Thunderbird Club of South Florida members.



# Classic Thunderbird Club (BBQ) Luau

BY ED RAABE



**Hello Club Members, if you were not at the Luau, you missed a great party!**

In the past, we have held a BBQ in the summer, but have found that it is just too hot, so our President, Oscar proposed we have an evening affair with a Polynesian flair!.

This Saturday, the 15th, 74 Club members arrived at the Venetian Isles Club HOA Clubhouse, which was reserved for us. Eddie Alvarez, the HOA President and passionate Classic Corvette owner was the most gracious of hosts, making us all feel welcome. A Paella was expertly prepared by 'Homemade Paellas' Chef Lester and the entertainment was provided by the Aloha Islander Dancers. Arlene and I volunteered to help with the setup and arrived about an hour before the rest of the guests arrived. Our assignment, the Beverage Table! Once we assembled the punch bowls, hung the grass skirting and flower lays, we were read to join the fun. As soon as the food was ready so was the sky, to bless us with a shower, forcing us all inside. Not to be deterred, we were ready for the Polynesian dancers! What a great show they put on, even giving us an education as to how to interpret the hand and hip actions as the dancing proceeded. Audience participation was encouraged and they got the Ladies and Men alike to come up and risk humiliation. We all had so much fun nobody cared!

I declined to join the dancing as "somebody needed to take the pictures"! Arlene called me "chicken". By the time

the Chief Heva was ready to do the Fire Dance, it was raining steadily, so he performed under the covered patio.

WOW, did he put on a show! You usually don't see them that close even in Hawaii!





Oscar brought Christy Cos up to present her with the Rallye Decal number 99 signed by all the participants in the Florida 300 Rallye named in honor of Felipe her late husband. He then presented to me the CTCI Silver Award for the Thunderbird News

We all had a wonderful time, despite the weather and are looking forward to a repeat next year. This could be a new club tradition!





# My 66 T-Bird Find

BY RICHARD MANSO

Hello club members, this is part two of my newsletter story. I want to share that I found a needle in a haystack. A couple of weeks ago, at around 10pm, I was surfing Craigslist autos for sale, and I found a 1966 T-BIRD for sale in North Ft. Myers. It was a Medium Silver Mink Bird, with 68,000 original, documented miles, always garaged for 50 years and used only on weekends, as per the ad! I called the number, and made an appt. To see it the next morning. I arrived at Ft. Myers, the next day at 9am. The Bird was better in person! The Paint and chrome beautiful, the Interior, perfect with leather seats that seem never sat in! The engine sounded great, all gauges worked and the a/c was ice cold.

**THIS WAS A DREAM COME TRUE!!**

The seller had bought it for his wife for their first anniversary, as a gift in February of 1966. He even showed me pictures of when he gave it to her back then. I had the pleasure of hearing the stories from them both. He is 85, and she is 87. They are snowbirds, from Indiana. I didn't haggle! I paid the asking price, out of respect to them, and the price was fair as well. As he signed the original 1966 title over to me, tears came out of his eyes, just as his wife had told me. He had suffered a stroke, a few months earlier, therefore he could not drive anymore. While I was there, six phone calls came in for the car, and two neighbors, came by inquiring about it as well. I am very fortunate, to have acquired this piece of history, not because of how nice this car is, but because of the love story behind it.



# Chasing Classic Cars

BY RICHARD MANSO

Hello club members

I wanted to share my experience with all of you of my summer vacation. I took the family to New York for a week. We stayed in Manhattan, saw all the sites, took my daughters to Yonkers, and showed them where I lived as a child, and the hospital where I was born. A couple of days before returning home, my wife and I decided to rent a car, and take a road trip to Connecticut, to meet Wayne Carini, from the Velocity network show "Chasing Classic Cars".

We left Manhattan, at 6 am, and arrived at F-40 Motorsports at 930 am, this is Wayne's dealership that is seen on TV. I had called a couple of days beforehand to make sure he would be there. When my wife and I arrived, we took pictures of the building, of the showroom, where he had cars such as a 1967 Mustang Fastback, a silver classic Mercedes Gull wing, and a few Ferraris. His secretary called him into the office, and we met, and spoke about cars, and took pictures as well. I told him I was a member of the South Florida TBIRD Club, and he told me, although he doesn't deal with too many T- Birds, he likes them a lot! He showed us around, and later I bought a souvenir t-shirt.





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Mike McNeal

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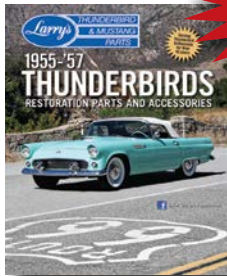


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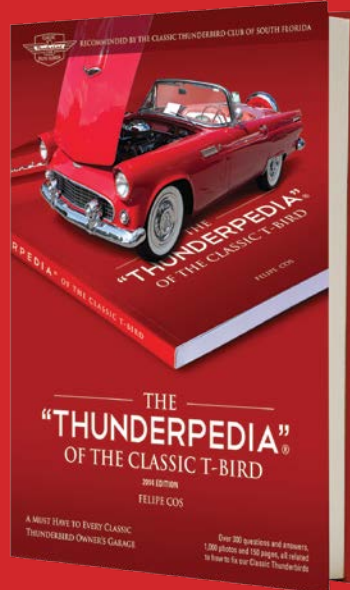
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If you want your article to appear, I need it by the 15th!

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