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International Ford Thunderbird Appreciation Day



HAPPY 60th ANNIVERSARY OF THE 1957 THUNDERBIRD



**Ford Thunderbird
Appreciation Day**

May 21st, 2017



Your Thunderbird is "Unique in all the world" and it's time to show it to the world!

On May 21st, 2017 Thunderbirders around the world will take their Thunderbirds into the public for others to enjoy. In work or church, a dinner or coffee stop, on a family picnic, to the movies, it doesn't matter. Use your car like it was made when it was brand new. Let others see it, ask questions about it, beg, borrow or even let them drive it! Then post your pictures and stories about the day on the on the CTCI Facebook page.

It's all about the Thunderbird on May 21st!



Thunderbird Appreciation Day
T-Bird Day Brunch
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Car Shows and Cruis-Ins-MUCH MORE!

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.



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 in an editable .pdf format.

August 2-6, 2017 CTCI Region 1 Convention, Whippany, NJ



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.

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 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.

OUR OBJECTIVE:

EVERY CLASSIC T-BIRD OWNER IS A CTCI MEMBER

Classic Thunderbird Club International

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MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT:

Name _____ Spouse's Name _____

Mailing Address _____

City _____ State/Province _____ Zip/Mail Code _____

Telephone (_____) _____ Email Address _____

CTCI Chapter Affiliation (if any) _____

- New members please fill out application and send payment (in U.S. funds ONLY*) to the address above.
- Make checks payable to CTCI, or pay by credit card by email, fax or phone.
- Current members may renew dues online at www.ctci.org.

Please select one of the following prorated amounts:

Month Joining	One Time Initiation Fee +	Dues =	Total
<input type="checkbox"/> January thru March	\$15.00 +	\$35.00 =	\$50.00
<input type="checkbox"/> April thru June	\$15.00 +	\$26.50 =	\$41.50
<input type="checkbox"/> July thru September	\$15.00 +	\$18.00 =	\$33.00
<input type="checkbox"/> October thru December	\$15.00 +	\$9.50 =	\$24.50

NOTE: Add \$16.00 to select Premium Packet with CTCI Grille Emblem.

Annual dues renewal will be \$35.00, payable January 1 of each year.

Premium Packet with Grill Emblem = Add \$16.00 to total

TOTAL ENCLOSED: (\$US) _____

*NOTE: Members outside the U.S. may pay dues by credit card.

You may send credit card information by email, fax or phone.

U.S., Mexico and Canada: First Class..... Additional \$15.00/year

Other Foreign Countries: A/O Rate..... Additional \$35.00/year

(not including Mexico and Canada)

Signature _____ Date _____ Check here if you wish to be listed in the CTCI roster, as of April 1st.

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

(NOTE: Phone numbers & email are for office use only, or for the roster if you choose to have it published. Roster addresses may be sold only to T-Bird vendors to be used only for catalog purposes.)

Are you a former member of CTCI? Yes No If Yes, what is your former CTCI membership number? _____

Sponsored or Referred by _____ CTCI # (if known) _____

CAR DATA

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 _____

For late 1957's:

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) _____

Special Features or Remarks _____

For Office use Only

CTCI # _____ Date: _____

Ck # _____ Amt Rec'd: _____

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editor's CORNER

JUNE 2017

This Month's edition has stories about The Clubs Annual Brunch and on Thunderbird Appreciation Day, May 21st Contributing articles, greatly appreciated about; James Quinlan's 1957 Willow Green Bird.

Bridget Hagood and Frank Jones visit to the American Muscle Car Museum in Melbourne, Florida.

We have again received a Golden Quill Award presented to us by the editors of Old Cars Weekly!

My gratitude to Angelo Bogart, Editor of Old Cars Weekly and Chief Judge, Dr. Gerald Perschbacher for the honor!

Thank you to all our members who have contributed articles and pictures over the past year.

Special thanks the Yohanis Diaz who's finishing touches make it a "work of art".

OLD CARS Weekly 2016 GOLDEN QUILL AWARD for a Collector Car Club Newsletter.

Our monthly News magazine has lots of useful information, including upcoming Car Shows and Cruises, 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.

CTCI Newsletter SILVER AWARD for our February 2016, Felipe Cos Tribute Edition

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

and our club Website NEW ADDRESS

www.TbirdFL.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!

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

Ed Raabe



Classic Thunderbird Club of South Florida CTCI CHAPTER #114 JUNE 2017 VOLUME 19, #6 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 Our Host is Gabriel Nash.

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Ed Raabe 2014-15



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JUNE Auto Trivia

Q: Where was the 1st Drive-in theater and when did it open?



The answer is on the last page!

THUNDERBIRD INFORMATION SUPER HIGHWAY:

Our Club's web page:
www.TBirdFL.com

2005 Thunderbird: _____ www.fordautomobiles.com
 Ford racing: _____ www.fordacing.com
 Speedvision: _____ www.speedvision.com
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INTERNET PAGE

Have you seen our internet page? We have changed our address www.TBirdFL.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"!

NUMBERS TO KEEP

The following are contact numbers and e-mail address you need to have on file:

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HAPPY BIRTHDAYS IN JUNE

Frank Jones	02
Gina Crochet	08
Poppy Maden	10
Judy Saladino	13
Robert Merlin	16
Jean-Claude Lafontant	17
Cindy Gonzalez	21
Bob Heselekrants	24
Joyce Cotner	26

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You're a Classic*



HAPPY BIRTHDAY

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



Hello Fellow Members!

WOW, this year is really going by FAST! It seems that just yesterday we were celebrating New Years, then our yearly show, then the RM Auction (Auctions America) event, then the Annual Brunch, and now here we are in June at the halfway mark of the year, time really does fly when you are having fun! But don't worry; we are not out of activities yet...

Last month, on May 21, we held our annual Sunday Brunch! Thank You Gail for working out the details and the arrangements! This year, the Brunch was part of the national "Thunderbird Appreciation Day" celebration. Sunday May 21st, 2017, was been set aside by National, for all Thunderbird owners to show off their iconic Ford vehicles in a first ever "Thunderbird Appreciation Day"! They were joined in this event by the three large Thunderbird clubs; Classic Thunderbird Club International (CTCI (that's us)), Vintage Thunderbird Club International (VTCI) and International Thunderbird Club (ITC). Ours members brought their Thunderbirds out to the brunch and they were all parked nicely in a row for the general-public to see as they came into the Country Club on what turned out to be a bright and sunny Sunday morning! Lots of other non-bird antique also attended the event, which by the way, was awesome! The food was excellent and so was the location. Looking forward to next year!

To commemorate the event, our Newsletter editor extraordinaire Ed Raabe, took lots of pictures and notes and is planning a special edition of the Newsletter to commemorate the event! There is word that maybe the article will be featured in the National News too, we've already had inquiries from the Daily Planet requesting a copy! Hollywood here we come!

Yes, we've had some great activities so far, but don't worry, we are not finished yet, we have a whole bunch of fun events planned for the rest of the year, including a Road Trip to the Sebring Thunder in September, and the 2017 edition of the 300 Mile Rally in October! Keep an eye out for emails and check our website, www.tbirdfl.com, for the latest news on what the club is planning.

Remember, we shortened the name of our website to www.tbirdfl.com, in order to make it easier to give the name to others and prospective new members! The old name, www.thunderbirdclubsofflorida.com, as well as www.tbirdflorida.com, will also work the same, www.tbirdfl.com is just the shortest, but all 3 will work!

During the month of June, I will be taking quite a few road trips up and down the central part of Florida to plan both the September Road Trip and the 2017 8th Edition of the 300 Mile Rally! I will send an email and post the details for both events on our website, sometime around the second week of June. PLEASE remember that because of the joint participation from all the other groups and clubs in the related events surrounding both trips, the availability of hotel rooms will be LIMITED. Those participating will need to reserve the hotel rooms and apply for the Car Show WELL in advance of the event date. Some hotels (for the Rally trip) have already sold out and the Car Show will not accept any late or gate registrations!

Since we replaced the May meeting with the Brunch, we did not have a regularly scheduled guest speaker, but remember, if you have a guest speaker in mind for any other future meeting please contact me with the information so I can invite them to come.

Information on all of our activities are posted on our website www.tbirdfl.com check in often!

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

Oscar Castro
President - 2016 - 2017
Classic Thunderbird Club of South Florida





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2017 AACA NATIONAL MEETS AND TOURS

AACA Annual Meeting	Feb 9-11	Philadelphia, PA
Winter Meet	Feb 23-25	Ocala, FL
Western Spring Meet	March 23-26	Palm Springs, CA
Southeastern Spring Meet	April 6-9	Charlotte, NC
Western Divisional Tour	April 25-28	Sonora, CA
Central Spring Meet	May 11-13	Auburn, IN
Eastern Spring Meet	May 26-27	Huntington, WV
Founders Tour	June 4-9	Gettysburg, PA
Annual Grand National	June 15-17	Independence, MO
Central Fall Meet	Aug 17-19	Bettendorf, IA
Revival AAA Glidden Tour®	Sept 17-22	Hastings, NE
Eastern Fall Meet	Oct 4-7	Hershey, PA

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in the newsletter

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Just looking at the title brings a smile and fond memories to most people. It seems that things like airplanes and cars are exciting to the majority of us.

Now, if we are talking fast cars and faster airplanes then the excitement level increases; mix in antiques and we have hit the mother lode of exhilaration.

The scene described above was the venue for an electrifying evening at The American Muscle Car Museum in Melbourne Florida. The American Muscle Car Museum is the creation of Mr. Mark Pieloch who serves the community by offering visitation to his collection of over 250 rare, antique, muscle cars, and one off vehicles, as well as extraordinary race cars for charitable events.



To greet these unparalleled aviators was a rare vehicle, and one not currently in the aforementioned collection, our 1957 Thunderbird, "Thor"!

It maybe kismet but as the flight team arrived they did not go to the Lamborghini or the Ferrari which were also on static display outside the museum, but instead gathered around their namesake automobile, the Thunderbird for photo ops.

After pictures, a reception, and greeting by Mr. Pieloch; the doors to the main showroom were opened and we all pushed into the great hall to view and reminisce over all the wonderful vehicles on display. It is very rewarding as a volunteer; stationed strategically to keep everyone behind the display stanchions and not in physical contact to the machines; to see the wide grins and big smiles on everyone's face. As people stroll along the venue you can tell they are recalling lost rides in fast cars or a great date with their favorite girl or boy while steering their first automobile, or maybe even a first kiss in a muscle car of the sixties.

What really made an impression was the appreciation for these earth-bound vehicles by the best jet jocks in the world who are used to traveling a Mach 2.0 or greater. These clean-cut military men and women truly enjoyed being close to all the vehicular hardware. A shared appreciation for kindred souls, automobiles and airplanes!



The guests of honor for this thrilling event were the United States Air Force Flight Demonstration Team, The Thunderbirds.



UPCOMING CLASSIC CAR EVENTS

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EXOTIC CAR SOCIETY

August 2-6, 2017 CTCI Region 1 Convention, Whippany, NJ

Follow the Open Road



to NJ 2017

If you enjoyed Sn Diego, you won't want to miss the 2017 Region 1 Convention being hosted by the New Jersey Open Road Thunderbird Club (NJORTC), August 2 thru 6 at the Hanover Marriott in Whippany, NJ. We've gotten a tremendous early response and the convention is shaping up to be a lot of fun for all, with plans for New York City Tours, a Harbor Cruise, a cook out, and a host of other exciting activities.

So if you are up for coast-to-coast fun, mark your calendars now, and get ready for the first CTCI sanctioned Regional Convention to be held in the Tri-State area in over 10 years. Registrations are now open! The Registration Form is available on our website www.njortc.org. For registration questions or information contact Wendy Meehan at RegisterNJ2017@njortc.org or 973-267-2958. For general questions contact the Convention Chairman, Pat LeStrange at NJ2017@njortc.org or 201-920-7226.

Hotel Reservations

The block of rooms at the host hotel, the Hanover Marriott, is sold out.

We have negotiated overflow rooms for the convention at the nearby Residence Inn. It is located about 1 mile from the host hotel, and they are matching the Marriott's convention rates. Free breakfast (hot and cold buffet) and WiFi are included in the rates.

Overflow Hotel Reservations - Callers must mention the hotel name and rate code(s):

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Hotel: Residence Inn Parsippany

For Wed, 8/2 (Rate = \$199) Rate Code = Region 1 Convention

For nights of Thurs, 8/3 - Sun, 8/6 (Rate = \$139) Rate Code = Region 1 Convention Classic Thunderbird Club

Please contact Wendy Meehan at RegisterNJ2017@njortc.org or 973-267-2958 if you have any questions about your hotel reservations, or to be added to the waiting list for rooms at the host hotel as they may become available from cancellations, etc.

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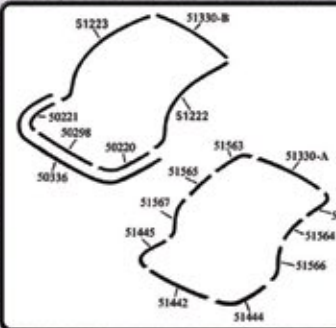


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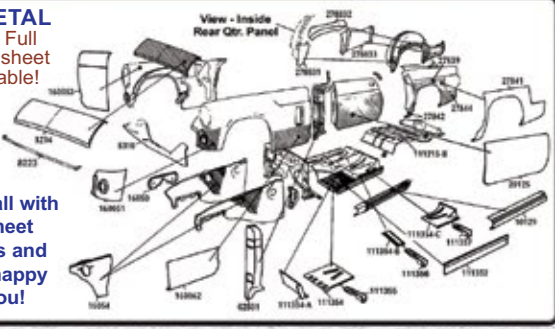
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Willow Green 57 Thunderbird

By James Quinlan

I am a product of the Motor City just like my 1957 Thunderbird. I grew up in Dearborn Michigan where my dad worked his entire career at Ford Motor Company. He began working there in 1953 and was part of the design team that created the T Bird. I was born in 1956 and remember getting to see the test track and other "off limits" sites at world headquarters where they were working on cars designed for years into the future. I bought the car to enjoy it with my dad at car shows and on excursions. He is 88 years old now and lives full time in Florida. I bought the car via eBay from California and got lucky because it was pretty much as advertised.

Generally, my dad is not a green car guy but he thinks my willow green with white top was an exception!



James and his wife, Laura, May 21st Thunderbird Appreciation Day Club Brunch at The Miami Shores Country Club



Paul Werner and James at 2016 Edison- Ford Event



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Thunderbird Appreciation Day and Annual Club Brunch By Ed Raabe

It was a beautiful Spring day here in Sunny South Florida. Here its already summer-like in the low 90s! A perfect day to bring out your Thunderbird and participate in the International Celebration of the Iconic Ford Thunderbird. Clubs from all over the World among them CTCI, Vintage Thunderbird Club International and the International Thunderbird Club have designated May 21st to be Ford Thunderbird Appreciation Day.



Actually, May has become Thunderbird Month!

Our Club decided to honor the day by selecting May 21st to be our annual Club Brunch date. Last year after an exhaustive hunt for a new Brunch venue, (a dirty job that everyone who participated in, loved to do)we selected The Miami Shores Country Club. We were very please and decided again this year it would be the place! As usual, the Brunch was fantastic and everyone eat until they popping out of their club shirts! 52 Club members including their guests attended for the 3 hour fest!



Members were encouraged to drive their Thunderbirds to this Event in the spirit of the day, and did we! 12 Thunderbirds included 'Early Birds' Arlene & Ed's 1955 with Leo and Valentyna 1956. Four 1957 Editions were represented by Stuart and Gail, James and Laura, Louis and Madeleine and Felix and Daisy. 'Bullet Birds' were Ricardo, Cindy and their boys, a hardtop 1961 and a 1962 convertible, by Grace and Martin. 'Flair Birds' were represented by Bod and Deb, Rick and Mareyles, both 1966 cars. 'New Birds' by Bob and Natalie, Richard and Gina 2003s.



Club members with other Classic cars were asked to bring their cars as well. Notible among those 9 cars were John and Celia's 1937 Alvis, Oscar and Marica's Mustang, Elvis and Marcia's 1984 Turbo Datsun Z Car, Ernie and Judy's 1966 GTO and they wore color co-ordinated outfits!

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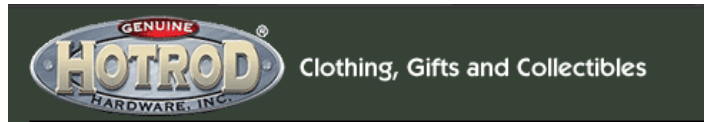
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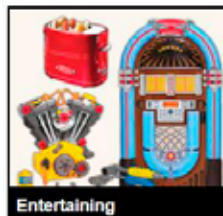
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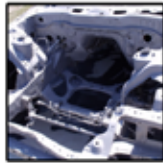
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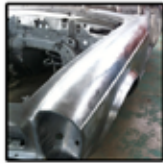
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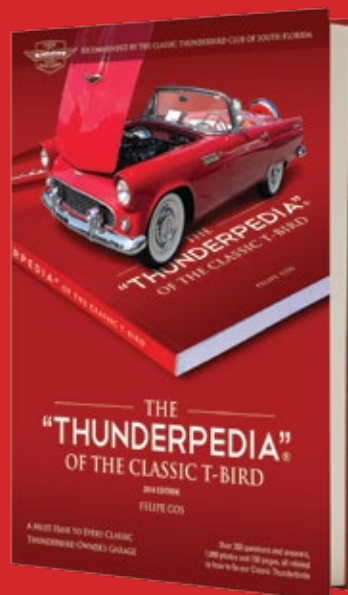
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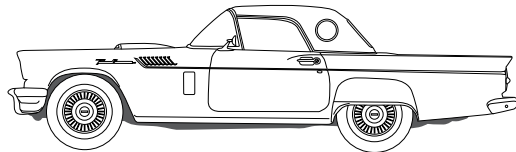
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