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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.



International Membership

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.

Online Renew for 1 year 2018 for \$37.50 or signup for 3 years at \$105.00 (35.00 a year)



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.



SCAN ME!

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

CTCI Classic Thunderbird Club

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

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(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) _____

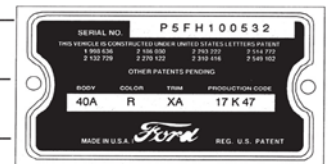
Address _____

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 _____

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For Office use Only
CTCI # _____ Date: _____
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editor's CORNER

MARCH 2018

Hi Thunderbird Club Members,

Our Annual Club sponsored "open" Car Show was again, this year a success! Look in this issue for complete coverage and photos.

We have been approached by the ITC International Thunderbird Club, namely "Bart" Bartasavich, the Clubs' President and Member Database Mgr. to become a chapter in the South-East District. They have over 4500 total members in the US as well as Canada, Denmark, Germany, New Zealand, Norway, Spain & Puerto Rico. Some of us already have ITC Memberships.

24 years old, the ITC Club supports Thunderbirds from ALL YEARS of manufacture, not just the "Early Birds", which some of our members will find appealing. They have a team of technical advisors specializing in all the years including Marvin Hill on the 55-57 cars. A presentation will be made to the members attending at the February General meeting. In the meantime, they can be looked up on the Web at

www.intl-thunderbirdclub.com or on Facebook

itc (international thunderbird club) this page is updated hourly!

See you at the Club Show!

I surely appreciate the articles that are being contributed to our Thunderbird News by our members. Please keep them coming! Thanks to you all for contributing to this month's edition.

Recently we had some issues solved and a tune-up performed by Paul at Prime Tune. Our Baby Bird never ran so smoothly! Special Thanks to Paul & Kathy!

Please remember to support our advertising partners and don't forget to tell them you saw it in The Thunderbird News!

NEWSLETTER CLOSING DATE

To all members: Remember that this newsletter goes to press the 15th of each month.

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!

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for a Collector Car Club Newsletter.

CTCI 2017 Newsletter Competition GOLD AWARD

for our October Rally 2016 Edition

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Classic Thunderbird Club of South Florida CTCI CHAPTER #114 MARCH 2018 VOLUME 20, #3 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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- Ford racing: www.fordacing.com
- Speedvision: www.speedvision.com
- CTCI's Home Page: www.ctci.org
- Daytona's Turkey run: www.carshows.org
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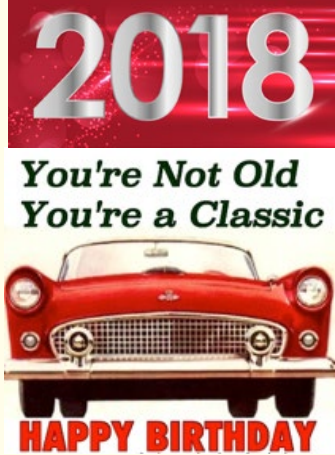
INTERNET PAGE

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"!

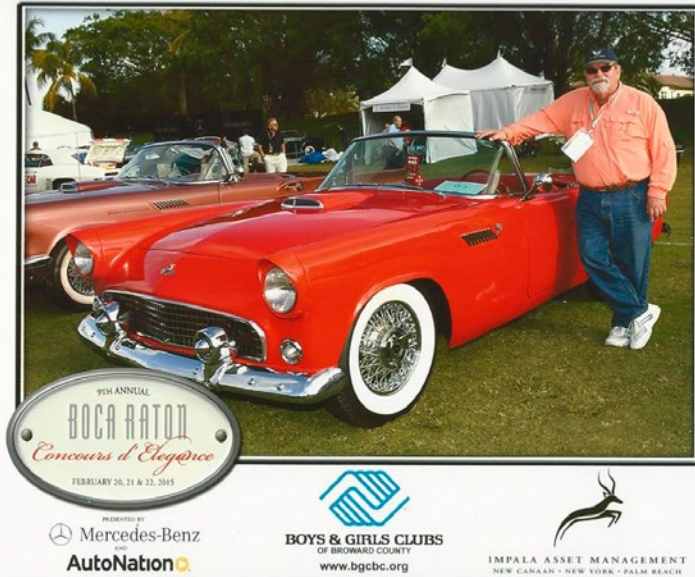


HAPPY BIRTHDAYS IN MARCH

| | |
|---------------------|----|
| Marcia Castro | 03 |
| Marcia Padron | 03 |
| John Lucey | 04 |
| Jose Rosello | 06 |
| Roger Peraza | 12 |
| Eduardo Alvarez | 17 |
| Pat Gormley | 18 |
| Mark Forst | 20 |
| Natalie Heslekrants | 21 |
| Celia Layzell | 23 |
| Grace Vazquez | 28 |
| Luis Perez | 29 |
| Jay Faust | 29 |



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



In addition, we will evaluate the car show, start to set up arrangement for the auction, and discuss future events.

Your board met last month, and that meeting will also be discussed.

Unfortunately, I cannot attend the meeting, but have made all the arrangements and have set up the agenda, so the VP Leo can run a great meeting smoothly. I am very sorry but must work in Melbourne that day and the distance is too great to get there in time.

For a while, some members have asked about a breakfast event, where we could meet with our cars. We will be meeting on, Saturday, March 10th at Ellie's 50's Diner in Delray Beach. Even though it is a bit of a drive, it will be a nice opportunity to exercise your cars. The club will pay for each member's breakfast; a member benefit. Both the food and the ambiance are terrific there. Please RSVP to, drpaul4kids@gmail.com Let me know many will attend, if you will be bringing your car, and if there will be any self-paying guests.

The R/M | Sotheby's Auction, April 6-7th. We will need volunteers for unloading on APRIL 4th and 5th, as well as during the actual auction on 6th and 7th. It is great opportunity to see and drive a wide mix of interesting cars. This is a big money maker for us our club, which helps makes some events free to club members, and reduces the cost of others. So, when the call comes shortly, please step up and get involved.

We are beginning to organize the Sunday brunch, as well as our annual rally, and perhaps another interesting trip. Watch for these on our website, www.tbirdfl.com , and our Facebook page, as well as in emails and this newsletter.

Have fun and a great meeting, **Paul Werner**
President - 2018
Classic Thunderbird Club of South Florida

Dear Members,

Our club is considering affiliating with an additional national organization, the International Thunderbird Club (ITC). First let me point out that if we take this step, you, as individual will not be forced to join ITC (no pressure there). At the meeting, Ed will make a presentation about this, but here it is in a nutshell. ITC is more inclusive, covering all Thunderbirds, from the baby birds to, those of the 21st Century. If we join, ALL our Thunderbird owners will have access to the goods, services, and support of a national club. It will also make membership more attractive to local owners of their other cars. Do not miss this discussion. From what I have read and heard so far, I support our club affiliating with ITC



2nd Wednesday of Every Month!
6:30pm-9pm
Back out to some Classic Cars & Staff
D.J. Jammin' Jimmy

For more Information Contact
Car Show Johnny
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To all members

Remember that this newsletter goes to press the 15th of each month. Please remember the date!. If you want your article to appear, I need it by the 15th!

We welcome any contributions that members can make to our newsletter! This year We want to feature stories about YOUR 1955 Thunderbird.

Do you have any interesting photos of your car? Send it to me!. Do you have any interesting story about your car? Send them to me!



UPCOMING CLASSIC CAR EVENTS-CAR SHOWS



FIRST SUNDAY OF THE MONTH
10:00am - 3:00pm
Hollywood Boulevard
 between 19th & 20th Avenue

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 100 Best of Show - Trucks
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 100 Best of Show - Bikes
 100 Best of Show - Boats
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FOR ADVANCED INFORMATION PLEASE CALL, TEXT OR EMAIL:
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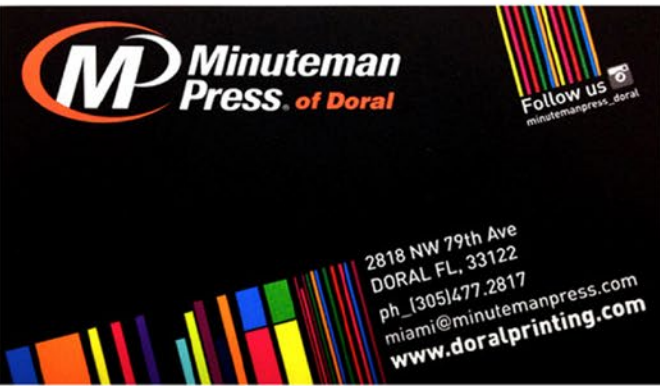
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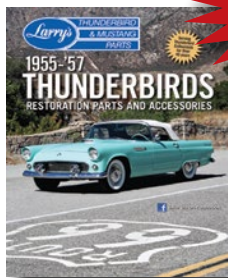
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18th Annual Club Car Show

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The weather prediction turned dire by the middle of the week before our Sunday show with 80% change of thunderstorms predicted by noon! We all figured we were going to get a repeat of last year's washout, but Oscar informed us, Rain or Shine, the show MUST go on, no rain date! Well, someone "upstairs" must have heard our prayers, because late Saturday afternoon, the forecast completely changed to clouds with mixed sun and only a slight chance of a storm around 6pm!

Perfect Car Show weather, Sunny breezy and in the 70's made for an incredible day!

This show featured the biggest variety of cars we ever had! From Paul Cotner's Model A to a limited production car based on the Pontiac F Body called the Trojan there were some unique Marques. The Pontiac Trojan was built by Knudsen Automotive from 1985-1991. These cars were commissioned by GM to be built as an affordable alternative to the Ferrari! Many of the styling cues invoke the Ferrari 305. 150 are thought to have been produced during that time. The buyer would go to a Pontiac Dealer and order the car, customized to your specs, priced from \$21,500 up to \$55K depending on how wild you got with the engine mods and creature comforts. The white example at our Show features the Lamborghini Countach wing!



I was especially happy to see the terrific volunteer turnout by the Club membership. Everything goes much smoother when we have a lot of help. Thank you all for continuing to make the Annual Club Car show a Successful Event!

Of the many incredible Cars most noteworthy to us Thunderbird Aficionados, is the Principality of Monaco Edition 1963 Thunderbird owned by Steve and Myrna Wishnick, driven all the way from Punta Gorda! (That earned them the Longest Distance award). I first met Steve and Myrna a few years ago when they traveled down for the Ed Morse Show in Sunrise. They are a great couple who love to enlighten you about their unique "Princess".



In 1963 Ford built only 2,000 of these special edition cars that became commonly known as the Princess of Monaco. A dark rose-colored long grain vinyl top with landau irons on each side "graces" the Corinthian white body. Inside, a white steering wheel, leather interior, rosewood dash and accents are exclusive to this edition. Power, the 300hp 390cu in Z Code was standard and an M Code 340hp tri-power could be ordered. Steve and Myrna drive their car everywhere without hesitation. He told me it cruises all day long at 65 mph with plenty of passing power whenever needed. Remember, the drive from Punta Gorda is over 260 miles round trip. Plenty of opportunity to "open it up" on the Highway.

This Summer the car will appear at the AACA Museum in Hershey PA included in a special presentation and at the ITC International Convention in Buffalo, NY August 7-12th

Another Unique Car, a 1959 Ford Galaxie Skyliner was displayed by Thunderbird Club member, Bob Mayer. Bob has many Classic cars including the stunning Red 57 Thunderbird that he showed last year, but he says this Skyliner is his favorite! Back in the mid 1950s Ford designers worked on a retractable hard top design intended for the Lincoln Mk 2 Continental.

That concept was applied to the 1957 and 58 Fairlane and finally in 1959 to the new top of the line Galaxie.





Club Thunderbirds were on display, including George Bishopric's recently restored and new member, Miguel Perez's 56 Cars. Retro Birds surround past President, Peter Klein.



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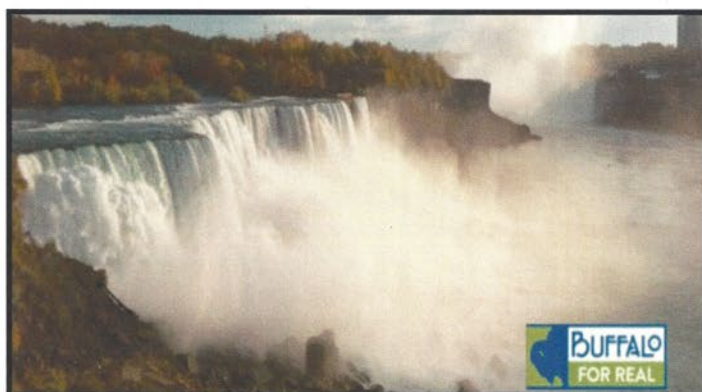
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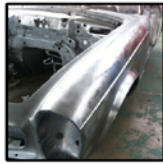
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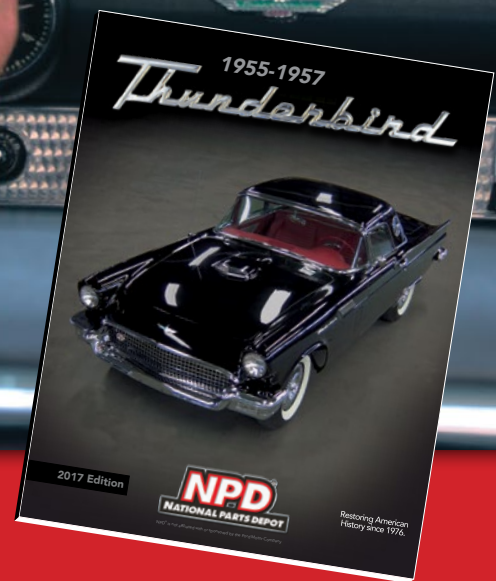
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CLASSIC THUNDERBIRD CLUB OF SOUTH FLORIDA

Executive Board Meeting . February 21, 2018

Recorded by Gail Corenblum, Secretary

MINUTES OF MEETING

CALL TO ORDER

In President Paul Werner's absence, the meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by Leo Saladino, vice president. Leo apologized for Paul's necessary absence.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Peter Klein reported that the treasury is in good shape and we have the money we'll need to continue to enjoy our social events. But Peter reminded us of the necessity of getting as many drivers as possible for the April auction. He plans to send out emails every two weeks for reminders and requests. Peter told us that the driving would be at our comfort level. If we were asked to drive a vehicle in which we wouldn't be comfortable, a different car would be appointed. The driving is up the ramp to the building entrance, after which the car would be pushed by auction personnel onto the stage. Then it's a drive to the circular turnstile and out. This year we have not been asked to drive for unloading and there is not an auction on Sunday. Our drivers are needed Friday, Saturday and Monday. The Mercury Club could supply 8-10 drivers and the Studebaker Club could help also, but we need as many for our club as we can muster. Members are asked to bring friends. Oscar told us that our dues are only \$35 per year, but the club spends approximately \$280 for each member couple. We depend on the funds from the auction.

SECRETARY'S REPORT: Gail read the minutes of the January 17 board meeting.

OLD BUSINESS:

CAR SHOW JANUARY 28, REPORT:

Oscar told us that he is working on finding a sponsor for the tee shirts for next year. He explained that he had asked 6 unbiased attendees to judge for the Best of Show. The class judging is by attendees. The profit from the show was \$906 and the net to the club was \$530 after the \$376 donation to McPherson College.

ELLIE'S DINER EVENT:

March 10 at 9 am. 410 N Federal Hwy, Delray Beach, FL 33483
The Club will pay for breakfast for all paid members in attendance. Paul will send out further information. A show of hands was requested and 8 people said they are planning to go.

NEW BUSINESS:

Raul is opposed to the club spending money on tee shirts for the car show and reducing the club profit when everyone works so hard on the event. He made a motion that we should only give

out tee shirts if they are paid for by a sponsor, at no expense to the club. Poppy seconded. Ed explained that the board decided on spending money on tee shirts as an enticement for better registration of cars at the show. Leo also talked about the need for goodie bags for participants. It's come to be expected at shows. Oscar asked that ALL members try to get business people to donate for the goodie bags.

Bob Heslekrants asked if he could make a friendly amendment to Raul's motion that tee shirts would be offered for sale at registration. Raul agreed. The motion was amended and passed unanimously (The Club will not fund tee shirts for the car show. They will either be sponsored or purchased by participants).

INTERNATIONAL THUNDERBIRD CLUB:

Ed reminded us that Felipe Cos had founded our club 20 years ago this November as a chapter of Classic Thunderbird International Club, chapter 114. CTCI is one of three national Thunderbird clubs (CTCI, Vintage Thunderbird Club and International Thunderbird Club), but they are the only one exclusively devoted to the early birds, 1955-57. Ed and Paul were approached by International Thunderbird Club for membership. ITC gives support to all Birds, 1955 through 2005: Retro Birds, newer birds, early birds, little birds, square birds, flare birds, bullet birds, glamour birds. They offer a welcome package, a magazine, Script, that is published bimonthly, a very active Facebook page, and most importantly, they can offer support to all Bird owners and our club membership includes Thunderbirds of various years. They will be having an international convention (this year, August 7-12 in Buffalo, NY). Ed has spoken with the Buffalo chapter president Todd Ruth who and nothing but great things to say about his Clubs' participation with ITC. We can still continue in the CTCI. There would be no cost to the club, and the only requirement is that 6 of our club members would need to take membership in ITC. The membership fee is \$30 a year. Several of our members have said that they will join. Ed will be our representative with the national organization. Leo seconded Ed's motion for us to join and it passed unanimously.

FELIX AND DAISY HERNANDEZ:

Felix and Daisy, charter members of our club who were always very involved, have resigned due to family needs. The executive board voted to make them "Lifetime Members Emeritus".

DOO WOP CONCERT:

Poppy announced that the concert at FAU in Boca Raton



on March 10 is almost entirely sold out. There are still some individual seats remaining. She will be attending.

GUESTS:

Poppy introduced her friend, Alan, visiting from Germany. Alan has a 1964 1/2 Mustang he bought from Dave Siegel. It has won many awards in Germany, even taking Best of Show in a Mustang show which had between 500-600 cars in attendance.

Richard Manzo introduced a friend and new member, Naymara Cruz, who has been his family friend for 25 years. The Cruz's own a 1983 Mustang V6 3.8 convertible. Welcome Naymara! And a special "thank you" to Richard. This is the seventh new member he has brought!

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Bob Toney told us that his wife of 58 years, Jane, has dementia and she is residing in a special needs facility. Jane is remembered for her pink thunderbird with a Christmas tree in back. Jane is doing well, still singing and dancing. Bob takes her home on weekends and is looking into keeping her at home.

MEAN SANTA:

Raul brought up that he believes \$10 for Mean Santa gifts is just too low, and the Mean Santa part of the Christmas party is fun and should not be changed. Peter asked how many people had brought gifts and went home with gifts they weren't happy with. We discussed gag gifts, which can be reasonable to purchase. Georgina said that she really enjoyed the Mean Santa, and it isn't so much about the gift but about the experience. Peter suggested that the board will discuss it further closer to the end of the year.

ADJOURNMENT:

Stuart motioned, and Jean Claude seconded adjournment at 8:50 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Gail Corenblum



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Numerous CTCI and VTCI chapters have joined ITC. Last year the ITC/VTCI chapter, Hoosier Vintage Thunderbird Club, hosted the ITC chapter. This year the convention will be hosted by ITC/CTCI chapter Buffalo Thunderbird Club. ITC/CTCI chapter Pitt Birds Thunderbird Club has stated that they are happy with the support ITC's provides them. ITC/VTCI Water Wonderland Thunderbird Club from Michigan has stated they are also pleased with ITC's support and never have received support from VTCI.

ITC is very proud of the number of clubs that have joined ITC. Recently three new chapters have joined ITC La Louisiane Thunderbird Club, Louisiana; Classic Thunderbird Club of Central Ohio; and Central Alabama Thunderbird Club with a few more chapters being organized.

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As president of the International Thunderbird Club, I encourage some of your members to join ITC and become an ITC chapter. Feel free to email or call me anytime if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Gerard (Bart) Bartasavich

ITC President

