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# ITC International Thunderbird Club Membership

## ITC The International Thunderbird Club

The International Thunderbird Club (ITC) is open to all 1955 to 2005 Thunderbird owners and enthusiasts along with other T-Bird club organizations. Numerous ITC members, including me, belong to CTCI and VTCl.

ITC encourages all clubs to join the other clubs to help support the Thunderbird, share ideas, T-Birds, and technical advice. ITC has one of the largest Thunderbird Facebook pages in the world with over 4,400 T-Bird Facebook members posting daily from around the world.

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

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 they have organized.

The benefit of becoming an ITC chapter is the additional exposure to the T-Bird world. Chapters have stated, grown as a result of their ITC relationship. ITC promotes its chapters by listing their major events in the ITC Script magazine and on the ITC website. ITC also promotes chapters events and members on ITC Facebook. ITC has Technical Advisors for all T-Birds, Marvin Hill, Hill Automotive, is one of the technical advisors for the 1955-57 TBird. Steven Legal is Technical Advisor for the 20-05 Retro Birds.

ITC is sponsored by most of the Thunderbird vendors including Thunderbird Specialists for 2002-05 Retro-birds.

There is no charge to become an ITC chapter. Three ITC members are required for approval with a total of six by the end of the year. If you are not satisfied with being an ITC chapter, you can simply request to end the chapter relationship.

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



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# INTERNATIONAL THUNDERBIRD CLUB

## MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

The International Thunderbird Club, the ONLY International Thunderbird Club in the world whose common goal is to preserve and enjoy all Thunderbirds with family fellowship, shows, tours, seminars, technical help, parts availability, meetings, and a magazine. Our local and national meets provide concours judging. The ITC Thunderbird Script magazine is published bi-monthly for our members.

### Annual dues are as follows:

**USA & Canada**  
 January-April.....\$30.00  
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### Please fill out application:

- New Member
- Renewing Member  
 ITC # if known \_\_\_\_\_  
 \$30.00 or \$50.00 2 years US & Canada  
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- Updating Current Info  
 ITC # if Known \_\_\_\_\_

Mail to:

**INTERNATIONAL THUNDERBIRD CLUB**  
**Karen MacCord, Treasurer**  
**PO BOX 1211**  
**Middletown, DE 19709**

Referring ITC Member \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Spouse's Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
 City: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Zip: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Phone [home]: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_  
 Street: \_\_\_\_\_  
 State/Province: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Country: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Phone [cell]: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

### Thunderbird Information:

Year: \_\_\_\_\_ Model: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Year: \_\_\_\_\_ Model: \_\_\_\_\_  
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\* VIN refers to your Vehicle Identification Number

\*VIN # \_\_\_\_\_  
 \*VIN # \_\_\_\_\_  
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Visit ITC website: [www.intl-thunderbirdclub.com](http://www.intl-thunderbirdclub.com)

(GEB) July 2016

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# editor's CORNER

MARCH 2018

Hi Thunderbird Club Members,

This month we are featuring coverage from two recent shows The Boca Raton Concours d' Elegance and the Edison Ford Estate All Ford Event. At the Boca Concours, Mike McNeal showed his 1956 Mercury Wagon for the first time, which has been 4 years in restoration. There is a short profile about his car. There were many beautiful cars at the Concours this year including an Auto Union (now Audi) sports car that obviously got its inspiration from the 55 Thunderbird! Speaking of Thunderbirds, The Trailbirds Thunderbird Club of Southwest Florida did not fail to put up a fabulous display of Thunderbirds again this year! There was, of course a "retractable" hardtop Fairlane and a model T with an" Automobile Telescoping Apartment" attached to the chassis making it probably the first "Camper"!

Bob Ferretti attended 2 Marjory Stoneman Douglas Memorials as well as the annual Lou Bachrodt Dealership Show.

What a fun time we had at Ellies 50s Dinner in Delray. Over 40 Club members attended a breakfast held in the northern most part of our Club territory. I think we may have started a trend!

In the Month of March our club achieved ITC Chapter Status with 6 members initially joining ITC. Those of us who own the later vintage Thunderbirds, 1958+ will benefit from the support ITC will give.

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. If you haven't seen yours' yet I assure you it will be in a future issue!

Recently we had some issues solved and a tune-up performed by Paul at Prime Tune. This time the Edsel need some adjustments. It is running the best ever in 10 years! 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!

## OLD CARS Weelky GOLDEN QUILL AWARD

for a Collector Car Club Newsletter.



## CTCI 2017 Newsletter Competition GOLD AWARD

for our October Rally 2016 Edition



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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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Felipe Cos Founder

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- Ford racing: [www.fordacing.com](http://www.fordacing.com)
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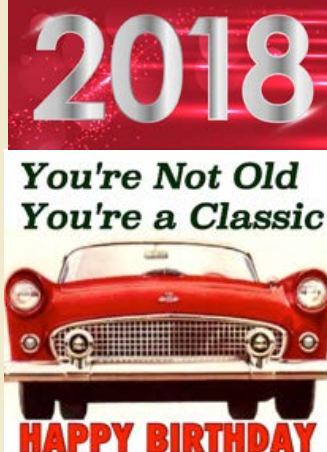
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Like Museum Visits, Car shows and Cruise Ins you attend. And other stuff you think we T-Bird lovers would like. Just keep it as clean as your T-Bird on "Detail Day"!

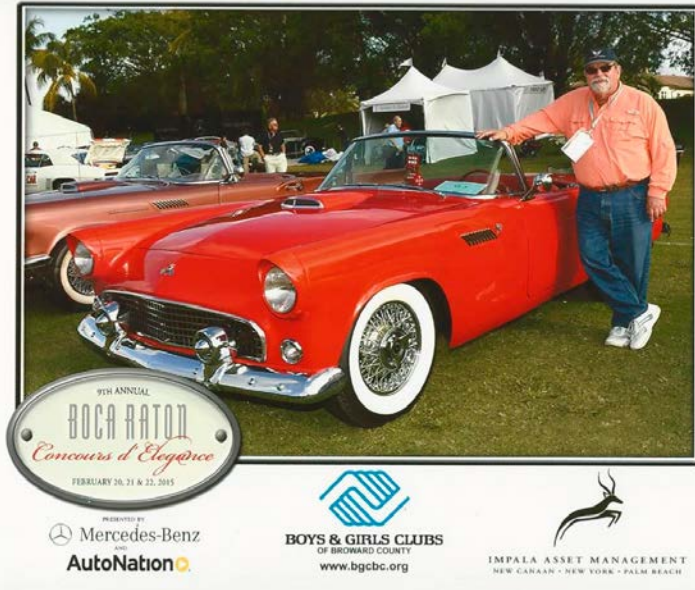
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Mark Klein	02
John Layzell	03
Robert Velez	04
Alberto Jorge	08
Lilliam Brice	09
Paul Cotner	11
Miguel Morales	16
James Quinlan	17
Vivian Jorge	18
Richard Boyhan	21
Gary Stump	22
Lea Nodarse	23
Felix Hernandez	26



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





other's cars. Based on this success, I would like to propose 2 ideas:

1. I believe that we should make the paid-up membership breakfast an annual event, as long as our treasury permits.
2. We should have a few breakfast get-togethers a year, rotating around our service area, with a member organizing it at a place of their choice.

Ed and Arlene have offered to run the next one. Watch for details. Please let me know what you think of these ideas. Feel free to contact me any reasonable time, at 561-613-5715, or email me at drpaul4kids@gmail.com with your thoughts, ideas or complaints about the club.

By the time you are reading this, our Club participation in the RM Auction will be starting. We have good Event leaders in Gail & Leo and I am confident that all will go well with it. Please be on time, professional, cooperative and courteous. This is our Club's biggest fund raiser and we want to be invited back again and again!

Other upcoming events include, our annual brunch on May 20th, Sebring Thunder road trip in September, our road rally in early November, and our Holiday party on December 8th. These events, together with a few breakfast get-togethers, should keep us busy.

Happy motoring!  
Paul

**Paul Werner**  
President - 2018  
Classic Thunderbird Club of South Florida

I just woke up from a good night's sleep after our meeting last night, that was preceded by a board meeting. I believe that things are going smoothly, and we will have a great year.

The paid-up membership breakfast at Ellie's was a great success!

The food and atmosphere were great, and members had a good time, both in the restaurant and outside poking around in each

## CLASSIC THUNDERBIRD CLUB OF SOUTH FLORIDA

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### MEMBERSHIP YEAR 2018 APPLICATION / RENEWAL

NAME: FIRST \_\_\_\_\_ LAST \_\_\_\_\_ DOB month \_\_\_ day \_\_\_  
 SPOUSE or S-O's NAME \_\_\_\_\_ DOB month \_\_\_ day \_\_\_  
 ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_  
 CITY \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_ E-MAIL \_\_\_\_\_  
 HOME PHONE \_\_\_\_\_ CELL PHONE \_\_\_\_\_  
 WORK PHONE \_\_\_\_\_ PROFESSION \_\_\_\_\_  
 I OWN A 1955\_ 1956\_ 1957\_ OTHER YEAR \_\_\_\_\_ THUNDERBIRD CTCI MEMBERSHIP # \_\_\_\_\_\*

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ANY OTHER ANTIQUE CAR OWNED \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_

PLEASE RETURN THIS FORM WITH YOUR CHECK  
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 Payable To: Classic Thunderbird Club of South Florida

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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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 Southern Florida Region

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**ALL CLUB ANNUAL BBQ**  
 at JOHN PRINCE PARK  
 Lake Worth • Tim Granowitz Pavilion  
**SUNDAY, APRIL 8, 2018**  
 Starts at 11:00 am

As in the past, all attendees are encouraged to bring their classic or collector car for this joint car club event. Lunch will be served at Noon (Rain or Shine - Covered Pavilion)

This year will be a pot luck event. So please bring your favorite Appetizer or Signature Dessert. The menu includes Hamburgers, Hot Dogs and Barbecue Chicken plus French Fries and Cole Slaw. Beverages will be provided by the Classic Car Club of America.

**All local car club members are invited!**  
 DIRECTIONS from North: I-95 to 60th Ave. South, go west 1 mile to Park Entrance on south side of road. Sign says: Palm Beach County Parks & Recreation Headquarters. Follow signs to the Tim Granowitz Pavilion.  
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 Address \_\_\_\_\_  
 Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Spouse/Guest \_\_\_\_\_  
 Year/Make/Model Car I will be driving \_\_\_\_\_  
 Number of Reservations @ \$15.00 per person \_\_\_\_\_ Total Check Amount: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

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**Registration Form**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City & ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_  
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**MAY 20th, 2018**



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# MONTHLY CLASSIC CAR CRUISE-IN

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## "LAUDERDALE BLUE" at BOCA RATON CONCOURS d'ELEGANCE by Mike McNeal

Our South Florida Mercury Club and AACA members were invited to help with the Boca Concours d'Elegance car show on February 25, 2018. This is a charity to raise funds for the Boys and Girls Club. The featured guests were Tim Allen, Jay Leno, Wayne Carini and many other car-crazy enthusiasts.

This year's marque of the year was Lincoln Mercury. Mike McNeal, a member of the South Florida Mercury Club, was invited to enter his 1956 Mercury "Woody" wagon which has the original paint color, "Lauderdale Blue." There were 10 Mercurys and 31 Lincolns at this event and a 1954 Mercury XM-800 concept twodoor sedan which won first prize. However, it looked as if Mike's '56 "Woody" wagon was seriously considered because the judges returned many times to evaluate each car before making their final decision.

We were pleased to be invited to this event, especially since we are amateurs who are competing with the very best examples of the world's most prestigious autos.

Many thanks to our South Florida Mercury Club members in Ft. Lauderdale, especially the enthusiastic and dedicated Bill



Thain (wintering from Canada), who helped with restoring Mike's "Lauderdale Blue" Monterey station wagon which is located in Ft. Lauderdale, Florida.

## BOCA RATON CONCOURS d' ELEGANCE 2018

by Ed Raabe

This year having entered the Thunderbird into the Concours 2 years ago, I was ineligible to enter. I was however not prevented from participating! I was approached by Larry McPherson of the Dauer Museum to help position the show cars on the exhibiton field. Simply I would guide the owner to the spot designated for their car and help them achieve the perfect positon, no more or less than 2 feet behind the marker. Pretty easy, right? On Friday we received about 70 cars and on Saturday about 100, arriving by "appointment" from 15 to 30minutes apart.



So far so good, but there were about 270 cars expected this year, so Sunday morning we expected 100 more cars to postiton, by 9am! Needless to say we had to start at 6am to get that done! So before dawn we arrived ready to go, our golf Karts lined in a neat row. By 6:15 the show cars began arriving and like busy bees we manuvered the Classics into there assigned spots.

Lincoln was the Honored Marque of the Show, including Mercury. Our own Mike McNeal showed for the first time his 1956 Mercury "Woody" Wagon. (see the feature story).

Among the Mercurys was the 1954 Mercury Concept XM-800 restored to its original glory! A true vision of the car we would be driving in 1990, many of the styling ideas made it to Lincolns and Mercurys in the next few years.





Notice the C Pillar on this 56 Mercury Pheaton and the design of the 1956 Lincoln!



Many beautiful Classics were shown, but since we are a Thunderbird Club lets see some of those! Well that last one looks like a TBird, but it's really an 1961 DKW Auto Union! Imitation is the sincerest form of flattery!



Not to be missed are a some amazing Lincolns





# EDISON-FORD WINTER ESTATE ANNUAL FORD EVENT

by Ed Raabe

The All Ford Show at the Edison-Ford Estate in Ft Myers is a great venue. A couple of years ago we made it a Club outing, joining the Trailbirds Thunderbird Club in a grand exhibit of Thunderbirds! This year's show was a real crowd pleaser. Ford Cars from the Brass era into the 70s were in abundance. There was a remarkable Model T Telescoping Camper! Arlene and I were fortunate enough to get a few hours away from our business visit to the west coast to attend. We said hello to Dave and Betty Tulowitzky. This was Dave's first show since he had a little mishap working on his Mustang, but he is mending nicely and was in good spirits! Betty said he'll be fine as long as he follows the Doctors orders! She is by his side to make sure! The day was cool and breezy and the Thunderbirds looked fabulous. Trailbirds Club memeber, Bob has a Red 55 with the Fairlane side spears and prototype hardtop, niether of which went into production, but its nice to see it all on one car and Duane Johnson showed his 57 Sport-Wagon.





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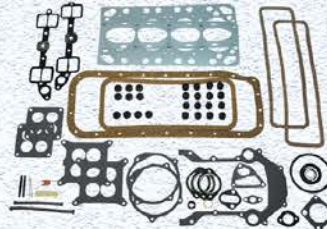
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# BREAKFAST ROAD TRIP TO ELLIE'S DINNER

by Ed Raabe

On Saturday Morning March 10th we drove up to Ellie's 50s Dinner in Delray. Paul Werner our new Club President suggested, some time ago, that we have a Club Event up north, closer to the members that live there. We have also wanted to do a "breakfast" and Ellie's seemed to fit both criteria, so it was planned and also to be 100% free for club members to attend! Ellie's is a 50s theme Diner and Ballroom, which certainly fits with our Thunderbirds and other Classics. When first planned Paul thought mostly members who live in Broward and Palm beach would attend, so imagine the surprise when so many Dade members said they would too. There were 44 members in all, coming from as far south as the Redlands! I think there was a time zone change for Oscar and Marcia on their way up! Arlene and I had the pleasure of sharing a table with Bob & Natalie Heslekrants. As were talking about event venues, meeting places and how far it was to drive, and so on, Bob commented "the further the better, I get to drive my car longer"!

Club functions do make for a great excuse for use to bring out our Classics and enjoy driving them, as if we need an excuse!

It was good to see those cars out today. The morning weather was great, sunny and in the 60's and we had a fantastic drive in our 55! The food was good and the company better! Paul promises a few more of these this year. I have included a few pictures below.

Just a note, Events like these, fully paid for by the Club comes from the efforts of the members that volunteer at the Annual Club Sponsored Open Car Show and most importantly, our participation at the RM Auction. For us to be able to continue enjoying these, more club members need to volunteer their time at the Auction.

We are very short on our Club Driver count and will be forced to ask other clubs for volunteers. We get nothing for that. We only get compensation for the hours OUR Club members put in!

I urge you to attend either Friday or Saturday (the days we need the most).

It's a lot of FUN. You will have the opportunity to drive cars you may never get to, anywhere else at any time. Ask those who go every year. Contact Gail [www.gailstu@bellsouth.net](mailto:www.gailstu@bellsouth.net) to sign up.





# Car Shows

by Bob Ferretti

In the last week of February and first week of March I attended three car shows. The first two were charitable shows for the Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School that had the unfortunate shooting of innocent children and adults in Parkland, just north of Coral Springs where first two shows were held. The third one was in Coconut Creek at the Lou Bachrodt Chevrolet dealer run by the Corvette club of South Florida.



At the first show in Coral Springs sponsored by the Cherry Smash ice cream parlor I coincidentally run into Paul Werner, Norm and Robin, and Felix and Daisy. None of us planned the get together and was a nice surprise. The second show I attended was at Wings Plus restaurant in Coral Springs for the school also. The last was the big show at the car dealership.

At the car dealership show run by the Corvette club there was a terrific amount of very nice cars, over 300 of them! There was at least 5 vendors, free hot dogs and hamburgers, a car raffle, 20 or more gift basket raffles, over 100 door prizes and a 50/50 worth over \$1300.00 to the winner. They had the usual DJ plus The Blues Brothers group performed and the Broward Cloggers dance group.

They gave out 160 trophies for different categories, so chances were very good for a car that showed well. The Corvette club team had not forgotten any details and ran the show as if it was an every-day event for them. At least 40 or more people were busy helping. The gift bag given to everyone, weighed over 5 pounds and had items in it that were really useful! Other than Corvette items, there were about 5 car magazines about other cars and classics. In the dealer showroom, one of the Corvette club members had his 1953 fully restored Corvette placed and was all roped off for viewing.

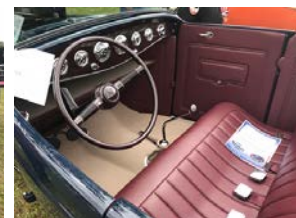


I've been going to this show for four years now and it has never disappointed me. I encourage my fellow car club members to go see it or enter their cars next year. You will not be disappointed either. It always takes place the beginning of March and preregistration is advised. A 9 AM arrival to get a spot is suggested. The location is right off the Sawgrass expressway in Coconut Creek on 441 only one block south on the east side of 441. I hope the photos submitted encourage you to participate in the future.

# Cool Cars Benefit 2018


by Ed Raabe

Each year, in January, the Jim Moran Youth Automotive Training Center, an automotive vocation learning school, sponsors a huge Benefit show at Quite Waters Park in Deerfield Bch. I finally had the opportunity to attend this year and was very impressed with the large variety of classes and the large number of cars in attendance. The top prize is \$1,000.00 making it easily the highest award prize of any show in our area! I captured a few highlights. I ran into club members Norm and Robin Gabe and John Layzell! F.Y.I., I Love Hot Rods!







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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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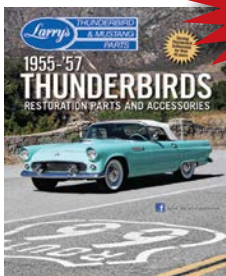
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Executive Board Meeting . March 21, 2018

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# MINUTES OF MEETING

### CALL TO ORDER

President Paul Werner called the meeting to order at 7:10 pm

**NEW MEMBERS:** Martin brought new members Robert and Lillian Brice. Robert has already volunteered to drive at the auction. They have been married 46 years and when they met they had a Mustang. Lillian learned to drive a stick shift on that car. They've looked to replace it, but presently have a 87 Camaro RWD Z28, which is all original with only 24,000 miles.

Oscar introduced new member Elly, who has been recently attending events with the Castros.

**TREASURER'S REPORT:** Peter Klein is in Europe and we dispensed with a treasurer's report.

**SECRETARY'S REPORT:** Paul suggested, and it was approved to dispense with the reading of the minutes of the February meeting.

### OLD BUSINESS:

#### ELLIE'S DINER EVENT:

The event on March 10 at Ellie's Dinner, 410 N Federal Hwy, Delray Beach, FL 33483, was quite successful. Paul suggested that we have a breakfast, every 3-4 months and asked for someone to volunteer to organize the event. Arlene Raabe and Grace Vasquez both volunteered and will come back with suggestions and information for future breakfasts. Grace will check the Miami Springs area.

#### RM/SOTHEBY'S AUCTION:

Gail reported that we have the number of drivers requested by the auction company. A special "thank you" to Bob Ferretti for bringing aboard the most drivers for the club and to Mike McNeal for organizing the Mercury drivers.

#### INTERNATIONAL THUNDERBIRD CLUB:

Ed reported that we are now an ITC chapter. We will be highlighted in the next edition of their Script magazine along with a new chapter in central Alabama. They have 30 chapters

and 4,300 Facebook followers. Their site is filled with history and technical information. They have 4 or 5 technical contributors for each group of birds.

Their convention is in Buffalo, NY this year. August 7-12.

And the CTCl convention is in Knoxville, TN, in the Smokey Mountains. August 15-19

### FUTURE EVENTS:

May 20th, which is International Thunderbird Appreciation Day, will be the date of our annual brunch, at the Miami Shores Country Club.

September 14-16: Sebring Thunder

November 2-4: Florida 300 Rallye

December 8: Holiday Party

### ANNOUNCEMENT:

November's meeting will be the second Wednesday of the month on the 14th rather than the third, since the third is during Thanksgiving week.

### NEWSLETTER:

Ed announced that the Newsletter is now fully funded.

The next edition will be 20 pages and have coverage of recent shows!

### NEW BUSINESS:

Paul announced that from now on, there will be sign in sheets and name tags at arrival at every meeting. And the \$20 meal charge will be collected at that time.

### ADJOURNMENT:

Meeting was adjourned at 7:50 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Gail Corenblum





## 2018 ITC Convention Registration Form

Name/Guests \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address \_\_\_\_\_  
 City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_ Country \_\_\_\_\_  
 Phone (cell) \_\_\_\_\_ (home) \_\_\_\_\_  
 eMail \_\_\_\_\_

Please initial here to allow photos of you to be taken during the 2018 ITC convention and venues

Dietary or other special needs? (Please Specify) \_\_\_\_\_



ITC Convention Car Show Information Concours Judging Saturday 8/11/18 starting at 10:30AM			Judged Classes				Not Judged	
Year	Model/Special Edition	VIN #	Senior Formal	Formal	Touring	Touring Modified	Show Case	Senior Participant
1 -								
2 -								
3 -								
► Some questions to help us plan for your stay...			Senior Formal / Formal 350 point judged (1955-1979)					
When do you plan to arrive? Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat Other _____			Touring / Touring Modified 200 point judged (1955-2005)					
Is trailer parking needed? Yes ___ Other Info _____			Showcase Not Judged, Display Only (all years)					
Are you willing to be a Judge? Yes ___ No ___			Senior Participant...Previously Achieved Senior Car					

Day	Event	Cost per	#in Party	Total
	Convention Registration Fee: Member / Non-member, includes all in party, up to 3 cars ~ Concourse Show ONLY - Day of Show Registration Fee \$20 ~	\$50		\$
	Convention T-Shirt: Specify Number ( ) S; ( ) M; ( ) L; ( ) XL; ( ) XXL; ( ) XXXL	\$17		\$
Tues 8/7	7PM FREE Welcome Reception—Taste of Buffalo buffet hosted by Big Ditch Brewery, Hyatt Place, West Herr & Buffalo Thunderbird Club w/guest Lauren Fix <i>The Car Coach</i> ™	N/C		N/C
Wed 8/8	9AM-5PM Motor Coach Pierce Arrow Auto Museum and Frank Lloyd Wright Architectural Tour with lunch, select ___ Pot Roast ___ Fish Fry ___ Grilled Chicken Salad	\$90		\$
	6PM Thunderbird Olympics (Six fun events that include your T-Bird)	N/C	# Cars _____	N/C
Thurs 8/9	9AM-5PM Motor Coach Tour to Niagara Falls NY including Maid of the Mist with lunch at Top Of the Falls restaurant, Terrapin Point and time to explore other Falls attractions	\$90		\$
Fri 8/10	Meetings & Seminar 9-10AM Judges / Car Owners / General Concours Meeting 10AM-Noon Annual ITC Membership Meeting 1-2PM FREE Seminar—Steve Legel, Ford Expert and Author		# Attending _____ _____ _____	
	3PM-8PM Motor Coach to Buffalo waterfront for Private Charter Dinner Cruise on <i>Miss Buffalo II</i> with time to enjoy other Canalside attractions including Naval & Military Park	\$90		
Sat 8/11	9AM-3PM All T-Bird Concours Show - Judging at 10:30AM - Hyatt Place			
	6PM -10PM Awards Banquet 5:45PM Motor Coach departs for PROTOCOL Restaurant Buffet / Cash Bar / Live Entertainment Theresa Quinn Quartet	\$70		\$
Sun 8/12	Breakfast and Farewells ~ Safe Travels Home!			

All registrations received by 6/1/2018 are eligible for a FREE prize drawing for: (1st) -One Free Night at Hyatt Place (\$129), (2nd) 2018 Convention Registration (\$50), or (3rd) Convention T-Shirt

**IMPORTANT: Deadline for hotel guaranteed rate is July 7, 2018**  
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Make check payable to: International Thunderbird Club  
 Mail this registration form and your check to: Karen MacCord, ITC Treasurer, P.O. Box 1211, Middletown DE 19709  
 Paying by credit card? Contact Karen: smokeybear546@msn.com (302) 378-4295.  
 For questions or further convention information, contact Convention Co-Chairmen  
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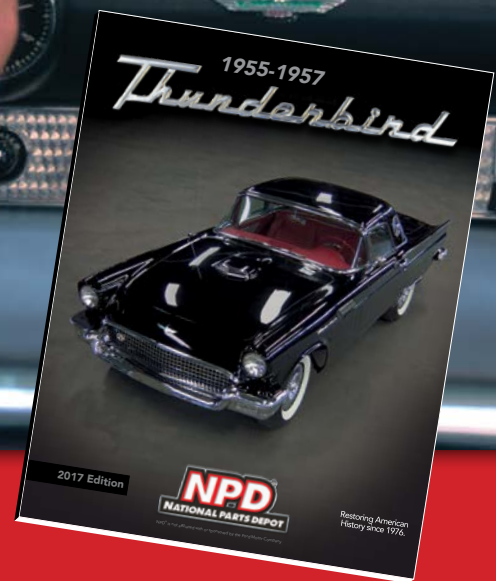
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