

# **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 VTCI.

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 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 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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PO BOX 1211

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(GEB) July 2016



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# editor's corner

ITC South East District Chapter JANUARY 2020 Volume 22, #1

#### Ed Raabe

Greetings Thunderbird Club Members,

Our annual Holiday Dinner was a great success!

The evening began with the announcement of the new location for our Annual Club Car show starting in 2021, Cooper Park in West Miami



In attendance was The Mayor of West Miami, Her

Honor Rhonda Rodriguez. Thanks to the effort by Carlos Pena, we have been able to secure a fabulous shaded venue for our shows! Check out the pictures from the Party in this issue. Lots of great gifts and some Classic "steals". Even yours-truly stole a great bottle of wine, but not for log!

Some things coming right up after New Year include the Redland Riot Road Rallye, January 18th which is a fun time each year. After the Rallye everyone is invited for a LUAU!

This year Oscar has secured the services of Hawaiian Island dancers, a fire eater, and paella maker! He and Marcia will be hosting the "after party" following the Redland Riot Road Rallye through the bountiful countryside of southern Miami-Dade. If you've never attended a Redland Riot Rallye it is a real treat driving through interesting agricultural and historical sections of south Miami-Dade County. More information here: http://www.redlandriot.com/Rallye.html

Participation in the Road Rallye is not a requirement to attend the Luau at the Castro's home in Homestead. You can just drive direct to the festivities at 5:30 PM!

Sunday, January 26th will be our Annual Club Open Car Show at Tropical Park. This will be the last Tropical Park Event as we are moving to Cooper Park in West Miami in 2021.

Saturday, February 1st Edison Estates All Ford Show

Don't forget to save the date of Saturday, February 1, to attend the "All Ford Show" at the estates in Fort Myers. Everyone who has attended in past years has totally enjoyed the venue and the wonderful displays of old Fords! There is a section on the lawns reserved for T-Birds. Rooms are becoming difficult to find for that weekend. If you want to attend, plan NOW! We have secured a block of rooms in a venue just 3 miles from the show. We will begin to prepare for the RM Sotheby Action

Thanks to all the Advertisers who support Thunderbird News!

Don't forget to mention you saw their Ad in our magazine when purchasing Parts & Services for you Classic.

Happy & Healthy New Year! Ed Raabe Thunderbird News Winner of ITC 2019 Newsletter Award OLD CARS Weelky GOLDEN QUILL AWARD for a Car Club Newsletter. 2016, 2017 & 2018

CTCI 2017 Newsletter Competition GOLD AWARD for our October Rally 2016 Edition.

#### Classic Thunderbird Club of South Florida CTCI CHAPTER #114 JANUARY 2020 VOLUME 22, #1 **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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My apologies, If I have missed your birthday it is because I do not have your information. Please contact me to update your records.

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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"!



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To pre-register send \$50.00 to Betty Tulowitzky, 14191 Tudball Ave., Port Charlotte, FL 33953 Please include address, email address, phone number, and CTCI number.

Hotel reservations can be made after May, 5 2019. Call 1-877-803-7534 Code is CTCL.







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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.

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I encourage all New Club Members to join

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**International Membership** 

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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

have included the current CTCI

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www.ctci.org in an editable .pdf format.

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or signup for 3 years at \$105.00

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#### 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

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A Great time was had by all! There were some great gifts, and although most were of the "Adult beverage" kind, there were no disappointments. There was a good amount of "stealing" and some, like Bob Heslekrants had his selection stolen so many times we should have told him just to stay in the chair. Gina presented Oscar & Marcia's granddaughter, Lilly with a Rudolf Toy to her delight! "Uncle Ernie" is seen trying to figure it out! Thanks to Oscar & Marcia for making it another FUN Holiday Party!

#### HAPPY HOLIDAYS TO EVERYONE!









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