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Presidents Report

May 2022

We had a great turn out (26) for our April event at Classic Appreciation in Rochester and a nice lunch at Red Knapps. Thank you, Bob & Maureen Smith, for scheduling this event.

Spring Dust Off – Saturday May 28 - This cruise is coordinated with the Falcon Club. Included in the Newsletter is the flyer and route for the cruise which will cover approximately 100 miles. We will meet at David & Jo Lau's, 6870 N. Territorial Rd., Plymouth at 9:00 and plan to cruise at 9:30. We will make our way to Durand, Mi for a stop at the Railroad Museum then continue on to the Brick Street Restaurant for lunch in Grand Blanc. After lunch you can make your way back home or follow along the 2 lane roads back to Plymouth. Please RSVP to JoAnn via phone/text 248-719-0160 or e-mail joannbill801@comcast.net by Thurs May 26.

Cruisin' Down River – Saturday June 25 – We will have a relaxing location to meet and greet at Steve Legel's, 2179 Ford Park, Lincoln Park from 11:00am to 4:00 pm. There will be lunch with pop and water. Be prepared to cruise Fort Street thru downriver cities. Further details will be available in the June Newsletter.

Annual T-Bird Club Picnic – July 10 - The picnic will again be held at Merriman Hollow Pavilion in Hines Park. (Last year was cancelled due to flooding, as we all know Hines Park is a Flood Plane for the County) This year we will be having our picnic as in the past. Everyone will bring a dish to pass and the club will supply the meat, pop and water. We will have further details as July rushes upon us.

There is still time to get your name on the ballet for the 2023-2024 Board of Directors.

JoAnn Rodriguez, president

THUNDERBIRD APPRECIATION DAY MAY 22, 2022

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2022 Schedule of Events:

Jan – Detroit Historical - Cancelled

Feb 19 – Bee's in Detroit

Mar 26 – Oak Fern Galleria

Apr Sat. 23rd – Classic Appreciation

May Sat. 28th. – Spring Dust Off

June – Sat. 25th Crusin' Down River

July – Sun. 10th Annual Club Picnic

Aug- Sun. 14th Pre-Dream Cruise

Sept. – Sun. 18th. All T-Bird Day

Oct – Sun. 16th Hines Park Cider Cruise

Nov – Sat. 12th Annual Planning Meeting for 2023

Dec- Sun. 4th Club Christmas Party



SPRING DUST OFF

- LEAVE LAU RESIDENCE, LEFT ON WEST BOUND NORTH TERRITORIAL
- TO RIGHT ON NORTH BOUND DEXTER/PINCKNEY ROAD,
- TO LEFT ON WEST BOUND M-36 ROAD,
- TO RIGHT ON NORTH BOUND D-19 ROAD, (WHICH BECOMES NORTH BOUND MICHIGAN AVENUE IN HOWELL, WHICH BECOMES NORTH BOUND OAK GROVE ROAD AS YOU CROSS M-59 HIGHWAY.)
- CONTINUE NORTH ON OAK GROVE ROAD UNTIL THE FAUSSET ROAD/OAK GROVE ROAD INTERSECTION.
- TURN LEFT AND CONTINUE ON OAK GROVE ROAD NORTH TO THE COHOCTAH ROAD INTERSECTION
- TURN RIGHT AND CONTINUE ON OAK GROVE ROAD 1/2 MILE, TURN LEFT AT THE "TO BYRON" SIGN AND CONTINUE NORTH ON OAK GROVE ROAD TO SILVER LAKE ROAD
- TURN LEFT ON NORTH BOUND BYRON ROAD THROUGH THE VILLAGE OF BYRON, CONTINUE NORTH ON BYRON ROAD TO THE NEWBURG ROAD/GRAND BLANC ROAD INTERSECTION
- TURN LEFT ON WEST BOUND NEWBURG ROAD TOWARDS THE CITY OF DURAND
- TURN LEFT ON SOUTH BOUND RUSSEL STREET NEAR THE RAILROAD TRACKS
- TURN RIGHT ON WEST BOUND ANN ARBOR STREET AND PROCEED TO THE DURAND RAILROAD MUSEUM PARKING LOT.
- TO THE RESTAURANT, TURN RIGHT ON EAST BOUND NEWBURG/GRAND BLANC ROAD, PROCEED TO THE BRICK STREET RESTAURANT AT 1223 GRAND BLANC ROAD IN GRAND BLANC.

LET'S GET READY FOR SUMMER!



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YANKEE AIR MUSEUM WINGS & WHEELS

Rousch Aeronautic Center

Sunday June 12, 2022 - 10:00 am to 4:00 pm

For ticket info: yankeeairmuseum.org/wingsandwheels

MOTOR MUSTER

Greenfield Village
Saturday June 18th & Sunday June 19th
Registration open March 1 – on line
www.thehenryford.org

ATRIA SENIOR LIVING IN ANN ARBOR - ANNUAL CLASSIC CAR SHOW

Monday June 20 – 6:30 1901 Plymouth Rd., Ann Arbor

RSVP - melissa.shear@atriaseniorliving.com

The seniors at this facility will enjoy seeing your car parade by

ROLLING SCULPTURE CAR SHOW ANN ARBOR, MICH

Friday July 15 – 2:00-10:00 Rain or Shine
All vehicles must register by June 17 – No same day registration
Contact Marie Brucker – Cell 517-304-2627 or Home 810-227-5379
For registration form

HOT CARS AND HOT CAKES

Saturday July 9 – 10:00 – Noon

Harry J Wills Parking Lot – 34567 Michigan Ave., Wayne
\$10.00 per car includes pancake breakfast- additional adults \$5.00 – children under 12

free

Hosted by T-Bird Member – Barry & Nancy Burnham

MEET IN THE MIDDLE

Fellow thunderbird owners, I would like to extend an invitation to a very interesting event taking place this summer August l0th _14th. It is the2022 Vintage Thunderbird Club International which will be held in Kansas City, Missouri. If you have never attended an international convention, you will be in for a treat. You will have the opportunity to meet new Thunderbirds and their caretakers from all over the country and world. Yes, there usually are a few participants from other countries who would like to meet you and your car. In the past five or six years this convention was either not held because of Covid, or it would take place on the West or East coast which is quite a haul from the Midwest. I'm going to go out on a limb and say that because it's in the center of the country (thus the name "Meet in The Middle") it will be very well attended allowing us to meet more fine T-bird owners and their cars.

The host hotel is Embassy Suites Kansas City-International Airport. If you want to make a room reservation, call them at 1-816-891-7788, be sure to mention "Vintage Thunderbird Club" in order to get the \$129 + tax/night w/breakfast rate.

Here's what all attendees can expect to experience in a snapshot.

Wednesday - Registration opens and attend a welcome reception at the hotel

Thursday - Board of Directors meeting in the morning followed by a tour of the National World War I Museum and Memorial Park.

Friday - Tour of the Bingham-Wagner Estate and the Harry S. Truman Presidential Library (First to be created under the 1955 Presidential libraries Act). Evening pizza party at the hotel

Saturday - Morning owners and judges meeting followed by the judging of all entrants' cars. That evening you will participate in the awards banquet.

Sunday - Say goodbye to all your new friends and have a safe trip home.

You can find more information and a registration form on the VTCI website www.vintagethunderbirdclub.net. It is my understanding that you have to be a VTCI member in order to participate in the convention and its activities. On the form you will find all the contacts and prices for accommodations and the events you may want to attend. If you are interested in joining me and Nancy, we are planning on making the drive down a two-day trip following Route 66 in Illinois and making the trip back also a two-day tour following the Lincoln Highway in the north. You can E-mail me at taltbrd@AOL.com if you have any questions about the convention or my plans for the drive down and back.

Hope to hear from you,

Randy Talkowski

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

The Board of Directors for WWTC consists of (4) four elected officers that are nominated and voted into office by the membership. These terms are for (2) years and the current Boards terms will end December 30, 2022.

Duties of these officers are:

PRESIDENT

Serve are Chief Executive Office and chair meetings of the Board and General Membership Meetings. Administer policies and programs in an efficient manner. Appoint committees necessary to carry out club activities and appoint other non-elected members to the Board. Also responsible for, along with the Treasurer, for signing checks or any withdrawals from the club accounts.

VICE-PRESIDENT

Will serve are WWTC Chief Executive Officer in the absence and/or incapacity of the President. Also perform other duties as assigned by the President or Board of Directors.

SECRETARY

Will be responsible for recording and keeping records of all meeting of the Board or General membership. Also perform other duties as assigned by the President or Board of Directors.

TREASURER

Will be responsible for keeping records of all bank transactions and depositing all income into the club's bank account. Responsible for, along with the President, signing checks or any withdrawals from the club accounts. At the end of every year the Treasurer will present the financial records to an auditor for audit.

Please consider submitting a nomination for officers to JoAnn Rodriguez joannbill801@comcast.net or mail to WWTC, P.O. Box 2957, Taylor, MI 48180 by July 31 2022. The nominations will be published in the August Newsletter and ballots will be published in the September Newsletter for your consideration of Board members to maintain the club 2023 thru 2024. If you have any questions, please call JoAnn 248-719-0160

Classic Appreciation in Rochester





Maria Pomaville & Ken Barnes, Dave & Joe Lau

Bob Witt, Rick Charniga & George Roscoe





Bob & Maureen Smith

Barry & Nancy Burnham, Blake & Patrick Alexander





Ed & Denise Sikora & Dave Savage

Ken & Karla Coll & Bob & Deb Jameyfield

