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THE LEHIGH VALLEY THUNDERBIRD CLUB

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President's Message



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Happy November fellow LVTC Members!

This year has flown by and so many of our favorite events, shows and cruises seemed to have been "washed out" due to weather. The Car Show event list is reflective of the end of the Car Show season, here in the Northeast. We still have some events before the end of the year, so I hope to see you there.

A couple things changed in November. We are now going to join up with our sister club to our north, the North Jersey Thunderbird Association, on Saturday November 4th, to attend a "Garage Stop" at Pat Wilson's Facility. Pat has been a long time advertiser in our Thunderword, so lets show some support and attend the event. We will meet at The Lehigh Valley Best Western off Center Street and RT 22 at 7:15am and leave by 7:30am. Our America on Wheels Museum visit has moved to Saturday, November 11th, at 10:00am.

Club Membership renewal fees are due December 31, 2017. The Membership renewal form can be found on page 6.

Our Annual Holiday Party will be held at the Iron Lakes Country Club. New location, new menu, Same friends. Information and registration form on page 4. It is important to get your form in as soon as possible so we can give the country club a accurate head count.

I added a VTCI membership application to our newsletter on page 11. VTCI has a very friendly group of T-Bird "experts" that have a lot of knowledge. So, don't be shy, join VTCI and get access to this help!

Finally, Elections are coming up and the ballot will be published in the December Thunderword. We can definitely use more help as our club grows. We sometimes lose members because there is a lot to run a successful club and the more who help, the easier it becomes and the more interaction we have within the club. Please think about it!

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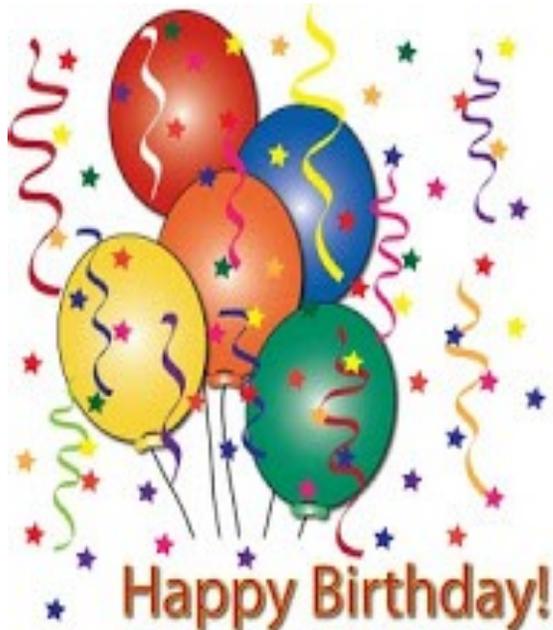
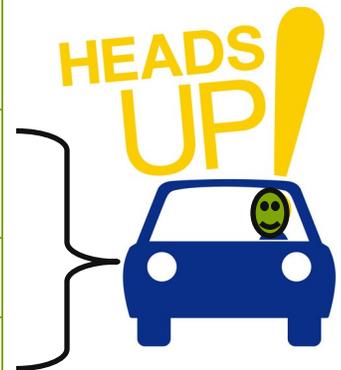
Upcoming Shows and Events

DATE	EVENT	LOCATION
November 4, 2017	Pat Wilson's Garage Stop 9:00 am Leaving LV Best Western Parking Lot at	Pat Wilson's 375 RT 94 Fredon, NJ 07860 973-579-7205
November 7, 2017	General Meeting	Parkland Restaurant 2702 Walbert Avenue Allentown, PA 18104 610-432-2745
November 11, 2017	America on Wheels Museum 10:00 am	America on Wheels Museum 5 North Front Street Allentown, PA 18102 610-432-4200
November 28, 2017	Board Meeting	Borderline Restaurant
December 10, 2017	LVTC Annual Holiday Party 1:00 pm	Iron Lakes Country Club 3625 Shankweiler Road Allentown, PA 18104 610-395-3369
January 6, 2018	General Meeting and Elections	Borderline Restaurant 2100 W Union Blvd Bethlehem, PA 18018
January 20, 2018	AUTOMANIA	302 N 17 th Street Allentown, PA 18104
January 27, 2018	Board Meeting	Borderline Restaurant @ 1:00pm

Please Note:

Pertaining to the General Meeting and Board of Directors Meeting, if you plan to have dinner, please arrive at 6:00pm, otherwise, the actual meeting **starts at 7:00pm.**

**Parkland Restaurant
2702 Walbert Avenue
Allentown, PA 18104
610-432-2745**



Happy Birthday !

Krys Haupt 11/1

Nancy Haupt 11/7

Susan Mirro 11/3

Michael Adamski 11/24

Lynn Albarell 11/5

Tell us if you have a Birthday in November that we missed Please call (610) 434-2777 !



LEHIGH VALLEY THUNDERBIRD CLUB

ANNUAL CHRISTMAS PARTY

Sunday, December 10, 2017

Iron Lakes Country Club

3625 Shankweiler Road
Allentown, PA 18104

(610) 395-3369

In the Cypress Room at 1:00 p.m.

We have an excellent and fun-filled afternoon planned for everyone—including our annual gift exchange.

Gift exchange guidelines:

- 1) One gift per couple in exchange for one gift per couple
- 2) Participation optional: if you are not participating, do not bring a gift (but you'll miss out on the fun)
- 3) Gifts need not be car related
- 4) Cost of gift approximately \$20,00
- 5) Do not put your name on the gift, gifts are anonymous, simply wrap the gift

The Buffet served to us this year will have entrée choices Chicken Cordon Bleu, Roast Sirloin of Beef and Roast Atlantic Salmon Fillet. Our menu includes: salad, entrée, vegetables, rolls & butter, dessert, coffee, and tea.

A cash bar is also available. Cost of ticket is **\$25.00 per person**

We hope you will all be able to join our annual festivities. Be prepared for another memorable event with good friends, good food, laughs to share, and a festive time! Don't miss out, see you there!

(If you have any questions, please call Walt or Sandi Fries at 610-759-4997)

Note: If you care to contribute to Marines' Toys for Tots, please bring an unwrapped new toys to donate.

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PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY

YES, I (we) will be attending the Leigh Valley Thunderbird Club Christmas Party! Here is my (our) information:

Name: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____

Zip Code: _____ Phone #: _____ Email: _____

Number of people attending: _____ X \$ 25.00 per person = \$ _____



Please mail your check to:

Lehigh Valley Thunderbird Club Treasurer
70 Gum Street
Nazareth, PA 18064



Cousin Vinnie's Fast Chicken Soup



Growing up in an ethnically diverse community like South Philly, you learned a lot! In an Italian family, every meal is an event. Take Chicken soup for example, it starts by accompanying Mom to the chicken market at 6:00 am. There, she lets you pick out your favorite chicken, then the counter person takes it out of the cage and disappears with it for several minutes and then brings it back, neck broken, wrapped in paper. It's your job to carry it home, along with all the fresh vegetables and fruit Mamma buys, unless you remembered to get the two wheeled cart to use.

Once home, Mom puts the chicken in a boiling pot of hot water to remove the feathers, which are saved for China Mae to pick up to make pillows with. After the feathers are plucked and the head removed, Mom demonstrates the fine art of removing the organs from the chicken, including the brain and eyes. All these items will be prepared specially for various family members to enjoy with their soup later. Now the naked chicken, without any organs is skillfully cut apart and boiled in spring water to make the chicken stock for the soup. Mom adds the family secret spices, the onions, celery, carrots and don't forget the garlic, to the stock and cooks it all day. In the meantime, while the stock and chicken are cooking, Mom will have about five pots of coffee, make fresh bread, sauce for the pasta (can never have a meal without red sauce for pasta), will bake a fresh cake and prepares the chicken organs for the older family members coming for soup.

So, as I mentioned, living in the diverse Italian neighborhood of South Philly, I met Skinny Stevie Myers, a scrawny Jewish boy who's dad was an accountant for the Italian-American Neighborhood Association. Skinny Stevie wasn't much of an athlete, and did not understand half ball with a broom handle. So I was asked to take him under my wing and teach him the ways of the street. On one December night, after hanging at the corner, Skinny Stevie Myers Mom, Mrs. Myers invited me in for some chicken soup. Mrs. Myers was definitely different than the other moms on the block. She did not like to cook too much. She was the only one that had a "nucker" that cook little boxed meals. Also, she had a very bad memory, because she called everybody "honey". So when she offered me the chicken soup, I was surprised it was in a pot instead of out of a can! It was actually very good. When I asked her for her recipe, she was excited and very willing to share "Fast Chicken Soup" with me. To this day, this is how I make my chicken soup too.

Ingredients you will need for 4 normal Italians:

- 1) 4 cleaned and boneless chicken breasts
- 2) 3 quarts of prepared chicken stock (watch your sodium content)
- 3) 1 Cup of frozen diced onions
- 4) 1 Cup of frozen cut carrots
- 5) 1 Cup of diced celery
- 6) Salt and Pepper to taste
- 7) 1 pound of Acini Di Pepe Pasta (if Italian) or like Mrs. Myers, just use egg noodles
- 8) Locatelli Cheese

Take a large stock pot and pour in the prepared chicken stock. Add the vegetables, and chicken breasts. Turn heat on medium heat and place lid on pot. Cook about an hour, then add salt and pepper to taste. Cook an additional 2 to 3 hours, or until the chicken breasts can be broken apart with a fork. Using two forks, pull the breast apart in the soup. When finished, add the Acini Di Pepe and allow the pasta to cook about 8 minutes. Serve with Locatelli Cheese and some fresh Italian bread.

Lehigh Valley Thunderbird Club

Membership Renewal 2018 Calendar Year

Renewal application fee is **\$25.00**. Please make check payable to LVTC.

Please mail your completed application form and check for to:

LEHIGH VALLEY THUNDERBIRD CLUB Treasurer

70 Gum Street

Nazareth, PA 18064-1018

(PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY)

Name: _____

Birthday: _____

Spouse: _____

Birthday: _____

Address: _____ E-mail address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Home Phone: _____ Business/Cell Phone: _____

Thunderbird Data: (List additional cars on separate paper and attached to application)

National T-Bird Club Affiliations: CTCI#: _____ VTCI#: _____ ITC#: _____

Body Type: Coupe Convertible Landau Roadster Hardtop Sunroof Town Hardtop 4-Door

Year: _____ Vin#: _____ License#/State: _____

Current Mileage: _____ Color: _____

Collector INS Co Name: _____ Policy#: _____

How do you use your car?

Daily Transportation _____ 2nd Car _____ Hobby _____

How would you rate your car? (5) Show to (1) Poor _____

Please circle as many below that best describe the condition of your thunderbird:

all original

needs restoration

do not have a car

total restoration

restored for fun use

restored for show only

2017 Schedule of Planned Activities

Date	Activity	Time	Point Person (s)
Saturday, January 21, 2017	Auto Mania	9:00 am	Vince
Saturday, February 25, 2017	GLVADA HS Competition	7:30 am	Vince
Saturday, March 4, 2017	Annual Pizza Party Feasta Pizza 2400 Schoenersville Rd. Allentown, PA	1:00 pm	Walt, Sandi & Jerry
Saturday, March 25, 2017	GLVADA Auto Show Display Stabler Arena 124 Goodman Drive Bethlehem, PA	8:30 am	Vince & Tom
Saturday, April 8, 2017	Model Train Club Invite Bethlehem, PA	10:00 am	Jerry
May 6, 2017	"Cruise to The Hagley"	9:30 am	Ken, Vince & Walt
Saturday, May 20, 2017	Jordan UCC Car Show	9:00 am	Bill & Sally
Saturday, May 21, 2017	Wind Gap Car Show	9:00 am	Tom & Al
June 2 to 4, 2017	Carlisle All Ford Nationals	6:00 am	Tom, Al, Vince & Walt
Saturday, June 10, 2017	NLTA All Thunderbird Car Show Pompton Plains, NJ	8:00 am	Tom & Al
Sunday, July 9, 2017	Nazareth Day Planning Picnic Nazareth Park	2:00 pm	Walt
Saturday, July 15, 2017	Nazareth Day Car Show	7:00 am	Everyone
August 4-6, 2017	Das Awkscht "Club Day is Sunday"	8:00 am	Tom, Al, Walt & Bill
Tuesday, August 1, 2017	Mini Golf @ Lucky Strokes	6:00 pm	Jerry
September 7-10, 2017	Second Annual ALL THUNDERBIRD CONVENTION Pottsville, PA	8:00 am	Vince, Walt & Sandi
Sunday, October 8, 2017	North Catasauqua Car Show	9:00 am	Tom & Al
Date Changed to November 11, 2017	America on Wheels Museum	10:00 am	Jerry
Sunday, December 10, 2017	LVTC Annual Christmas Party @ Iron Links	1:00 pm	Walt & Sandi

November 2017 Auto Show, Evens and Cruises

11/03/2017	<u>Hatboro Cruiser's First Friday Cruise Nights</u>	Warrington , Pennsylvania
11/04/2017	<u>Hot Rods & Hops</u>	Croydon , Pennsylvania
11/05/2017	<u>FIFS 3rd Annual Chilly Cruise Under the Lights</u>	Telford , Pennsylvania



January 19 to 21, 2018

302 N 17th Street
Allentown, PA 18104

Event Hours

Friday: 12:00pm to 9:00pm
Saturday: 9:00am to 6:00pm
Sunday: 9:00am to 3:00pm

Admission

\$10.00 Daily

For more than two decades, Auto Mania has been Pennsylvania's biggest indoor heated swap meet and the tradition continues this year with support from Carlisle Events. The 59,000 square foot facility that is Agricultural Hall at the Allentown PA Fairgrounds plays host to a wide array of vendors and attendees annually. This event is a great opportunity to interact with likeminded enthusiasts in a family friendly atmosphere and is the perfect setting to buy, sell and trade all things automotive. There's a great array of parts, literature, services and more. Best of all, you're less than two hours from New York City, Philadelphia and Scranton with major roads like I-78, the Pennsylvania Turnpike and Route 22 all nearby. This event takes place no matter the weather and won't cancel, be postponed or rescheduled under any circumstance. Consider spending your weekend with Carlisle Events in Allentown for Auto Mania and jumpstart the New Year with great automotive excitement.



FIRST 2018 MEETING on SATURDAY, January 6th



Location

**Borderline Restaurant
2100 W Union Blvd
Bethlehem, PA 18018**

@ 1:00PM



Club Elections coming up in January 2018

Positions up for Elections:

Club Vice President

Club Secretary

Board of Director Positions

If Interested, you must be a member in good standing for one year before being eligible to run for a position.

Contact Vince - Club President if interested in running!

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MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION

The annual fee for membership in the Vintage Thunderbird Club of Indiana is \$15. This covers all members in the family. These dues entitle the member(s) to a VTCIn membership card, and member items including a current roster of the membership. You will also receive a copy of the Clubs' monthly newsletter "*Bird Droppings*", delivered to your home each month by e-mail or first class mail. Members in good standing enjoy full voting privileges at meetings and are eligible to hold club offices.

Annual dues renewals are payable by March 31st of each year. Those who join after August 1st, will have a fee of \$15, which covers full membership through the following year.

VTCIn is a not-for-profit organization. All dues collected are used to defray the costs involved in operating the club, publication of the newsletter, and to cover the costs of some club activities.



FOR CONTACT INFORMATION VISIT

OUR WEBSITE AT:

www.vtcin.com

INTERNATIONAL AFFILIATION

The Vintage Thunderbird Club of Indiana (VTCIn) is a sanctioned chapter of the Vintage Thunderbird Club International. VTCI membership spans the globe and serves as a guiding force to bring Thunderbird owners around the world together. As a member of VTCI, you will enjoy their bi-monthly publication "*The Scoop*". Each issue is packed with stories about our cars, technical information and restoration tips.

Each year VTCI sponsors both regional meets as well as a international convention. Members and their families are encouraged to participate at all levels. VTCI is the oldest club in the country devoted entirely to all years of the Ford Thunderbird.

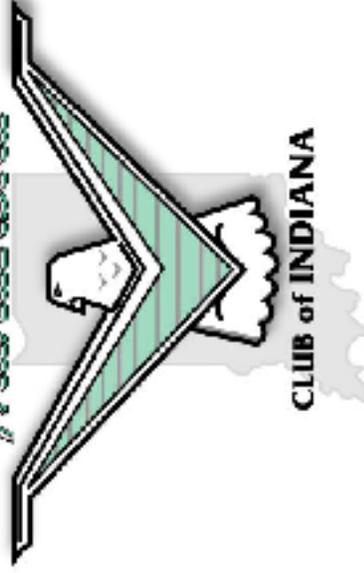
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E-Mail: _____

THUNDERBIRDS OWNED

(Ownership is not required to be a member)

Year: _____ Model: _____

Year: _____ Model: _____

Year: _____ Model: _____

VTCL MEMBER: YES NO # _____
(Membership in the International is encouraged but not required)

How did you hear about us? _____

Please enclose a check in the amount of \$15 payable to the Vintage Thunderbird Club of Indiana and mail to:

Elaine Anderson-Membership Chair
701 N. Country Club Rd.
Peru, Indiana 46970

OUR HISTORY

The VTCIn was formed in October 1991. The purpose of the club is to promote the preservation, restoration and enjoyment of the Ford Thunderbird automobile. This has now grown to include ALL years of Thunderbirds.

While ownership of a vintage Thunderbird is encouraged, it is not a prerequisite for membership in the club. Anyone with a keen interest in any year Thunderbird is always welcome.

MEMBER BENEFITS

The Vintage Thunderbird Club of Indiana is one of the largest clubs in the State devoted entirely to the preservation of the Ford Thunderbird. As a member, you will experience the following benefits.

- Monthly meetings and outings with other T-Bird owners
- Receipt of our monthly newsletter "Bird Droppings" featuring club news, upcoming activities, stories and resto tips about our cars and the old car hobby in general. We also feature a listing of shows and cruise-ins around Indiana during the warm months.
- Support and help with repair and restoration of your car.
- Opportunity to purchase club items at club cost.

CLUB ACTIVITIES

The Club offers its members a variety of activities throughout the year; all designed with the family in mind.

- ◆ MONTHLY MEETINGS - a chance to meet with other members and exchange conversation about our cars.
- ◆ ONE DAY OUTINGS - to places of interest throughout our State during the warm months.
- ◆ PARTICIPATION in Ford Motor Co. shows and exhibits.
- ◆ HOSTING VTCL regional and national events.
- ◆ ANNUAL family-style old fashioned pitch-in picnic.
- ◆ ANNUAL MEETING with other T-Bird clubs within our region.
- ◆ PARTICIPATION in other car shows throughout the area.
- ◆ SPONSORING a club booth at the fall Hoosier Auto Show in Indianapolis to promote our club.

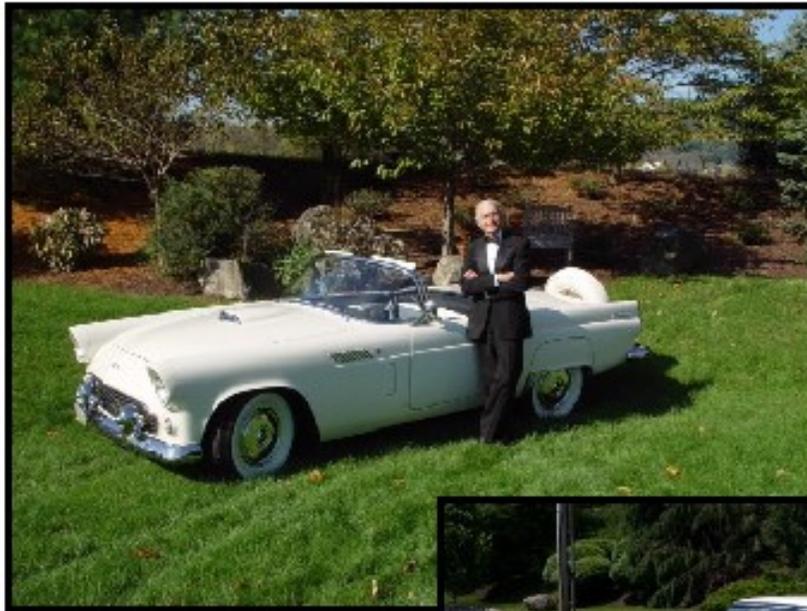
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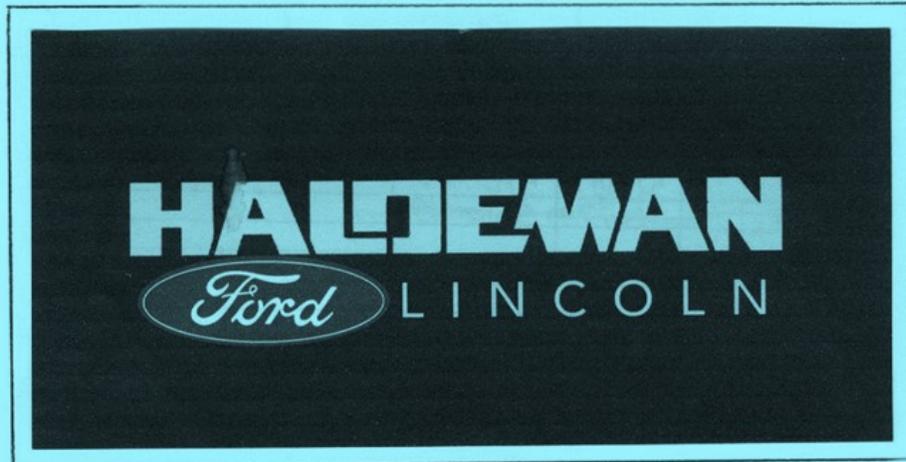
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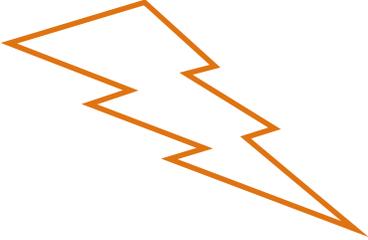


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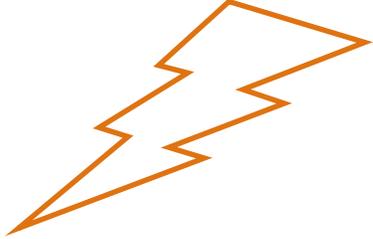


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