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Coming JUNE 9, 2019 The club usually has 8 to 10 cars that go to this show it's normally a great day. Lets make it better by having more THUNDERBIRDS from LVTC to attend this show hopefully you have registered for this event already if not , you can register day of show.

NORTH JERSEY THUNDERBIRD ASSOC. say's it's

THE BEST ONE-DAY ALL THUNDERBIRD CAR SHOW AROUND

For the Latest Information on Club Events,
 Call our Message Center at (610) 218-1500
 Website: <http://lehighvalleythunderbirdclub.com>

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70 Gum St
Nazareth, PA 18064

April 4, 2019

Dear Lehigh Valley Thunderbird Club Inc.:

Thank you for your \$25.00 contribution to the American Heart Association, donated on 3/31/2019 In Memory of Michael P. Day.

Your gift helps support the mission of the American Heart Association as we continue our fight against our nation's leading killers – heart disease and stroke. Working together, we can save lives.

We would like to acknowledge your donation to the family or honoree, however we do not have a contact address to send it to. If you would like the American Heart Association to send a memorial or tribute acknowledgement, please return the enclosed form with the complete name and address of the person to whom you would like the card sent, along with the name of the individual(s) being memorialized or honored. Please print clearly.

Again, thank you for your contribution. If you would like more information about cardiovascular health, CPR classes or American Heart Association volunteer opportunities, call 1-800-AHA-USA1 or visit our website at <http://www.heart.org>.

Please keep this letter as a receipt for your records.
No goods or services were provided in consideration of this gift.

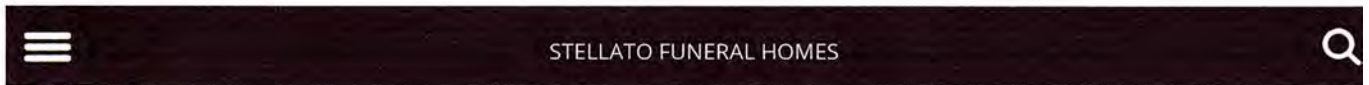
Sincerely,

Centralized Donations
National Engagement Center
Toll Free 800.242.8721

Faith United Church of Christ Hazelton, Pa. Would like to Thank You, LVTC for the Generous Donation of \$25.00 in memory of

Harold Warg

The May newsletter just went out, a couple days before Ann Leaman passed away here is her obituary



Ann Leaman

May 3, 1929 - May 1, 2019

Recommend 0

Ann Leaman (nee Norton), 89, of Fairfield, New Jersey passed away on Wednesday May 1, 2019. Beloved Husband, Kenneth G. Leaman. Loving mother of Gary Leaman & his wife Patricia, Linda Leaman & her wife Karen Ortolani, Craig Leaman & his wife Joanna, Judy Wright & her husband Richard, Jill Bucciarelli & her husband John. Cherished grandmother of Sarah & her husband Jordan, Alan & his wife Elisabeth, Jennifer, Kevin, Jessica, John, Nicholas, Katie, Ricky, & Olivia. Dear brother of Edgar Norton & his wife Barbara and the late Dorothy Leaman & her husband Donald. Adored sister-in-law of Sylvia Kleff. Mrs. Leaman worked at the Cafeteria in Sears before she & her husband became the owners of On Time Delivery in Fairfield. Ann was a founding member of Pompton Valley Presbyterian Church and was instrumental in building the church. She was also a member of the Eastern Star. Funeral Tuesday at the Ippolito-Stellato Funeral Home, 7 Two Bridges Road. Interment Wallkill Cemetery. Friends will be received Monday 2 - 4 & 7 - 9PM. Donations may be made to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, 501 St. Jude Place, Memphis TN 38105 or Alzheimer's Association of America, 225 N. Michigan Ave. Floor 17 Chicago. IL 60601.





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Presidents Message

Happy June Fellow Club Members!

Thank You to those members that celebrated "Thunderbird Appreciation Day" by attending Wind Gap and all the other cruises and shows on May 21st! For those that attended Wind Gap, for a last minute effort to save the show, it turned out fairly well. Weather was nice, we had a lite breeze all day and best of all, great people to enjoy and share the day with!

Carlisle "All Ford National" is quickly approaching. I am looking forward to the event because it gives us the opportunity to see some of our friends that share a passion for Thunderbirds and the preservation of the make. I particularly like Carlisle because we get a glimpse at where the auto restoration/preservation hobby is going and we get to meet some creative individuals to learn from and share experiences. My Retro is ready and I hope yours is too! The tent is ordered along with some tables. We will be arriving early to set up. There will be a small propane grille there to use, so feel free to pack some hot dogs, burgers and whatever else you want to cook. We will have some basics there like ketchup, mustard and relish, along with paper plates, napkins and plastic forks, knives and spoons. Water and snacks too. So, come on out and enjoy the day hunting for parts, auto memorabilia and enjoy the fresh air.

Also in June, one of my favorite shows, the All Thunderbird Show, hosted by the North Jersey Club. We typically meet in the Best Western Conference Center parking lot at 8:00 am and then caravan up together. It is a fun ride and a great show, so try to attend!

Please pay attention and read the newsletter for additional local shows listed and try to come out for those as well. My wife always complains I spend my weekend at the car show, so this year I told her I would only do one each weekend! So only about 21 shows this year, you too can do that! LOL!

Well, enough from me!

Hope to see you at Carlisle!

Vince

Officers

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|----------------|--------------|----------------|
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| 610-703-6315 | 610-759-4997 | 610-279-6279 |

General Calendar

| | | |
|------------------------------------|---|--|
| <p>Tuesday May 28, 2019</p> | <p>BOARD of DIRECTORS</p> <p>As always if you are eating with us 6:00 pm</p> <p>Otherwise Meeting at 7</p> | <p>Taps Restaurant</p> <p>3731 PA-378</p> <p>Bethlehem, Pa. 18015</p> <p>In the Saucon Valley Square</p> |
| <p>Tuesday June 4, 2019</p> | <p>General Meeting</p> <p>As always if you are eating with us 6:00 pm</p> <p>Otherwise Meeting at 7</p> | <p>Parkland Restaurant</p> <p>2702 Walbert Ave.</p> <p>Allentown, Pa. 18104</p> <p>610-432-2745</p> |
| <p>May 31—June 2 2019</p> | <p>Carlisle All Ford Nationals</p> | <p>Carlisle Pa.</p> |
| <p>Saturday June 8, 2019</p> | <p>NJTA ALL Thunderbird Show</p> | <p>Pompton Plains , NJ</p> |
| <p>Saturday July 13, 2019</p> | <p>Nazareth Days Planning Picnic</p> | <p>TBA</p> |
| <p>SAT JULY 20 2019</p> | <p>43rd ANNUAL NAZARETH DAYS CAR SHOW</p> | <p>NAZARETH BORO PARK SEE FLIER THIS ISSUE</p> |



NORTHAMPTON AREA
SCHOOL DISTRICT
Learn, Listen, and Lead

5th Annual NASD Student Council Car Show

Cars * Trucks * Motorcycles * Antique tractors
* * All makes, models and years welcome * *

Saturday, July 27, 2019
(RAIN DATE: SUNDAY, JULY 28, 2019)

At Bicentennial Park West
5351 Park West Lane (off of Colony Drive)
East Allen Township, Northampton, PA 18067
9:00 AM to 3:00 PM

Registration 9:00AM to 12 noon
Awards at 3:00 PM

* Dash plaques for first 100 pre-registered cars *

30 Awards, Door Prizes, Tricky-Tray, Food, DJ, Craft & Flea Market

*** * All proceeds benefit NASD Student Council * ***

NASD OR ROY J. MARANKI WILL NOT BE HELD RESPONSIBLE FOR INJURY, LOSS, THEFT OR DAMAGE.
ANY QUESTIONS, PLEASE CONTACT ROY - HOME: 610-440-2213 OR CELL: 610-704-9021

REGISTRATION FORM

PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY

CAR/TRUCK PRE-REGISTRATION - \$8.00 BY 07/20/2019 *DAY OF SHOW - \$10.00
MOTORCYCLE/TRACTOR PRE-REGISTRATION- \$8.00 BY 07/20/2019 *DAY OF SHOW - \$10.00
CRAFTS/FLEA MARKET PRE-REGISTRATION - \$10.00 BY 07/20/2019 * DAY OF SHOW - \$12.00

MAKES CHECKS PAYABLE TO: Northampton Area School District

NAME: _____ MAIL TO: Roy J. Maranki
ADDRESS: _____ 3019 Eisenhower Drive
CITY: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP CODE: _____ Northampton, PA 18067
YEAR: _____ MAKE: _____ MODEL: _____ PHONE: _____

2019 SCHEDULED of PLANNED ACTIVITIES

| DATE | ACTIVITY | TIME | POINT PERSON |
|---|--|--------------------------------|----------------------|
| Saturday April 6 2019 | Diner Day Boyertown Museum | 10:00 am | Mike |
| Saturday APRIL 6, 2019 | PIZZA DAY | 12:00 NOON | |
| Saturday April 20, 2019 | Model Trains at Merchants Square | 10:00 am | Tom / Jerry |
| Saturday May 11, 2019 | Nazareth Boys Basketball First Car Show Nazareth Intermediate School Flier this Issue | 10:00 am to 2:00 pm | Walt |
| Saturday May 18 2019 | Ambler Car Show | 1:00 pm to 5:00 pm | Mike |
| Sunday May 19, 2019 | 36th Wind Gap Car Show | 9:00 am to 2pm | Tom |
| May 31st - June 2, 2019 | Carlisle All Ford Nationals | 7:00 am to 7:00 pm | Tom |
| Saturday June 8, 2019 | NJTA All Thunderbird Show Pompton, Plains NJ. | 9am to 3pm | Tom |
| Saturday July 13, 2019 | Nazareth Days Planning Picnic | TBA | Vince |
| Saturday July 20, 2019 | 43rd Annual Nazareth Days | 9:00 to 3:00 | Vince |
| Thursday August 8, to Saturday August 10, 2019 | 2019 VTCI INTERNATIONAL Westin Hotel Princeton Princeton, New Jersey | All day | Vince |
| August 11,2019 | Allentown Iron Pigs Game | 1:35 PM | Walt or Jerry |
| Sunday September 29,2019 | Lehigh Valley SAAC MUSTANG AND ALL FORD Penn State Campus Center Valley Parkway | 9:00 TO 3:00 | DAN |
| December 8, 2019 | Christmas Party | 12:00 pm | Vince |

Das Awkscht Fescht



AUGUST 2, 3 & 4, 2019
MACUNGIE MEMORIAL PARK
MACUNGIE, PA



PRE-REGISTRATION ONLY
 NO JUDGING
 INDIVIDUAL CAR CLUB SHOWS
 SUNDAY, AUGUST 4th, 2019



NO STREET RODS — NO STREET MACHINES — CUSTOM OR MODIFIED

Listed below are the names of the clubs, who are holding shows at Macungie on Sunday in conjunction with Das Awkscht Fescht. OPEN TO EVERYONE, need not be a Club Member. In if doubt, please write to Das Awkscht Fescht, Box 127, Macungie, PA 18062-0127. Make checks payable to Das Awkscht Fescht.

Come join in on the fun at
CLUB DAY
at Das Awkscht Fescht



CUT HERE

SUNDAY

AUGUST 4, 2019

Pre-Registration Form Only - No Day of Show Registration

Post Mark Deadline: July 1, 2019

NEED NOT BE A CLUB MEMBER

USE GATE #1 ONLY

NEW ADDRESS: YES NO
 (TYPE OR BLOCK PRINT, PLEASE)

NAME _____ YEAR _____ MAKE _____

STREET _____ MODEL _____

TOWN _____ BODY STYLE _____

STATE _____ ZIP _____ +4 _____ CLUB NUMBER _____

PHONE/AREA CODE (_____) _____

Make checks or money order only, payable to: Das Awkscht Fescht

Mail to: Box 127, Macungie, PA 18062-0127

PLEASE DUPLICATE THIS FORM FOR ADDITIONAL VEHICLES.

Pre-Registration thru December 31, 2018: \$12.00 per car ___ No Refunds

Sun. Pre-Registration Jan. 2 thru July 1, 2019: \$15.00 per car ___ No Refunds

ONLY ONE TENT PER CLUB ALLOWED

| | |
|-------------------|-------|
| OFFICIAL USE ONLY | |
| F.S. | _____ |
| S. | _____ |
| S.S. | _____ |

WHICH CLUB ARE YOU ENTERING - BY NUMBER

CHECK PAGE 4 FOR INFORMATION

FOUR (4) PERSONS PER VEHICLE

No Street Rods - No Street Machines - Custom or Modified

Limited to 1300 Entries

- | | | | |
|----------------------|-----------------------------------|---|------------------------------|
| - Chrysler Products | 10 - Early Ford V-8 | 19 - Hudson | 29 - Foreign Cars |
| - Chevrolet | 10A - Ford | 20 - Dodge & Graham | 30 - All 1927 & Earlier Cars |
| - Pontiac | 11 - Model A Ford | 21 - Edsel, Mercury, Lincoln | 31 - Oakland |
| - Corvette | 12 - Thunderbird | 22 - Checker | 32 - Crosley |
| - Studebaker, Avanti | 13 - Willys | 23 - Nat. Woodie Club | 33 - Mercedes Benz |
| - Corvair | 14 - Nash & Rambler | 24 - Ford Falcon, Fairlane | 34 - Oldsmobile |
| - Metropolitan | 15 - Chev. Nomads, Pontiac Safari | 25 - Kaiser, Frazer, Henry J., AllState, Darrin | 35 - VCCA |
| - Buick | 16 - Auburn, Cord, Duesenberg | 26 - Packard | 36 - VW |
| - Cadillac & LaSalle | 17 - Shelby Mustang | 27 - Mustang | 37 - Mopar Madness |
| | 18 - Franklin | 28 - Rolls Royce | 38 - British Car Club |

REGISTRATION BY ONTELAUNEE CAR CLUB, PARKING BY THE INDIVIDUAL CLUBS.

All units registered must be on showfield to receive Participation Award.

FOR CONFIRMATION, PLEASE SUPPLY SELF-ADDRESSED, STAMPED ENVELOPE WITH REGISTRATION

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Just a reminder if you are planning on going to DAS AWKSCHT FESCHT the registration is on the previous page, it must be post-marked by **JULY 1st** there is **NO REGISTRATION AT THE GATE, DAY OF SHOW.**

JUNE

Vince Luppino 6/1

Walt Fries Jr.6/4

Judy Saunders 6/11

Audrey Hellings 6/17

If you have a Birthday in JUNE we missed Call 610-434-2777





5 North Front St

Allentown PA 18102

Americaonwheels.org

610-432-4200

Thunderbirds Wanted

The Ford Thunderbird is one of the most recognizable & iconic cars ever built. Our guests love looking at and telling stories about Thunderbirds. Imagine telling your friends that your Thunderbird is being displayed at the prestigious America on Wheels Museum in Allentown PA. The museum is climate controlled and your car will be secure. Guests will not be able to touch your car. We are looking for very clean Thunderbirds for the 2019-2020 winter display. We will need your car from roughly October 2019 to April of 2020. We would like to have representation from as many Thunderbird generations as possible and as many special editions as possible. You will be granted free access to the Museum. This could also help you make additional room in your garage for the winter.

If you have a very clean Thunderbird of any year and you are interested in learning more about this opportunity, please reach out to Dan Mohry at dan478@aol.com or 484-357-3385.



America
ON WHEELS

ROAD TRIP!



Are **YOU** interested in taking a club trip? It would be for three days and two nights (minimum) or more if you like! 2

DAY ONE: Allentown to Utica, NY, via Norwich, NY.

- A. Visit Northeast Classic Car Museum (mostly Franklins) in Norwich plus lunch in Norwich.
- B. Ride on Adirondack Scenic RR at Utica with possible dinner on the train.
- C. Stay at a Historic Hotel in Utica.

DAY TWO: Utica to Burlington, VT via Lake Placid & Fort Ticonderoga.

- A. Lunch someplace between Lake Placid and Fort T.
- B. Ferry ride to VT.
- C. Visit Shelburne Museum (Village representing historic VT buildings).
- D. Dinner cruise on Lake Champlain (look for Champ)
- E. Stay at hotel/motel at greater Burlington

DAY THREE: Burlington to Bennington back /home.

- A. Visit Ben & Jerry's at Waterbury.
- B. See the floating bridge at Brookfield.
- C. Lunch at Killington area. (My cousin refused to make lunch for us)
- D. Visit Hemmings at Bennington.
- E. Dinner on your own on your way home.

DAY FOUR (OPTIONAL): Staying over night and dinner on the third day in Bennington.

- A. Visit the covered bridges around Bennington.
- B. Lunch around Bennington.
- C. Take Hwy 7 to I-90 going through Taconic Range (very scenic).
- D. Take I-90 towards home.



ROAD TRIP to Vermont !

| | |
|-------------------------------------|--|
| Name | |
| How Many in your party? | |
| Address | |
| City | |
| State | |
| Zip Code | |
| Phone Number | |
| Days of week you would like to go? | |
| Dates you could travel? Be Specific | |
| Hotel Cost Range | |
| E-Mail Address | |

Contact me: E-mail kkadk@aol.com,

Home (anytime) 610-869-9107 (leave detailed message if not home)

Mobile (I may not answer) 610-425-7221





**MATC 45th Anniversary Trip to
Harrisonburg/Staunton VA
June 21-22, 2019**



**Host Hotel,
June 21-22,
2019**

**Friday Dinner,
June 21, 4pm**

**Friday Cruise-
In, June 21**

**Friday 9pm
Hospitality
Room**

**Saturday June
22**

**Saturday
Caravan to
Staunton VA,
Antique Car
Museum**

**Saturday lunch,
12:30pm**

Hampton Inn Harrisonburg University, 85 University Blvd, Harrisonburg VA 22801, 540-432-1111. A block of 15 rooms is held until May 24 (4 with 2 double beds, 10 with king beds, and 1 accessible), discount rate \$124 +tax, meeting room in addition to use of breakfast area after hours. Hot, full breakfast included, free wifi, 24 hr. coffee/tea bar. **Members must ask for MATC rate.** Get your t-shirts and magnetic car signs from Skip when you arrive.

<https://hamptoninn3.hilton.com/en/hotels/virginia/hampton-inn-harrisonburg-university-HSBUVHX/index.html>

Thunderbird Café, 42 Island Ford Rd, McGaheysville VA 22840, 540-289-5094. www.thethunderbirdcafe.com Meet **4pm** after hotel check-in. GPS instructions are confusing after turn off highway, but it's in a small shopping strip on the right - keep driving around the building and you will find it!

Caravan from Thunderbird Café to **9th Annual Keezleville Ruritan Club Cruise In**, Ruritan Park, 1118 Indian Trail, Keezletown VA. If you didn't make it to dinner, food and drinks including fried country ham, cheeseburgers, hamburgers, hot dogs, french fries, white beans, ice cream, iced tea, lemonade, and soft drinks will be available to purchase. <https://www.evensi.us/9th-annual-cruise-keezletown-ruritan-club/289193995>

There is a meeting room just down the hall from the registration desk at the **Hampton Inn Harrisonburg University** that we have been assigned as our hospitality room. We will open it Friday evening after the Cruise In.

Hot breakfast at hotel. →Please put some quarters in your pocket/purse. It seems that is what the Staunton meters require.

Line up in hotel parking lot no later than 9:30am, tanks full and bladders empty.

Caravan to Bruce A. Elder Antique and Classic Automobile Museum, 114 S New St, Staunton VA 24401, 540-885-0500. Appointment 10:30 am. City parking lot across street will be reserved.

Clocktower Restaurant & Bar, 27 W Beverly St, Staunton VA 24401, 540-213-0665, on-street parking or building across the street. We will have a private room. <https://clocktowerstaunton.com/>

Saturday Free time

Saturday Night Dinner 6pm,

Saturday Evening Anniversary Celebration, 7-10pm

Options: All of these except Wilson Library and Frontier Museum are with a couple blocks walking distance from the Clocktower Restaurant.

Sunspots Studio, 540.885.0678

202 S. Lewis St., Staunton, VA 24401 open 10am - 6pm, shopping, glass blowing demo or make your own ornament (\$50 fee) <https://www.sunspots.com/>

L. Oppleman's America's Oldest Pawn Shop (540) 886-9527

26 Byers St, Staunton VA 24401 <http://www.lopplemanstaunton.com/>

Rachel's Quilt Patch, 4258, 40 Middlebrook Ave, Staunton, VA 24401, (540) 886-7728, <https://www.rachelsquiltpatch.com/>

Appalachian Piecework & Antiques, 38 Middlebrook Avenue, Staunton, VA 24401, (540) 688-9347 <http://www.appalachianpiecework.com/visit-us>

Camera Heritage Museum, Self-guided tours lead through exhibits devoted to the history, science & art of photography. 1 W Beverley St, Staunton, VA 24401, (540) 886-8535. Featured on TV, <https://www.cameraheritagemuseum.com/>

Woodrow Wilson Presidential Library, 20 N Coalter St, Staunton, VA 24401, (parking in corner lot), Curator - (540) 885-0897, tours from \$25- \$40. <https://www.woodrowwilson.org/>

Frontier Culture Museum of VA, 1290 Richmond Ave, Staunton, VA 24401, <http://www.frontiermuseum.org/> You'll enjoy "living history" as communicated through costumed interpreters in both the Old World and American sections of the Museum. We recommend allowing 3-4 hours to see everything by foot. Shuttle carts run continuously in the event you want a lift. Golf carts can be rented for a nominal fee. Advance Registration requested for all guided tours. 540-332-7850. **If done on foot, this could make you late for dinner.**

Ox-Eye Vineyards Tasting Room, 44 Middlebrook Ave, Staunton, VA 24401, (540) 849-7926, outdoor patio for snacking and tasting. <https://www.oxeyevineyards.com/visitng-ox-eye>

Vito's Italian Kitchen, 1047 Port Republic Rd, Harrisonburg, VA 22801, 540-433-1113. <https://www.vitositaliankitchen.com/> **Probably should leave Staunton no later than 5:30 pm.** We have reserved a private room. Special directions: Restaurant sits way back in Deer Run Shopping Center which is opposite Sentara Park.

At the **Hampton Inn - University Hospitality Room**. Conversation and slide show. Anniversary cake and drinks. Members, please think of some of the fun or interesting times you have had as a MATC member and share those with the group as we celebrate. If you have photos, please bring those to share also.

Sunday Plans

Check out at noon.

Possibly go straight home via I81 or Rte. 340 or :

1. Enjoy leisurely drive to **Luray Caverns and Car Museum**, 101 Cave Hill Rd, Luray, VA 22835, 540•743•6551, admission \$28. <https://luraycaverns.com/>

2. **Cooter's** in Luray 4768 US Highway 211, W, Luray VA 22835
<https://cootersplace.com/> Dukes of Hazard fun.

3. Proceed to **Skyline Drive** and take it north to Front Royal VA and pick up Rte. 340 there. **Shenandoah Entrance Fee - Single Vehicle - \$30.00** or use your Golden Age Pass if you have one. This fee covers unlimited entry for one vehicle and passengers for seven consecutive days, beginning on the day of purchase.

4. **Blue Wing Frog**, 219 Chester St, Front Royal, VA 22630.
<http://www.bluewingfrog.com/> Fun, eclectic stop for drinks and food. Fresh Food. Real Food. Food that is good for you and your soul. Not fast. Not easy. Not cheap. Not fake. (their words, not ours)

5. **Blue Ridge Parkway** starts in Staunton and goes south. You may want to plan an extra night stay if you want to drive this. There is no fee to travel the Blue Ridge Parkway and entrances and exits are available at intersections with all major highways.

Other places near Harrisonburg

- White Oak Lavender Farm and Tasting Room, 2644 Cross Keys Rd, Harrisonburg VA 28801. <https://whiteoaklavender.com>
- Hardesty-Higgins House Visitors Center, Civil War Info. 212 S Main St, Harrisonburg VA 28801, <https://www.virginia.org/listings/HistoricSites/HarrisonburgRockinghamCivilWarOrientationCenter/>
- Virginia Museum of Civil War, 8895 George Collins Parkway, New Market, VA, interprets the 1864 Civil War Battle of New Market and the role of the Virginia Military Institute Cadets in it. <https://www.visitshenandoah.org/poi/virginia-museum-civil-war/>
- Patchwork Plus Quilt Shop, 17 Killdeer Ln, Dayton, VA 22821, <https://patchworkplus-quilting.com/>
- Virginia Quilt Museum, 301 South Main Street, Harrisonburg, VA 22801, \$7, <http://www.vaquiltmuseum.org/>. Closed Sunday

If you are planning to go on this 45th Anniversary Trip , **MATC** would like to know by no later than **MAY 24, 2015** if you register later than **that you are out of luck.**



MATC 45th Anniversary Trip Registration

June 21-22, 2019

Harrisonburg/Staunton VA

Names _____

Address _____

Phone numbers: Home _____ Cell _____

Email _____



Please fill out this registration form and mail (with a check paid to MATC for signs and t-shirts or without a check) to:

Harry Skruch, 4804 Torpoint Rd, Nottingham MD 21236. **Deadline May 24.**

I/We agree to hold harmless MATC and property owners for loss or injury incurred through participation in event activities.

Number Magnetic Car Signs at 2/\$35

Size crew neck t-shirt for him \$15 _____

Size V-neck t-shirt for her \$15 _____

Shirts are turquoise w/white 45th anniversary logo

How many will join us for dinner Fri 4pm
at Thunderbird Café ?

Pay your own dinner. _____

Will you join us for the Cruise-In Fri eve?

Yes or No

How many will join us at the Bruce Elder Antique
and Classic Automobile Museum on Saturday?

Pay \$5 per person at the door _____

How many will join us for lunch at the
Clocktower Restaurant after the Car Mu-
seum Tour Sat?

Pay your own lunch. _____

How many will join us for dinner Sat 6pm at Vito's
Restaurant ?

Pay your own dinner.



Snakes on the Mountain

Saturday, June 22, 2019

9:30 AM through 3:00 PM

Hosts: Len & MaryBeth Rusiewicz

6300 Robin Lane Coopersburg, PA 18036

The Annual "Ford-Viper-Ferrari" event offers a private location with lawn parking, great friends, a cruise, and good food and fun for everyone.

- 9:30 AM- 11:30AM Complimentary Coffee, Tea, & Doughnuts
- 11:30 AM - 12:00 PM Drone Picture From Above
- 12:00 PM- 2:00 PM A Scenic Tour with winding roads and long straight-aways along with covered bridges.
- 2:00 PM - 3:30 PM Come and treat yourself to lunch at The Proper Brewing Company located at 117 W Broad Street Quakertown, PA 18951

Pre-Registration Requested by Tuesday, June 18, 2019

Contact: Len 610-282-0109 tigerlift@yahoo.com



TECH TIPS

Speed bleeders

Dave Tulowitzky

Something fairly new on the market are called Speed Bleeders. Why all car makers do not use these as stock equipment in their cars is beyond my understanding. These bleeders make a one man brake bleed a very easy job. With conventional bleeders you have to either have a helper pump the brakes and hold or use a vacuum bleeder to extract the air in the system. With these you crack them open and just pump the brake pedal since each time you lift off of the pedal the internal ball on spring will rise and seal off any air from entering the brake system. It is also a good idea to buy the Speed Bleeder Bag for an additional \$11.00.

Go to the manufacturer website to see the animation of how it works. If your brake system is shot and has very dirty fluid with chunks of rust in it then these are not for you. Debris will get caught in the ball/spring mechanism and cause it to get stuck. Your best bet in that situation is to remove the brake line from the caliper or wheel cylinder and flush the entire system. Rebuild or replace the caliper or wheel cylinder before putting it all back together. Don't try to save a few bucks when it comes to brakes.

One person system takes the work out of brake bleeding...bleeding your brake or clutch line has never been easier or simpler! Revolutionary double-patented Speed Bleeder replaces the original bleeder valve in your caliper/wheel cylinder with a spring-loaded one-way ball and check valve design. This unique design opens to allow the old fluid and air out, then closes automatically between pumps to prevent the old fluid and air from re-entering the line. It's a real time saver!



Step 1: Open Russell Speed Bleeder screw 1/4 to 1/2 turn. Attach hose to Speed Bleeder bag or catch can to collect brake fluid.

Step 2: Pump brakes until air is purged from wheel cylinder. No need to close the screw between pumps as with a stock brake bleeder screw.

Step 3: Close valve. Repeat previous steps for other wheels, adding brake fluid to master cylinder as needed to maintain level.

Russell® Part #639570 Speed Bleeder

Dorman® Part #12701 brake bleeder screw



Russell® bleeder

Russell® bleeder bag

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Question for all of you but especially those of you who attended the Train event at Merchants Square

How many trains run at one time ?

(35) (45) (40) (50)

How many Thunderbirds were on the Platform ? (22) (30) (12)

(25)

Name of the Room we ate in ?

How Many People were there ?

Who was the train attendant ?

What Happened over the Lake ?



43rd Annual Nazareth Day Car Show

Saturday, July 20, 2019

9:00 am to 3:00 pm

Nazareth Borough Park

475 N. Broad Street

Nazareth, PA 18064

The Car Show is open to all Years, Makes and Models of Domestic and Foreign vehicles.
Motorcycles are not permitted.



Registration Information:

Pre-Register by July 1, 2019 - \$15.00

Day of Show Registration - - \$20.00

Rain Date: Sunday, July 21, 2019

For Cancellation or Postponement:

LVTC Message Center - 610-218-1500

Photo Plaque Information:

The first 200 vehicles to arrive before noon
will be photographed for a plaque.

*Due to development and assembly time, the
plaque will not be distributed before 2:00 pm.*

More Information on Back of this Form - Please Read

PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____

Zip Code: _____ E-Mail: _____

Year: _____ Make: _____ Model: _____

Club Affiliation: _____ Contact for 2020 Show: YES NO

Mail Form with check (\$15.00) to: Lehigh Valley Thunderbird Club Treasurer

70 Gum Street

Nazareth, PA 18064

Entrants and participants of this event will release and hold harmless for damages or like causes any and all volunteers or others involved in preparation and/or operation of The Lehigh Valley Thunderbird Car Show.

Directions:

From 33: Follow RT 191 into Nazareth. At Broad and Center Streets, turn right onto Broad St. Follow Broad St. for several blocks and the Park will be on your left.

From 22: Follow RT 191 North. At Pizza Hut, turn left and continue on RT 191 into Nazareth. When RT 191 turns right, stay straight on Broad St. and follow to Park, which will be on your left.

Parking:

As you enter the park, you will be directed to the photo location, after which you will be guided to a parking space. If you wish to park as a group, please enter the park as a group, so we can accommodate parking you all together.

Tents:

The Show has been averaging 200 vehicles in attendance. To maintain reasonable spacing between vehicles, we might not be able to accommodate tents by the vehicles. There are areas around the field where you may place your tent. Please work with our Event Staff. We want everyone to have an enjoyable and fun day!

Proceeds from Car Show:

After all costs are paid, any profit is divided as follows: 1/3rd to the Nazareth Area Food Bank, 1/3rd to the Lehigh Valley Pediatric Cancer Foundation and 1/3rd to the club for smaller member requested donations and events.

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- Thunderbird only show – Judging trophies awarded in classes from 1955 to 2005.
- Participation awards for all T-Birds • All cars on grass with plenty of shade
- Door prizes and tricky tray • Vendors for you and your car!
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Visit our website: www.njtbird.com

REGISTRATION INFO:

Name _____

Street _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone _____ Email _____

Year & Model _____

Color & Plate# _____

Car Club Affiliations _____

Judge Do Not Judge For Car Corral Only

Registration: \$15.00

Registration after June 1st: \$20.00

Number of cars entering: _____

Total: _____

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**Send to: Jim Osowski
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South River, NJ 08882**

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Lehigh Valley Thunderbird Club

Membership Application

New Membership application fee is **\$30.00**

Renewal Membership application is **\$25.00**

Please make check payable to LVTC

Please mail your completed application form and check for to:

LEHIGH VALLEY THUNDERBIRD CLUB, INC.

Attention Treasurer

70 Gum Street

Nazareth, Pa. 18064-1018

Name: _____

Birthday : _____

Spouse : _____

Birthday : _____

Address : _____ E-mail address : _____

City : _____ State : _____ Zip : _____

Home Phone : _____ Mobile Phone : _____

Thunderbird Data : (List additional cars on a separate paper and attach it to application)

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

Body Type : ___ Coupe ___ Convertible ___ Landau ___ Roadster ___ Hardtop ___ 4 - Door

Year : _____ Vin : _____ License # / State _____

Current Milage : _____ Color : _____

Collector Insurance Company 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 as best describe the condition of you Thunderbird :

All Original Needs Restoration Do not have a car

Total Restoration Restored for fun use Restored for show only

Please enclose two pictures of you vehicle.

THE RETRO-BIRDER

By Mike Schwartz

After Winter's Nap I Can't Unlock My Retro

Spring is here for most of us and our T-Birds are coming out of winter storage eager to stretch out, loosen up & hit the open road. The 2002-05 Thunderbird due to some of its very own unique features may not come out of winter storage without showing its stubbornness.

If some of you are like me, you use only the buttons on your key FOB to unlock/lock your Retro. Some of you may have forgotten there is a key slot in the driver's door handle. I myself can't recall when I've actually used this key slot. The 2002-05 Thunderbird is a one key operation meaning that the ignition key is **THE** key for the 4 key slots on the car. They are the driver's door lock, the glove box lock, the electric trunk lock located on the interior of the driver's door down near the small storage pocket and one last spot. The slightly hidden manual trunk release behind the driver's seat. Note there is not a key slot in the passenger's door handle.

But what happens if the buttons on the key FOB don't work? After all the key FOB's battery is pushing 18 years old. AND Yikes! The doors are locked! Thankfully you will remember that there is a key slot to unlock the driver's door.

Some owners may find that their Retro has a dead battery, and where is that battery stored? In the trunk under the sub floor cozied up with the spare tire. But you can't open the trunk. There is not an exterior key lock on the trunk. The only trunk release is either the button on your key FOB or the electric release push button on the driver's door. But neither of these will work when the Bird's battery is a goner. Oh what to do?! Oh what to do?!

Calling a locksmith won't work there is no lock to pick, jimmy or make a key to. Calling a Ford dealer won't work, the last Retro build was almost 18 years ago, no one at the dealer will remember what to do.

Ahhhhhhhhhhh YES... YOU Remembered..!

Way back long ago you spotted the emergency key release built into the carpeted back panel, just below the package ledge behind the driver's seat. When you first saw this circular ring, you probably wondered what that could possibly be for. Trying the door/ignition key in this



key slot showed you that you could manually release the trunk.

Turning the key should release the trunk. It is designed to do just that. However it has been reported that some trunks are not popping open when the key is turned. Some

owners have told me that they needed someone to lift the trunk lid while they turned the key. The worst reported situation I have heard about is from an owner that told me that turning the key had no affect at all. That the cable had disconnected from the backside of the key linkage. In this case getting the trunk to open required the use of a battery charger that had the plug to fit into the cigarette lighter. Back charging the battery in this fashion for only 20 minutes gave this owner enough charge to get the trunk open from the driver's door push button.

Access to the back side of the interior manual trunk release is not difficult if a repair is necessary like in the above situation. It is a matter of removing the interior trim pieces. They all will pop off their clips when tugged on with some effort.

Lesson to be learned here is to avoid frustration, try to release the trunk from time to time with the interior manual release & get it fixed if necessary. And when putting your Retro-Bird away for the winter, if you don't put the battery on a trickle charger don't latch the trunk, just close it down on a rolled up towel. The trunk light operation is very similar to the other interior lights, it will turn off in 10 minutes.

Once your Retro Bird is out of its winter nest and ready to roll you may be interested in these two events that are happening this summer. There is an All Thunderbird Show & Event being held Saturday May 25, 2019 at the City Park in Kelowna, B.C. hosted by the Okanagan Classic Thunderbird Club. Later in the summer on July 18-20, 2019 in Spokane, WA is the VTCI Northwest Regional Thunderbird Family Reunion hosted by Inland Northwest Thunderbird Club of Spokane.

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Mike is a member of the Okanagan Classic Thunderbird Club



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FOOTBALL APPRECIATION NIGHT

August 11, 2019 The club has bought 20 tickets for the Iron Pigs vs Charlotte Knights. Walt Fries is in charge of tickets. To buy tickets call 610-759-4997 they are \$11.00 per seat we are in Section 105 rows X and W. For your comfort please wear a hat or bring sunglasses, even though we are under cover the beginning of the game will have sun on that part of the stadium.





Cruising Returns to Allentown
 Saturday, September 14, 2019
 1:30pm-4:00pm
 Hamilton St. Allentown PA

Thank you for being part of Classics & Cruisers on Hamilton on **September 14, 2019**. We will have a scheduled **rain date** for **Sunday, September 15, 2019**.

Registration cost is \$20.00 per vehicle through September 8, 2019. If registering day of event, registration takes place at America On Wheels Museum (5 North Front Street, Allentown) or After September 8 is \$25.00 per vehicle.

PROCEEDS benefit America On Wheels Museum and Friends of the Allentown Parks

Name: _____ Phone Number: _____

Address: _____

Email Address: _____

Vehicle Make, Model & Year: _____

Are you a member of a car club? Yes No If yes, which club? _____

Would you be interested in being a part of a car corral section of the show? Yes No

Special Requests/Accommodations: _____



Questions? Contact Christy or Lucinda at 610-841-3506.

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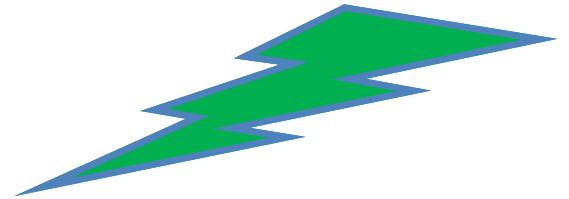
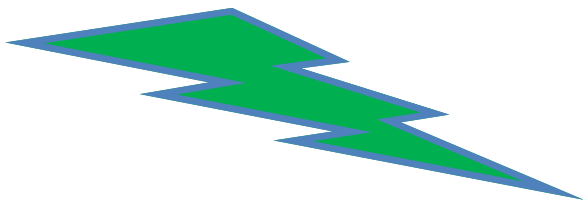
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