Classic Thunderbirds of San Diego, CTCI Chapter 24

The Bird's Eye View

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SPRING IS HERE

It is hard to believe but Spring is upon us. The snow is melting, yes, I had a small amount of snow out here in Alpine. Time to get out and do all the maintenance on the car, clean the wheels and detail the car. Action is starting to heat up. Next month is our first parade and also our first car show of the season. Please note that the April meeting has a different venue and time. The April meeting will be taking place at Star Park in Coronado at 1pm. Star Park is in the shadow of the Hotel Del Coranado on Star Park Circle located off Loma Avenue or Flora Avenue from Orange. I am encouraging all Classic Thunderbird Owners to sign up for the MotorCars on MainStreet car show on April 28th, which is the date of our regular meeting. If you can't participate in the car show, please show up to the meeting in the park and bring your own chair. It will be a brief, but fun meeting. There are lots of great restaurants in Coronado, so come on over and enjoy a beautiful day and see a great collection of cars. I have said repeatedly, this is one of the best car shows in San Diego.

More immediate, Chapter 24 is hosting a 50th Anniversary Party at the San Diego Automotive Museum on Saturday, March 30th. The time is 6pm and the attire is Thunderbird casual or 1950's style. This is promising to be a great evening with a wonderful slide show, music, great food, and a very engaging speaker on the development of the Classic Thunderbird. We only celebrate fifty once. Lets make this an evening to remember. So, if you haven't paid your dues and or RSVP for the party, please do so ASAP. Your last chance is the March 24th meeting. Please see the dues/party form later in this newsletter.

I look forward to more fun and entertaining events to take place throughout the year. New and different ideas are always welcome. Please feel free to contact me with your ideas. At the next meeting I hope to have some caravan information for those going to the CTCI Regional Convention in Flagstaff, Arizona.

It is my pleasure to serve this wonderful club.

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MEETING MINUTES - 24 FEBRUARY 2019

1. Meeting called to order at 2:08 PM. 42 members (4 of which were new) present.
   A. New Members
      - Dana & Debbie Meadows - Silver '57
      - Bennett Manning and his son, John - Black '56

2. MINUTES APPROVAL - Minutes for 27 January 2019 meeting were unanimously approved.

3. TREASURER'S REPORT - Report for January 2019 was unanimously approved.

4. GUEST SPEAKERS - None.

5. OLD BUSINESS

   A. Please submit T-Bird photos of you and your car picture to Mitch Villalpando ASAP for the 50th Anniversary Party.

   B. Reminders
      - Please pay your club dues if you have not already done so.
      - RSVP's for the 50th Anniversary Party are due by 24 March. Dave has to give the caterer the head count by 25 March.
      - Please contact Dave Durrill or Gary Noyes if you have any changes to your contact information on the club roster.

6. NEW BUSINESS

   A. CTSD 50TH Anniversary Badges
      - Dave Durrill is looking into purchasing 50TH Anniversary badges.
      - If you are interested in purchasing the badge, please submit your name and phone number to Dave.
      - Estimated cost is $5.00 - $7.00 per badge.

   B. Another OUTSTANDING CTSD February Potluck Meeting! Thanks to everyone who brought dishes and helped set things up.

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C. CTSD 50th Anniversary Event Update
   - WHEN: Saturday, 30 March 2019 at 6:00 PM.
   - WHERE: San Diego Automotive Museum, Balboa Park.
   - COST: CTSD Chapter 24 Members - $20.00 per person. Guests - $25.00
   - If you have special dietary/vegetarian needs, please contact Dave Durrill.
   - VIP's Attending
     i. Sarah Mace - Granddaughter of founder Pat Mounts.
     ii. Dave Stahl - KUSI News
     iii. Dave & Cindy Keetch - Original Charter Member
   - Guest Speaker - Len Stobar. Will speak about the development of the T-Bird.

D. To avoid the schedule conflict with the MotorCars on MainStreet event in Coronado on 28 April, the April Club Meeting will be held at the car show at 1:00 PM. DO NOT go to Kearny-Pearson Ford on the fourth Sunday of April.

E. The CTSD May Membership Meeting will be held on 19 May.

F. Rick Steiner is relocating to Arizona. Dan Regan will take over as Director for Rick.

G. 2019 CTSD Christmas Party
   - The Christmas Party at the Admiral Baker Clubhouse again this year.

H. Check the newsletter for list of events. Please note some are tentative and subject to change.

7. TECH REPORT

A. Dan Regan - Based on last month's battery charger discussion, Dan brought in his Battery Minder (Model # 12248) for 12V batteries. The charger has three current settings (2 Amp, 4 Amp, 8 Amp), keeps the battery plates clean, has a 5-year warranty and costs around $150.00.

8. SUNSHINE REPORT- Don See dislocated his hip.

9. PARADES, ACTIVITIES & SHOWS

A. 27 April - Lakeside Western Days Parade

B. 14-19 May - Regional Convention in Flagstaff, AZ

C. 2 June - El Camino Memorial Park Car Show for the Garden of Innocence
   - El Camino Memorial Park, 5600 Carroll Canyon Rd (Sorrento Valley)
   - 9:00 AM - 2:00 PM
   - $35.00 entry fee.

D. 1ST week of June - Del Mar Fair Car Show

10. OPEN DISCUSSION

A. Alan Cutsinger attended the Barrett Jackson Car Auction. He met a vendor who puts out a magazine called "AUTOMOBILA." The magazine covers everything associated with car memorabilia. Alan highly recommends everyone take a look at the magazine when you get the chance.

11. CLOSING REMARKS - None.

12. 50/50 WINNER - Hugh & Rochelle Samuels

13. Meeting adjourned at 3:04 PM.

Calendar of events 2019

March
24 Sunday, Regular Meeting at Kearny Pearson Ford, 2pm
30, Saturday, 50th Anniversary Party/Banquet, San Diego Automotive Museum, Balboa Park 6pm

April
27 Saturday, Lakeside Western Days Parade, Lakeside, 9am
28 Sunday, MotorCars on MainStreet Car Show, Coronado 8am
Regular Club meeting, 1pm at Star Park in Coronado, Bring your own chair
***Note April meeting time and location change**

May
15-19 Region 6 Convention, Western Classic Roundup, Flagstaff, Arizona See CTCI for details
19 Sunday, Regular Meeting at Kearny Pearson Ford, 2pm
(please note: this is the third Sunday due to Memorial Day)

June
2 Sunday, Garden of Innocence Car Show, El Camino Memorial Park, 9am
5 Wednesday, Thunderbirds at San Diego County Fair
23 Sunday, Regular Meeting at Kearny Pearson Ford, 2pm

July
4 Thursday, 4th of July Parade in Coronado, 8:30am
28 Sunday, Regular Meeting at Kearny Pearson Ford, 2pm

August
11 Sunday,Main Street America People's Choice Car Show, Embarcadero behind Seaport Village
23 Friday, Tentative Date for Thunderbirds featured at Cruisin' Grand, Escondido
25 Sunday, Regular Meeting at Kearny Pearson Ford, 2pm

September
28 Saturday, Annual Picnic at Deer Park Winery and Auto Museum **(No Meeting This Month)**

October
27 Sunday, Regular Meeting at Kearny Pearson Ford, 2pm

November
24 Sunday, Regular Meeting at Kearny Pearson Ford, 2pm

December
Date TBD La Jolla Christmas Parade
7 Saturday, Annual Christmas Party 11:30am, Admiral Baker Club **(No Meeting This Month)**

Note: Some dates and times are tentative and are subject to change.
Additional events may be added each month.

save the date --- June 5th, 2019

Classic Thunderbirds of San Diego will again be showing our cars at the County Fair, this year on June 5th. More to come in subsequent newsletters and discussed at club meetings.

MotorCars on MainStreet 2019

Coronado MainStreet Ltd. Is hosting its 29th annual MotorCars on MainSteet car show on Sunday April 28th, 2019 in beautiful downtown Coronado, one block from the beach. It will feature more than 400 pre-1973 restored and unrestored classic, rod and custom cars and trucks. The show will be from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.; staging will take place from 7:00 a.m. to 9:30 a.m. All clubs wishing to be grouped together will need to arrive at the show at the same time. Based on our experience from last few years, the chances of being grouped together improve the earlier we arrive at the venue.

The event is cosponsored by Ron Baker Chevrolet and the City of Coronado. There will be live music featuring the Tommy Price & the Stilettos and drawings throughout the day. Thousands of spectators are expected, and viewing is free.

Car registrations are $40 before April 21st and $45 thereafter, space permitting. (Those registering after the 21st may not receive a participant T-Shirt.) ***This show typically sells out.*** For more information about the show, please follow this link:

http://www.coronadomainstreet.org or call 619-437-0254

To register online, please go to this link:

https://www.eventbrite.com/e/motorcars-on-mainstreet-2019-registration-55795679379?aff=erelexpmlt

Club Vice President Bill Speer and his spouse, dual member Marsi Steirer, are Coronado residents and are pleased to once again be hosting a pre-staging coffee/tea/beverage and donut/pastries gathering at their residence, beginning at 7:00 a.m. Members should plan to head over to the show no later than 8:00 a.m. Their address is 600 Glorietta Blvd. in Coronado. Those wishing to join them should RSVP by calling Bill at 619-435-5672 (land line) or 619-417-3685 (mobile). Alternatively, email also works: bspeer@sciti.com. This show should be a lot of fun. We had a tremendous turnout last year, and we're looking forward to having as many members as possible participating once again!

Final Call 2019 Dues are Due

____ X $20.00 Single membership
____ X $30.00 dual membership

Anniversary Party

____ X $20.00 per person
Chapter 24 members

____ X $25.00 per person Guest

Please note any changes in address, phone number and e-mail for 2019 Roster

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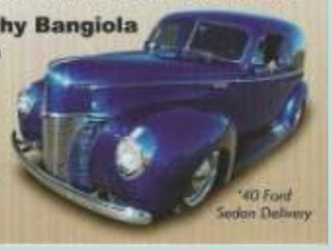
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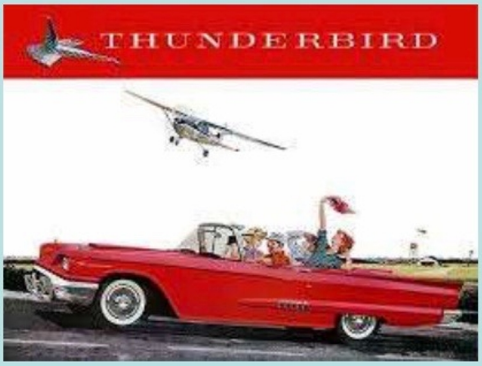

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