




**Thunderbirds
of Southwest Ohio**

Newsletter

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November 2013



MEETING MINUTES

Attendees: Brett & Peg Andrews, Nancy & Julie Blake, Wayne & Ruthie Dennis, Jim Ellinger, Guy Gifford, Roger & Lisa Hamm, Gary Hufford, Beverly Knauper & Jim Ross, Jim Lenz, and Scott McGaha.

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 7:02 PM, November 12th, 2013 at the MCL Cafeteria with Brett Andrews presiding.

DISCUSSION:

Treasurer's Report: Lisa presented the treasurer's report. Our financial status was unchanged from last month's report.

Prior to the start of the meeting it was announced that Jim Lentz's wife, Kaye, had surgery in October. According to Jim it was touch and go for a while, but Kaye is now doing better and is moving on with her recovery. (Follow-up note: Kaye has been move to the Hillspring Center in Springboro, Ohio to continue her convalescence. If you would like to send her a card, address it to Hillspring, 325 East Central Ave, Springboro, Ohio 45066, in care of Kaye Lenz, Rm 1413. A card has been sent to her on behalf of the club.)

Old Business:

Halloween in the Park: For those that were not aware, it was mentioned that due to inclement weather, the entire Halloween in the Park event was cancelled for this year.

Christmas Dinner: There was a final reminder that our Christmas dinner will be at MCL on December 12th. Members are asked to arrive at MCL not later than 6:30 p.m. so that we can all go through the serving line together. Our tables will be decorated and desert provided by Nancy, Ruthie and Wayne. There will also be background Christmas music for our listening pleasure. We'll be having a "White Elephant" present exchange game, so each member in attendance is asked to bring something from around your house you no longer want, to be given away as a gift.

VTCI & TSWO Club Dues: Members were reminded that VTCI membership dues are due to VTCI by January 1st and TSWO club dues are to be paid each year by our first club meeting of the year which in 2014 will be January 9th.

Car Collection Tour: Final plans were addressed for our tour of the Sugar Creek Packing Company car collection in Washington Court House. We are to be at the tour site by 10:00 a.m. The week prior Brett and Gary had driven to the location and determined it is approximately a 45 minute drive from Beavercreek. Those planning to attend are to meet at Bob Evans parking lot just off the Rt 435 to Rt 71 exit on Rt 35 near Washington Court House not later than 9:30 a.m. After the tour, we'll meet for lunch at the same Bob Evans. Maps to Bob Evans and the tour location were distributed to those needing one. (See the Follow-Up section on this newsletter for a summary and a few photos of the tour.)

Donation of Club Funds: At the October club meeting we voted that we would donate a portion of our club funds to a local charity and that at the November meeting we would decide the amount and the recipient. It was first proposed and agreed that the club would donate \$100. We then identified and discussed several local charities. It was proposed by a member that the donation be given to the Ronald McDonald House across from the Dayton Children's Hospital. Members

present agreed. Brett stated he would find out all the particulars and arrange for a date for the presentation so that any TSWO member who wished to be present could do so.

New Business:

Alternate Date for Christmas Dinner: An alternate date for the Christmas dinner was discussed in the unlikely event that weather conditions would preclude us from having it on December 12th. If the weather causes a cancellation, Brett will contact MCL and attempt to reschedule for the following Thursday (19 December). If that date is unavailable, other dates in that week will be pursued.

OPEN FLOOR: The floor was opened for questions and comments.

Both Jim Ellinger and Roger Hamm indicated they would be having surgery in the next week or two. (Follow-Up Note: Roger's Surgery was postponed and may occur the week after Thanksgiving. I have attempted to contact, but have been unable to reach, Jim to determine if he had his surgery and his status.)

There were no further inputs.

ADJOURN: At the conclusion of all discussion, Brett called for a motion to adjourn. The motion was made by Guy and seconded by Jim Lenz. The meeting adjourned at 7:20 p.m.

**Brett Andrews
President**



Next Meeting: Christmas Dinner, December 12th, 6:30 pm, MCL Cafeteria, 4485 Far Hills Ave, Kettering.

FOLLOW-UP:

Sugar Creek Packing Company Car Collection Tour: On November 16th fourteen TSWO club members and friends and approximately twenty five club members and friends from the Old Car Club of Wilmington toured the car collection of Mr. John Richardson, president of the Sugar Creek Packing Company, in Washington Court House, Ohio. To say the least, the collection was diverse and extensive. Though the main attraction was the cars, there were also boats, buses, motorcycles, and a few campers. After we were given a brief overview of the collection, we had the opportunity to move about as we pleased. Many found the unrestored vehicles outside just as interesting as the completed ones inside. Following the tour most of the TSWO members and a few Old Car Club members enjoyed a meal together at Bob Evans. We'd like to extend our grateful appreciation to the Sugar Creek Packing Company for allowing us to tour the collection. We also owe a big thanks to Gary for doing all the leg work and coordination to arrange the tour for us. Here our just two pictures from the tour. See our club website at www.thunderbirds-sw-ohio.com for more photos.





MEMBER BIRTHDAYS

December

1st: Leona Brown
 10th: Lisa Hamm
 15th: Beverly Knauper
 17th: Julie Blake
 31st: Brett Andrews



Upcoming Club Events

<u>Event</u>	<u>Date(s)</u>	<u>Location</u>
1. Christmas Dinner	December 12 th 6:30 p.m.	MCL Cafeteria

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