



Thunderbirds of Southwest Ohio

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MEETING MINUTES

Attendees: Brett & Peg Andrews, Nancy & Julie Blake, E.D. & Leona Brown, Jim Ellinger, Carl Geiger, Guy & Jan Gifford, Roger & Lisa Hamm, Gary Hufford, Beverly Knauper & Jim Ross, Scott McGaha, and Ruthie & Wayne Dennis.

Call To Order: The meeting convened at 7:00 PM, November 8th, at MCL Cafeteria, Brett Andrews presiding.

DISCUSSION:

Treasurer's Report: Lisa presented the Treasurer's Report.

Old Business:

Halloween at the Park: We had 12 club members and 7 cars participate in Halloween in the Park this year. The weather wasn't very cooperative. It was cold, windy and overcast, but we still had fun with the kids. Pictures of our cars that were on display are loaded on our website under "Recent Club Events"

Christmas Dinner: A show of hands was taken to determine how many club members were planning on attending our Christmas Dinner on December 13th at the Milton Club. So far sixteen members have indicated they plan to attend. If you were not at the November club meeting, but do plan on attending the dinner, would you please let Brett know by December 7th.

TSWO Website: Members who currently do not have a picture of their T-bird on our website or would like to change the current picture we have on the website were asked to provide Brett either a digital picture or a scannable photo. Members were also asked if they had any suggestion to improve our website. Gary requested that we include a listing of T-bird part suppliers as we had on our previous web page. (Note: That action has been completed. There is now a new page on our website entitled "T-bird Part Suppliers" and currently contains internet links to eleven major suppliers of T-bird parts. If you know of any other suppliers, please provide Brett their name and website address.)

Club Dues: Members were reminded that our TSWO dues are due by January 10th and VTCI dues are due by January 31st.

Walker Car Collection Tour Photos: The photos taken during our tour of the Jim Walker Car Collection are now available for viewing enjoyment on our website under "Recent Club Events".

2013 Event Planning Committee: Members were asked to turn in to Beverly their completed 2013 Club Activities survey to Beverly. Beverly asked if anyone would like to volunteer to participate on the planning committee with her and Guy. Peg and Nancy both volunteered. A hardy thank you to our volunteers. We look forward to a more exciting and fun packed 2013 T-bird season.

NEW BUSINESS:

New Membership Roster: A new membership roster will be included with the December newsletter. It was announced that Carl Geiger had moved and his new address would be included on the updated roster.

Renewal of TSWO Website Development Software: It was mentioned that if we wish to continue with our website we need to renew our software lease with Weebly in December. There are three renewal options: 6 months for \$27.49; 12 months for \$47.88; or 24 months for \$71.80. It was also explained that we pay nothing for Weebly to host our website and that our domain name was renewed through 1 & 1, Inc in August 2012 at a cost of \$9.14. It normally costs \$10.99, but we had a \$1.85 credit. Our domain name is good for one year until August 2013. Brett proposed that if the membership finds the website acceptable and we wish to continue with it, we should renew using the 24 month option which would give us a cost savings of \$24 over using 12 month renewals. The membership was very satisfied with our website and concurred with the 24 month renewal option. Brett indicated he would pay Weebly the renewal fee and submit a claim for reimbursement to the club treasurer.

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

1. Beverly pointed out that the VTCI Scoop magazine contained an article about the Warbirds car show that several of our club members participated in. She suggested that we may want to submit something about our club to VTCI for possible publication.
2. Jim Ross mentioned that he had attended the Mustang Club of America meeting in Dallas. He directed our attention to an interesting web site (racing.ford.com) in the "Enthusiast" section where it contains ideas on how to attract new club members.
3. Brett mentioned the final Springfield Swap Meet for the year was being held at the Clark County Fairgrounds on November 9th and 10th and that the annual All Ford Swap Meet conducted in Columbus was scheduled for November 24th & 25th.

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

**Brett Andrews
President**

There will be no formal club meeting on December 13th. Instead, we will be having our Club Christmas Dinner on December 13th at the Milton Club located at 640 Cosler Drive, Dayton. There will be a Social Hour from 6:00 to 7:00 p.m. and an order-from-the-menu dinner starting at 7:00 pm.

Next Meeting: January 10th, 7:00 pm, MCL Cafeteria, 4485 Far Hills Ave, Kettering



MEMBER BIRTHDAYS

December

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

If you haven't been asked for the date of your special day, please provide the day and month to our club secretary, Peg Andrews, at 237-1131 or e-mail her at pegasus@woh.rr.com

And to all have a
very Merry Christmas



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Year-Round Joy

Christmas is full of shiny things
That sparkle, gleam and glow;
These holiday pleasures dazzle us,
And yet, deep down, we know...
That Christmas has its special gifts,
But our year-round joy depends
On the cherished people in our lives,
Our family and our friends.

by Joanna Fuchs

Upcoming Club Events

<u>Event</u>	<u>Date(s)</u>	<u>Location</u>
Club Christmas Diner	December 13 th	Milton Club

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