

**MARCH  
2017**

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*Charter Member, International Thunderbird Club*



**MATC  
THUNDERBIRD  
NEWSLETTER**



<http://www.midatlantictbirdclub.org/>  
<http://www.intl-thunderbirdclub.com/>

**2017 Monthly Third Thursday Bird Breakfast in Bel Air**  
**March 16, 9:30 AM**

Greek Village Diner, 129 Baltimore Pike, Bel Air, MD21214

**Romancing the Chrome**

Saturday, April 22, Rain Date zz

Jarrett's Field – 3791 Norrisville Road, Jarrettsville, MD 21084

Car Pre-registration/online by Apr 3, \$15

Registration at Gate 8:00-10:00AM, \$20, Admission: Free

Romancing the Chrome is a Classic Car Show and Flea Market event  
benefitting of the Harford County Public Library Foundation.

**Motor Classic Museum Grand Opening**

Saturday, April 22, 2:00p to 6:00p

Tickets \$50 each, Food, Music and Libation Provided

102 East Marengo Street, Saint Michaels, MD 21663

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/classic-motor-museum-of-st-michaels-grand-opening-tickets-32164698479>

**AACA Museum Visit – April 1, 2017**

161 Museum Drive, Hershey, PA 17033

**RSVP To Skip by March 24**, if you plan to attend and if you are an AACA member.

MATC is planning a visit to the AACA Museum in Hershey, PA, on Saturday, April 1, 2017. We are planning to arrive by 10 AM and will have lunch at an area restaurant afterwards. The featured attraction for this visit is the 1964 Thunderbird that was part of Ford Motor Company exhibit at the 1964 New York World's Fair. It is part of an exhibit commemorating the event. There are many, many other exhibits too, including the spectacular Tucker display. Please plan on joining us. And plan on driving your Thunderbird as we will be provided preferred parking in front of the Museum. We may caravan from Northern Baltimore County – more on that later. AACA members are free. We will get a group rate if we get 8 or more non-members. Please let me know by March 24 if you plan to attend and if you are an AACA member.

**NAMETAG REQUIRED**

**MARCH BIRTHDAYS**

Alan Herman 3  
Joe Zentgraf 5  
Joanne Day 14  
Dan Denham 20  
Mary Markowski

Barb Panowitz 5  
Ray Raeke 14  
Tom Marcellino 16  
Earl Dickenson 24

## 2017 EVENTS CALENDAR

\*\*\*\*\* **Nametags Required, \$1 no tag assessment.** Official MATC/ITC activities are printed in bold. Our Thunderbird Club events are open to all years of Thunderbirds. Other events such as "AACA" events adhere to the 25 year rule or other designation. Applicable restrictions will be noted with each event.

Date	Event	Sponsor	Location	Details
March 16 9:30 AM	Third Thursday Breakfast	MATC	Greek Village Diner 129 Baltimore Pike Bel Air, MD 21014	<a href="https://www.facebook.com/pages/Greek-Village-Restaurant/203026953055071">https://www.facebook.com/pages/Greek-Village-Restaurant/203026953055071</a>
April 20 9:30 AM	Third Thursday Breakfast	MATC	Greek Village Diner 129 Baltimore Pike Bel Air, MD 21014	<a href="https://www.facebook.com/pages/Greek-Village-Restaurant/203026953055071">https://www.facebook.com/pages/Greek-Village-Restaurant/203026953055071</a>
<b>April 1</b>	AACA Museum Senior \$11, AACA Members free with Membership Card	***** MATC *****	161 Museum Drive Hershey, PA 17033	<a href="http://www.aacamuseum.org/">http://www.aacamuseum.org/</a>
Sat <b>April 22</b>	Motor Classic Museum Grand Opening		St. Michael's, MD	<a href="https://www.eventbrite.com/e/classic-motor-museum-of-st-michaels-grand-opening-tickets-32164698479">https://www.eventbrite.com/e/classic-motor-museum-of-st-michaels-grand-opening-tickets-32164698479</a>
Sat April 22	Romancing the Chrome	Harford Library Foundation	Jarrett's Field 3719 Norrisville Rd., Jarrettsville, MD 21084	10AM – 4 PM <a href="http://romancingthechrome.org/">http://romancingthechrome.org/</a>
<b>May 18-21</b>	Cruisin O.C.	MATC	Ocean City Md	<a href="https://www.specialeventpro.com/cruisin-ocean-city">https://www.specialeventpro.com/cruisin-ocean-city</a>
<b>Sun May 21</b> Brunch 11:00 A	Thunderbird Appreciation Day RSVP: Judy Dickerson by May 12 <a href="mailto:ewdjad@hotmail.com">ewdjad@hotmail.com</a>	***** ITC *****	John Wright House Restaurant Wrightsville, Pa	<a href="http://www.johnwrightrestaurant.com">www.johnwrightrestaurant.com</a>
June 2 - 4 Fri to Sun	All Ford Nationals	***** Carlisle *****	Carlisle Fairgrounds Carlisle, PA	<a href="http://www.carlisleevents.com/carlsle-events/carlisle-ford-nationals/default.aspx">http://www.carlisleevents.com/carlsle-events/carlisle-ford-nationals/default.aspx</a>
<b>June 9 - 10</b> Sat - Sun	Ford 100 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary	Norris Ford	Norris Ford 901 Merrit Blvd Dundalk, MD	.
June 18	Sully Plantation	*****	Chantilly VA	
<b>July 9</b> Sun	Potluck Social hosted by Dan & Zoeanne Denham	***** MATC *****	Hydes, MD	
<b>Aug 4 - 6</b> Fri to Sun	Das Awkscht Fescht		Macungie, PA	See website for registration. <a href="http://awkscht.com/">http://awkscht.com/</a>
<b>Aug 29 - Sept 3</b>	International Thunderbird Convention	ITC	Fort Wayne Indiana	<a href="http://www.intl-thunderbirdclub.com/events.html">http://www.intl-thunderbirdclub.com/events.html</a>
<b>Sept 10</b> Sun	Potluck Social hosted by John and Phyllis Cherry	***** MATC *****	Cascade, MD (near Thurmont)	
Oct 4 - 7 Thurs to Sun	Fall Hershey	AACA	Hershey, PA	<a href="http://hersheyaaca.org/fallmeet.html">http://hersheyaaca.org/fallmeet.html</a>
Oct 5 - 8	Endless Summer Cruisin		Ocean City MD	<a href="https://www.specialeventpro.com/endless-summer-cruisin">https://www.specialeventpro.com/endless-summer-cruisin</a>
<b>Saturday Oct 21</b> Rain Date: 28	Rockville Antique and Classic Auto Show 8:30a – 3:30p	***** MATC *****	Rockville Civic Center Pk 603 Edmonston Drive Rockville MD 20851	See website for registration. <a href="http://www.rockvillemd.gov/events/carshow.htm">http://www.rockvillemd.gov/events/carshow.htm</a>
<b>Nov</b>	Officer Election	MATC		
<b>Sunday December 3</b> 1:00 pm	Annual Christmas Party	***** MATC *****	Dobbin House 89 Steinwahr Avenue Gettysburg, PA	See Menu, registration and directions enclosed in November Newsletter
<b>April 8– 5, 2018</b>	<b>BERMUDA</b> MATC 2018 Cruise	MATC	Departs Baltimore April 8, 2018 @ 5:00PM	<a href="http://midatlantictbirdclub.org/pdfs/matc2018.pdf">http://midatlantictbirdclub.org/pdfs/matc2018.pdf</a>

### Other Events:

**Hunt Valley Horsepowering:** **ALL** Winter except during Snow & Ice, Every Saturday 8:00A to 10:00A, Location: Hunt Valley Town Center (Shawan Road) in the parking lot between Joe's Crab Shack and the former Best Buy location. <http://horsepowering.com/>

**Lowes' Cruise:** Friday Nights, 4:30 – 11:00 , All Vehicles, 414 Constant Friendship Blvd, Abingdon, MD

**Shrewsbury 4<sup>th</sup> Friday:** 5:00P -9:00P: Motor Menders Rod & Custom Cruise Nights At the Markets of Shrewsbury, 4th Friday of month. Rain Date following Friday, no rain date Sept. [www.marketsatshrewsbury.com](http://www.marketsatshrewsbury.com)

## MEMBERSHIP DUES

Membership Payment for 2017 is past. Thank you for your continued support of MATC in the upcoming year. Please continue to carry and distribute MATC business cards whenever possible.

## FOR SALE

**For Sale:** A 35 year collection of T Bird Parts, many NOS. For sale individually or by lot. Contact; 703-560-8014, Frank Toth or email [franktoth@AOL.Com](mailto:franktoth@AOL.Com) for an email list of parts,

**For Sale: 2002 Thunderbird** . We are the original owners – purchased April 10, 2002; Current mileage: 9063; Black with White Hardtop – also comes with Black Soft-top and dark grey leather interior; Premium Model; Includes Storage Cart and Car Cover; Stored in climate controlled garage; Full service records (Serviced at Battlefield Ford); Car in excellent condition and treated as a Classic T-Bird should be; Price: \$ 25,000; Contact Warren Hayes at (703) 368-0170 or [warrenhayes@aol.com](mailto:warrenhayes@aol.com)

## February Pot Luck Social







## ***The Thunderbird Award***

Presented in the name of Earl Tindol Family, in recognition of the Ford Thunderbird and its role in automotive history. This award is given to the most outstanding Thunderbird at an AACA National Meet. The 2017 Thunderbird Award is awarded to William & Charisse Clark.

### **Thunderbird Award**

**1957 Thunderbird**

**William & Charisse Clark, Bel Air, Maryland**

William's Thunderbird features the F-code supercharged engine that represents the pinnacle of factory-sponsored team racing in NASCAR. The car was delivered new in Minneapolis with just two options: the race-ready 312 Thunderbird Special V-8 and a heater/defroster unit. Only 211 F-code Thunderbirds were built, and just 17 of those featured the 3-speed manual gearbox such as William's car.



## **President's Message March 2017**



We are getting the first significant winter weather event as I write this. After several days of 70 degrees in the past weeks I thought this was behind us. So the cruising season will be delayed for a while. But not too long, I hope.

Thanks to all that attended our first meeting of the year on February 26<sup>th</sup>. We had a great showing and, as always, great food. We discussed a lot of topics primary of which was the 2017 calendar of events. We have some great activities planned starting with the AACA Museum visit scheduled for April 1<sup>st</sup>. Check out the information elsewhere in this edition for the specifics. Other upcoming events you don't want to miss are the Romancing the Chrome show, the Classic Car Museum opening and the first ever Thunderbird Appreciation Day. You will be provided more details as we get closer to these events.

The MATC apparel order has been placed. If you ordered items at the Christmas Party or at the February meeting they should be available soon.

One important topic discussed at the meeting was membership. We have seen our numbers decrease in the past few years. Unfortunately this is not unusual for car clubs in general, as well as other types of social and fraternal organizations. The MATC Board has made an effort to reach out to members that have not renewed to determine why and encourage them to remain connected to the club. We have had marginal success. We feel that we provide a great social and technical experience for TBird owners and hope that you will continue in your efforts to recruit new members and encourage prior members to consider rejoining. If you need more of the business cards to give to prospects, let me know. We are considering some type of flyer as well. And the BOD is also evaluating a new member referral program to recognize those who refer prospective members. We will keep you posted. And please introduce yourself to new members, and those who may not be new but you have not met before.

I am reinstituting a past program that has fallen by the wayside. That is assessing a penalty for not wearing your official MATC name tag. Hey, I am as guilty as anyone. In the past, not having and wearing your name tag cost you a buck (\$1). From this time forward that will be the rule and requirement at all official MATC sponsored events. Consider it an Executive Order. If you don't have a name tag, let Tom Young or I know. Unfortunately, the logo name tag we have been using for over 25 years is no longer available, but we are researching a replacement. I am going to ask Dan to include a name tag required notice with each of these events.

Please check out the MATC Facebook page and website on a regular basis, preferably at least weekly. Both of these will keep you aware of upcoming events and especially any changes. And don't forget to check out the ITC convention coming up in August and the MATC Cruise next April.

As a reminder, if you have not paid your dues, this is your last opportunity before being dropped from the membership rolls. Please submit them to treasurer Harry Skruch ASAP. You don't want to miss out on any of the great benefits of MATC membership. I hope to see you at the monthly Third Thursday Breakfast and at one or more of our great events.

**Skip**



# Got-To-Go Travel

Sometimes you just Got To Go...

## Mid Atlantic Thunderbird Club 2018 Cruise



Joining us will be Special  
Guest Speaker will be Mr. Jim  
Yongs, Project Manager for  
the "Retro" 2002 -2005  
Ford Thunderbird



Join us aboard the Carnival Pride departing Baltimore on April 8th, 2018 for a 7 day cruise to the beautiful Island of Bermuda. Spending 3 nights and 2 FULL days in Bermuda.  
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Day	Port of Call	Arrival Time	Depart
Sun	Baltimore,		5:00 PM
Mon	Fun Day At		
Tue	Bermuda	5:00pm	
Wed	Bermuda		
Thu	Bermuda		
Fri	Bermuda		7:00am
Sat	Fun Day At		
Sun	Baltimore,	10:00 AM	

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