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Newsletter photos, articles,  
etc., is the 20th of each  
month.

## MID-ATLANTIC THUNDERBIRD CLUB Charter Member, International Thunderbird Club



### MATC THUNDERBIRD NEWSLETTER



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

## October Monthly Third Thursday Bird Breakfast in Bel Air October, 19, 9:30 AM

Greek Village Diner, 129 Baltimore Pike, Bel Air, MD 21214

### October Event: October 21 (rain Oct 28)

Saturday 8:30 AM – 3:30 PM

All Cars Must be on the Field by 11:00

**Rockville, MD Antique & Classic Car Show  
603 Edmonston Drive, Rockville MD 20850**

The Rockville Antique & Classic Car Show is a premier car show very popular with MATC and Potomac Chapter Thunderbird Club members. A large variety of high end classic and antique automobiles are displayed at this event. The best antique vehicles in the Maryland / Virginia area attend this event and the MATC / PCTC representation is one of the BEST. Registration fee is, \$20 after Sept 11. Registration on the Rockville Civic Center website or by mail. URL is posted below.

<http://www.rockvillemd.gov/events/carshow.htm>

### November Event: Officer Election

November is election for the offices of President, Secretary and the Board of Director's position. Please submit your intent for any of these positions to Skip Panowitz by October 20. Election ballots will be distributed in the November Newsletter.

### November Event: 2018 Membership Drive

The 2018 Membership will be included as part of the November newsletter. Fill in your personal information and mail the notice along with your payment to the treasurer. Payment is due by March 1, 2018. Membership payment may be included with your Christmas Party reservation. Thank you for your continued support of MATC.

### December Event

Annual Christmas Party

December 3, Sunday 1:00 PM

**The Dobbin House, 89 Steinwehr Avenue, Gettysburg PA**

Application will be in the November Newsletter

***Prepaid reservation is required.***

### OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

Elizabeth Kilcullen 19  
James McKee

John Loving 20  
Gretchen LeKites

## 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
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 Rain Date: 28</b>	<b>Rockville Antique and Classic Auto Show 8:30a – 3:30p</b>	<b>***** MATC *****</b>	Rockville Civic Center Pk <b>603 Edmonston Drive</b> 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>	<b>Officer Election</b>	<b>MATC</b>		
<b>Sunday December 3 1:00 pm</b>	<b>Annual Christmas Party</b>	<b>***** MATC *****</b>	<b>Dobbin House 89 Steinwehr Avenue Gettysburg, PA</b>	<b>See Menu, registration and directions enclosed in November Newsletter</b>
<b>April 8– 5, 2018</b>	<b>BERMUDA MATC 2018 Cruise</b>	<b>MATC</b>	<b>Departs Baltimore April 8, 2018 @ 5:00PM</b>	<a href="http://midatlantictbirdclub.org/pdfs/matc2018.pdf">http://midatlantictbirdclub.org/pdfs/matc2018.pdf</a>
<b>August 7 – 12 2018</b>	<b>2018 ITC Convention</b>	<b>ITC</b>		<a href="http://www.intl-thunderbirdclub.com/">http://www.intl-thunderbirdclub.com/</a>

### Other Events:

**Car Cruise and Show Guide:** <http://carmacruise.com/>

**Hunt Valley Horsepowering:** 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/>

### FOR SALE:

**1960 Thunderbird:** My friend Joe C asked me to send some info on his 60 tbird. He is asking \$20k for the car. The car is straight, tight, and runs as good as it looks. Auto trans,p/steering,power brakes,power windows, power seat. Factory A/C . EVERYTHING WORKS!.. Gary Criss, [gcriss13@comcast.net](mailto:gcriss13@comcast.net)



**1966 Thunderbird:** Almost all original. Power windows, slidesteering wheel, leather seats. Everything on this car is in working order. No rust under this car . Great driver with 390 engine. Located in Ocean City, Maryland. Email address- [kmichaelmason@gmail.com](mailto:kmichaelmason@gmail.com) Phone 301 922-4734. Priced right at \$9,900.00

**1966 Thunderbird Convertible Sports Roadster:** John Rowe, former North East District Advisor for ITC, is selling his 1966 Thunderbird Convertible. The car currently has 55,000 miles on it and is a Senior Level car in ITC. It is one of 195 cars produced with the Sports Roadster tonneau cover. The car spent two years being totally restored. His wife would prefer that they keep the car as she loves it, however poor health demands that John reduce the number of classic cars in his garage. Asking price is \$34,000 John Rowe - member #2751, Tel: 845-889-4054



**2003 Thunderbird:** White, w/ Black top, Blue Interior, Anthony Foster, Tel: 202-251-6272

**2005 Thunderbird Premim:** Medium Steel Blue Metallic (one year color), blue accent interior (blue seat inserts), matching blue convertible top, has hardtop and stand, 42,000 miles, second owner-but have owned for 11 years - since 2006, carfax available. located in Maryland suburbs of DC. Asking \$19,500. Contact Bonnie (301.503.3172).





## SUNDAY SEPTEBER 10 @ CHERRY'S







## NAME BADGES

**Name Badges:** If you are interested in having one of the new name badges, please contact Mike Melnyk ([thunderbirdmike@juno.com](mailto:thunderbirdmike@juno.com)) by September 30th. The price is \$10 each. They have magnetic fasteners, are metal and measure 2"X3". Please send payment to Harry Skruch ([hskruch@verizon.net](mailto:hskruch@verizon.net), 4804 Torpoint Road, Nottingham, MD 21236), MATC Treasurer. Your name badges will not be ordered without payment. A photo of the new name badges appears the right. *Skip*



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## MATC APPAREL

A number of MATC members have asked when there is going to be another apparel order. The order forms are available at most MATC functions or from Skip or Steve. However, as an additional option, the vendor has indicated that members may contact them directly to place orders. The price will be the same as if it was part of a larger MATC order. The vendor is:

**EmbroidMe**  
**2216 Commerce Rd, #3**  
**(in Forest Hill industrial park, near airpark)**  
**Forest Hill, MD 21050**  
**443-640-6414**  
**Ask for Candace**

This option gives members an opportunity to stop in their shop to see what is available. There are also a few of the sample items available for sale.

## 12<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL THUNDERBIRD ALL-FORD CAR SHOW

### Can You Count to 157 ?

One hundred and fifty seven is the number of Thunderbirds and Fords that we had at our 12<sup>th</sup> Annual Thunderbird All-Ford Car Show on Sunday, July 9<sup>th</sup> in Kings Park N.Y. Well folks, that's the good news. The bad news is with only a few weeks to go to our show, our sponsor backed out. Rather than beat up the Ford dealer, who has funded us for the last ten years, we decided to go ahead with the show and hopefully break even. I guess the "Show Fairy" was looking over our shoulder. We not only broke even, but we donated \$1,600.00 to our charity **"Building Homes for Heroes"**!

We had a great turnout! Also, Mother Nature was looking out for us - I think because of the weather, she was out playing a round of golf. No rain, no clouds...cars just kept on coming. It was like Custer's last stand: Indians to the right, and Indians to the left. I think you get the picture.

We had a special guest and his family. U.S. Army Specialist Hugo Gonzalez. Hugo was severely injured in combat in Baqubah, Iraq in June of 2004. He suffered a traumatic brain injury, was placed in a medically induced coma and underwent numerous surgeries as well as craniotomy. He is legally blind. Building Homes for Heroes gifted Specialist Gonzalez, his wife, Amy and their three children a home in Port St. Lucie, Florida in October of 2015. At our show, Hugo broke our hearts as he spoke about his ordeal and recovery. He talked about what Building Homes for Heroes has done for him and other seriously injured Veterans and mentioned that they are targeted to gift a new home every 11 days to our heroes. The work that this organization does is a lifesaver for our heroes. The Long Island Thunderbirds and the Thunderbird Owners of NY (T.O.N.Y.) are proud to be able to do our part in raising money for this amazing organization. We couldn't do it without the help of our members and the car owners who come and support our show.

Both Thunderbird clubs are very proud of what we have accomplished in the twelve years of our Thunderbird/Ford Shows. We have donated thousands of dollars to Building Homes for Heroes and have been a consistent staple on Long Island in the show community. Even though we lost our sponsor this year, to the delight of many, we were lucky enough to find one for next year.

Some interesting early history of our show: The first year of our show, a gentleman named Claude came with his Retro Bird from Canada, and the following year he brought his wife. Her name was Claude also and you cannot make this stuff up! Each year, moving forward, we give out the "Claude Award" for the longest distance driven. Up to a couple of years ago we would just give out a plaque for the award, but currently a \$50.00 BP gas card was donated by Alan Leon. (a constant supporter of our show and owner of a large portion of BP stations on the Island).

Elliott Weiner, [bigbird1900@aol.com](mailto:bigbird1900@aol.com)

## LEHIGH VALLEY THUNDERBIRD CLUB DOES IT AGAIN!

BY LYNN HORN



And we enjoyed it! The 2017 All Thunderbird Fall Regional was held in Schuylkill County, PA on September 7-10 Thunderbird and was attended by 43 members from several neighboring states. Attendees stayed at the Holiday Inn Express and Suites in Frackville, PA. With a large side parking lot set aside for the Tbirds, plenty of room for us, a good breakfast and a busy hospitality room, it was a good choice.

Some members went out to dinner on Thursday evening but the real activities began Friday morning with a tour of the Yuengling Brewery in near by Pottstown. This is the oldest continually operating brewery in the US and our tour guide supplied facts on the brewing process, the business now and then, and the times, all while leading us through the hand hewn cave like rooms to the

sampling room, very interesting!

The next stop was at near by Jerry's Classic Cars and Collectibles Museum. After making a detour because of a fire, we enjoyed the many rooms filled with vintage cars and memorabilia. The areas are set up to resemble a showroom, an auto parts store, a soda shop and more. Something for everyone to enjoy. Another good stop!

Dinner that evening was held at an Italian restaurant in Pottsville. Earlier, the lunch stop was at a "build your own" grilled cheese sandwich shop. Creative but filling. And then back to a snack filled hospitality room. There was no lack of eating.

On Saturday, the car show was held. Twenty one members drove Tbirds, thirteen of them were judged. The cars were cleaned and shined. Tom Young's teams of judges examined the cars and Walt Fries and Lynn Horn tallied the results and tried to keep the judging sheets from blowing away. The cool, breezy day was actually a nice change from some of the heat of summer.

That evening, a catered dinner introduced many of us to the traditional foods of the area. Primarily Polish foods, but those raised in that tradition could put a better label on it. A nice idea, perhaps not something we'll be having soon, but we can say we've tried them.

Sunday took participants to the Pioneer Tunnel Coal Mine and Steam Train. A narrow gauge steam train travels over a short track as the engineer explains the strip mining that took place in the area. At times, the smoldering fires in Centralia, PA are visible. The underground coal deposits caught fire in 1962 and have been smoldering since, reducing this town to almost ghost town status. The tunnel trip takes visitors 1800 feet into the side of the mountain as the guide explains the coal mining process.

Some of us had already departed at this point, planning a stop at the Cherry's cabin in Cascade, MD for the Annual picnic. Quite a nice weekend! Busy and filled with friends and activities. The weather cooperated, what more could you ask? MATC members who attended: Earl and Judy Dickinson, John and Lynn Horn, Mike and Barbara Melnyk, Tom Young with Linda Rodgers.

**Lynn**





# 2017



## Rockville Antique & Classic Car Show

**Saturday, Oct. 14, 2017 • 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.**  
**Glenview Mansion at Rockville Civic Center Park**  
**603 Edmonston Drive, Rockville, MD 20851**

*Rain Date: Saturday, Oct. 21, 2017*  
(In case of inclement weather, call 240-314-5022)

### Schedule of Events

8:30 a.m. ....	Field opens to show cars, flea market and car sales
11 a.m. ....	All cars on the field; registration table and gates closed
11 a.m. ....	Field opens to spectators – FREE ADMISSION
11:30 a.m. ....	Band performance
2:45 p.m. ....	Mayor and Council Trophy presentation
3:30 p.m. ....	Show closes

See reverse side for registration form, directions and general information.  
Keep this information for reference. It will not be sent out again. Detach and send in the form (on the back) with check.

### The Rockville Antique & Classic Car Show is under the auspices of:

National Capital Region AACA  
Mid-Atlantic Packards, A Region of the Packard Club  
Potomac Region Cadillac & LaSalle Club  
Nation's Capital Chapter Model T Ford Club International  
Potomac Chapter Classic Thunderbird Club  
Chesapeake Bay Chapter Hudson-Essex-Terraplane Club  
Potomac Chapter, The Studebaker Drivers Club, Inc.  
George Washington Chapter Model A Ford Club of America  
Mid-Atlantic Thunderbird Club  
Washington Area Chapter (Group Corvair) Corvair Society of America  
National Capital Region Mustang Club  
Chrysler Product Owners Club, Inc.  
Early Ford V-8 Club of America, National Capital Regional Group  
Chesapeake Region Rolls Royce Owners Club  
Capitol City Rockets, Oldsmobile Club of America

Sugarloaf Mountain Region AACA  
Metro Area Chapter Buick Club of America  
Mid-Maryland Ford Club  
Nation's Capital Jaguar Owners Club  
Lincoln and Mercury Friends  
The National Capital Fiat Club  
Mid-Atlantic Region Ferrari Club of America  
Capital Chapter Alfa Romeo Owners Club  
Pontiac Early Times Chapter Club  
Potomac 356 Owners Group  
Pontiac-Oakland Club International, Inc., National Capital Area Chapter  
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Greater Washington Area Mercedes Club of America  
Lotus, Ltd., D.C. Chapter  
MG Car Club, Washington D.C. Centre  
National Capital Chapter BMWCCA  
Mid-Atlantic Plymouth Club

Sponsored by the City of Rockville and the Rockville Antique and Classic Car Show Committee.  
This is a City of Rockville Recreation and Parks Department Special Events production.



[www.rockvillemd.gov/carshow](http://www.rockvillemd.gov/carshow) • 240-314-8620



## IMPORTANT INFORMATION – Please Read

### General Information, Eligibility and Policy:

- All registration fees are nonrefundable.
- The 2017 Rockville Antique and Classic Car Show is open to all motor vehicles up to and including the 1992 model year.
- No replicas, hot rods, custom/modified cars or any other inauthentic or altered vehicles will be admitted to the display field.
- Vehicles will not be judged. However, all vehicles admitted to the field must be in a condition of preservation or restoration that would not reflect discredit on the show or hobby. The Car Show Committee reserves the right to register and permit only those vehicles so described. All show vehicles are subject to final inspection and acceptance.
- All preregistered vehicle applications received by Sept. 11 and owners will be listed in the 2017 car show program.
- Day-of registration closes at 11 a.m. SHARP! No latecomers will be allowed on the show field.
- All preregistered vehicles must arrive on the field by 11 a.m. to receive solid brass-etched dash plaque awards.
- Preregistration tickets will not be mailed to registrants. Tickets will be distributed onsite the day of the show.
- Preregistration does not guarantee a reserved place at the show. The first-come, first-served rule applies.
- Please observe AACA safety standards. You are required to have a fire extinguisher and wheel chock for your vehicle.
- All participating vehicle owners and vendors are requested to remain for the entire length of the show.
- Car sales will not be permitted on the display field.
- Show cars must be driven onto the field. Trailers will not be allowed on the field. Off-field trailer parking will be available.
- Sponsoring clubs may award prizes to their participating members.
- All flea market vendors shall be in compliance with AACA rules regarding flea market sales. Flea market sale items must relate to motor vehicle parts or accessories ONLY. Failure to comply will result in expulsion from the show. Available space is limited and will be on a first-come, first-served basis.
- The show takes place on the Rockville Civic Center grounds. The field is grassy and hilly. Handicapped parking for spectators is available.



Scissors icon: Detach and send in the form with check.

I need a modification because of a disability: (please check one) ☐ YES ☐ NO  
If YES, a Recreation and Parks staff member will contact you before this event.

## 2017 ROCKVILLE ANTIQUE & CLASSIC CAR SHOW REGISTRATION FORM

Early registration is encouraged to assure a commemorative plaque and a space on the field.

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

Car Club Affiliations (if any): \_\_\_\_\_

**Show Car Registration:** \$10 per car before Sept. 11 and \$20 after Sept. 11 (1931 & older vehicles FREE for preregistration only – must pay at gate on day of event.) **Last day to preregister: Wednesday, Oct. 11 by 5 p.m. Must register at show after this date.**

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## FLEA MARKET REGISTRATION

**Flea Market Space** – \$30 per space before Sept. 11 and \$40 after Sept. 11 (one space equals two 18' x 20' parking spaces)

Items For Sale (Must be motor vehicle-related): \_\_\_\_\_

## CAR SALE REGISTRATION

**Car Sale Space** – \$30 per space before Sept. 11 and \$40 after Sept. 11. (Space equals one 10' x 18' parking space)

YEAR \_\_\_\_\_ MAKE \_\_\_\_\_ MODEL \_\_\_\_\_

**ALL REGISTRATION FEES ARE NONREFUNDABLE!** Please fill out the applicable portion of this form, make checks payable to City of Rockville, and mail to Rockville City Hall, Events Specialist, 111 Maryland Ave., Rockville, MD 20850







# Got-To-Go Travel

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## Mid Atlantic Thunderbird Club 2018 Cruise



**Special Guest Speaker will be  
Mr. Jim Youngs, Ford's  
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.  
Select your Cabin by placing a \$500 ship deposit and a \$25 per person event fee. The ship portion of the deposit will refundable until full payment due date of January 23 2018.

Day	Port of Call	Arrival Time	Depart Time
Sun	Baltimore, MD		5:00 PM
Mon	Fun Day At Sea		
Tue	Bermuda	5:00pm	
Wed	Bermuda		
Thu	Bermuda		
Fri	Bermuda		7:00am
Sat	Fun Day At Sea		
Sun	Baltimore, MD	10:00 AM	

**Balcony Cabin Prices starting at :  
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**Prices includes all Taxes and Port fees.**  
Price above does not include Gratuities,  
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stevekelley@gottogotravel.net**

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The Buffalo Thunderbird Club is proud to host the Silver Anniversary edition of the International Thunderbird Club's Annual Convention and we invite all ITC members and friends for a fun-filled stay in the Buffalo-Niagara region!



**Host hotel is the brand new Hyatt Place Buffalo/Amherst! Convention highlights include the Buffalo Transportation Pierce Arrow Museum, an architectural tour including Frank Lloyd Wright's Darwin Martin House, dinner harbor cruise on the Miss Buffalo, and of course, a visit to Niagara Falls!**





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