



Thunderbirds of Southwest Ohio

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NEWSLETTER

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Sept 23rd

MEETING MINUTES:

Call to Order: The August TSWO meeting was called to order at 7:04 p.m. on August 13, 2015 at the MCL Cafeteria. As President Beverly Knauper opened the meeting she encouraged everyone to get out with their cars as often as possible since August has arrived and the car season is rapidly slipping away.

Attendees: Peg and Brett Andrews, Nancy and Julie Blake, Ruthie and Wayne Dennis, Jan and Guy Gifford, Lisa and Roger Hamm, Beverly Knauper and Jim Ross, Jim Lenz, Scott McGaha, and Jay Walsh. Brian Miller was a guest and a prospective future member.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Hearing no objections, the minutes of the July meeting as distributed in the August newsletter were approved.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: Congratulations to Ruthie and Wayne, whose car won a second Gold Award in the Nova Nationals. The car has been owned by Ruthie since it was manufactured.

A sad note was that Scott's mother passed away in Louisville, Kentucky on the Friday before the meeting. Our condolences to Scott and his family. We will keep them in our thoughts and prayers.

Nancy happily announced that she has a new Thunderbird "at home in her garage" and she noted that "Julie likes it too." It is a 1966 red Landau with a white vinyl roof which was previously owned by Jack Schooley, a former member of our club.

Guest Brian Miller, introduced himself to the club and asked for some advice about a problem he has encountered with his car. During and after the meeting both Guy Gifford and Jay Walsh offered Brian pointed suggestions to steer him in the right direction. We hope to see Brian again at the September meeting.

Beverly noted that many of the recent activities have been well attended. Pictures of the Young's Dairy Putt-Putt golfing adventure, the Sonic cruise-in and the Lebanon Ford cruise-in and pig roast are all on the TSWO website.

Beverly also announced three upcoming events which, even though they are not club activities, hold promise for an exciting "car" day. The first is "Classics on the Lawn", Sunday **August 23rd**, 12-4 pm. Call 937 750-3569, the Oakwood Historical Society for more information.

On **September 19th** the Ford Sharonville Transmission Plant will host its annual car/truck/motorcycle event. This year 12 trophies will be given to Thunderbirds in honor of the 60th anniversary of the T-Bird. All proceeds will be donated to the Juvenile Diabetes Research Fund. Let's all get our T-Birds there and win those special trophies and at the same time help an important cause. Registration starts at 9:00 am to 1:30 at 3000 Sharon Road in Cincinnati. Refer questions to Jack Knapke at 513 782-7594. On air entertainment will be provided.

The following day, **September 20th** will be the date for the Concours d'Elegance at Carillon Park.

Jim Lenz encouraged everyone to attend the annual Antioch Shrine Car Show to be held **August 30**, downtown Dayton at First and Jefferson. The show begins at 1 pm. Our club has supported this show for many years and will continue to do so.

REPORTS:

Treasurer's Report: Treasurer Lisa Hamm gave us the end of the month balance. There was one expenditure for the month. Brett noted he'll need to spend \$14.99 to renew our website domain name.

Events Planning Report: Scott provided details for our August outing to Carillon Park on Saturday, August 15th. He described some of the attractions at the Park such as the original Wright Flyer which is housed there as well as an 1835 B&O steam locomotive. A building dedicated to the Dayton Flood is among many, many more sights to take in. We will meet at 10:30, spend some time touring the grounds, and then eat at the micro-brewery/restaurant whose brewing recipes begin in the 1850's and continue forward to include today's crafted beers. The food menu features dishes common to Dayton's earliest immigrants, English, Irish and Germans.

TWSO Board of Directors (BOD) Report: The board held a meeting prior to the regular club meeting to give final approval to the bylaw amendments and to discuss other club related issues.

OLD BUSINESS: The annual club picnic will be held this year at Peg and Brett's home on September 12th, beginning at 2:00 p.m. In case of rain, it will be held September 13. If it rains that day, we'll dine inside. Maps to their home will be provided at the September 10th meeting.

Our Vice-President, Roger Hamm, spoke about the upcoming elections which will be held in October. All candidacy letters need to be delivered to Roger by September first.

A few preliminary words were said about our Christmas Party which will fall on the second Thursday of December. This year that date is December 10. It will be held at MCL as it has been successfully held there the last two years. We like the ability to decorate in our own fashion, and enjoy the privacy that the room provides. There will be more discussion and details as the day draws near.

NEW BUSINESS: No new business at this time.

OPEN FLOOR: No comments or questions were brought forth at this time.

ADJOURN: At 7:55 p.m. a motion to adjourn was made by Guy. Jan seconded the motion.

Beverly Knauper, President

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



September Birthdays

5th: Wayne Dennis
 11th: Ruthie Dennis
 25th: Jan Gifford
 25th: Jim Ross

September Anniversaries

None



If you haven't been asked for the date of your birthday or anniversary, or you need a correction, please e-mail our Club Secretary, Peg Andrews, at pegasus@woh.rr.com



From the President's Nest:

September is here, ushering in the last full month of car activities for most of us. Before we send the TBirds to their winter roosting places, however, there is more TBirding fun to be had. Our club picnic is Saturday, September 12 at the estate of Peg and Brett. Plan to drive a Thunderbird if possible. There will be more details at our next meeting.

September 19 is the car show at the Sharonville Ford Transmission Plant. There are a number of reasons to make a special effort to attend this show. First, it benefits juvenile diabetes research. Second, there will be a special group of awards only for Thunderbirds. Third, it's a very good show, with parking on the grass, trees and a tent for shade, and an ice cream truck (other food is available, but who really cares). There is also an area where trailers could park. Please also distribute flyers for this show so we get as many gorgeous Thunderbirds present as possible. I'll have flyers at our meeting.

Finally, for you NASCAR fans, Jack Roush Day in Manchester is October 11. It's a great venue along the Ohio River in Adams County. Jack spends the day, auctions NASCAR-related items (including hoods of actual race cars), and autographs anything. By the way, it includes a car show and a burn-out competition. There you have it - my short list. Many more possibilities are in *Show and Shine*. I hope to see you at one or more of these.

UPCOMING CLUB EVENTS

<u>Event</u>	<u>Date(s)</u>	<u>Location</u>
Club Picnic	Sep 12 th (13 th rain date)	Brett & Peg's Home

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