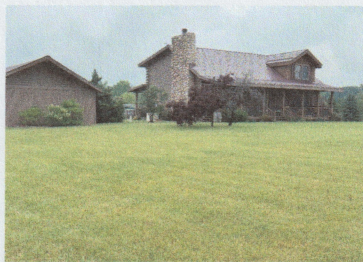


The Hoodscope: Newsletter for the Maumee Valley Thunderbird Club
Classic Thunderbird Club International, Chapter 70
July 2023

President: Steven Johnson
Vice President: Don Monroe
Secretary: Evelyn Deselms
Treasurer: Ron Pelc

Web Master: Norma Johnson
Trustees: Roger Nagel,
Ron Bush
CTCI Liaison: Merritt Higbie

In spite of a little rain, it was a very good turnout for our "Country Cookout". Our host, Seymour Bray, had tables set up in the garage next to the house and some of his family helped with the set up and the cooking, so we got to meet them.



Attending from our club were: Don & Carol Monroe, Ray & Evie Deselms, Ron Pelc & Jackie Frost, Lynn Kossow & Lori Dean, Len & Elaine Gregory, Roger & Shirley Nagel, Ron Bush and Steven & Norma Johnson. Our guest in attendance from the Water Wonderland Club were: Barry & Nancy Burnham, David & Jo Lau, Larry & Nancy Seyfarth, Randy & Nancy Talkowski and JoAnn Rodriguez. Some of the combined members drove their "birds." There was a lot of mingling, chatting and munching on the appetizers before the burgers and brats were set out for us to eat.

After most of us had eaten, President Steven Johnson opened the meeting with a welcome to everyone and birthday wishes for our club members Elaine Gregory (whose T-Bird is now running by the way), Don Monroe, and Ron Bush. He asked for input on what to charge non-members to place an ad in the classifieds of our website. The suggested amount was \$15 for a 3 month listing. Don Monroe made a motion to implement that

and a vote was held. The motion was passed unanimously and that will be added to the website info.

Vice President Don Monroe gave his report- his usual telling of a joke. This time it was the five surgeons one, where they tell what professions they like to operate on. 'Surprisingly' politicians, was the punch line.

The Secretary, Evelyn Deselms, gave her report, which was about the May meeting. It was held at Don & Carol Monroe's home and was very well attended. We opted out of a June meeting due to a planned road trip to Logan, Ohio for the Washboard Festival. Ron Bush was organizing that and gave out some information.

In review, the main points were 1) that club shirt order was finalized, 2) club website now working. Hit the about button on upper right to learn about the club. 3) Ford Plant tour is still scheduled for May 31. 4) The president showed us the "goody" bucket that new members will receive. 5) Reminder about the Thunderbird Reunion at Ford World Headquarters in Dearborn on August 22nd -27th. We also got the good news that cost for the website will be less than originally calculated.

The Treasurer, Ron Pelc, gave his report. The only change in the club balance since May is that one member sent in dues renewal, so balance went up \$25.

Old Business: 1) The Ford plant tour was canceled due to plant production shut down. Hopefully it will be rescheduled in the fall. 2) Ron Bush reported on the June road trip. The only members who went were him and the Johnsons. His hotel was in in main part of town and on Friday night there was a car show with close to 100 cars lining the streets. The original

washboard factory was in Columbus, Ohio and relocated to Logan. They are still being made there. The annual festival celebrates the history of washboards and their use as a musical instrument as well as its original function. (See www.stateneews.org/news/2023-06-16 for more information article).

Ron also reported that Classic Thunderbird Club International (CTCI) voted in December 2022 to accept all retro birds 2002 through 2005 to be eligible to belong to CTCI.

The meeting was adjourned and next meeting is Sunday, August 13th, at the Black Pearl Restaurant, located at 4630 Heatherdowns Blvd. It will be hosted by Leonard & Elaine Gregory. Please RSVP by August 10th