

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

President: Steven Johnson

Web Master: Norma Johnson

Vice President: Don Monroe

Trustees: Roger Nagel,

Secretary: Evelyn Deselms

Ron Bush

Treasurer: Ron Pelc

CTCI Liaison: Merritt Higbie/ Ron Bush

The October meeting, held on October 21, 2023, was the annual Chili Dump and was held at the home of For and Phyllis Caufiel. Twenty- two members attended, each bringing a serving of chili to *dump* into the serving pot.

President Steven Johnson welcomed everyone at 1:30 but decided to start the meeting later, after everyone had eaten. Birthday wishes were expressed to our host Ford who turned 93 on the 20th of October. The group sang "Happy Birthday" to him. Other birthdays this month are Jan Wells and Merritt Higbie (a Halloween baby). Celebrating a wedding anniversary were Angie and Luis Escobedo.

The meeting commenced at 2:25 and Vice-President Don Monroe spoke next. He told us he would be doing the 50/50 drawing later and then told a joke about a book author who was having trouble finishing, as he couldn't get out of chapter 11. It was Ford's book that drew his attention to this joke. His "report" was approved and 1st by Ron Bush and 2nd by Norma Johnson.

The Secretary, Evelyn Deselms, gave her report, which was about the September meeting held at AJ Doolittle's. It was nice to see Jan Wells recovering from shoulder surgery and Jim Wells recovering from double bypass for his heart. The president reminded us that if we want to run an ad on the

website, there is no charge for members. He also reported on the Thunderbird reunion held August 26 at the Ford World Headquarters in Dearborn, MI. There were close to 200 cars brought to the show. Still in the works, the tour of the Flat Rock Assembly Plant probably next spring due to contract negotiations. Report was approved.

The Treasurer, Ron Pelc, gave his report. Report approved by Evie & Ray Deselms

Old Business: The Ford plant tour is now postponed; most likely next spring.

New Business: There will be no November meeting, so our next meeting will be in December on the 10th and we will meet again at Ford and Phyllis Cauffiel's home.

We'll have a potluck again and the silent gift raffle. For the potluck- pick from the following list and let Phyllis know what you'll bring, On the list are appetizers, dinner rolls, potato dish, vegetables or vegetable casserole and dessert. RSVP Phyllis by December 5th.

As for the raffle- bring in something to enter in it, if you wish. It can be something new or a re-gifted item. Examples: homemade cookies, a craft item, a food or wine basket, a holiday wreath, ceramic item or painting, or something useful you no longer want or need. Items will be numbered and placed on a gift table. The raffle tickets will sell for \$1, \$5 for 6 or \$20 for an arm length.

You place your tickets in cup by item you'd like to win. A ticket gets drawn from each cup to pick the winner of that gift. Proceeds collected goes to the club's treasury.

Money collected from the 50/50 and matched by the club will be donated to SOS Foundation started by Ford and Phyllis Cauffiel.

Also, in December we collect dues for the year and hold officer elections. The club secretary would like to end her term, so we need a nominee to step up!!

The motion to adjourn was approved by Ron Bush and Luis Escobedo.