



PAJARITO THUNDERBIRD CLUB
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Oktoberfest at the Kontny house



Awesome food enjoyed by all



Reba and Gary Burns



Priscilla Romero.



Gaye and Terry Leighley



Gerri Chavez, Jim Kontny and Pat Murphy.



Jay Norman and Epi Gurule.



Jean and Steve Haydu

More Oktoberfest



Fred Lachenmeyer's beauty



Ready to leave the Pit for Los Lunas



The line-up on T-Bird Lane



Master Chefs Jeannine Kontny and Nora Klopotek



Jim K -Our Beer meister



Jim Timmons and Sam Griego



Epi Gurule and Prisslia Romero



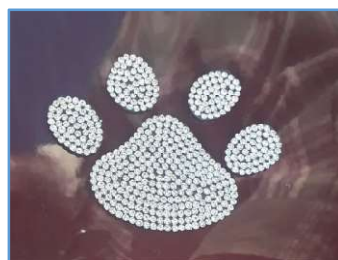
Dennis and Mary Ann Potter



Lou Belmont in heavenly workshop



The Kontny pouch was unphased!



Only one retro is decorated in rhinestones



Jim Kontny's raft of classics

November Luncheon

Date: Saturday, November 16

Time: 11:30 AM

Where: Garduno's at Cottonwood Maul

Address: 10031 Coors Rd., Albuquerque, 87114. (505) 890-7000

Arrangements: A two combination buffet is available for \$15.99 each, all you can eat. Seperate checks. Individual orders from the menu are available but could take up to 45 minutes to be served.

Our Hosts: Trudy and Mark Kennedy



Mark and Trudy Kennedy

2019 Pajarito Christmas Party

Saturday, December 14, 2018 5:00 PM - 9:00 PM

Albuquerque Marriott: 2101 Louisiana Blvd NE

Cost: \$35 Per Person for members and families

\$40 Per Person for others

Cash Bar starts at 5 PM

Our Hosts: Craig and Laura Sowers

Activity: White Elephant Gift Exchange

- Each person is requested to bring a wrapped gift valued under \$1500
- Please: No Candles, no used items, no gift cards
- The procedure will be announced at the



Pay in advance by November 20th Deadline *Use the form attached at the end of this newsletter*

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Dinners: include Coffee, Iced Tea or Water, Baby Greens Salad, Vegetable Medley, Roasted Red Potatoes and Pepper Rice and Seasonal Deserts

Choice of Entree:

Entrée 1: Petite Fillet of Beef with Merlot Demi-Glace (GF)

Entree 2: Chicken Wellington topped with Mushroom Duxelle in Puff Pastry

Entrée 3: Vegetable Napoleon



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Memories

We mark the recent passing of too many friends of the club:

Ben Harris



Ben was a member of the club who passed away November 4. He was a veteran, trained as an electrical engineer and worked in the aerospace industry. Ben was born in Ponder Texas, and was the youngest of 6. He served in the Air Force Reserve. Ben is survived by his wife, Sandra, and his daughter, Ruth. He was married to Sandra for 61 years and a member of the Sombra Del Monte Christian Church. Ben owned a 1956 Black Small Bird. A private family memorial is planned.

Alan Highley



Alan was a supporter of the Pajarito club, although not a member. For the past 3 years he proofread every Thunderbird Club Newsletter and was best friend of the editor. Alan passed away October 23. He was born in India as a British Army brat and lived in Scotland, The Netherlands, Germany, England, California and New Mexico. Alan is survived by his wife, Janette, and two loving daughters. He was married to Janette for 52 years and was a member of City Church of Albuquerque at 5300 2nd Ave NW. Everyone is welcome to his service at 11 AM Nov. 23 at the church.

Ethel Edwards



Ethel Edwards. A longtime Thunderbird enthusiast, passed away recently at age 95. Ethel and her husband, Karl, were among our very first Pajarito Club members. They owned a dry cleaners and laundry business on Gibson at the KAFB West Gate and parked their beautiful red 55' T-Bird, similar to the one shown below, in front of the business everyday for all to see.

Ethel hosted many memorable club parties at their home over the years, even after Karl's death. She preferred to drive her Corvette as her daily driver but also enjoyed driving the 55' T-Bird to Pajarito Club activities and special occasions. Ethel enjoyed reading our club newsletter up until her passing.

Ethel did not have any relatives or close friends that were still living and did not want a memorial service.



Jane Edna Melton Reel Timmons



Jane was born at home in the small western North Carolina town of Granite Falls on December 25, 1942. She was the middle child with an older sister, Joan (Melton) Abernethy and a younger brother, Edwin "Ed" Melton. She graduated from Granite Falls High School on 1961. She then attended Lenoir College in Hickory, NC. Jane worked in banking in North Carolina until her marriage to Joseph P. Reel Sr. she then followed his career in radio to Monterey, CA working for Bank of America, then to Phoenix, AZ arriving in Albuquerque in 1971 when Joe took a job at KOB. Jane was with the Albuquerque Public Schools in a "pull-out" mobile classroom servicing parochial schools then was based at Zia Elementary school assisting teachers and operated a computer system using a "writing to read" method. She met her husband, Jim socially during her work with APS and they were married in 1987. Jane was a competitive bowler in league play and for several years was President of the Thunderbird Little League. She supported her children in their sports. She was able to retire from APS in June of 1999. She was an avid gardener and able to share her husband's interests in early Ford Thunderbirds through the local Pajarito Car Club. They traveled privately, returned to Granite Falls almost annually and attended conventions with the car club also. They were able to visit Jim's relatives in Ireland several times. Jane lived a comfortable life, enjoyed it all and was a good and loyal friend to many. Jane is survived by her husband of 33 years, James V. "Jim" Timmons; daughter, In lieu of flowers donations can be made to The Dyslexic Group LLC, a PO Box at 3961 E. Chandler Blvd. Suit #111 PMB # 292 Phoenix, AZ 85048, which remediates children with difficulty understanding how to read and write.

Worthy of Museum Display:



- One of 196 F-Birds produced
- Supercharged 312ci V-8 Engine
- Rare 3-speed Racing Transmission
- One of Five F-Birds finished in Dusk Rose

This thunderbird is shown at the Blackhawk Museum in Danville, California. The engine is assisted by a Paxton-McCulloch supercharge that delivers a robust 300 HP. Equipment includes back-up lights, Safety Package B, Town and Country radio, fender skirts, White Wall tires, white interior and black canvas top.



Blackhawk Museum



A pessimist sees the difficulty in
every opportunity; an optimist sees
the opportunity in every difficulty.

— Winston Churchill —

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Congratulations:

Dennis Potter scored the cover and the centerfold in the *Early Bird* magazine



Remaining 2019 Calendar

Month	Dates	Time	Event (as of 9/26/19)	Location	Coordinators
November	16-Nov		Monthly Luncheon	Guarduno's Cottonwood	The Kennedy's
December	14-Dec		Christmas Party	Albuquerque Marriott	The Sowers
2020					
May	5/4-9, 2020		CTCI International Convention	Sarasota Springs, FL	Betty Tulowitzky

It is time to start thinking about activities for the 2020 calendar.

For Sale:

1956 Ford Thunderbird: \$32,000, Rust Free Southwest Car, Good Mechanical Condition, Runs and Drives Great, Older Complete Body-On Frame Restoration (~12 years ago), Rare Buckskin Tan Exterior with Excellent Brown and White Interior, Automatic Transmission, Signal Seeking AM Radio, Porthole Hardtop, Disassembled White Convertible Top Included. Well Documented History, 3rd Owner (CTCI #232) since new, Call Ed Sauer (CTCI #17536) at (505) 250-1601 For More Information.



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Member _____ Spouse _____

Guest _____

Member	(Entrée Number) _____	X \$35 = _____
Spouse	(Entrée Number) _____	X \$35 = _____
Family	(Entrée Number) _____	X \$35 = _____
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Guest	(Entree Number) _____	X \$40 = _____
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Return by 11/20/19