



PAJARITO THUNDERBIRD CLUB
of
NEW MEXICO
Chapter 17 of the Classic Thunderbird
March 2017 Newsletter



March 11 Rich Ford Thunderbird Car Show



Rich Ford has again asked our car club to display our 55 through 57 Thunderbirds at their anniversary festival on Saturday March 11. Plan to have your car in place around 8 AM. If you can, join us for breakfast at the Mustang Café on site at Rich Ford around 7:30 AM. Retro Birds and other Vintage Fords are also welcome. Ed Sauer is coordinating and will call the membership to understand who can attend.

Rich Ford will have free food and drink during the day.

Concurrent Ladies Luncheon at the Cooperage



Thunderbird ladies are invited to get together for lunch on while the T-Birds are at Rich Ford on March 11 . There are lot of new members and we want to make it easier for the Thunderbird women to get to know each other better. -- Jeannine Kontny has organized this luncheon at the Cooperage on Saturday, March 11 at 11am. She is hoping all the women can join the group. Please RSVP to Jeannine Kontny at 865-3228 or send email to: kontny3228@hotmail.com by March 8 so she can give a

heads-up to the restaurant. If Jeannine is not home, please leave a message. The Cooperage Address is 7220 Lomas Boulevard Northeast, Albuquerque, NM 87110



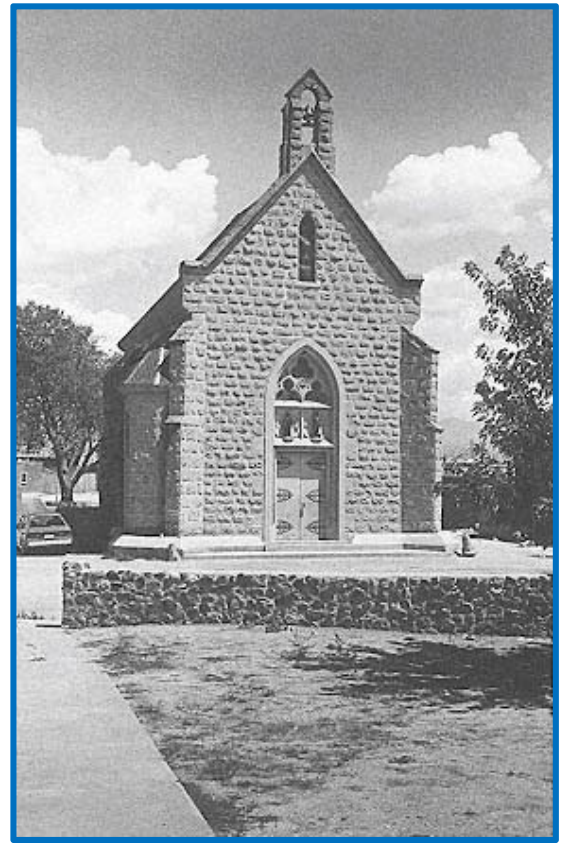
Wisdom from the Good Book:

“Thou shalt not tell thy spouse the entire cost of thy latest restoration, at least not all at the same time.”

April Outing to Bibo, NM

The April 29 outing for our Pajarito club will be a drive to Bibo, NM with lunch at the historic Bibo Bar and Grill. We will meet at the Love's truck stop at the top of 9-mile hill and I-40 at 11am. Bibo is 55 miles from there, taking about 1 hour. The village of Bibo was established in the early 1800's and is now technically a ghost town, though the last census does show 140 tough people living there. The Bibo Bar and Grill was originally a post office and trading post. We will also drive a couple of miles north of Bibo to a shrine dedicated to Our Lady of Lourdes.

The shrine is built into a huge natural grotto with benches carved from the stone. There are numerous legends connected with the shrine including it being there since the time of the Conquistadores as well as miracles that have occurred. Be that as it may, it's a truly awe-inspiring work of man and nature. Hopefully the weather



Lourdes Chapel



Interior of Lourdes Chapel

will cooperate and we can dust off the winter doldrums from our mobile works of art and enjoy a beautiful, short road trip to welcome spring.

We are also hoping to have members and cars from the Tumbleweed Club (early V-8s) join us. With both clubs, we will be a memorable parade through the Laguna Pueblo.



For more info se: <http://www.roadsideamerica.com/story/2168>

Club Dues Decision:

Annual Dues are \$ 15.00 per year per member or family. Payable at the beginning of each calendar year. Dues are used to defray the cost of the Newsletter distribution and other club events. Make checks payable to Pajarito Thunderbird Club

Mail checks to: Jay Norman 815 Hydra Rd SE Rio Rancho, NM 87124

May Outing :12th Annual Corrales Running of the Tractors

Our Thunderbird Club has been invited to participate in the 12th Annual Running of the Tractor Spring Show in Corrales on Saturday May 6. We will assemble and park with several other car clubs at 10 AM until about 3 PM at the Corrales Recreation Center located at 500 Jones Road.

Photos are from events the past several years.

The Corrales Tractor club has been together for 15 years but has been working together as a group from the beginning of the Corrales Harvest Festival 30 years ago. The Club is very excited in having the Pajarito Thunderbird Club in join in this event along with a few other car clubs.



Join Pajarito Club members for Breakfast Every Tuesday

Join us anytime from 6 to 8 AM

Millies Restaurant

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One block east of Pan American

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Our Prez Sez:

Column coming next month.

33RD ANNUAL NMCCC CLASSIC AUTO SHOW



Albuquerque Museum and the New Mexico Council of Car Clubs host the 33rd Annual NMCCC Classic Auto Show. This year's theme is "50th Anniversary of the Albuquerque Museum featuring 1967 vehicles." Hundreds of antique, classic, exotic and sports cars, along with trucks, motorcycles and vintage camper trailers will be on display in the Museum parking lot. Automobile art and model vehicles will be exhibited in the Special Events room inside the Museum.

Event Details

May 21, 2017

Time: 10am-3pm

Admission: Free

Location:

Albuquerque Museum

2000 Mountain Rd. N.W., Albuquerque, NM 87104

Phone: 505-243-7255

June Outing: Durango Father's Day Drive - June 16 & 17

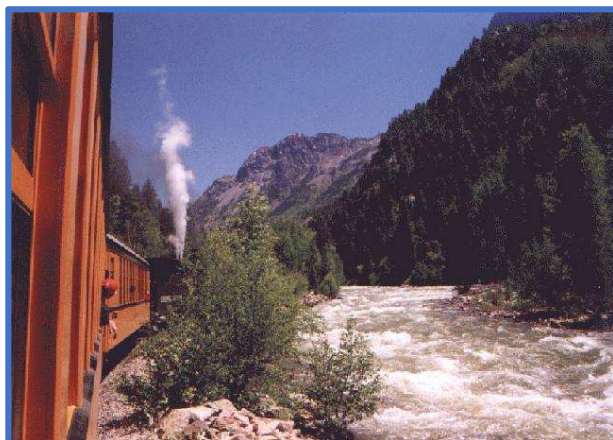
The Placitas Car Club has invited all interested drivers to caravan to Durango CO on Friday the 16th. They meet at the Merc in Placitas (Hwy 165) approximately 2 miles North from I-25. Approximate time for meeting there is 7 AM and leaving approximately at 8 AM. We will confirm this time later.

First stop is Cuba, NM (not the island) for brunch and then we will arrive in Durango in the early afternoon, avoiding the heat of the day.

The Durango Car Show is on Main St on Saturday, all day. The street is closed to traffic and we park on both sides of the street. Registration is on Friday afternoon in the parking lot near the train station.

The cost is \$30 and includes a t-shirt. The Durango Hampton Inn 970-247-2600 is holding rooms, on the north side of town on Hwy 550. Ask for the Placitas Car Club rate \$159/ night for two nights for an after tax total of \$350. Cancellation time is 24hr prior. The hotel offers good parking in a clean place.

Sunday morning we will drive back in a caravan or on your own. The rooms sell out fast and the town is full so if you are interested make this registration early.



Thunderbird Trivia for March:

February Answers:

1. *What James Bond movie included the 2002 Thunderbird?* Answer: Die another Day released 11/22/02
2. *How many 2002 Thunderbird Neiman Marcus editions were made?* Answer: 200
3. *Who came up with the Thunderbird name?* Answer: Alvin "Gib" Giberson

New March Questions:

4. What did the man who came up with the Thunderbird name and logo win for his suggestion?
5. What interior design innovation was first introduced with the 1958 Thunderbird?
6. When were the first fully "automatic" convertible power mechanisms first available?

Email your answers to Lloydpo@aol.com



2017 PLANNED ACTIVITY SUMMARY:

2017 Month	Date	Activity	Leadership
February	2/19.	Lunch at Pelicans	Carol and Fred Lachmeyer
March	3/11	Rich Ford Display	Ed Sauer and Sherry Jobe
	3/11	Ladies Luncheon at Cooperage	Jeannine Kontny
April	4/29	Bibo, NM and Lourdes Chapel	Jeannine and Jim Kontny
May	5/6	Corrales Running of the Tractors and Car Show	Glenn Schoenbach
	5/21	Ford Thunderbird Appreciation Day Road Rally	TBD
	5/21	Albuquerque Museum Car Show with NMCCC	Jerry Jennings and Philip Lovato
June	6/16	Durango Car Show	Craig Sowers
July	7/15?	Las Vegas NM Trip	Matt Martinez
August	8/19?	TBD	Vicki and Rick Keller
September	9/16?	50th Club Anniversary Shrimp Boil	Terri and Tony Beach
October	10/21?	TBD	Ed Sauer and Sherry
November	11/18?	TBD	Kay and Lou Belmont
December	12/16?	Christmas Party	Linda and Ray Wood

Factory Invoice for your T-bird

CTCI now has a complete file of invoices for 1955-1957 Thunderbirds. Cost is \$ 30.00 with current CTCI membership. Go to "Factory Invoice Selection" at www.ctci.org

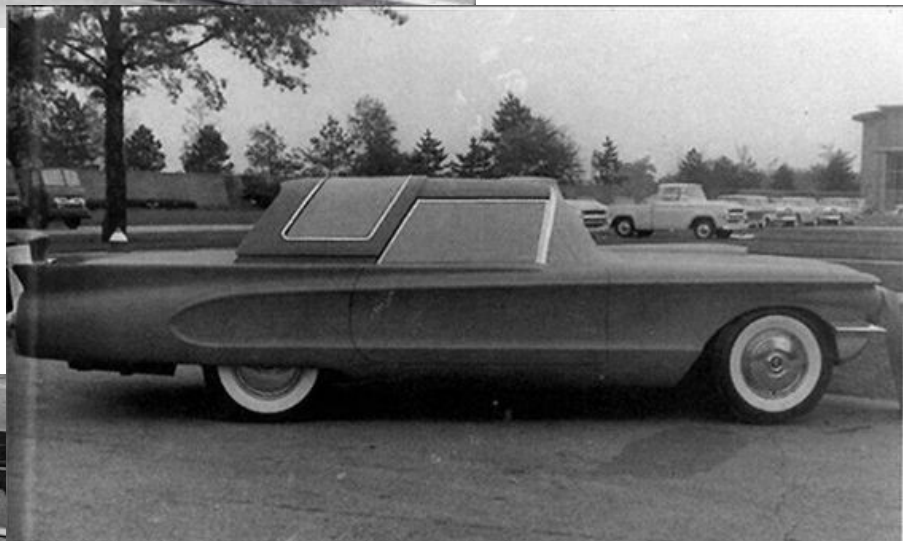


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70 AMP BATTER		60		525	
750 X 14 4 WKS		160		2350	
POWER STEERING		480		4463	
ELECTRIC WIND		490		4875	
HEAR FENDER S		190		1875	
FULL WHEEL CO		110		1020	
SIGNAL SEEK R		800		7900	
HEATER AND DE		590		5850	
BACK UP LIGHT		60		502	
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TOTAL FOR VEHICLE AND DEALER CHARGES				329195	

Thunderbird Clay Models. What history!



1955 Full Size Clay Models in Ford design studio.



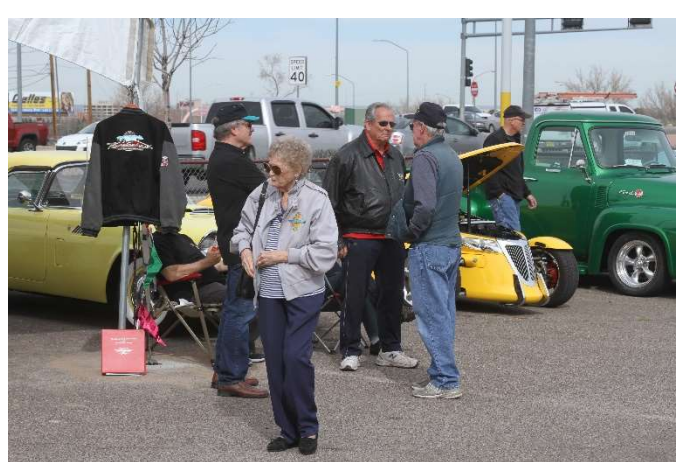
1958 Full Size styling idea Clay Model
With strange roof line?



Just like the full scale clay models of the cars, the interiors are also made up on wooden and clay mockups. This Thunderbird proposal is very close to what was actually produced. Note on this proposal the push-button transmission selector on the steering wheel with a clutch pedal! The radio is unusual with its round dial type like an Edsel speedometer. Air-conditioning outlet and heater controls are not like production.

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**17 Small Birds
4 Retro
3 Baby Birds**



The Rich Trial of the Century:



The Hanging
Judge



The Bailiff



The Accused

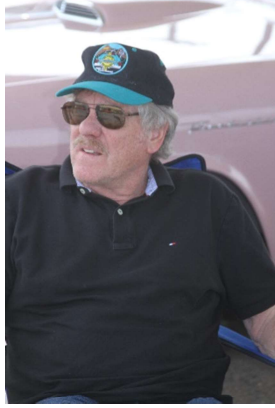
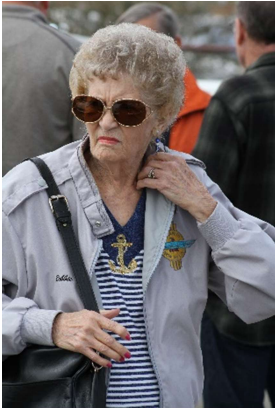


The Defense
Attorney



The Prosecutor

The Jury



The Crimes:

Negligance
by Owner:



Assault by
Ball Peen
Hammer:

