

REMAINING 2018 CLUB EVENTS & MEETINGS Most events are on a Saturday. Different days and changes are in bold print.

08/04	Saturday	7am-3pm	Horsefeathers Car Show, Rocky Mountain Regional Airport, Broomfield, CO
08/11	08/11 Saturday 9am-noon		August Board Meeting, Lookin Good Restaurant, 66 Sheridan Blvd, Denver
08/12	08/12 SUNDAY 11am-4pm		Frank's Pizza Car Show, 4701 S. Broadway, Englewood, CO
08/25	Saturday	9am-3pm	August Mystery Cruise, Lookin Good Restaurant, 66 Sheridan Blvd, Denver
09/02	SUNDAY	6:30am-3pm	Windsor Car Show
09/03	MONDAY	8:30am-3pm	Labor Day Parade Louisville, CO
09/08	Saturday	8am-6pm	Speciality Auto Auction, Larimer Fairgrounds, Loveland, CO
09/09	SUNDAY	7am-2pm	All Ford Day, Sheridan HS, 3201 W. Oxford Ave, Denver
9/14-17	7		BIRD BATH, Albuquerque, NM
09/15	Saturday	7am-3pm	Landmark Lincoln Car Show, 5000 S Broadway, Englewood, CO
09/15	Saturday	7am-2pm	7th Annual LincolnTech Car Show, 11194 E. 45th Ave, Denver, Co 80239
09/29	Saturday	9am-3pm	September Mystery Cruise, Lookin Good Restaurant, 66 Sheridan Blvd,
10/06	Saturday	9am-noon	October Board Meeting, Lookin Good Restaurant, 66 Sheridan Blvd,
10/13	Saturday	9am-3pm	Pumpkin Follies, Reinke Bros, 5663 S. Prince, Littleton
10/27	Saturday	9am-3pm	October Mystery Cruise, Lookin Good Restaurant, 66 Sheridan Blvd,
11/03	Saturday	9am-noon	November Board Meeting, Lookin Good Restaurant, 66 Sheridan Blvd,
11/10	Saturday	8am-3pm	Veteran's Day Parade, Longmont, CO
12/01	Saturday	9am-noon	December Board Meeting, Lookin Good Restaurant, 66 Sheridan Blvd,
12/09	SUNDAY	11am-3pm	Holiday Brunch, Mt. Vernon Country Club, 24933 Club House Cir.Golden,



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President's Message

WOW!! This summer the temperatures have been HOT but RMTC members have come out and enjoyed the summer events!! The FOMOCO Owner's Club Picnic was not a regular RMTC scheduled event but word of mouth convinced 18 RMTC members and two guests to bring 11 T-Birds to the June 24th picnic for a club display. There were around 75 FORDS that parked on the grass for this year's picnic. RMTC will definitely add this event to our calendar for 2019. Mystery Cruise #56 on June 30th, organized by Debbie Spickard, involved 16 T-Birds carrying 35 RMTC members and 3 guests to the Rambler Ranch in Elizabeth, CO. The owner, Terry Gale, has expanded his collection of Hudson, AMC autos and Kelvinator appliances built by American Motors. He has constructed a 1960's home with all the right time-period furniture, appliances, etc. Famous Dave's catered this event with plenty of BBQ pork and chicken. Everyone had a great time wandering through the three buildings and saw his new empty 16,000 sq. ft. addition to the Rambler Ranch to be opened in September full of AMC Jeeps and Eagles. THANK-YOU Debbie Spickard for making Mystery Cruise #56 a very successful event.

The 4th of July parade in Highlands Ranch was once again well attended by RMTC members. This year 15 T-Birds carrying 24 RMTC members and 7 guests drove up and then down Highlands Ranch Parkway. After the parade most of the group gathered at the Highlands Ranch Red Robin for lunch. THANK YOU Jim Merritt for registering the RMTC for this parade and making the arrangements for lunch. The RMTC celebrated 38 years of bliss at our annual picnic, elections, and awards at Bear Creek State Park on July 14th. 59 RMTC members and one guest enjoyed a lunch consisting of fried chicken and many side dishes and desserts provided by the participants. Many enjoyed checking out the 23 T-Birds displayed in the parking lot. After lunch, we had our club meeting and elections. All the current directors and officers were reelected to continue serving the RMTC! Cecelia Merritt, Dave Peck, Dave Sarno and Vicki Wilfley were also elected as directors to join the board. Bob Kimball and Ed Ryan were given wooden plaques thanking them for serving on the board for so many years. All other Officers and Directors were given certificates of appreciation for their hard work for the past year. Finally, participation awards went to Bruce & Cristy Caswell and Ron Leger which included a \$25 gift card to their favorite restaurant (King Soopers). This year the highly acclaimed JOHN SAYLOR AWARD went to Laurie Sarno for her hard work for the RMTC that is beyond her job as Country Store Director!! Laurie has found T-Bird parts for many members, organized food for the Mecum Auction and chicken for the 38th annual picnic, sold T-Shirts at the Havana Cruise and organized this year's BIRD BATH to Albuquerque, NM on Sept. 14th – 17th. Laurie has proven herself valuable to the RMTC and truly has earned the right to be recognized as the 2018 JOHN SAYLOR AWARD inductee. CONGRATULATIONS!! The \$200 gift card to the Brass Armadillo Antique Mall was won by Ron & Karen Theisman!! LUCKY!!

Upcoming events include: the 57th Mystery Cruise on July 28th to who knows where?? The buffet is \$10 and museum admission costs \$8. Hope to see you there!! The HORSEFEATHERS CAR SHOW at RM Regional Airport on August 4th; Frank's Pizza Car Show on Aug. 12th; Mystery Cruise #58 on Aug. 25th, will include a Poker Run to who knows where?? the Windsor Car Show on Sept. 2nd; and the Louisville Labor Day Parade on Sept. 3rd. Applications and details for these events have been in included in this and previous newsletters. TIME IS RUNNING OUT for those wanting to be a part of this year's BIRD BATH to Albuquerque, NM Sept. 14th – 17th. Call Laurie for details at 720-244-4921.

PLEASE remember that the RMTC Officers and Directors work very hard to organize and plan club events!! Our only way of knowing that our hard work is appreciated is by your participation in RMTC events!! Hope you will show your support by attending as many RMTC functions as you can! !

Great clubs come from its members participation! Don Reinke II President 2003 – 2018

MEMBERSHIP REPORT

We didn't have any new members join us in the past month but I would like to point out that over the past 12 months we had 19 new members join our club. It is great to see our club be so active and attract new members as we have, so keep participating and spreading the word about our club. Jim & I just attended the 2018 VTCI International in Tulsa OK and had a great time. It was good to see friends that we only see once a year and I want to congratulate our newsletter editor, Barb Herbel-Hendricks, for her Gold award she received for RMTC's newsletter. She works so hard to put out our newsletter so please let her know how much we appreciate all the hard work she does on our behalf. Great job Barb!!

Just a reminder: For the past two years RMTC paid membership dues to VTCI for all club members. As of 2018 it is now the responsibility of each member to renew their own annual membership to VTCI. The VTCI membership form can be downloaded from our website, rmtbirds.com, or from the VTCI website vintagethunderbirdclub.net. We hope you will continue your membership to our international club.

Don't forget to wear your name tag at all club events. If you don't have a name tag, or, if you want to switch from a pin closure to a magnetic closure, or, if you just want the updated name tag style, please call me and I'll order one for you. There is a \$12.50 charge for each name tag. Also, please keep us up to date with your e-mail address because annual dues reminders will be sent via e-mail.



42nd Annual Horsefeathers All Ford Power Car Show

Saturday, Aug 4, 2018 Rocky Mountain Metropolitan Airport 11755 Airport Way, Broomfield, CO 80021 Meet with Club Members at 6:30 am at the PARK N RIDE on Wadsworth (east side) south of Turnpike Cars will caravan to show at 7:30 am. Show lasts until **3** pm. Please register ASAP (enclosed) so enough space is reserved for our beautiful Birds. Use the ZZ display class for no judging/entry fee!

New Location

Questions, call Don 303 589-2232









SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 2, 2018 10am-2pm EASTMAN PARK WINDSOR, CO Contact Bob Harris 970-381-4888 for more info

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2 meeting spots for RMTC members: Metro folks: McDonald's at 58th & Washington 7 am Northern Members: meet at Water Valley at 9am

food vendors for the 9/2/18 Car Show in Windsor BIGS Meat Wagon, Daddy's Goodness BBQ, Trattoria Oreganata (Italian food), and Kona Ice. Some folks may want to pack a lunch to bring along; never quite know what to expect when it is food trucks.

2018 BIRD BATH SEPTEMBER 14-17, 2018, ALBUQUERQUE, NM

Two caravans for those registered leaving on 9/14. More infor contact Laurie at LANDSARNO58@GMAIL.COM OR CELL 720-244-4921

4th Annual **ST. JUDE BENEFIT CAR SHOW** Landmark Lincoln, 5000 S Broadway, Englewood September 15, 2018 9am-2pm (Move in at 7 am) No Entry Fee Each vehicle receives \$20 gas money at registration! Complete eclosed registration form! **Contact Harry Edwards** 970-381-3416 hedwards1932@gmail.com

> RMTC members attendint will meet at McDonald's (Belleview & Broadway) by 6:30 am to caravan up Broadway to Landmark Lincoln.

Labor Day Parade & Member Meeting September 4, 2017 8:30am Louisville, CO. Cars should meet at 707 E. South Boulder Rd (cross street is Centennial Dr) TBirds will meet on the south side of the parking lot in front of Walgreens.

At 9:00am,RMTC will leave this location to line up for the parade, so be on time!! Following the parade, cars will head into Louisville for lunch at *Carrabba's Italian Grill*

575 McCaslin Blvd, Louisville, CO 80027 303-926-4411



RESCHDULED LINCOLN TECH CAR SHOW

7th Annual Car Show Saturday, September 15th from 9am-2pm. Admission is free - enjoy a day of fun for the entire family including a kids zone, food trucks and more. USO Denver will also be collecting monetary contributions for our troops - contact our campus for details. To register your vehicle online, visit https://carshowpro.com/event/266 More info: Steve Hatch 303-929-8796 SteveVHatch@gmmail.com



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JUNE 30, 2018

Not since 2013 had RMTC cruised to Rambler Ranch, which is owned and operated by Terry Gale. Dedicated to mostly AMC, Ramblers, Nash and Hudsons, Terry has made it his mission to rescue these automotive delights. His museum is made up of over 500 cars of all stages of restoration, 1950's, 60's fully decorated apartment, a Kelvinator building filled with appliances, a 50's cafe, an RTD bus, memorabilia of all kind and each car has a period dressed mannequin. It is quite the site !!!! Famous Dave's provided lunch which was yummy as always.











Hot and sunny skies greeted RMTC members drove their beauties for the 8th year in the HIGHLANDS RANCH 4th of July parade. Barb Hendricks and her mini me walked along side and tossed candy to the kids waiting with bags to fill!. Lunch after the parade route at Red Robin.





VTCI Tulsa Oklahoma





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John Saylor Award





MORE Past-Events

RMTC SATIN JACKETS

Laurie in the Country Store is hoping to make an order for RMTC satin jackets (see the store ad). BUT there is a minimum number needed before the order can be placed! **EIGHT (8)** more pre-orders are needed to complete the minimum. Jackets will retail for \$85-\$100.

Contact Laurie (720-244-4921) or landsarno58@gmail.com for more info

OTHER GOINGS ON:

Big Wheels Car Show Aug 12 9a-3p Anderson Park, 44th & Field, Wheat Ridge, \$40 bigwheelsonthefarm@gmail.com Holy Rollers Car Show August 18, 2018 Midwway Park, Broomfield holyrollerscarshow.com Customs & Classics Car Show Aug 19 9-3 Old Colorado City \$35 accenr@comcast.net Gunnison Car Show Aug 17-19, 2018 Gunnison, CO GUNNISONCARCLUB.COM St. Jude's Benefit Car Show, Sept 15, 2018 Landmark Lincoln, Englewood, CO Harry Edwards 970-381-3416 Autumn Car Show October 14 9-3 Colorado City/Rye Lions Club Terry 719-821-5465

BEEP BEEP from the VEEP, Jim Merritt also VTCI SW Regional Director

Greetings from the VP's garage. The last month has keep Jim busy and on the road between the Mecum Auction, July 4th parade and the VTCI International in Tulsa, OK. There were 10 RMTC members that attended the International event. Watch for the upcoming article and pictures about Scott and Andy Anderson adventure in getting there. They are our newest members. The International went off without a hitch. We visited several historic places along RT66. One of which is the largest gas pump in all the world. I also hear from Don the RMTC picnic was well attended. Currently, Jim & CC are back in Baltimore MD to spend some time with the 4 grandkids (# 5 due February 2019) Oh yes and savaging some 1950's and 1960's junk yards looking for parts. See you soon! Don't forget to check out our upcoming events posted on **RMTBIRDS.COM**

Board Meetings

August 11, 2018 9am Lookin Good Restaurant

RMTC has a new email address: ThunderwordRMTC@gmail.com **Bits from Barb**

Due to technical difficulties, not a lot this month.





RMTC CONTINUED GOOD WISHES TO:

No health issues this month!

If you know of RMTC members with health issues or needing good thoughts from RMTC members, please email or call the editor or a board member!

** NOTICE – PLEASE READ **

In an effort to streamline the membership process the Board has agreed to change the membership renewal process to be the same time of the year for all members. The membership year will run from July 1 through June 30. New members will pay a prorated amount based on the month they join in order to align them with this annual standard. Over the next year when renewal reminders are sent out, it will state your prorated amount of dues required to renew your membership and bring your membership in line with the June expiration. If you have any questions about this or when your membership is due please e-mail Cecelia at rmtcmembership@gmail.com.

2018 BIRD BATH SEPTEMBER 14-17, 2018 ALBUQUERQUE, NM

IF YOU ARE GOING ON THE BIRDBATH please let LAURIE SARNO know:
 1. IF YOU ARE GOING TO CARAVAN DOWN WITH THE GROUPS (ONE LEAVES AT 8:00AM FROM THE McDONALDS AT 9800 S YOSEMITE ST LONE TREE 80124 2ND GROUP LEAVES AT 12PM FROM THE McDONALDS AT 2700 W BELLEVIEW AVE LITTLETON 80120)
 ON SATURDAY 9/15 GOING TO SANTE FE OR STAYING IN ALBUQUERQUE TO TOUR THE UNSER MUSEUM
 3. ON SUNDAY 9/16 GOING TO THE NATIONAL MUSEUM OF NUCLEAR SCIENCE & THEN LUNCH AT ROUTE 66 DINER Contact Laurie at LANDSARNO58@GMAIL.COM OR CELL 720-244-4921

DON'T FORGET TO MAKE YOUR RESERVATIONS BY 8/1/2018 BEST WESTERN INN & SUITES 505-242-7022 MENTION RMTC TO RECEIVE DISCOUNT



Kidney Donor Search Update

Many of you are aware that for over a year now, there has been an ongoing effort to locate a kidney donor for our club President, Don Reinke II.

We are making tremendous strides in getting the word out, as well as generating action by some to see if they may actually be a donor match.

Unfortunately, because of Don's health setback regarding his heart issues he is TEMPORARILY not qualified to be a organ recipient. Therefore the transplant center will not test donors specifically for Don.

I can't state clear enough that this is just a temporary hold while Don heals from his heart surgery. Once he gets the okay from the doctors, we will be off and running to locate that special person to assist with the donation once again.

You have all been a wonderful team working on this for Don and I appreciate knowing when the time comes you will help spread the word again. I will keep you updated with any new changes.

> Much Thanks Robin Mulroney

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Check your latest edition of the VTCI <u>THUNDERBIRD SCOOP</u> magazine for more information on VTCI events.



T-BIRD PARTS FOR SALE: Over the years, I have accumulated many parts for 58 – 97 T-Birds. My hoard includes hub caps, emblems, scripts and many misc types of interior and exterior trim. Call Don Reinke II at 303-589-2232.

FOR SALE: 1961 Thunderbird convertible, red exterior/interior, black top, 4 white walls, some restoration \$25,000

FOR SALE: 2002 pearl white Retro with black interior, hard and soft top, loaded, white wall/black wall tires, 9200 mi, car cover, hard top holder \$26,500

Contact Fritz Scelzo 719-590-8978

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FOR SALE: 1960 Sunroof, 352, AT, AC (not working), power steering, brakes, windows, seat. Good original condition (said to be approx. 2.5), only 2536 built. 3rd owner Colorado car. Corinthian white with black leather interior. Repainted approx. 20 years ago. Newer leather, carpets, dash & rechromed bumper. \$22,500. email me for photos Dan80110@aol.com 303-910-3660

For Sale: 55-56 Bird parts for sale: most new and in orig boxes. Plus some appear to be used? Parts came with a 56 purchased from a gentleman in Ca. that he spent hundreds hours on and thousands of dollars. Parts are: New in box synchronizer assembly for 3 speed transmission, New in box 55-56 brake master cylinder, New in box starter switch, New in box 3 hydraulic brake hoses, New in box 6 wheel cylinders, New in box 2 door striker plates, New in box 1 distributor cap, new, no box 4 brake shoes, New in box (appears new) 1 hot water control valve, Used brake drum (getting calibrated), New or used ?? turn signal switch, Looks new? 1 lower radiator hose, Looks new? one by pass hose, new 4 rubber grommets for??. APPROXIMATE VALUE(Larrys TBird and Mac) is about \$700 plus. Will let go for only \$200 and will be in the Denver area a few times before the snow flies so will drop off at a reasonable location. **All go together, no splitting up.** The master cylinder and synchronizer assembly is worth more than the 200.00

Bill Sompayrac wbssos@live.com 970-858-6760

09/18

 FOR SALE:
 1965 Thunderbird Convertible.
 390 V8, automatic transmission, dual exhaust. Red exterior, black interior, white top.

 Power Features:
 steering, disc brakes, windows, driver seat and antenna. New: paint, convertible top, whitewall radial tires, chrome, lenses, scripts, emblems and more...
 Beautiful Tbird - lots of compliments. Runs, drives and shows well.

 \$23,500/offers will be considered.
 Call Paul at 970-481-6171 or email pauldarcy48@gmail.com
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For Sale: 1966 Thunderbird Convertible, Brittney Blue, blue interior, dark blue top, wire wheels, #3 show, 67,600 actual miles, has aftermarket am/fm/cd/casstape/radio, otherwise unmolested and all stock. Is in North Platte, Ne. and can be driven anywhere. \$20,000. Call John Phifer @ 308.534.1334.

For Sale: 1985 30th Anniversary Thunderbird, totally unmolested all stock with original paint and only 37000 miles, Is in North Platte, Ne. and can be driven anywhere. One of 5 thousand made and there ain't that many left. Has 4 extra tires and chrome wheels. \$10,000 or best offer. Call John Phifer @ 308.534.1334.

Also have a 1979 Triumph T140E 750 Bonneville, mostly all stock, new rubber front and rear, 19,000 miles, runs good, looks good, have stock mufflers, you can ride it anywhere but I wouldn't \$4,000. 09/18

Non-member ads are available for \$5.00 per month or \$20.00 a month with Black and White pictures. Ads will be shown for 3 months then will be deleted unless editor is notified. To post, write details of item with contact information, and check for full amount to "RMTC". Then mail to RMTC PO Box 620284 Littleton, CO 80162-0284. Questions? Call either Jim Merritt at 303-683-3117 or Barb at 303-770-5799. You can also send an email to: ThunderwordRMTC@gmail.com

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NEW ITEM SPECIAL ORDER RMTC water bottle \$30

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Silk Jackets are going to be available as a **PRE ORDER ONLY** item. Price will be between \$85-\$100 each - minimum of 12 to place the order - please let Laurie Sarno know if you want one & what size .

6 still needed to order!!!!

Contact Laurie Sarno (720-244-4921) or landsarno58@gmail.com for more info

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