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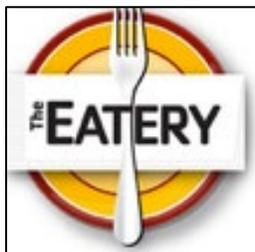
Nebraskaland Thunderbird Club

February, 2019 ~ Volume 42, #2

Dedicated to the 55, 56, & 57 Thunderbird
Chapter 65, Classic Thunderbird Club International

February Meeting

Thursday, February 21 at
6:30 pm



The Eatery

2548 S 48th ST
Lincoln

Host: Jeff Brown

Map & directions on p. 5

Prez Says

We had decent weather for change and our January meeting was accomplished with a nice crowd on hand to witness the swearing in of our new secretary **Gaylan Abood**. All the returning staff members were present, including our retiring secretary, **Mary Lou Bierman** who had served in that capacity for



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three years. The staff wishes to express their appreciation for allowing them to serve the Club for another year. And in turn they applaud all the members that participated in a busy 2018.

The 2019 host months were assigned except for March and September. If you are interested in hosting one of these months let me know. Our Christmas Party is set for December 14, 2019, at Mahoney State Park. Details will follow.

A written club survey was taken at the meeting. The results of the survey will be disclosed at the February meeting.



The treasurer's report indicated that there are several members delinquent in paying their 2019 dues. These dues are our primary source of income, so if you haven't paid your dues, your prompt payment would be greatly appreciated. The CTCI dues are also due. Prior to this year the dues notice came with the Early Bird magazine. This year the notices were mailed separately. If you didn't receive a separate notice you can pay your dues online through the CTCI website www.ctci.org.

I personally want to thank everyone that supported the club functions in 2018. It was your support that made me proud to serve as your President.

Jack Sanford, President



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January Minutes

Minutes of the meeting of the Nebraskaland Thunderbird Club that was held January 10, 2019.

The meeting was called to order by the president, **Jack Sanford** with 16 members, including spouses. There were no guests to introduce. **Bob and Cathy McGowen** were thanked for arranging the Annual Christmas Party. Unfortunately, it had to be cancelled due to weather. Jack commented that 2018 was the year of cancellations.

Elections

Nominations were held for the open position of secretary. **Gaylan Abood** was nominated. A motion was made by



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Marty Bierman to close nominations and elect **Gaylan Abood**. Carried.

Minutes

A call for any corrections or additions to the October meeting minutes resulted in none. Motion was made by **Ted Dimmitt** and seconded by **Marty Bierman** to approve the minutes of the October meeting.

Treasurer's Report

The treasurer's report by **Jeff Brown** stated that the cash balance was \$1,017. There was an outstanding bill for the website of \$140. Dues have been collected from 34 members and there are 25 that are unpaid and delinquent. Motion to approve was made by **Rob Kinsey** and seconded by **Bob McGowen**. Carried.

A motion was made by **Marty Bierman** and seconded by **Tom Woodman** to contribute \$100 to each of the food banks in Lincoln and Omaha and \$50 to the one in Fremont. Carried



Old Business

A motion was made by **Marty Bierman** and seconded by **Ted Dimmitt** to have the Annual Christmas Party on December 14th at Mahoney State Park.

Carried. **Bob McGowen** indicated that the deposit from the cancelled event will be applied to this year. It could not be refunded but could be applied towards another event.

The signup sheet for the calendar of events was circulated with most months being filled.

The logo design was tabled until the next meeting.

The Iowa Hawkeye Thunderbird Club's Okoboji weekend of May 4-5, 2019, was discussed with some members indicating they plan to attend.

New Business

A survey was circulated for club members to indicate preferences of club activities.

There was some discussion for a club table for the swap meet on March 3rd.

The Regional Meeting will be in Flagstaff on May 15-19, 2019.

Brag Box

There were a couple of brags:

Bob McGowen searched high and low and finally found a space for storing his three vehicles at an apartment complex for \$75 each.

Jack Sanford has re-installed his rebuilt speedometer in his Bird.

Adjourn

There being no further business, a motion for adjournment was made by **Jeff Brown** and seconded by **Jeff Hoffman**. Carried.

Respectfully submitted,
Gaylan Abood
Secretary



T-Bird Tech Talk

“Is there another jacking or lift system for my T-Bird?”

By **Martin Bierman**



Question - A Classic T-Bird owner asks if there is an alternative lift system other than a 2 or 4 post lift or jack stands to lift his car for wheel, brake and undercar work.

Answer - QuickJack portable jacking system may be the answer. From the QuickJack website: “QuickJack has many uses, but it’s primarily a car lift for the home garage. For decades, the majority of gearheads and DIY’ers have been lifting cars with jacks and stands. For decades, only professional auto shops and high-ceiling residential garages have been able to get their cars in the air with hydraulics. For decades, there has been a driveway need for a portable car lift that can be trusted without hesitation. With a 21” rise and open-center design, QuickJack is the ultimate portable solution for the average garage.



“The QuickJack BL-5000SLX is a true 5,000- lb. capacity automotive lift, made from the same materials you’ll find in a

professional shop or garage. But the key difference is you can take the BL-5000SLX with you almost anywhere.



Toss it in the trunk or backseat when you’re on the move, and stow it away in a corner when you’re not. After initial one- time assembly, setting up your QuickJack is a snap. Just drop it on the floor and connect the power. Then position the light-weight jack frames and rubber blocks beneath your vehicle. That’s it. Press the up button and go!



“With a three inch collapsed height, the QuickJack can get in where other jacks only wish they could. And without any cross members, you can match frame positions to almost any vehicle width.” For more information and prices for the BL- 5000SLX go to the QuickJack website at <https://www.quickjack.com>.” I recently purchased the BL-5000SLX and will report on its use with my T-



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Birds in a later issue.

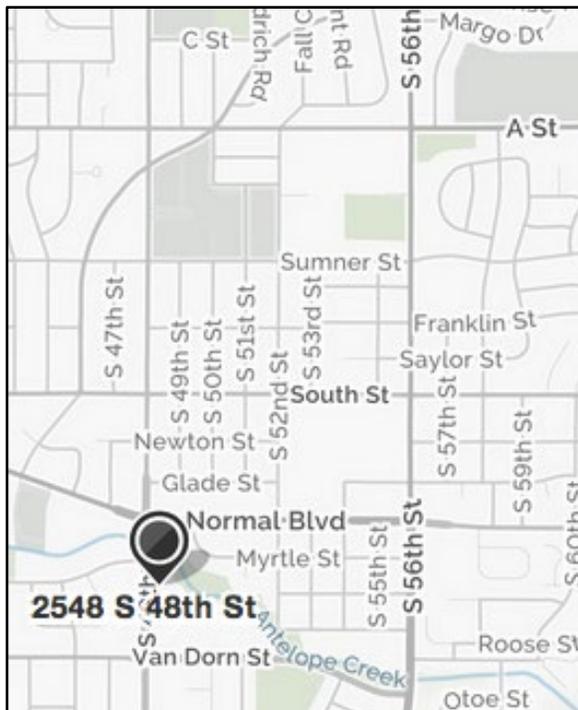
Nebraskaland Thunderbird Club Meetings and Events

February ~ Thursday, February 21.
6:30 pm. [The Eatery](#) 2548 S 48th ST,
Lincoln. **Host: Jeff Brown.**

Directions and Map

From Omaha ~ Interstate-80 to exit 409 (Waverly), west/left on Highway 6 to 84th Street (huge flag). Turn south/left on 84th Street to A Street. Turn west/right on A Street to 48th Street. Turn south/left on 48th Street and continue ½ block beyond Normal Boulevard. The Eatery is on the left at the bottom of the hill.

From points west or north ~ Take any exit from I-80. Go south to A Street. Take A Street to 48th Street. Turn south/right on 48th Street and continue ½ block beyond Normal Boulevard. The Eatery is on the left at the bottom of the hill.



March through October ~ TBD.

December ~ Saturday, December 14.
Holiday Party. Mahoney State Park,
Ashland. **Hosts: Cathy and Bob
McGowen**



CTCI Events

Western Classic Roundup, 2019
Region 6 Convention. May 15 – 19,
2019. Flagstaff AZ.

Set your sights on the West for the 2019 Region 6 Classic Thunderbird Convention which will be held at the newly renovated Little America in Flagstaff, Arizona on May 15-19, 2019. The Arizona Classic Thunderbird Club is proud to present the "Western Classic Roundup." Our location promises cool weather amid the Ponderosa Pines at an elevation of 6,909 feet. Our tours and scenic drives will provide a taste of Western beauty. Be prepared to be amazed at the diversity of our state.

Pre-registration is available for \$50 which will help meet the financial obligations of this regional convention.

Your early support would be greatly appreciated. This pre-registration amount will be applied to your total registration and should be mailed to: Judy Thompson, convention registration chair, 4055-28 N. Recker Road, Mesa, AZ 85215-7793. Checks should be payable to Arizona Classic Thunderbird Club. If additional information is needed, Judy can be reached at 602-625-2052. Additional convention information will be e-mailed to all CTCI chapters.

The Little America Hotel & Resort in Flagstaff is offering a special rate of \$139 per night plus tax. Parking for about 200 Thunderbirds as well as nearby trailer parking is provided. The hotel phone is 800-865-1401 (or 928-



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779-7900 for locals) and the promo "phrase" is "Thunderbird Regional Convention." Early registration is encouraged. The hotel features Southwestern decor and granite bathrooms and is close to major attractions such as the Grand Canyon, the Red Pillars of Sedona, the Lowell Observatory and Wupatki National Monument, among others. Registration forms will be available soon on www.arizonaclassicthunderbirds.org. Pre-registration is encouraged on the form provided on [this page](#).

For additional questions, phone Chuck Thompson, Convention Chair at 480-773-0222. Watch the EarlyBird and CTCI website for upcoming details!

AVAILABLE

1957 Thunderbird. Colonial White. Joe Campin, Overland Park, KS 913-915-0305 joe@n4holdings.com

DUES are DUE!
 Membership dues are \$15 yearly.
 Payable to Nebraskaland Thunderbird Club
Mail check and updates to:
Jeff Brown
7225 South 103rd Street
LaVista, NE 68128



2018 CLUB MEMBERSHIP DUES - \$15

Name(s) _____

Address _____

Phone number(s) _____

Email(s) _____

Please send this form and check for membership dues payable to the Nebraskaland Thunderbird Club to: Jeff Brown, Treasurer, 7225 S. 103 St., LaVista, NE 68128.



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