

# CLASSIC THUNDERBIRDS OF SAN DIEGO

## THE BIRDS EYE VIEW



### *From the President*

*May, 2022*

For those of you that did not make the Car Show and Meeting in Coronado on May 1<sup>st</sup>, you really missed a fantastic car show. It had one of the most eclectic collection of cars that I have ever seen in San Diego. Of course, my favorites were the Classic Thunderbirds representing Chapter 24. The day started out with a lovely continental breakfast hosted Bill and Marsi Speer at their Coronado home. Then Bill led the caravan of Thunderbirds to the show so we could park together. Included in the caravan was Mitch Villalpando, Elaine joined us later, Mike Hanson and David Durrill with dog Marly in his newly painted car. I must say, I am very happy with the outcome even though it took longer than expected and over budget. Other Chapter 24 members included Shelly Bowen and Gary Allard, it was "The Bird's" first trip over the Coronado bridge, John Davison with his '56 Ford pickup and Sam and Diana Battaglia with the Crown Victoria. As a result of the show, we gained new members, Craig and Wolfy Lotzof. They have a 1956 Navajo Grey Thunderbird. Two additional Thunderbirders expressed an interest in joining the club, one of whom won his first time out with his beautiful 1955 Raven Black Thunderbird.

John Davison is putting together a cruise route for Chapter 24 and the Early V8 Clubs for Saturday, May 28<sup>th</sup>. That's Memorial Day Weekend so mark your calendar! We will be meeting at 10 am in Mission Bay followed by a brief club meeting. I hope we have a good turnout. Additional details are forthcoming so watch your email in-box.

On Wednesday, June 1<sup>st</sup>, Thunderbirds are being featured at the Cajon Cruise night. We have an area reserved for us on Orange Ave. just off Main St. in El Cajon. You can start parking as early as 3pm. I would suggest not getting there any later than 4pm. It goes to about 6:30 or 7pm. Let's give El Cajon a strong club representation.

Sunday, June 26<sup>th</sup> is the Annual Garden of Innocence Car Show at El Camino Memorial Park. Again our club will be donating coffee and donuts for this wonderful and meaningful cause. It's also a great show. Make sure that you sign up for this show so that we can have a strong presence there. Registration is on line at [gardenofinnocence.org](http://gardenofinnocence.org) Watch KUSI on Sunday, June 19<sup>th</sup> for a promo of this very worthy event. It should be sometime between 7:40 and 7:50 am

One of the few topics of discussion at the meeting in Coronado was looking into having a meeting at the Botanical Gardens in Encinitas this summer. Any other suggestions for meeting destinations or ideas are always welcome.

Sincerely,

*David Durrill, President*



Classic Thunderbirds of San Diego  
CTCI Chapter 24 P.O. Box 82844 San Diego, CA 92138



# Classic Thunderbirds of San Diego Calendar of Events



- May 22nd** Regular meeting **MOVED TO MAY 28th** following the cruise.
- May 28th** Memorial Day Weekend Cruise 10am Mission Bay followed by club mtg.
- June 1st** Cajon Cruise Night featuring Chapter 24 - 3pm Orange Ave/Main, El Cajon
- June 26th** Regular Meeting at Garden of Innocence Car Show (El Camino Memorial Park)
- July 4th** Annual 4th of July Parade in Coronado, Stage by 8:30 am
- July 24th** Regular Meeting TBA
- August 13th** Mainstreet America Car Show at Embarcadero (Registration begins in May)
- September 10th** Pageant of the Thunderbirds, La Palma Park Anaheim
- October 25th - 30th** 2022 CTCI International Convention will be held in San Antonio, Texas

**Please watch for emails of added events or changes**



Gary and Carol Noyes were at the market when they spotted this magazine cover in the rack by the checkout stand. They were pleased to see a blue '56 with Florida plates on the cover. How fortunate are we that we can "cruise the coast" in our very own birds! Let's get out there and enjoy the beautiful drives right in our own backyard.

# MototCars on MainStreet



David's Bird sporting it's new paint job!



Shelly's bird lookin good with the top on!



**EL CAMINO MEMORIAL PARK**  
 Sorrento Valley  
 5600 Carroll Canyon Rd. SD. CA. 92121

**Classic CAR SHOW**

Fundraiser for the Garden of Innocence/San Diego  
 Providing Dignified Burials for Abandoned Babies

**SUNDAY, JUNE 26TH 2022**  
 Free to the public. Family Friendly. All Makes and Models Welcome.

8AM-2PM

Fun, Food, Raffles, Prizes

Live Music by: The Mod Rod Trio

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**El Camino Classic Car Registration**

All proceeds from this event, including car registration fee, will benefit the Garden of Innocence. The Garden of Innocence is a non-profit organization comprised of volunteers that provide dignified burials for abandoned babies.

Pre-Registration: \$35 Day of event: \$40  
 Includes entrance into the car show, lunch, t-shirt and goody bag. Participation "Thank You" plaques will be awarded.  
 Mail registration form to:  
 GOI, PO Box 934, Poway CA 92074 or  
 Register online @ www.gardenofinnocence.org  
 For more info contact Rick: rickgoe31@yahoo.com (619) 962-7858

**REGISTRANT INFO:**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
 City: \_\_\_\_\_ St: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Phone: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Email: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Year: \_\_\_\_\_ Make: \_\_\_\_\_ CAR: \_\_\_\_\_ Model: \_\_\_\_\_  
 T-SHIRT SIZE: \_\_\_\_\_ S \_\_\_\_\_ M \_\_\_\_\_ L \_\_\_\_\_ XLG \_\_\_\_\_ XXLG \_\_\_\_\_

**SAVE THE DATE!**

**Main Street America**  
 A People's Choice Charity Car Show  
 Presented by the Corvette Owners Club of San Diego

**SATURDAY, AUGUST 13, 2022**  
 10 AM – 3 PM

Embarcadero Marina Park North (Seaport Village)

A fundraiser for the San Diego Center for the Blind

Registration will be available in May!

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**Club Meets 4th Sunday of the month**  
unless otherwise noted. Check newsletter  
for location each month.



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