



ARIZONA
BIRD CHATTER
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1 Christmas wasn't always on December 25 ...

- **2 Gifts have both Christian and Pagan origins ...**
- **3 Evergreens are an ancient tradition ...**
- **4 You can thank Prince Albert for your Christmas tree ...**
- **5 St. Nick was more generous than jolly ...**
- **6 The Dutch gave us the idea to leave cookies and milk ...**
- **7 Coca-Cola played a part in Santa's image**
- **8 Hanging stockings was an accident.....**
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President Chris Ames

Fellow Thunderbirders, included in this issue of the Bird Chatter is a letter from CTCI President Brian Carron and a congratulatory Certificate to ACTC for being CTCI Chapter number 35 for 50 years. This recognition will be included in the November-December 2022 Early Bird. Over the years, ACTC's Board Members and officers have preserved original documents, including the Chapter Charter No. 35 presented to Arizona Classic Thunderbird Club on the 24th Day of April, 1971. The Charter was sign by President Paul Hudgins, Vice President Clifford Younger, Treasurer Albert Mowson, and Secretary Edna Neiss.

Chris



ACTC Meeting Minutes

November20,2022 @
"The American Legion"

President *Chris Ames* called the meeting to order at 9:00 Gregg Thurston led the Pledge of Allegiance. No correction to the meeting minutes for the last meeting.

Hospitality. Yvonne was not present, and Kathy Michele filled in for her. No new members or guests. We sang "Happy Birthday to those born in November and December.

Ways and Means: No Report.

Secretary: No Report.

Treasurer: *Rie Buzby* reported checking \$1917.02 and \$22,007.22 savings.

CTCI: *Jim Rodgers.* Car shows in February: Feb 11th ARC Car show in Sun City and Dr George in Palm Springs. See *Jim Rodgers* for more details.

Web Master: Russ Hanson said we have a new website name: AZClassicThunderbirds.org

Activities: Vice President *Jackie Mckee* was not present.

Public Relations: *Don Henderson, No Report*

Newsletter Editor: *Mike Wood* was presented the Silver Medallion Award from CTCI for the Newsletter.

Member at Large: Bob Michele told a joke. Christmas Party, Sunday, December 11th. \$25 per person. They have a block of rooms for the hotel. Sign up on your own. Bob Supplied the link. Thanksgiving parade in Fountain Hills. Please sign up.

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2022 CALENDAR OF ACTC EVENTS

Be sure to answer Evite or call Bob that you are coming to the meeting!!!

Sunday December 11th Christmas Party
(special discount fee) Embassy Suites. Special room rates \$99.00 + \$12.44 taxes, Total \$111.44.

www.my-event.hilton.com/phxpves-act-2010c488-ea19-42b8-9035-a320f3ebbc9b/

Meetings arrive between 8:30 am—9:00 am
Breakfast served at 9:30
Club Business attended to before and after breakfast

Sunday Jan 8th Rudy's BBQ 1733 N Higley Rd. Gilbert

Sunday Feb. 12th American Legion Post 107 20001 N Cave Creek Rd. Phoenix

Sunday Mar 12th The Burg 751 E. Union Hills Dr. Phoenix

Saturday April 8th Annual Picnic Pera Park 1 E. Continental Ave. Tempe
Members arrive between 11:30 am—12:00 pm lunch served at 12:30 pm

Saturday April 29th Day at the Pavilions Mc Donald Parking Lot, Indian Bend Rd.
Stay as long as you like

PLEASE NOTE !

All dates and events listed above are tentative and subject to change. Please check the calendar each month for updates.



Bob Michele	12/1
Jim Cook	12/3
Duane Foster	12/6
Jim Delton	12/6
Richard Bursley	12/6
Lynne Silvernale	12/7
Tom Wagner	12/16
Carol Meyers	12/19
Debi Ulsund	12/19
Nancy Kidwell	12/21
Don Rebtoy	12/23
Tom Strabala	12/29



Gary & Jamie Thompson	12/10
Russ & Margie Hanson	12/28



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Mike 602-568-8140

Nominations are closed. Chris Ames President, Gregg Thurston Vice President, Yvonne Wagner Secretary, Chuck Thompson Treasurer (with assistance from Kathy Michele), Bob Michele Member at Large.

Membership: Judy Thompson not present.

Historian: Duane Foster, no report.

Inspector General: Chris Ames filled in for Tom Harris Count of the Birds for this meeting: 9-57, 2-56, 1-55, Winner of the gas card: Jim Delton

Old Business: None.

New Business: No new business. Split the pot: \$92 – Chris Ames was the winner

Motion to adjourned by Jim Rodgers and seconded by Kathy Michele. Meeting adjourned 10:25am

**Respectfully submitted by
Kathy Michele**

(filling in for Yvonne Wagner)



ACTC MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL TIME

A Membership Application is included with this newsletter.

Please fill out all of the information so that we will be able to double check that all your information is correct.

This year we also want to track Retro Birds. On that line, please put down how many cars, (if more than one) the year of the car as well as the color.

If you are a member of CTCI, please include your number on the CTCI membership line.

The deadline for receiving your check and application is January 23rd in order for your information to appear in the 2023 Roster. Mail to Judy Thompson, 4055 North Recker Road, Unit 28, Mesa AZ 85215.

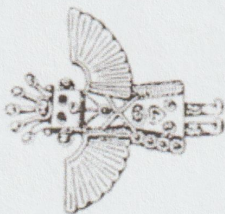
Make your check out to ACTC.

Any questions...call me at 602-625-2052.

**Judy Thompson
Membership Chair**

**Page 7 is renewal form cut out and fill out and send to
Judy Thompson**





ACTC MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL (2023)
DEADLINE: January 23rd 2023

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Please sign and date below, then mail with signed check to the address at the top. Thank you for your renewal to ACTC!

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YEAR 2023



Beverly Lynch has friends in Buffalo, NY

**Wouldn't you love to be there to enjoy the weather.
Hell no, living in Arizona is just wonderful, ok so we get a couple months of heat and we
have to go from an air conditioned house to a air conditioned car, to an air conditioned
office or mall! Come home snowbirds.!!!**



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November 14, 2022

Arizona Classic Thunderbird Club
President Christopher Ames
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RE: Chapter Anniversary

Congratulations on the 50th Anniversary of Chapter #35 Arizona Classic Thunderbird Club. A certificate from CTCL to recognize this accomplishment is enclosed.

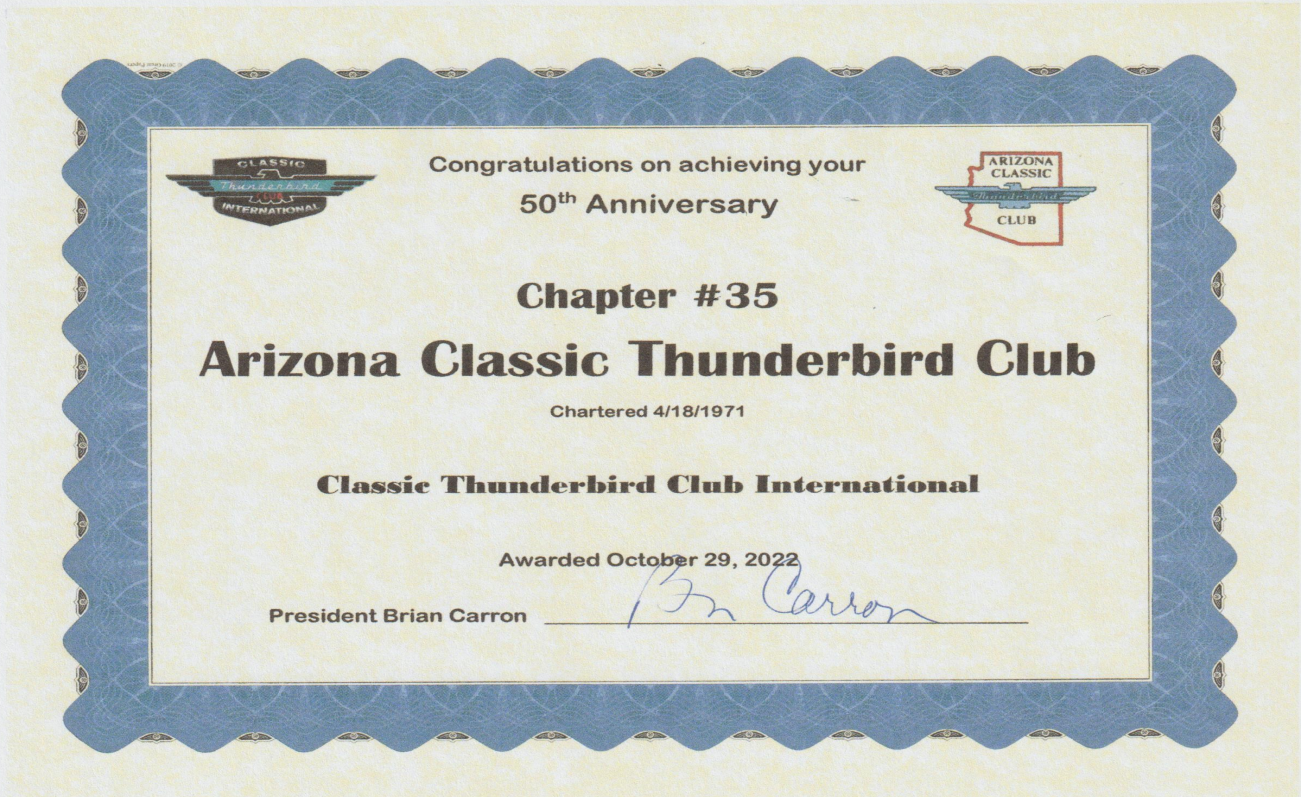
Fifty years is an impressive milestone that most clubs and groups will never reach. It is a testament to the commitment and dedication of your club's members to keep the enthusiasm alive! It takes a special group of people who share a love of these special cars to carry the torch of club camaraderie and purpose for so many years.

The Chapter charter was issued in 1971. For perspective, here are some other events from 1971: the microprocessor was invented, the 26th Amendment passed to lower the voting age to 18, Walt Disney World in Florida opened, and 'I Feel the Earth Move' by Carole King was on top of the charts.

Congratulations to all the members of Arizona Classic Thunderbird Club on this special anniversary!

With Best Regards,

Brian Carron



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**Christmas Party Sunday December
11th at Embassy Suites Hotel**

**Sunday Jan 8th Rudy's BBQ 1733 N.
Higley Rd. Gilbert**

**Auto restoration Club 11 annual car
show Saturday Feb 11 2023**



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**Meetings are smoke and
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