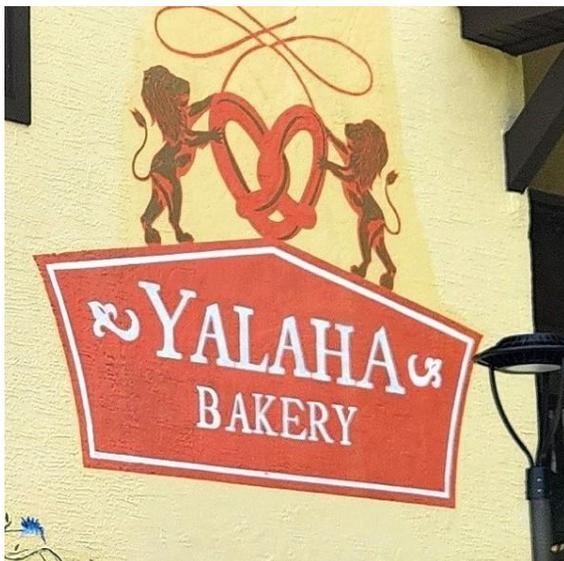


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On Sept. 16th, a group of our members went to the world central-Florida famous Yalaha Bakery and Deli. Just walking into the bakery is an awesome experience. More baked goodies than you can imagine - sweets, breads & pretzels. The Deli has sandwiches and hot meals. Everyone enjoyed the camaraderie and the food. It was a perfect day to eat and talk with friends in the Beer Garden. Some members arrived in their 'Birds. Plenty of parking. Enough room for the helicopter that landed for lunch!







THE VILLAGES CAR SHOW

Ralph received this email from The Villages Entertainment regarding a future car show. This show will include Thunderbirds from **all** years. If you would like to participate, let Ralph know as soon as possible. Our number of cars is limited to 24.

Ralph,

The Villages Entertainment is having a (2026 Car Club Showcase January 24th Brownwood,) I am emailing to ask if the Central Florida Classic Thunderbirds would like to participate in the show

We are asking for (24 cars) for the show. I'm looking forward to having the Central Florida Classic Thunderbirds in for the show.

Ralph, Please let me know if you can make it.

Thank you, Walter K.

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Speaking of car shows - Please read the two attachments along with the Newsletter. They are about two local car shows taking place in October. One is at Markets of Marion and the other at Grand Oaks. These are open to anyone, any year car. You can enter both or only one. This is up to the individual. These are not Club events. You do not have to respond to Ralph or anyone in the Club. It's just a chance to show off your beautiful car.

New Member – JOHN MILLER

John lives in Orlando and has a beautiful Star Mist Blue, 1957, TBird. John is a real Floridian, born & raised in Orlando – so, not surprisingly, he worked for Disney until his retirement this year. When he was 20-yrs-old, John told himself he would have a 1957 TBird when he turned 57. And, he did! He has a 16-yr-old daughter who also loves the Classic TBirds. John's Starmist Blue will be hers one day, even if she does call it Tiffany Blue. John is a member of CTCl and you will be able to meet him at our Oct. 6th meeting.





**MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR THE
MEETING ON OCT. 6th, 1pm,
at Gio's Restaurant.**

**RSVP Ralph
(rotaryralph@hotmail.com)
if you are attending -
seating is limited.**



***!*!*!*!* You will notice on the Events Calendar that the trip to Warren Wubker's Street of Dreams has been moved to Friday, November 14th. This change was done so that our returning seasonal members will be back to see this wonderful display. We will not have a bus this year, so plan to arrive at Warren's at 1 pm. This will give you time for lunch in Mt Dora and that is a good thing. Address, parking details are on the Events Calendar. This is the day before the Awards Night and Potluck Dessert Bar at the Hippie Hideaway (Nov. 15).**

If possible, the Awards Dinner will be rescheduled. If that's not possible, we will get to enjoy each other's company two days in a row! *!*!*!*!*

****As most of you know, Ralph Cowell is running for the CTCI position of Director-at-Large. If you check The Club website, Tom Zagar has put the biographies of Ralph and the two other men, David (Mike) Mills and Ross Woodman, who are running for this position. There is also a link that gives voting information such how and when.**

I hope everyone is checking out our web site regularly. There is always good information there, Club goings-on, etc. Thanks to Tom Zagar it's a First-Class Web Site.

*******Remembering Nancy*******

Here is the site where you can read Nancy Cowell's obituary and where you can leave a message, a memory of Nancy, etc for Nancy's family.

[Banks/Page-Theus Funeral and Cremations](#)

www.bankspagetheus.com

This is a preview of the video for Nancy R. Cowell.

<https://www.tributeslides.com/tributes/preview/84784TNDM7PW2FDP>

Celebration of Life will be held at: **CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH**
15421 US Hwy 301, Summerfield, FL 34491

Please, RSVP Ralph (rotaryralph@hotmail.com) if you plan on staying for the luncheon after the service.

UP-COMING EVENTS

*****Here is the listing of the Club Events through the end of the year.** Be sure to set these dates aside as most are very popular and sometimes are limited in attendance. RSVP as soon as possible.

October 6th – First Monday-of-the-month meeting at Gio's. This is our final meeting of the year. **MUST RSVP Ralph** if you are going.
(rotaryralph@hotmail.com)

November 14th, Friday, 1pm Our #1 repeat event - **Warren Wubker's Street of Dreams** @ 6300 Dora Drive 32757 on Lake Beauclaire (407-808 2410) Parking @ the entrance on the left. We will drive individually – no bus this year. You will have time to stop in Mt Dora for lunch before or dinner after.

November 15th Saturday - First Club Awards banquet & Pot Luck Desert Bar @ Randy & Kelly's Hippie Hideaway Rt 102 Oxford. There will also be an auction of the collectibles and car parts of Jeff Burgy's. Jeff recently passed away and his collections have been given to the Club. Time TBA.

December 11th Thursday - Mt Dora Sunset Cruise & Christmas Lights - dinner on your own

December 13th Saturday, 4 pm - Christmas Party and Gift Exchange at Carole & Don Ferguson's. This is a potluck affair.

We hope to see you at many, if not all, of these fun gatherings!

The ad below has nothing to do with Club activities but we thought you would be interested. It's such a fun place where you can find all you could ever want for Christmas.



Peddler's Wagon Holiday Open House

October 1 through October 31, 2025

Tuesdays - Saturdays 10am-5pm

Sundays 10am-2pm

closed Mondays

"Christmas isn't a season, it's a feeling."

-Edna Ferber

To allow as many as possible to enjoy our event- we are again extending our Open House through **the month of October!** Come browse as we present a shop full of creative and beautiful ideas for holiday decorating and thoughtful gift giving.

We would love to have you and your friends join us to help celebrate the warm glow of the Harvest Season and the glittering Magic of Christmas!

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