

The Birds' Nest

Official Newsletter of the Buffalo Thunderbird Club
March 2011

Secretary's Report:

Our officers have officially been installed as of February 5th. The club got together at the West End in Hamburg for our February installation dinner meeting. The weather was terrible but the food was great! Thank you to Rich and Wendee for setting everything up – we all really enjoyed the food and company! Our next meeting will be Saturday March 5th at the Lorrie and Bill Schueler's (72 Wood Acres Dr. E. Amherst, NY 14051). Dinner at 6pm with meeting to follow. Please bring a dish/dessert to pass. Please call Lorrie/Bill by Monday 2/28/11 to RSVP at 688-4605. Hopefully the weather will treat us better in March. We will be discussing our August car show and club activities. Please bring any ideas you may have for upcoming meetings, meeting locations and activities. Hope to see you in March!-Lorrie S.

**Please notify Wendee Lorbeer by March 15 if you are members of CTCI or VTCI and give her your membership numbers.
-Thank You**

**The
Next Meeting
Is March 5,
at the
Schuelers**



Thank You to Gregg Zimmerman for all the articles contributed to our newsletter, we would only have one page without him!

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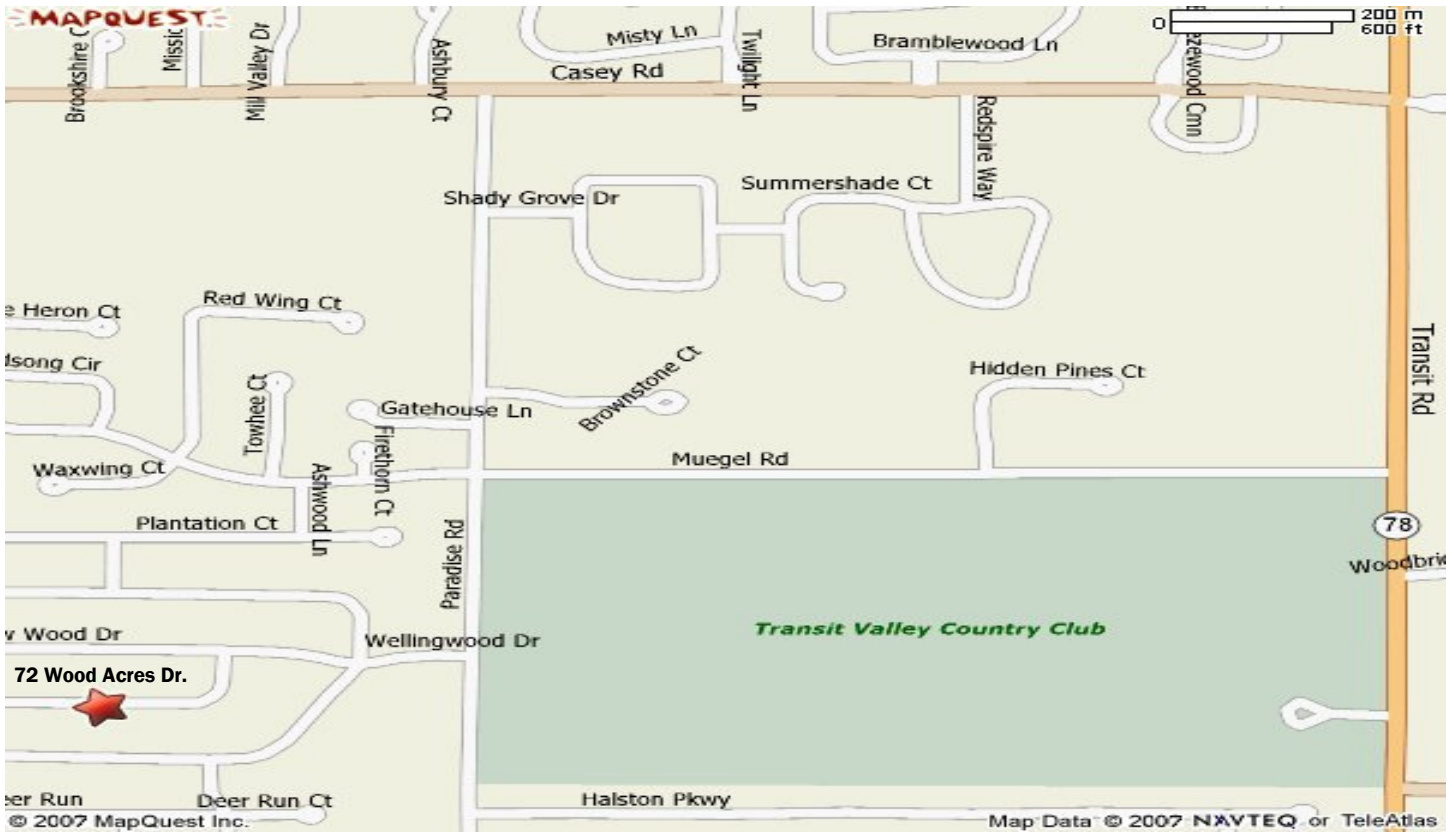
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Please call 688-4605 by Feb. 28 if you plan to attend and bring a dish to pass.

Color Popularity of 2010:



From the Treasurer:

The treasurer is asking anyone who has a new address, email, phone number or any changes to their membership to **PLEASE LET ME KNOW WHEN YOU SEND IN YOUR 2011 DUES.**

Also whether you are members of VTCl, CTCI or any other club.

This is important in order for you to get newsletters or any news about the club. If you change any time in the year please let me know.-Wendee L.

This is the Last Newsletter!

Now that I have everyone's attention. This is the last Newsletter for all members that have not paid their dues for 2010. This is the **ONLY** reminder that you will be getting.-Joe K.

Buffalo Clubs' History:

We have a club historian. Bill and Nancy Crane are now the Buffalo Thunderbird Club Historians.

Any stories, pictures or other information of past times of the club will now be preserved for all times by Bill and Nancy. Anyone with such articles and/or info. Please send them to:

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Our Own Tech Editor:

Art Lorbeer has been appointed the Clubs' new Tech editor. What this means is that Art is building a library of information concerning technical information and how-to articles. If you have any please send it his way and he will compile it so that club members can have access to it. Please send to:

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Here's a great photo taken in 1960 at Ford's Wixom Plant. Workers are attaching the front bumper/grill assembly to the front of a white Thunderbird. Note that it is followed by a 1960 Lincoln hardtop. Ford built the Wixom plant especially for the "Unit Body" cars that they started building in 1958. A bit of automotive trivia is that the 1958 – 1960 Lincoln was the longest, widest, and heaviest unibody car ever built. Don't think that they were that big? Consider that the Lincoln was downsized for the 1961 model year!

Sadly Ford closed the Wixom Plant last year.-from the upstate thunderbird club