

Convention Update Information

7-8-2018

Thank you so much for selecting our Convention to attend. We are expecting a super crowd and are preparing to make it enjoyable for everyone. This note is to update you on a couple of things as a result of the number of registrants coming.

Trailering Cars: If you are trailering your car, **DO NOT ATTEMPT TO DROP BY THE HOTEL.** There is not room to stop or turn around your rig at either hotel entrance, all you will do is block traffic on the street in front of the hotel. If you do not receive information on the Trailer Lot before you leave your home, please contact us for directions and GPS locations of the Blackstock Ave. lot (640 Blackstock Ave. 37902).

Knoxville Convention Center (KCC) requirements: Be aware that your car should not have more than ¼ tank of gas to enter the KCC. Be mindful of that requirement when you are loading your car into the trailer or, if driving, when you fill up as you near Knoxville.

Thunder Road Drive and Lunch: (Thursday and Now Wednesday) and New information: This event has exceeded all expectation and has attracted many beyond the original audience. Therefore; in order to allow more to do this tour, we are adding a “hosted” version of the Thunder Road Drive and Lunch on Wednesday the 15th of August in addition to the original one planned on Thursday. **If you are arriving on Tuesday and are not planning on attending the CTCI BOD** meeting at 1 pm on Wednesday afternoon, you should consider taking this tour on Wednesday.** Doing the T R Drive on Wednesday would allow you to clean your car before entering it in the Knoxville Convention Center (KCC) on Thursday. It would also allow you to attend the Judges Training on Thursday and/or attend the Ladies Fashion Show and Lunch that day. Should you like to make such a change, please advise Registration Chair, Peggy Cardwell, as soon as possible. If you want to add the Ladies Fashion Show and Luncheon, please send in the required fee of \$ 25 per person. Also please advise her, if you want to become a judge.

**You could do the T R Drive and return in time for the BOD meeting if you choose to not have lunch with the tour group and you could return, with lunch on your own, at one of the many options along the return route.

For all doing the Thunder Road Drive, **please be prepared to pay \$15 per person at Registration** to simplify and speed up the dining and paying process at the Bush Bean Café, the lunch site. Menu choice will be available at the Café.

Club LeConte Fashion Show and Lunch: (Thursday) If you decide that you have time to attend this event, be aware that slots are available and you can sign up now or when you arrive. Attached is a little

more information on this activity. See a number of our members become “models” and get a taste of the ‘runway’.

Volunteer Princess Cruise and Lunch: (Friday) This event has been sold out for some time and there will not be enough cancellations to accommodate all that would like to do it. We have arranged for the Knoxville Convention Center (KCC) to provide a one hour Art Tour of the artwork, valued at millions of dollars, on display in the KCC. Other alternative activities will be listed and available for anyone wanting to do them instead of the art tour. Included are such attractions as the Blue Plate Special radio broadcast, the East Tennessee History Museum and the Knoxville Museum of Art; all within walking distance or a short trolley ride. Check with the Registration Table when checking in.

Smoky Mountain Drive and Lunch: (Saturday) We now have about 140 vehicles taking this Drive and Lunch. As a result, we will be releasing cars in “packs” of 10-12 about every 10 minutes, with a local leader in a Classic Bird leading the group. **Please sign up for the release time you would like to take** and if you have friends you would like to ride along with be sure you get on the same page with them. First cars will be released at 9 am (gather at Poplar Lot 30 minutes before) and others to follow. **ALL** participants will see the same mountains and have the same meal, just at slightly different times.

Contact any of the following if you have questions:

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Please join us for an elegant luncheon and fashion show during the Thunderbird Convention at Club LeConte, an exclusive private club located on the 27th floor of the Plaza Tower. Diners will have a 360 degree view of Knoxville. The Luncheon will be held between 11:30 and 2 PM on Thursday, August 16th.

The fashions are provided by Chico's, an International Clothing Company. Our models will be your friends from the Smoky Mountain Thunderbird Club.

Plaza Tower is the tallest building in Knoxville. LeConte was opened in 1979 to provide Members with a distinguished setting conducive to business and social entertaining.

If you have special dietary needs, please include a note with your registration. Knoxville has a free trolley line that serves the downtown Knoxville area. Information on transportation will be provided at the Convention Center. We look forward to having you as our guest.

SMOKY MOUNTAIN THUNDERBIRDS

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