

Michiana Monthly



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Next Meeting

August 3, 2009

Meeting at 7:30

Concord Mall, Elkhart West Side (near the Elder -Beerman Entrance)

Upcoming Events

August 7 (Friday) Show set-up @ Concord Mall: 1 PM

August 8 (Saturday):

Michiana Mustangs Mustang & Ford Show, Elkhart

August 15 (Saturday)

Car Show, Dowagiac, MI (8 AM)

August 22 (Saturday)

Lions Porkfest Parade, Kouts

September 5 (Saturday)

Track Day at Tire Rack, South Bend

September 12 (Saturday)

Zeigler Ford Show and Shine, Elkhart

September 14 (Monday)

Michiana Mustangs Monthly Meeting

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Comments from the President

What time is it? ...It's Shooow Time! For those of you who don't know why this newsletter is early it's because our meeting is early. We always have our August meeting the Monday before our show. So this next meeting is August 3rd at Concord Mall parking lot. Sorry if this sounds repetitive to a few of you but some may not have made it to the picnic and/or are new to the club. Don't forget to bring your lawn chairs and door prizes for the show. We are extremely low on prizes! **Reminder:** We will be setting up the show site (by Elder-Beerman) on Friday, August 7th meeting at noon. We'll have some lunch inside the mall and then start setting up at 1 p.m. It should take about 2 hours.

I hope everyone enjoyed our annual club picnic. This year we had great weather and great food. Thanks to Howard for getting the meat and helping me as a grill master.

At the picnic we talked about the club getting together for a night at the Cove. August 10th is the next \$1 night for the Silver Hawks. We have 30 tickets for that night and will have them available at the August 3rd meeting.

This past week I met with Nelson Neal, the general manager at Harold Zeigler. He apologized for Zeigler dropping the ball at the last show and shine in June. We are still scheduled for the fall show and shine on September 12th. He has promised that at that time he will present the club with a check for \$250 and there will also be food, drinks and a live remote. He has said that at the September show and shine he would like to talk with the club about his ideas for the May, 2010 show and shine. Mr. Neal seems to be very enthusiastic about our club and is planning to bring 4 cars to our show and would like to walk around with the judges. He is interested in how we judge cars. Since Mr. Neal is new to Zeigler and to the area I hope we can make him feel welcome.

Hope to see many of you at Concord Mall!

Bob

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Minutes from last month's meeting:

President Bob Goeller held a small memorial service for our deceased members and led a dinner prayer.

Members and guests in attendance were: Fran & Art Anderson, Howard Barrett, Becky & Art Campbell, Idella and Ruben Chupp, Dick Cornman, Chris, Pete, & Nikki Delchambre, Toni & Sadie Estrada, Connie & Vic Garrison, Pat & Bob Goeller, Loretta & Harold Jedrzejewski, Elaine Kersey, Carl Kindig, Neal Lewis, Karon & Curly Long, Valerie Frances Malecki with Robert Redford, Jill, & McKenzie, Brad Milliken & Kim Zink, Nancy & Jessica Milliken, Rose & Hal McClure, Charlotte & Ron Newcomer, Tandy & Phil Nicodemus, Arnie O'Blenis, Janette & Kevin Price, Robert D. Relos, Jim & June Schmidt, Becky & Ken Schmitt, Jill & Jason Sisk, Mona Steiner, Shirley & Stu Tremayne, Shirley & George Wachs, Shirley & Larry Weaver, Jane & David Yoder, and Steve York.

The minutes were approved as written.

MCA Regional Director, Jim Schmidt reported that the MCA Board of Directors is working toward having the Grand National Shows in a more central location. Jim made a motion, seconded by Curly and approved that we keep the MCA membership promotional running, but only charge members the \$30 that is being sent to MCA rather than the club keep \$10 of the normal \$40 dues to MCA.

The Harold Ziegler Show and Shine was well-attended and the lunch turned out okay although a bit delayed. The Eby Show and Shine and Das Essenhaus shows turned out well also.

Our thanks to Jane and Dave Yoder for having their usual breakfast before the Bremen Show and Shine. We all appreciate their going to this extra trouble for the club. This year we all got to see Dave's magnificent job of installing a new shower for Jane.

The treasurer's report was approved as read.

Carl Kindig, car show chairperson, reported that all is on schedule for the show. More door prizes are needed, trophies are ordered and show shirts are on sale for \$10. Our August meeting will be at the show site on August 3rd. Come at 6 and eat supper in the mall or at the nearest restaurant. The meeting will begin at 7:30 on the west side of the mall by the Elder Beerman parking lot. Bring your chairs if you want to sit down.

The Paul Houseman award for best First Generation car was presented to Dave Yoder for his restored T5. What a great job he did with that!!!!

Two Neal Decker Scholarships were awarded this year: one to Jessica Milliken, daughter of Brad & Nancy Milliken, and one to Jill Sisk, daughter of Steve York. Our congratulations to these young ladies and we wish them good luck in their studies.

Membership anniversary awards were presented to Hal and Rose McClure - 20 years and Becky & Ken Schmitt - 5 years.

See you at the Fort Wayne Show this Saturday, July 18th. Meet at the McDonald's on 30 for breakfast if you like.

Minutes from last month's meeting (continued):

Janette and Kevin Price have invited members to their home for a grillout after the Dowagiac Show on August 15th.

Toni Estrada won \$56.50 in the 50/50 drawing.

Bob reported that the city of Mishawaka would like us to plant only approved trees in our memorial garden for members, no more bushes.

Those of us nearer the west end of Route 30 especially enjoyed the short drive to the Barille Show and Shine on July 10th in Valparaiso. There were at least a dozen of our club cars there, joining quite a display of Ford-built beauties.

June Schmidt, Secretary

Welcome, New Members!

- Jerry & Leslie Handlin, from La Porte, with a 2007 GT
- Charles and Tamara Murray, from Crown Point, with a '66 High Country Special

Welcome, New Sponsor!

Eby Ford Lincoln Mercury Goshen IN

Welcome to the club. We're looking forward to getting to know you!

Membership Anniversaries

George & Shirley Wachs 17 years Jack Krallman 15 years Alan & Janice Wright 12 years David & Jane Yoder 11 years 10 years Jack & Laura Berry Valerie Malecki 10 years Louis & Toni Estrada 9 years Curly & Karon Long 9 years Terry & Theresa Sarul 9 years Elaine Kersey 8 years Jeff & Annie Stahl 8 years Mark & Judy Taelman 8 years Kathleen Bringman 1 year Bob & Jennifer Conway 1 year 1 year Robert Miller James & Ilona Neis 1 year Bob & Chiaki Noggle 1 year Arnie & Jackie O'Blenis 1 year Don & Sharon Simmons 1 year

Congratulations...

Jessica Milliken, for winning one of this year's Decker Scholarships. Jessica is studying Business at the University of Northwestern Ohio

Jill Sisk, for winning the other of this year's Decker Scholarships. Jessica is studying Nursing at IUSB.

From the Internet...

Why Are We There?

Every day there are news reports about more deaths. Every night on TV there are photos of death and destruction. Why are we still there?

We occupied this land, which we had to take by force, but it causes us nothing but trouble. Why are we still there?

Their government is unstable, and they have no leadership. Why are we still there?

Many of their people are uncivilized, or at least don't speak English. Why are we still there?

There are more than 1,000 religious sects and almost as many languages and dialects, many of which we don't understand. Why are we still there?

We can't even secure the borders. Why are we still there?

They are billions of dollars in debt and it will cost billions more to bail them out, which we can't afford. Why are we still there?

It is becoming clear ... we have only one option...

We must abandon California!!!

Treasurer's Report: June 2009

Income

50-50 Drawing	\$56.50
Club Sales: T-Shirts	400.00
Apparel	9.00
Sponsor Donation: Bremen Ford	200.00
Sponsor Donation: Eby Ford	200.00
Show Pre-Registration	450.00
Memberships: Club	160.00
MCA	30.00
Total Income	\$1505.50

Expenses

Net Income	-251.24
Total Expenses	\$1,756.74
MCA Membership	30.00
MCA Discount	20.00
Picnic Supplies	240.57
Trophies	1,089.72
Dash Plaques	\$376.45
LAPCHISCS	



This Month

11 Joe Kraatz

21 Alan Wright

30 Dick Spitaels

Happy Anniversary!

7 Larry & Shirley Weaver (49 years)

13 Vic & Connie Garrison (28 years)

14 Vince & Helen Springer (39 years)

14 Carl & Brenda Kindig (27 years)

18 David & Jane Yoder (24 years)

If I missed your birthday or anniversary, please let me know. Thanks! If I missed your birthday or anniversary, please let me know. Thanks!

Membership Dues

July

McClure, Hal & Rose

Samuels, Owen & Blanche

August

Berry, Jack & Laura

Bringman, Kathleen

Conway, Bob & Jennifer

Estrada, Louis & Toni

Kersey, Elaine

Long, Curly & Karon

Neis, James & Ilona

O'Blenis, Arnie & Jackie

Simmons, Don & Sharon

Wright, Alan & Janice

September

Baracani, Robert

Higley, Phillip & Bonnie

McKesson, Buck & Ann

Nicodemus, Phil & Tandy

Perschke, Terry

Phillips, Jeffrey

Pierce, Blake & Angie

Price, Kevin & Janette

Reed, Kenny & Diane

Schmidt, Frank & Kathryn

Sisk, Jill & Jason

Membership Anniversaries

Are on page 3 this month

On the mend...

Please keep these folks in your thoughts, and keep in touch with them as they return to good health...

- Dick Spitaels, from a broken leg and ankle
- Ted Sauerbeck, from surgery

2009 Events Calendar

August	
1 (Saturday)	'Red Barns Spectacular', Gilmore Car Museum, Hickory Corners, MI
2 (Sunday)	Northern Mustang Corral Show, Bourbonnais, IL
3 (Monday)	Michiana Mustangs Monthly Meeting (at Concord Mall)
7 (Friday)	Show Set-up at Concord Mall, Elkhart
8 (Saturday)	Michiana Mustangs Mustang & Ford Show, Elkhart
9 (Sunday)	Mustang Memories All Ford Show & Swap Meet, Novi MI
15 (Saturday)	Woodward Dream Cruise, Detroit
15 (Saturday)	'Rod & Roll' Classic Auto Show, Dowagiac, MI (8 AM)
16 (Sunday)	Classic Car & Bike Cruise-In, Crossroads Community Church, Goshen (10 AM)
22 (Saturday)	Lions Porkfest Parade, Kouts
	Cruise-Night Car Show, Purdue North Central Campus, Westfield (4 PM)
September	
5 (Saturday)	Track Day at Tire Rack, South Bend
12 (Saturday)	Zeigler Ford Show and Shine, Elkhart
14 (Monday)	Michiana Mustangs Monthly Meeting
19 (Saturday)	Sunflower Fair Car Show, Downtown La Porte (9:30 AM-3:00 PM)
27 Sunday)	Wanatah Scarecrow Festival Car Show,
	Wanatah Lions Club Park (8 AM-3 PM)
October	
October 12 (Monday)	
	Wanatah Lions Club Park (8 AM-3 PM) Michiana Mustangs Monthly Meeting
12 (Monday)	Wanatah Lions Club Park (8 AM-3 PM) Michiana Mustangs Monthly Meeting
12 (Monday) November	Wanatah Lions Club Park (8 AM-3 PM) Michiana Mustangs Monthly Meeting (Officer Nominations) Michiana Mustangs Monthly Meeting

Cruise-In Calendar

Sunday

• Bonnie Doon, Lincolnway near Ironwood, Mishawaka

Monday

• Legends Restaurant, Edwardsburg

Tuesday

- Steak N' Shake, 933 & Cleveland, South Bend
- Arby's, Bittersweet & Lincolnway, Mishawaka
- JD's Truck Stop, Niles
- The Pitt Stop, S.R. 23 & Adams Rd., Granger

Wednesday

- Blaz-N-Chik Restaurant, Niles
- Simonton Lake Drive-In, S.R. 19, Elkhart

Thursday

- Das Essenhaus, U.S. 20, Middlebury
- Long John Silvers, Nappanee St., Elkhart

Friday

- Advance Auto Parts, McKinley Ave., Mishawaka
- Aaron's Plumbing, Roseland

Saturday

 Pizza King, S.R. 23 near Bittersweet, Granger

This information was provided by

<u>MichianaCruisers.com</u>. If you hear of a cruise-in being scheduled, let me know. I'll list every one I hear about.

Winner's Circle—June

Raleigh National Show

• Jim & June Schmidt: Gold

MCA National Show @ Raleigh, NC

by Jim Schmidt

The National at Raleigh was less than a month from our trip to the National at Indianapolis. The car was detailed as usual and we headed south on July 1st. Of course less than 10 miles from Kouts we ran into rain. Had rain off and on to our son's in Cincinnati and again at times on July 2nd heading on down to Raleigh. Besides the interstate through the mountains, Ohio73 was a perfect "pony trail" route, a 2 lane, up and down turning road for almost 40 miles.

Friday morning dawned bright and sunny, so the cleaning began. I do not think our '94GT had been that dirty since we started showing it at National Shows. After my cleaning, June & I drove the two blocks from the host hotel to the North Carolina State Fair Grounds. the site of the show. After registration and classification, we parked our pony and strolled around renewing friendships and seeing what was there. We said hello to Jeff Ford and said we missed him at Brown County. He indicated that he hoped to be back next year if scheduling allows. Friday was a nice day with

with a temperature about 83, breaking the string of 10 days over 90.

Saturday was again a beautiful day, with the temperature a little warmer (90°) but with low humidity. After detailing the car again, I went to the indoor airconditioned show building which housed about 50 cars. June had moved her chair inside and was visiting a young couple we met in Louisville two years ago. When I got there they had the guts to tell me it was too cool in the building and were thinking of going outside for a while to warm up! Had the same Assistant Head Judge judging my car and I was pleased with his comments. That afternoon while enjoying the cool indoors, I saw a '67 Shelby get sold for \$250,000. The owner came to the show with no intent of selling his car, but a gentleman wanted it and they arrived at a figure that satisfied both parties. I also saw a reworked from the ground up pre-production '64 1/2 that was appraised at \$2,500,000. A truly beautiful car. Saturday evening was the City of Raleigh's

Official 4th of July Fireworks at the Fairgrounds. The front of the Host Hotel was filled with chairs from the Mustang people watching the massive traffic congestion and then the fireworks. A fine show to close the day.

Sunday dawned with light rain. Due to the forecast, most vehicles inside the show building were evicted so there would be a dry place for the awards presentation. This resulted in many trailered cars moving out in the rain to get loaded up. So much for a show car NEVER seeing RAIN. The awards were moved up to noon and we were again fortunate enough to get another GOLD in Concours Driven.

We started back north after having enjoyed another National Mustang Show, seeing friends we have made thru the years. If you have not been to a national show, give it a try; it is well worth the time and effort. I thank Paul Houseman for getting me interested in the national shows; it has made the Mustang experience something special.



Artist's concept of a 2011 Mach 1 (there are no currently announced plans for such a car)

Michiana Mustangs

On behalf of Deb Chambers, her family and friends, I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your support in this years 15th Annual Hackers & Slackers Open golf outing. Your generous donation enabled us to help Deb with mounting medical bills as a result of her battle with cancer,

The weather cooperated and a great time was had by all. We could not have put on this benefit without your support. It is generous donations such yours that made it a huge success.

Once again, thank you for your donation. Your generosity will not be forgotten!

Sincerely,

Rob Killingsworth Keith Kopinski Dave Connors

Deb Chambers



During our May meeting the club voted to sponsor a hole for the outing. The club contribution and member donations totaled \$187.00.

Getting to know...

Sandy & Joe Kraatz

Kami & Chad Woody

Daughters Kami and Kari; Granddogs **Family**

Whitney & Quinn

Whitney Roush (5 year-old Shih-Tzu)

Valparaiso (Forever!) Location

Retired

Kami: Financial Analyst at Valparaiso

University

1997

1998 Member Since

1992 GT convertible, 2002 Roush '68 Coupe, '91 GT Convertible Current Mustang (s)

convertible (Chad's)

Valparaiso (Forever!)

What got you 'into' Mustangs?

Occupation (s)

Sandy's father bought our '68 Coupe new and Mom gave it to us in 1976 with 11,000 miles on it. Both daughters drove it, and how could you not fall in love with these cars?

Kami: I was born into a Ford family. My first "love" was my dad's 1957 Thunderbird, but I also enjoyed my Grandpa's 1968 Mustang. As I got older, I realized that a Mustang would be a little more affordable choice for me than a

Kami: 1968 Shelby GT500 KR convertible

Thunderbird.

Joe: '68 Shelby GT500 KR Convertible Your favorite Mustang?

Sandy: Our '68 Coupe: so many

sentimental memories

2010 Black GT Convertible 1996 Bright Tangerine orange convertible, with white interior and a 5-

speed

Your favorite Mustang

Your dream Mustang?

Experience?

The 35th Anniversary Show at Charlotte

Motor Speedway, Concord, NC

Kami: Driving my '92 convertible on the serpentine track at the Ford Proving Grounds, with my mom clinging on to her

dog in the back seat.

People might be surprised

to know that I/we...

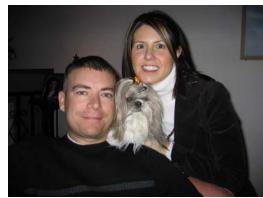
Own a 1957 white Thunderbird which Joe ordered new

Kami: My first car was a '92 triple white, Cavalier convertible. I totally babied that car and kept it immaculate. I bought my '92 black convertible so I could have fun with something that wouldn't be as hard to keep clean. Yes, I've learned a lot

since then!

Whitney gets to co-star in both pictures!





Things For Sale!

Two Engines

One is a 5.0 and has been rebuilt and is ready to be bolted in. I also have the fuel injection to go with it for \$1,000 or best offer.

The second engine is the 3.8 from the 1983 Mustang. It has been totally rebuilt and has only 1,000 miles on it

If you have any questions, you can e-mail Harold at hjedrzejewski@yahoo.com

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I still have 5 like new P185/75R14 tires for sale, white wall. One has NEVER been on the ground; still have the wear tips on yet. The other 4 have 4/32" wear left on them. They are already off the rims.

For anyone who is a club member of M.C.A. or the Ohio Classic Mustang Club I will sell ALL 5 for \$175.00 (That's \$35 ea.) Four of them are SEARS tires & one is a Cooper Tire, but all of them match.

If anyone wants these tires, they can e-mail me at phigley@srscnet.com

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1985 mustang 5.0 ho, automatic, lx hatchback. All original except exhaust and paint. Motor has new oil pump and timing chain, but transmission needs work. Very drivable after trans repair but lieu of, very good for parts. Like to sell for \$950.00. Well worth it just in motor and rear axle. If interested please call Harry Scholz at 574-291-9085 home, or 574-386-7512 cell.

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- 9" Ford center section 4.56 gear with spool set up for a 31 spline axle \$450.00
- 428 4-barrel intake (C68E) \$150.00
- Set of cast iron factory headers for a '71 429 \$250.00
- 428 FE block (C6ME) \$200.00

For more information call Ken Reed (269) 641-2120

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"Original A.M. Ford Mustang Radio"

Has #5 in the upper left hand side of the face, p/n 5TPZ -029105, casting # 2814675-8. The bezel is PERFECT! No pits in the chrome, plastic behind bezel is perfect! Wires have NOT been cut! Housing is clean! Need Knobs. It's been gone through & it play's beautifully!

Perfect for your early '65 Mustang. Can fit what we call a 1964 1/2 Mustang, but the number's don't match that run. First \$300 takes it! Photo of the radio can be sent by e-mail. But you must ask for them..

Shipped anywhere in the U.S. by ground U.P.S.. Any club member that buy's this radio, I WILL TAKE CARE OF THE SHIPPING!! (Must show membership card #.) Shipping runs \$5.00 on way..

phigley@srcsnet.com

Looking For...

WANTED: 1965/1966 parts car for use as an assembly guide to finish my convertible. Tim Janowiak at 574-271 -7568.

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If your item has sold or is no longer available for sale, please contact the newsletter editor.

Lost and Found

There was a green folding chair left behind at the Zeigler Show and Shine. If it's yours, I've got it. You can contact me to claim it. –AC-

From the Back Seat...

Still Begging...

Once again I come to you on hands and knees to beg for contributions for this newsletter. At this point I have nothing for next month's Profiles, 'Pony of the Month', 'My First Mustang', or anything else. Members tell me that they enjoy reading these features, but it seems that these are the people who have already contributed.

If you've read any of these features you know that there is nothing in them that would embarrass anyone, or cause any sort of trouble. After all, you write them, so they say nothing you don't want said. And as I've said before, they don't have to be literary masterpieces; I can edit as necessary.

If you can't remember if you've done a Pony of the Month or My First Mustang, ask; I've compiled lists back to 2000 for each article. If you need the form for a Member Profile, let me know; I have them at each meeting. Any help you can give me will be appreciated.

On a different note, please check with David Yoder to make sure your contact information is correct. I've run into a few instances of trying to contact members only to find out I have and incorrect phone number or e-mail address. Please update us as necessary.

Please also check to see if David has your correct cars on file. Based on the information we currently have, I've sorted out our cars by model year, noting special models where appropriate. As soon as I have the space I'll show you what the numbers have to say.

Have a good month...



Wrecked 2010 Mustang GT on Test Drive, Five Star Safety Rating Tested

http://www.mustangblog.com/blog/1022143_wrecked-2010-mustang-gt-on-test-drive-five-star-safety-rating-tested

By <u>Matt Rigney</u>, Author, July 12th, 2009

The Five Star Safety Rating was given to the 2010 Ford Mustang GT for various safety features found on the car and here is one example of how three 19-year-olds tested out the rating first hand. The story goes three 19-year-olds were given the keys to a 2010 Mustang GT to test drive. Sometime during the test drive the driver crashed the brand new Mustang GT with one of the

occupants being ejected from the car. All three teens were not wearing their seat belts and somehow managed to survive the crash with minor bumps and bruises. What's more amazing is how badly damaged the new Mustang GT is in the photos and all three teens walked away from the crash. Most of the damage to the Mustang is concentrated toward the front end of the car and the cab is still pretty much intact. This is definitely evidence the new Mustang and its Five Star Safety Rating are well deserved.

When you look at the photos below check out the one with the MPH gauge and how it's stuck on 100 mph, were they going that fast when the car crashed? Check out all the photos below.









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