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Next Meeting

December 5, 2009
(Saturday)

Room Open at 6:30
Dinner at 7:00

Honkers Restaurant
211 E. Day Road
(SE Corner; Day Rd. & Main St.)
Mishawaka, IN

Upcoming Events

January 11 (Monday)

Michiana Mustangs Monthly Meeting

February 8 (Monday)

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March 8 (Monday)

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Comments from the President

This year has gone by very fast along with my presidency. We had some interesting challenges. One of them was trying to find a place to meet. As of our last club meeting it was settled that Honkers would be our new meeting place. We also have set a new time with dinner at 6 p.m. and 7 p.m. for the meeting. It was great to work with our sponsors who have supported our club even in this tough economic time. I would like to thank my entire leadership team, especially Kevin, June and Dave for keeping me on track. Thank you, Art, for our great newsletter and articles. Big thanks for the many club members who have stepped forward to help with club events. I was especially grateful and proud to see our club come through with food and \$500 for the Northern Indiana Food Bank, toys for Toys for Tots and \$500 for Hospice.

Congratulations to Howard as our new president and our new board: Scott Anderson, Curly Long and Larry Weaver. The rest of our officers will stay the same. I'm looking forward to working with all of them next year as the past president. May God bless you and your family in this Holiday Season.

Merry Christmas!

Bob

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Minutes from last month's meeting:

President Bob Goeller welcomed members and guests. The minutes were approved as written.

Those in attendance were: Art Anderson, Scott & Miranda Anderson, Howard Barrett, Kathleen Bringman, Art Campbell, Alex Denysenko, Connie & Vic Garrison, Sharon Gillis, Bob Goeller, Terry Gunderman, Elaine Kersey, Carl Kindig, Neal Lewis, Valerie F. Malecki, Hal & Rose McClure, Robert Miller, Brad Milliken, Charlotte & Ron Newcomer, Phil Nicodemus, Arnie O'Blenis, Blake Pierce, Kevin Price, Ken & Diane Reed, Robert D. Relos, Jim & June Schmidt, Ken & Becky Schmitt, Mona & Dick Spitaels, Shirley & Larry Weaver, Alan Wright, Dave & Jane Yoder, and Steve York.

Ballots were passed out for the 2010 Election of Officers. New officers will be: President Howard Barrett, Vice-President Kevin Price, Treasurer Dave Yoder, Secretary June Schmidt, Head Judge Ron Newcomer, MCA Regional Director Jim Schmidt, Show Chairperson Carl Kindig and Board members: Scott Anderson, Curly Long, and Larry Weaver

The treasurer's report was approved as read.

MCA Regional Director's Report: Jim Schmidt reported that the dues for MCA Membership will be raised to \$50 for 2010. New members can still get the \$30 rate if they sign up now.

The Crazy Horse Mustang Club from Markle, Indiana has been dissolved.

Jane Yoder is still taking reservations and money for our Christmas Party on December 5th. The price is \$15.00 per person. The party will be at our

present eating and meeting place, Honkers in Mishawaka. Dinner will be served at 7. Members may bring desserts or hors d'oeuvres if they like.

A motion was made, seconded, and passed that we donate \$500 of our car show profits to the Northern Indiana Food Bank and \$500 to the Hospice.

President Bob thanked all members for giving so generously to the Toys for Tots campaign and the canned goods for the Food Bank. The table was overflowing with these items. Thanks to Bob and Howard for delivering these goods.

A motion was made, seconded, and passed that we continue having our meetings at Honkers, but the time will be changed to dinner at 6, starting in January.

The 50/50 of \$31.50 was won by Phil Nicodemus. Other prizes were won by Bob Relos, Sharon Gillis, and Neal Lewis (again).

The meeting was adjourned.

June Schmidt, Secretary

2011 Ford Mustang

New V-6 Engine Pumps 305 HP, Gets 30 MPG

Posted: Nov, 30 2009 By: Chris Paukert | Autoblog.com

It would be reasonable to expect that [Ford](#) might pass over the [Mustang](#) and instead devote more attention to its other models since it's fresh off a comprehensive revamp for the [2010 model](#) year. However, that's not what is shaping up in the House That Henry Built.

For 2011, the Blue Oval is introducing a new 3.7-liter V6 Mustang that should give it the firepower and refinement needed to take on [Chevrolet's](#) six-cylinder [Camaro](#) and Hyundai's upstart [Genesis Coupe](#). But it isn't just the spanking all-aluminum powerplant and its 305 horsepower and 280 foot-pounds of torque that's making the scene for the forthcoming model year. In addition to the Cleveland-sourced mill, there are a pair of fresh gearboxes, a new V6 performance package, and a host of nip/tucks to the interior and elsewhere.

Now, we could grouse on behalf of 2010 MY 'Stang owners everywhere that these upgrades weren't part of last year's mid-life updo, but instead, we'll just be happy that these advancements are arriving at all.

Despite being smaller than the outgoing 4.0-liter V6, the dual-overhead cam 3.7-liter's horsepower and torque ratings represent massive improvements over the 2010 model (305 HP dismisses 210 HP and 280 lb-ft. plays 240 torques). In fact, that's more horsepower than the 4.6-liter V8 Mustang made just a few years ago. While the 305-horse figure only allows the Mustang to pip the crosstown Camaro by a single all-important stallion in the pony car bragging wars, Ford says the powertrain will be good for 30 miles-per-gallon on the highway when paired with its new six-speed automatic, also one notch better than the [Chevy](#).

That impressive fuel economy figure isn't just the result of the new [engine](#) -- a suite of new pieces have been developed in order to maximize performance, including a revised [air intake](#), a pair of new six-speed [transmissions](#) (both automatic and manual), electric power steering, and even some aerodynamic tidying, including a revised front fascia, deeper front air dam, rear-wheel [tire](#) spats, different underbody shields, and a new rear decklid seal.

The Heart Transplant

Despite those incremental improvements, the centerpiece of the 2011 Mustang is obviously the 24-valve Duratec V6, and it includes Twin Independent Variable Camshaft Timing (Ti-VCT) and polished buckets and roller finger followers in the direct-acting mechanical bucket valvetrain, among other features. Ford officials promise that V6 buyers won't miss the roar of the V8's extra cylinders thanks to a retuned air intake and throaty standard dual [exhaust](#). At the sneak-peek event for this new Mustang motor, Autoblog had the chance to hear the new engine fire up and rev -- and it indeed sounds sporty and purposeful. To be fair, however, we only heard the powertrain briefly in an enclosed space (a large development garage on Ford's Dearborn campus), so we'll have to wait until it's out in the open and we're behind the [wheel](#) to really get a feel for the 3.7's aural character. Other noteworthy features of the drivetrain include a deep-summ aluminum oil pan that enables less-frequent 10,000-mile [oil change](#) intervals and a 7,000-RPM redline.

On the transmission front, Ford has fitted a new six-speed 6R60 automatic with hill-start assist that allows for the 30 MPG highway bogey, as well as 19 MPG in the urban cycle (a 25 percent

improvement over the 2010's 16 mpg city / 24 mpg highway figures). Prefer to shift for yourself? Expect fuel economy to suffer an iota for your enjoyment, with numbers for the six-speed manual falling to 18/29 (2010 MY: 18/26).

Naturally, with an all-new powertrain and its differing weight properties, Ford's engineers also had to turn their attention to the suspension. To that end, the 2011 V6 gets new damper and spring rates, a different rear lower control arm, and stiffer stabilizer bar bushings.

A More Electrifying Steer?

We always get a bit nervous when vehicles move to electronic power steering. Such systems may improve performance by lowering parasitic drag on the engine, but they rarely do any favors for steering feel. Ford assures us that they've worked hard to build a robust "feedback loop" into the system, but again, we'll have to wait and see for ourselves. In the meantime, we'll remain curious about how effective Ford's so-called Pull-Drift Compensation system is at accounting for road crowns and crosswinds, not to mention the amusingly named Active Nibble Control, which apparently helps to exorcise high-speed vibrations caused by wheel balance issues and warped [brake](#) rotors. And about those brakes -- they're bigger. 11.5-inches in front and 11.8-inches out back have been borrowed from the [GT's](#) parts bin, and there's also a standard limited-slip differential to help get the V6 model's newfound power to the ground.

The Performance Model

What V6 Mustang are we most eager to drive? The new Performance Package model, which is scheduled to go on sale next August, as it promises to provide increased grip and go. For starters, the Perf Pack borrows the updated

2011 Mustang (continued)

front struts and rear shocks/ springs from the V8 GT model, along with its thicker front and rear anti-roll bars and the rear lower control arms from the [Shelby GT500](#). Also included is a 3.31 axle ratio for better acceleration, model-specific 19-inch alloys wrapped in Pirelli summer rubber, more lenient stability control programming with a dedicated sport mode, as well as a strut tower brace and the usual assortment of badges.

How will street spotters identify the new V6 Mustang? If the dual exhaust isn't enough of a tip-off, you'll probably have to check the glass. For 2011, all Mustangs get nifty integrated blind-spot mirrors -- and if you peek inside the driver's side window, you might catch a glimpse of the new-look instrument cluster which features a 160 MPH speedo and an 8,000-RPM tach.

How Much -- and What's Next?

Ford has yet to release any performance estimates or pricing, but despite the big jump in power and content, we don't expect pricing to increase dramatically. Given that the augmented V6 nearly shades the current 4.6-liter V8's horsepower figure (and the fact that the latter engine is comprehensively outgunned by the Camaro SS' 6.2-liter engine's 426 hp and 420 pound-feet of torque, it's no surprise that a new V8 engine is rumored, and we fully expect to see it before this domestic [auto show](#) season is out.

The takeaway from all of this? For those who thought that the rekindled pony car wars reached a fever pitch this year with the advent of the refreshed Mustang, long-awaited Camaro and still-warm [Dodge Challenger](#), well ... we ain't seen nothin' yet.



Treasurer's Report: November 2009

Income

50-50 Drawing	\$30.50
Christmas Dinner Pre-pay	495.00
Club Sales (Tote Bags)	160.00
Club Sales (Name Tag)	9.00
Food Drive Donations	140.00
Memberships	120.00
Total Income	\$954.50

Expenses

Name Tags	\$33.17
Donations	
Food Bank of Northern IN	640.00
Center for Hospice...	500.00
MCA Discount	10.00
Memorial/Sympathy	65.27
Newsletters	
Printing	69.09
Postage	165.80
Total Expenses	<u>1483.33</u>

Net Income **-\$528.83**



This Month...

4	Karon Long
8	Kelly Crimaldi (McClure)
8	Jim Schmidt
24	Gloria Cornman
25	Charlotte Newcomer
29	Shirley Weaver

Membership Anniversaries

Ron & Charlotte Newcomer	14 years
Terry & Lola Gunderman	9 years
Marion Williams	9 years
Patricia & Shawn Long	5 years

Membership Dues

October

Mark & Judy Taelman

November

Ted & Pat Sauerbeck

December

Terry & Lola Gunderman

Patricia & Shawn Long

Ron & Charlotte Newcomer

Terry & Theresa Sarul

January

Blair & Shari Knaak

Jon Oram

Bill & Patricia Stickley

George & Shirley Wachs



Happy Anniversary!

31 Art & Becky Campbell (29 years)

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

Things For Sale!

Engine for Sale

This 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.

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

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@srsnet.com

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.

- 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

I have the following items below for sale. Please call 574-360-860 for more info. Thanks, Ted Sauerbeck.

- 1968 Ford Ranger. Clean
- 1988 Mustang GT Convertible. Show car.
- "Kar" Car Dolly. Good Condition w/winch.

"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@srsnet.com

7.5" rear end from a 1982 Mustang GT. 4 bolt 3.73 gears. \$100.00 O.B.O.

Call Thad 849-3592 or Howard 849-0217

Vic announced at the October meeting that I want to sell the Fridge, Bob's 1972 Mach 1. We felt (Vic and I) that \$25,000 is a fair price.

I would like to sell it before winter, and preferably to a member of the club. I have an interested party here that I'm waiting to hear from, but I thought the club ought to know.

Vic has it, and will answer any questions anyone will have.

Many thanks, and , much love to the club,
Becky Christena

Looking For...

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

I am looking a part called "*Gas Cap Protective Guard*", the *N.O.S. number is C5ZZ-9032-C*. I would like a pair of these. (Two) If you know of anyone that might be able to help me out, please contact me. Thanks. Phil Higley phigley@srsnet.com

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

Gilmore Car Works pairs teens, mentors in after-school auto restoration program

Hickory Corners — Teams of teenagers, guided by their mentors, swarm around the massive chassis of an antique car in the Gilmore Car Museum's restoration garage like scientists examining the bones of a Tyrannosaurus Rex. They intend to bring this automotive dinosaur back to life.

Mason Leonard, a 17-year-old senior at Delton Alternative High School, is cleaning the top of the 1931 Willys-Knight's massive sleeve-valve engine and carefully extracting each of the six spark plugs under the watchful eyes of volunteer mentor Jerry Morrissey, of Kalamazoo.

Nearby, mentor Phil Renuart, of Kalamazoo, has William Boyd, 16, a Hastings High School junior, working on making a radiator hose behind the car's unique Knight radiator ornament while Dustin Moore, 18, a Delton High School senior works with Dan Livingston, of Marshall, to figure out how and where to fabricate a new dash panel to hold a variety of instruments.

This is Gilmore Car Works, a new after-school auto restoration program in its first year at the Hickory Corners museum. A total of 10 high school students from Delton and Hastings work with a dozen adult mentors for two hours, twice each week, in partnership with Michigan Works!, the Barry County Community Foundation and the Barry Intermediate School District toward classroom accreditation.

"Our intent is not to turn out welders, painters or restoration professionals in an afternoon class," said Michael Spezia, executive director of the Gilmore Museum, "but rather to introduce a student to a unique environment and give them exposure to hands-on experiences that we hope will motivate them to pursue further education, training and possibly a career."

The program recently received a big boost. The Collectors Foundation, a Traverse City-based grant-making

organization founded by Hagerty Insurance, recently announced providing Gilmore Car Works a \$15,000 challenge grant. Earlier this year, an anonymous donor paid for student transportation for the twice-weekly sessions for the next three years. Larry and Earlene Baum, Gilmore Car Museum members, of Hastings, have donated funds for an all-new restoration shop, which is nearing completion, to allow the program to expand to other school districts.

"Just as important (as automotive skills) are the life skills these kids might learn from their mentors," said Spezia. "Skills like how important it is to be on time, to be prepared for a job each day, and how to take pride in the work that you do. Those skills will be the longer-lasting benefits to this program."

The students aren't the only recipients in Gilmore Car Works. "You find out quickly that you can learn from them (the students) as well as teaching them," coordinating mentor Jerry Morrissey said.

During a recent class, Morrissey's smile gave proof of his approval as Mason Leonard used compressed air to blow decades of corrosion from the top of the Willys-Knight's engine.

Riding on a creeper under the chassis, inches above the ground, mentor Dan Livingston was all smiles as he was able to watch the workings of the antique sleeve-valve engine in motion as classmates turned the rear wheels to spin the engine. Each student and mentor was offered a turn to watch the obsolete machinery in action.

"The kids are enthusiastic, attentive and respectful while working on the museum's project," Spezia said.

"Using a non-traditional venue has allowed these young adults to excel in an area they really are passionate about."

The students agree. "This is a really great experience," Dustin Moore said, "I'd love to do this all day."

Jayson Conklin, 17, a Delton Kellogg junior, said, "I want to be a mechanic and I love cars, everything about cars. (Gilmore Car Works) is awesome."

William Boyd recites a lesson learned from his mentors, "If you don't have a tool (you need), make one."

Moore admitted that he enjoyed tidying up the shop at the end of class, cleaning sweeping, vacuuming and putting tools back, each in its place. That alone is a singular accomplishment for any program working with teenagers.

The Gilmore Garage Works program is intended to garner classroom accreditation to earn high school and college credit for its students. An adult education series of classes is planned to allow hobbyists to enroll in classes in automotive restoration skills such as welding, upholstery and painting.

"I am also hopeful that the second phase, an accredited program, can begin as soon as we move into our new facility now under construction. Many of these students can then earn college credit with certified instructors right here at the museum," Spezia said.

"We really want to expand the program to include more school districts as we have been made aware of what a need there is out there but, without more financial support, we will continue to be limited."

2010 Events Calendar

January

11 (Monday)
Michiana Mustangs Monthly Meeting

February

8 (Monday)
Michiana Mustangs Monthly Meeting

March

8 (Monday)
Michiana Mustangs Monthly Meeting

April

12 (Monday)
Michiana Mustangs Monthly Meeting

May

10 (Monday)
Michiana Mustangs Monthly Meeting

21-23 (Friday-Sunday)
33rd Shelby Spring Fling, Brown
County State Park, Nashville, IN

Christmas for Santa

T'was the night before Christmas
and in the garage,

There wasn't a trace of a Chevy or
a Dodge.

The presents were wrapped and
the lights were all lit,

So I figured I'd mess with the
Stang for a bit.

I popped the release and I lifted
the hood,

When a deep voice behind me
said "looks pretty good."

Well, as you can imagine, I turned
mighty quick,

And there, by the workbench,
stood good ol' Saint Nick!

We stood there a bit, not too sure
what to say,

Then he said "don't suppose that
you'd trade for my sleigh?"

I said "no way, Santa" and started
to grin,

"But if you've got the time we
could go for a spin!"

His round little mouth, all tied up
like a bow,

Turned into a smile and he said
"hey! Let's go!!!"

So as not to disturb all the
neighbors' retreat,

We pushed the Mustang quietly
into the street,

Then, taking our places to drift
down the hill,

I turned on the key and I let the
clutch spill.

The sound that erupted took him
by surprise,

But he liked it a lot, by the look in
his eyes.

With Hoosiers a' crying and side
pipes aglow,

We headed on out where the hot
rodders go.

And Santa's grin widened,
approaching his ears,

With every up shift, as I went
through the gears.

Then he yelled "can't recall when
I've felt so alive!",

So I backed off the gas and said
"you wanna drive?"

Ol' Santa was stunned when I
gave him the keys,

When he walked past the
headlights he shook at the knees!

Then the big block exploded with
side exhaust sound!

Santa let out the clutch and the
tires shook the ground!

Power shift into second, again into
third!

I sat there just watching, at loss
for a word,

Then I heard him exclaim as we
blasted from sight,

"Merry Christmas to
all.....what a great night!!!"

From the Back Seat...

Thank You!

Thank you, thank you, thank you...

We ended up with over 250 pounds
of food/supplies and \$640.00 for the
Food Bank at last month's meeting. I
can't tell you how tickled I was with
the outpouring of support from the
club. The delivery was very much
appreciated. Donations have picked
up; thankfully that includes some
corporate donations, but as we all
know, the requests for assistance
have increased also.

Santa's assistant elf Howard tells me
we also had approximately 60 toys
to be delivered to the Marines for
their Toys for Tots program.

I could use help with a couple of
projects I'm working on.

If you've got any club newsletters
that are pre-2000, could I borrow it/
them to scan and return to you? I'm
trying to get a complete newsletter
collection together for our archives.

I'm also compiling a list of Mustang-
related registries. I've sorted them
by model(s), years, and colors so
far. If you know of any registries out
there for Mustangs, please let me
know. I hope to have this list ready
early next year.

Thanks to everyone that contributed
to this year's newsletters; believe
me, I appreciate your help. The
begging, however, will continue...

Have a good month and a wonderful
Holiday Season!



Lost and Found

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

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