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Next Meeting

March 9, 2009

Dinner at 6:30

Meeting at 7:30

**Firefighters Union Hall
4025 Lincolnway West
South Bend, IN 46628**

Upcoming Events

March 28

Bowling and dinner in Elkhart. **See page 7 for details.**

April 13

Monthly Meeting 6:30/7:30 @
Firemen's Union Hall

April 17

Cruise-In to 'Mustang' McDonalds
for Mustang birthday party **(To be confirmed)**

May 11

Monthly Meeting 6:30/7:30 @
Firemen's Union Hall

Comments from the President

Can anyone tell me why every time I write my President's Comments it's snowing? I hope by the time April comes it's done. Enough is enough!

I would like to thank those of you who sent sympathy cards with the passing of my grandmother. It was greatly appreciated. This is what being part of the Mustang family is all about. Sending cards of thoughts and prayers or calling are great ways to let people know that they are part of this family.

We had a small group attend the first activity of the year. Check out the article from Pat and me in this newsletter. At the next meeting we will have more information about our March activity of bowling and a meal. Some of us will celebrate the Mustang's 45th anniversary at the Mustang McDonalds on Grape Rd. on April 17th while the rest are attending the show/celebration in Birmingham, Alabama.

Reminder: Those of you planning to attend the National Show in Indianapolis, June 5-7 need to register. This reminder also includes me. Though Pat and I are planning to stay with our son and daughter-in-law, my hope is that someone will step up and set up a hotel for those wanting to attend.

**There will be a short Officer/Board of Directors meeting after our regular meeting in March.

See everyone at the meeting and hopefully NO SNOW!

Bob

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Minutes from last month's meeting:

President Bob Goeller opened the meeting at 7:29 PM and welcomed all members and guests. New member Marty Hughes introduced himself. He has a 1970 Coupe and a 2006 Convertible

Those in attendance were:

Art Anderson, Scott Anderson, Howard Barrett, Kathleen Bringman, Art Campbell, Ruben Chupp, Chris & Pete Delchambre, Connie & Vic Garrison, Pat & Bob Goeller, Terry Gunderman, Marty Hughes, Blair Knaak, Carl Kindig, Sandy & Joe Kraatz, Neal Lewis, Robert Miller, Brad Milliken, Charlotte & Ron Newcomer, Phil Nicodemus, Arnie O'Blenis, Blake Pierce, Kevin Price, Diane & Ken Reed, Terry Sarul, Ted Sauerbeck, Shirley & George Wachs, Dave Yoder, and Steve York

The minutes were approved as written.

Old Business:

- The Cavalcade of Wheels has been cancelled for this year. Next year the event will be held at the Century Center in downtown South Bend.
- Mustang 45th Anniversary Show: Bob had a list of four hotels near the show site.
- Chicago Auto Show: A group will be going to the show on Saturday, February 14. Meet at 9 AM at the Firemen's Union Hall. The group will leave on the South Shore for Chicago. The show entry fee is \$10.00 and the South Shore fare is \$9.00 each way.

Bob reminded everyone about the change of meeting location vote (by e-mail) and that, starting next month, name badges would be required at meetings. Members will be 'fined' \$0.50 for lack of a name badge.

The treasurer's report was approved as read.

New Business:

- We will be using new Judging Sheets for this year's show. The MCA has developed a standard form for Regional Clubs to use.
- There will be a Board of Directors Meeting following the March General Meeting.
- Brad will arrange a bowling outing during March. Details will be announced at next month's meeting.
- Brad will also work with 'Mustang' McDonalds to set up a cruise-in on April 17 for those not going to the MCA's Mustang Anniversary Celebration.

The Corvette club is holding a Swap Meet on March 15. All are invited to participate.

There will be a show committee meeting after tonight's meeting. ALL are invited to attend and bring any suggestions that you might have.

Long-time member Alan Wright has been having some medical problems with his throat, but is making progress and hopes to have his voice back in 3 weeks. Please keep him and any other members who are under the weather in your prayers.

The 50/50 was won by Phil Nicodemus, whose numbers were drawn 2 more times. Club patches were won by Shirley Wachs and Marty Hughes.

A motion was made by Howard Barrett, seconded by Ron Newcomer, and passed that we adjourn at 8:02 PM.

Art Campbell for June Schmidt, Secretary.

Treasurer's Report: February 2008

Income

| | |
|---------------------|---------------|
| 50-50 Drawing | \$30.00 |
| Club Sales: Apparel | 47.08 |
| Memberships | <u>120.00</u> |
| Total Income | 197.08 |

Expenses

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|-----------------------|---------------------|
| MCA Discount | 15.00 |
| Total Expenses | <u>15.00</u> |

Net Income **\$182.08**



This Month...

- 15 Pat Sauerbeck
- 20 Kathryn Schmidt
- 22 Kami Woody

Membership Anniversaries

| | |
|-------------------------------|----------|
| Mike Sebella | 15 years |
| Joe & Sandy Kraatz | 10 years |
| Connie Dalrymple | 4 years |
| Harold & Loretta Jedrzejewski | 4 years |
| Pat & Calvin Buell | 3 years |

Membership Dues

January

Stickley, William & Patricia
Wachs, George & Shirley

March

Craven, Matt
Jedrzejewski, Harold & Loretta
McInerney, Robert & Jennie
Moore, Robert & Pamela
Relos, Robert D.

April

Anderson, Art & Fran
Buell, Pat & Calvin
Christena, Becky
Delchambre, Pete & Chris
Garrison, Vic & Connie
Ippolito, Alan & Lisa
Springer, Vince & Helen



Happy Anniversary!

None this month that I know of...

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

Car Show Calendar

April 16-19

MCA 45th Mustang Anniversary Celebration,
Barber Motorsports Park, Birmingham, AL

May 15-17

32nd Annual INSAAC 'Spring Fling', Brown
County State Park, Columbus, IN

June 5-7

'Race to Indy' MCA National Show, O'Reilly
Raceway Park, Indianapolis, IN

June 13

28th Annual West Michigan Mustang Club Car
Show, Tony Betten Ford, Grand Rapids, MI

July 3-5

'American Stampede' MCA National Show, NC
State Fairgrounds, Raleigh, NC

August 27-30

'Western United States National' (MCA), Airtel
Plaza Hotel, San Fernando Valley, CA

Cruise-In Calendar

Wednesdays

Simonton Lake Drive-In, Elkhart (Opens March 12)

As soon as you hear of a cruise-in being scheduled,
let me know. I'll list every one I hear about.

Notes from the Car Show meeting...

- The date is set for Saturday, August 8
- The show flyer was revised; Judged classes will no longer say 'Concours Judged', due to new MCA Judging sheets
- With the reduction in work to judge cars with the new sheets, it was decided to reduce the price for cars being judged. The new prices will be \$15 for cars that are pre-registered, \$20 for registrations after August 1.
- This year's show shirt will feature the club logo with a note for the Mustang's 45th anniversary

Question of the Month

Apparently last month's question was a dud; let's see if this one gets any better response:

One thing that should be added to the Mustang's option list would be a...

Let me know either by e-mailing me at art51059@aol.com or bring your answers to the meeting. I'll share the answers with you next month

TRACKS TO CHICAGO

By Bob and Pat Goeller

A small group of our members: Alan and Lisa Ippolito, Carl Kindig, Neal Lewis, Phil Nicodemus, Dave Yoder and us made the trip to the Chicago Auto Show. We had everything planned. We parked in the dollar lot at the airport. (Thanks for the info, Brad!) We arrived at the South Shore ticket office to find a long line with most of the people going to the show. Leaving South Bend on time we had planned to meet with Alan and Lisa at East Chicago. It was quite interesting to find that Alan was looking for us on the train and couldn't find us and vice versa. We later found that we were on two separate trains.

We did meet with them at McCormick Place and had a good day viewing all the latest designs and concept cars. Of course, the Ford display was great and interactive. There were yea(s) and nay(s) on the 2010 Mustang design.

I did make the mistake of asking a Ford associate a question about the Focus and the conversation quickly changed to Mustangs and our club. A few minutes later a production company who was filming the 2010 Mustang display was interviewing Bob and me. They would then send the tapes to Ford. Publicity for our club – Yea!

Other than losing several members in the crowd at times we did have an interesting time getting home. We literally left Carl standing at the McCormick train stop. He had to meet with his son who was at another section of McCormick Place looking for him. They did finally meet with each other and Carl made it home o.k. Our excitement was on the train home for the rest of us. I thought for sure Dave was playing a joke on us. He told us he heard the conductor tell someone that people going to South Bend had to get off the train at Dunes Park and take another train. Sure enough he wasn't joking around this time! We had to get off and wait for another train to take us home. We never have a boring trip with our club. All in all it was a good show with great friends!!



Alan Ippolito checking out the interior of a 2010 Mustang



Neal Lewis designs his new Mustang

Getting to know...

Phil & Bonnie Higley

Family None

Location Ottawa, OH for over 30 years

Occupation(s)

Member Since 2004

Current Mustang(s) 1965 Convertible, 1966 Coupe

What got you 'into' Mustangs? My father & his father were Ford people. So I grew up around Fords and I helped my father restore and sell parts. They are easy to work on and a nice vehicle to work on...

Your favorite Mustang? Early Mustang...The first one out. What we call the 1964 1/2 Mustang. (Which the Ford Motor Company NEVER put out!) Look on the title. Sure they were put out in 1964, but they weren't on sale until April.

Your dream Mustang? Don't really know...

Your favorite Mustang Experience? Watching people faces, just looking at your MUSTANG while you are driving it down the road! Meeting other Mustang people that have same vehicle as you do. Knowing that this DREAM CAR isn't dead!

People might be surprised to know that I/we... We keep the dream alive!

Bruce & Becky Langton

Sons Brett and Rory

Granger, IN for 24 years

Professional artist & Children's book illustrator

2001

2003 Cobra SVT - 550 HP - Black - Lowered

I have been a car enthusiast forever... Love sports cars and Mustangs had back seating for our children as they were growing up. Being an artist how could you not like the Mustang body styling?

Any Chip Foose designed Mustang...

A Mustang custom that I would do myself.

My son Rory being antagonized by a Camaro that wanted to race him... My son didn't take him on. When the Camaro floored it, the car went sideways and flipped. My son not only won by not racing but saved the guys life by pulling him out of his car.... True story. My son was 17 years old and driving my 2003 - 550 HP Cobra. If it would have been me, I would have never seen the Camaro flip because I would have been too far ahead of him.

My wife and I have been car enthusiasts since we were married in 1973. I have had show cars and have restored cars. We both had customized VW's before we got married and the love for automobiles has never diminished.

Next month... Blair and Sharri Knaak, Ruben and Idella Chupp

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

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

I still have a 289 Engine (Block, heads & intake). Also a FoMoCo 1965 Ford Mustang AM Radio, LIKE THE ONE THAT WAS IN THE CAR when it came off the line. Good condition. Will sell for \$50.00.

Phil (Higley) M.C.A. member

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

Looking For...

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

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

Bowling and Dinner

Dust off those old bowling shoes and balls and head on down to Country Club Lanes at 1910 Cassopolis St. in Elkhart. Saturday, March 28 is the day and 1:00 PM is the time. We haven't been bowling in a couple of years, at least I haven't, and so it should be comical to say the least! No charge to come out and watch for you coach potatoes. I'll send around a sign up sheet at the next meeting. Plan on going out for pizza afterwards as we have done in the past. Hope you can make it. Questions call Brad at 574-674-4321 or cell at 574-612-5060.

From The Back Seat

Talk to me...

I hope you're enjoying the new features that have been added to the newsletter. I've had a few comments, but for the most part it's been pretty quiet. If you have any suggestions for things you'd like to see in the newsletter, or changes you think should be made, please let me know. As Becky would confirm, my mind reading skills are not very good.

I'm still looking for 'Pony of the Month' and 'My First Mustang' stories, as well as more of your profiles. I have profiles to cover the next couple of months, but there are no car stories in the pipeline at all right now. Please, don't make me beg! I'd also like to see any other news from you. Let's hear about births, weddings, job changes, new cars; anything you feel like sharing. I know that right now it can seem like there is no good news, but that makes it all the more important to share. This also includes the low points. If you or a family member are laid up for any reason, or have a loss in the family, let us know. There are times when you really can't have enough support from your friends.

As we get into the spring and summer I'll be asking people to do reports on club events. At the same time, even if no one asks you, please feel free to report on any event you attend. I think it would be great to have different viewpoints of an event, since everyone sees things differently and has different experiences while at an event.

On a totally different subject, do any of you have a marketing background? I've been working on some material to help us 'sell' the club to potential sponsors, and I could use some help. If you're willing, please let me know.

Have a good month...

'Custom' Mustangs

What can happen to a Mustang...



Thankfully, we haven't been asked to judge any of these 'modified' Mustangs!

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