

# Michiana Monthly



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From the front seat of my Red GT



Well it is officer election time once again. The candidates are listed on page 5. Please take time to review them. There will be time to nominate other candidates before we finally vote. (Editor's note: We will also be voting for the 2013 Pumper Award winner)

Please do not forget to bring your Toys for Tots this month and the nonperishable food items for the Food Bank.

Our Christmas banquet will be on December 14<sup>th</sup> 2013 at Honkers on Day Road. The cost per individual will be \$14.00. The Club will pick up the gratuity. As we have done in the past, anyone who would like to bring a dessert to share is more than welcome to do so. The evening will start around 6:00 PM and dinner, which will be a buffet, will start at 7:00. There will be no business meeting; maybe just a few announcements.

Hope to see everyone at Honkers on November 18.

Sincerely

Note: Due to the expected crowds at Honkers for Veterans Day, our meeting has been rescheduled to November 18.

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Next Meeting November 18, 2013

Dinner at 6:00 pm Meeting at 7:00 pm Honkers Restaurant 211 E. Day Road (SE Corner; Day Rd. & Main St.)

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### **Upcoming Events** November 18 (Monday)

Michiana Mustangs monthly meeting at Honkers (2014 Officer Elections at this meeting)

December 14 (Saturday)

Club Christmas Party at Honkers

#### 2014

#### January 13 (Monday)

Michiana Mustangs monthly meeting at Honkers

#### February 10 (Monday)

Michiana Mustangs monthly meeting at Honkers

#### March 10 (Monday)

Michiana Mustangs monthly meeting at Honkers

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# 2013 Events Calendar

#### November

11 (Monday)

Michiana Mustangs monthly meeting at Honkers (2014 Officer Elections at this meeting)

#### December

14 (Saturday) Club Christmas Party at Honkers

## 2014 Events

#### January

13 (Monday)

Michiana Mustangs monthly meeting at Honkers

#### February

10 (Monday)

Michiana Mustangs monthly meeting at Honkers

#### March

10 (Monday)

Michiana Mustangs monthly meeting at Honkers

22-23 (Saturday & Sunday)

Afdent Cavalcade of Wheels at the Century Center in South Bend

#### April

14 (Monday)

Michiana Mustangs monthly meeting at Honkers

# **2014 Meeting Dates**

January 13 February 10 March 10 April 14 May 12 June 9 July 14 (Club Picnic) August (to be determined) September 8 October 13 November 10 December (to be determined)

# **Notes from Last Month's Meeting**

- The October meeting was called to order at 7:01 pm.
- Attending the October meeting were Art & Crysta Anderson, David & Peggy Anson, Howard Barrett, Art & Rebecca Campbell, Dave & Pam Cleverly, Vic & Connie Garrison, Terry Gunderman, Robert Kaercher & Lyn Gorski, Carl Kindig, Dean & Sandra Lambert, Hal & Rose McClure, Brad & Nancy Milliken, Ron & Charlotte Newcomer, Phil & Tandy Nicodemus, Kevin Price, Kenny & Diane Reed, Bob Relos, Ted & Pat Sauerbeck, Jim & June Schmidt, Mona Steiner, and David & Jane Yoder
- Dave and Pam Cleverly were guests at the meeting. Dave and Pam live in Waterloo with their '65 coupe and a number of other Mustangs.
- Bob Relos was thanked for opening his house and garages for this year's Fall Cruise.
- Brad Milliken reported on the Fall Cruise. Breakfast at Honkers was followed by a back roads drive to Bob Relos' house. The group stopped at an orchard on their way to Mose and Etta Miller's for dinner. 25 people gathered for the meal. (Brad's story on the cruise is on pages 6 and 7)
- Brad and Mona were thanked for setting up the cruise. Plans are in motion to set up a return to the Miller's next year on the second weekend in October.
- Peggy Anson reported that 20 cars took part in this year's Tire Rack track day. She and David have requested a date for next year's event.
- The per person cost for this year's Christmas Party (on Saturday, December 14) will be \$ 14.00. As usual, the club will pay the meal's gratuity.
- Jim Schmidt told us he is looking into reports that there will be reserved parking for clubs at the 50th Anniversary celebration in Charlotte.
- As part of the Treasurer's report, Ron Newcomer announced that this year's car show turned a modest profit.
- Over 700 cars took part in the final cruise-in this year at Das Essenhaus in Nappanee.
- Howard thanked those who had brought donations for Toys for Tots and the Food Bank.
- Ted Sauerbeck donated some books to the club for distribution to anyone with an interest.
- Bob Kaercher won \$ 27.50 in the 50-50 drawing.
- George Wachs and Ken Reed are recovering from knee replacement surgeries.
- 'Mustang' McDonalds is no more. The restaurant has been remodeled and the Mustang sections are no longer part of the décor.

• The meeting was adjourned at 7:42 pm.

#### Last Month's Finances:

Income	
Membership Renewals	\$ 120.00
50/50 Drawing	27.50
Tire Rack	10.00
Total Income	\$ 157.50
Expenses	
MCA Discount	\$ 15.00
Newsletter Printing	47.51
Total Expenses	62.51
Net Income	\$ 94.99

# Unclear on the Concept...

A girl in her early twenties was talking to her father on the phone.

"Dad," she cried, "you gave me bad financial advice."

"What do you mean I gave you bad financial advice?" he asked his distraught daughter.

"You told me I should put my money in that big bank. I did just as you advised and now that big bank is in financial trouble. It seems they are out of money."

"Why that's one of the largest banks in the world," the father stated. "There must be some kind of mistake."

"No, there is no mistake," the daughter said. "They just returned one of my checks and attached a letter that said INSUFFICIENT FUNDS."



To all our Veterans: Thank you for your Service!

# **Membership News**



# This Month...

- 18 Valerie Malecki
- 19 Nicole (Nikki) Delchambre
- 23 Phil Nicodemus
- 28 Lisa Ippolito



# Anniversaries This Month...

2	Peggy & Dave Anson	39 years
4	Gloria & Dick Cornman	51 years
8	Jackie & Arnie O'Blenis	8 years
12	Michiana Mustangs	36 years
17 Charlotte & Ron Newcomer		51 years
21	Shirley & George Wachs	43 years

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



**New Members!** 

None this month...

# Membership Renewals Due September (Deactivation Pending)

John & Elizabeth Crume

#### October

Mark & Judy Taelman

#### November

Alex & Elizabeth Denysenko

#### December

Terry & Lola Gunderman Jim & June Schmidt Marion Williams

# Please note these procedures used by the treasurer for dues collection

Month #1 (One month before due date): First Invoice Month #2 (The month of due date): Second Invoice Month #3 (Grace Month): No Invoice Month #4 (De-Activation Month): No Invoice Dues should be mailed to Ron Newcomer, 58375 Westleaf Manor Blvd., Elkhart, IN 46517

# POn the Mend...

Please keep George Wachs in your thoughts. He just underwent knee replacement surgery and while the knee seems to be doing well, possible prostate problems have arisen. I'll keep you as updated as I can.

# **Membership Anniversaries**

Jim & June Schmidt	15 years
Rob Killingsworth	11 years
Jon Oram	11 years
Alex & Elizabeth Denysenko	6 years

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

# 2014 Officer Nominations

President:	Howard Barrett; Brad Milliken
Vice President:	Phil Nicodemus; Howard Barrett; Brad Milliken; George Wachs
Secretary:	June Schmidt
Treasurer:	Ron Newcomer
MCA Director:	Jim Schmidt
Show Chairman:	Carl Kindig
Board of Directors	Brad Milliken: Scott Anderson:

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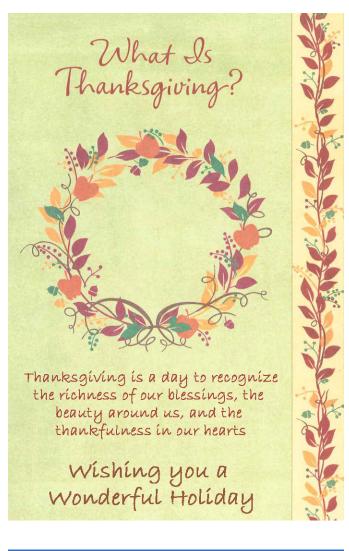
Dear Mr. & Mrs. Decker and the Michiana Mustang Club

I am writing this letter to express my sincere gratitude to you for honoring me with the Neal Decker Scholarship. I was thrilled to learn of my selection for this and I am deeply appreciative of your support. I am currently majoring in Exercise Science and enrolled at Indiana Wesleyan University. I hope to become a Physical Therapist. The financial assistance you provided allowed me to pay for all my books and moving expenses.

Thank you again for your generosity and support. I promise you I will work very hard and one day give back to others as you have done for me. I know of the background behind this scholarship and I would like you to know that you have my deepest condolences. I offer you my prayers and thanks. As I journey through my college experience I will always remember the Michiana Mustang Club and the Decker family for the generosity you have shown.

Sincerely,

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# Don't forget...

Please donate this month. New, unwrapped toys, cash, or a check to Toys for Tots and non-perishable food, or cash or a check to the Food Bank. \$25.00 to the Food Bank will provide 200 meals. Thank you for your support.



# **Fall Cruise**

We gathered at Honkers for breakfast on Oct. 5 for our annual fall cruise. Honkers had the breakfast buffet going and so most of us were pretty full when we left! We then headed south to Bob Relos's home on Riley Rd., North Liberty. We took some back country roads around Potato Creek State Park even spotting a couple of deer along the way. The leaves were just starting to change but it was a nice drive anyway. The weather cooperated for the most part and when we arrived at Bob's it was really nice. Bob took us downstairs and showed us his fine collection of Mustang and assorted memorabilia. I like his Christmas tree decorated with car ornaments. Lots of things to look at. We then made our way out to both garages where Bob had cold water and pop iced down. I had a big platter of cookies I picked up at Sam's Club. This kind of held us over until dinner! We took a group photo outside his garage.



The sun started heating things up as we sat out by the garage or on his nice deck outside his home. The backyard was pretty comfy but it was time to head towards Nappanee. Most of us in convertibles put the tops down for the next part of the drive. We made it almost to US 31 traveling along US 6 when the dark clouds, wind and sprinkles forced us to pull over for a quick stop to get the roofs up! By the time we stopped in Nappanee at an apple orchard it had all but stopped raining with blue sky again. We bought some apples, cider, etc. and headed for the next stop.



Not the nicest weather we've ever had for the cruise...



What's fall without fresh apples and pumpkins?

After just a little drive around Nappanee, we arrived at a familiar sight from last year, Mose & Etta Miller's house. What a terrific place to have dinner. We started with broccoli/cauliflower salad and homemade rolls with peanut butter, Karo syrup, and marshmallow cream mixed together. Coffee and homegrown mint tea followed with mashed potatoes & gravy, green beans, homemade noodles & dressing, boneless chicken and poor man's steak being passed twice. Let's not forget the red or orange jello or the cinnamon bread pudding with whipped cream. Then there were the homemade pies that everyone took home with them 'cause we couldn't eat another bite. I'm getting hungry again just writing about Miller's!

Mose entertained us again with singing, harmonica and yodeling after dinner. What great people and we're already talking about next year's return trip on the second Saturday of October. Mark your calendars.

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### Fall Cruise (continued)



Mose is quite the harmonica player. Combined with the stories he tells you have a very entertaining meal.



Thanks to Bob for opening up his house, Mona for booking the Miller's and to everyone who came out for some good ole fellowship with the Mustang club.

#### Brad



Thanks to Peggy Anson and Brad Milliken for this year's pictures!

# Humor from the Deep South

#### Alabama

A group of Alabama friends went deer hunting and paired off in twos for the day. That night, one of the hunters returned alone, staggering under the weight of an eight-point buck.

"Where's Henry?" the others asked.

"Henry had a stroke of some kind. He's a couple of miles back up the trail," the successful hunter replied.

"You left Henry laying out there and carried the deer back?" they inquired.

"A tough call," nodded the hunter. "But I figured no one is going to steal Henry!"

#### Louisiana

A senior at Louisiana was overheard saying ... "When the end of the world comes, I hope to be in Louisiana ."

When asked why, he replied, "I'd rather be in Louisiana because everything happens in Louisiana 20 years later than in the rest of the civilized world."

#### Mississippi

The young man from Mississippi came running into the store and said to his buddy, "Bubba, somebody just stole your pickup truck from the parking lot!"

Bubba replied, "Did you see who it was?"

The young man answered, "I couldn't tell, but I got the license number."

#### **North Carolina**

A man in North Carolina had a flat tire, pulled off on the side of the road, and proceeded to put a bouquet of flowers in front of the car and one behind it. Then he got back in the car to wait.

A passerby studied the scene as he drove by and was so curious he turned around and went back. He asked the fellow what the problem was.

The man replied, "I have a flat tire."

The passerby asked, "But what's with the flowers?"

The man responded, "When you break down they tell you to put flares in the front and flares in the back. I never did understand it neither."

# 2015 Ford Mustang spotted testing in Detroit



**Camouflaged mule takes on The Avenue** 



# This 2015 Mustang was spotted on Woodward Ave. (John Miller photo)

By: Jake Lingeman on 10/31/2013

The 2015 Ford Mustang is nearing production. The proof is on Detroit's Woodward Avenue, where one of our readers spotted this mule in full camouflage. Upcoming cars usually don't hit the well-traveled strip of asphalt unless they're almost ready for the public.

Others have reported that the Mustang's styling will be evolutionary, with minor changes to the general shape and size. Those who were hoping for a futuristic take on the pony car will probably be disappointed.

No one, on the other hand, will be disappointed about the engine selection, as it looks to be the best triple threat since Neil Patrick Harris. According to reports, the legendary 5.0 returns, as does the lighter 3.7-liter V6. A turbo four-pot will be on the option sheet too.

The new platform for the muscle car is named S550. It will feature independent rear-suspension for the first time on a non-SVT model, and will lose about 200 pounds.

We expect to see the new Mustang by the end of this year.

Read more:http://www.autoweek.com/ article/20131031/carnews/131039970#ixzz2jJtiCoNd



**Photos by John Miller** 



# Arkansas

Arkansas doesn't see that many hang gliders, so when Bubba saved up and bought himself one, he didn't really know where to go to get instruction.

He just took it to the top of the highest hill around, took off running, and, when he reached the edge, up into the wind he went!

Down below, Maw and Paw were sitting on their front porch, swinging and talking about the good old days when suddenly Maw shouted, "Paw! Lookee there! Ain't that the biggest bird yew ever seen?"

Paw agreed, reached into the living room, grabbed his shotgun, took careful aim, and "BANG! BANG!"

The monster bird continued sailing silently overhead. "I think ya missed him, Paw," said Maw.

"Yeah, mebbe so," he grunted, "but at least he let go of Bubba!"

### For Sale!



If anyone is interested in Bob Christena's 72 Mach 1, I am entertaining all bids. Please let me know. Hope to see you soon. Warm Regards, Becky Christena (219-874-4487) or likethebluebird@comcast.net

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Bob Goeller has Paul Houseman's collection of Mustang Times and wants to find a home for them. They are from 1980-2000. He also has a 1994-98 stock fiberglass hood for \$65.00. You can contact Bob at rg67stang@sbcglobal.net or 574-286-5312 .

#### \*\*\*

2010 GT Premium Mustang for Sale, and I'm asking \$19,500. 4.6L V8 engine, Automatic Transmission, 44,000 miles, Built-in Navigation, Leather Seats, Shaker 500 Stereo System, 19" Premium Rims, Pirelli Tires (new last year), Aftermarket Borla cat back exhaust, aftermarket headlights, and back-up camera. It also has a K&N cold air intake. Call 269-779-3899 (Nov.)



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OEM Fuel and Temperature gauges for '65 & '66 Mustangs in working condition. \$ 20 each - Contact Phil Higley @ <u>ourmustangs@centurylink.net</u> (Nov.)

### Looking For...

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Ads will run for three months; if you want to keep the ad running, you need to re-submit it.

#### **Old Bessie**

A farmer named Clyde had a car accident.

In court, the trucking company's fancy lawyer was questioning Clyde.

"Didn't you say, at the scene of the accident, "I'm fine?" asked the lawyer.

Clyde responded, "Well, I'll tell you what happened. I had just loaded my favorite mule, Bessie, into the..."

"I didn't ask for any details", the lawyer interrupted." "Just answer the question. Did you not say, at the scene of the accident, 'I'm fine!' "?

Clyde said, "Well, I had just got Bessie into the trailer and I was driving down the road..."

The lawyer interrupted again and said, "Judge, I am trying to establish the fact that, at the scene of the accident, this man told the Highway Patrolman on the scene that he was just fine. Now several weeks after the accident he is trying to sue my client. I believe he is a fraud! Please tell him to simply answer the question."

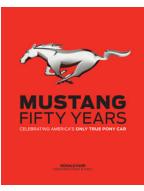
By this time, the Judge was fairly interested in Clyde's answer and said to the lawyer, "I'd like to hear what he has to say about his favorite mule, Bessie."

Clyde thanked the Judge and proceeded, "Well as I was saying, I had just loaded Bessie, my favorite mule, into the trailer and was driving her down the highway when this huge semi-truck and trailer ran the stop sign and smacked my truck right in the side. I was thrown into one ditch and Bessie was thrown into the other. I was hurting, real bad and didn't want to move. However, I could hear old Bessie moanin' and groanin'. I knew she was in terrible shape just by her groans.

"Shortly after the accident, a Highway Patrolman came on the scene. He could hear Bessie moanin' and groanin' so he went over to her. After he looked at her, he took out his gun and shot her between the eyes. Then the Patrolman came across the road, gun in hand, looked at me, and said, 'How are you feeling?'

"Now what the hell would you say?!"

# For your Christmas List...



If you're looking for a gift for the Mustang people on your list I can heartily recommend 'Mustang: Fifty Years' by Donald Farr. I have read it and thoroughly enjoyed it.

If you've been around Mustangs for any length of time this should be a no-brainer: Donald Farr writing about Mustangs. Few people have an

equivalent background on the subject. Add in access to the Source Interlink photo archives (Mustang Monthly, Motor Trend, Hot Rod, etc.) and Ford's own archives and the result is impressive.

The publisher counts 400 pictures in the 256 pages but it seems like more; many of the pictures have been published for the first time.

In addition to chapters on each prototype and generation of Mustang, Farr includes looks at competition Mustangs of all types and how the car has affected American culture over the years (movies, music, and TV).

I was glad to see a chapter devoted to Mustang clubs over the years and their influence on Ford decision making.

There will probably be a number of Mustang books written this year, but it will be hard to top this one. Many thanks to Nichole Schiele at Quayside Publishing for providing the book to review.

# Not How It Looks...

A lawyer returns to his parked BMW to find the headlights broken and considerable damage. There's no sign of the offending vehicle but he's relieved to see that there is a note stuck under the windshield wiper. "Sorry. I just backed into your Beemer. The witnesses who saw the accident are nodding and smiling at me because they think I'm leaving my name, address and other particulars. But I'm not."

# From the Back Seat...



Please come to the meeting and vote for next year's officers.

I know there are many uncontested positions, but you can still have a say in the total board for next year.

While I'm at it, I want to thank those who are not running for re-election for their service to the club this year.

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As usual, if you're leaving town for the winter and have your newsletter mailed to you, please send me your alternate address to prevent unneeded delays in getting the newsletter to you.

Have a great month...



# **Modern Quotations**

- "The problem with the designated driver program, is it's not a desirable job, so have fun with it. At the end of the night, drop them off at the wrong house." -- Jeff Foxworthy.
- "If a woman has to choose between catching a fly ball and saving an infant's life, she will choose to save the infant's life -- without even considering if there is a man on base." -- Dave Barry.
- "Relationships are hard. It's like a full time job, and we should treat it like one. If your boyfriend or girlfriend wants to leave you, they should give you two weeks' notice. There should be severance pay, and day before they leave you they should have to find you a temp." -- Bob Ettinger.
- "A study in the Washington Post says that women have better verbal skills than men. I just want to say to the authors of that study: "Duh." -- Conan O'Brien.

#### The fine print...

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