



# Michiana Monthly



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## Next Meeting

September 13, 2010

Dinner at 6:00

Meeting at 7:00

**Honkers Restaurant**

**211 E. Day Road**

(SE Corner; Day Rd. & Main St.)

**Mishawaka, IN**

## Upcoming Events

### September 4 (Saturday)

Track Day at The Tire Rack, South Bend

### September 13 (Monday)

Michiana Mustangs Monthly Meeting at Honkers Restaurant, Mishawaka

### September 18 (Saturday)

Show and Shine @ Harold Zeigler Ford Lincoln Mercury in Elkhart

### September 30 (Thursday)

Michiana Mustangs Night at Das Dutchman Essenhaus Restaurant, U.S. 20, Middlebury (5:30-8:30 PM)

### October 11 (Monday)

Michiana Mustangs Monthly Meeting **(Officer Nominations for 2011 at this meeting)**

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**2011 Boss 302 Announced!**

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# Finally!

After a 4+ year wait, Hal McClure underwent successful kidney transplant surgery on August 8. Hal received a kidney from a young California boy. The kidney started working immediately and has not missed a beat so far.



As might be expected, adjustments are being made in medicines and water intakes. Hal and Rose are home, with regular checkup visits scheduled to Indianapolis and Mishawaka.

You can follow Hal's journey at <http://www.caringbridge.org/visit/halmcclure>. Recovery wishes can be sent to Hal & Rose McClure, 133 S. Highland Ave., Elkhart, IN 46514.

**Editor's note:** There are thousands of 'Hals' out there waiting for organ donors of all kinds. If you are eligible to be an organ donor, please sign up. We're thankful that this boy's family made the decision to donate; tomorrow it could be you or me allowing another family to have a loved one remain with them. And yes, my drivers license is marked.

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## 2010 Events Calendar

### September

4 (Saturday)

Track Day at The Tire Rack, South Bend

13 (Monday)

Michiana Mustangs Monthly Meeting

18 (Saturday)

Show and Shine @ Harold Zeigler Ford Lincoln Mercury in Elkhart

30 (Thursday)

Michiana Mustangs Night at Das Dutchman Essenhaus Restaurant,  
U.S. 20, Middlebury (5:30-8:30 PM)

### October

11 (Monday)

Michiana Mustangs Monthly Meeting (**Officer Nominations for 2011 at this meeting**)

### November

8 (Monday)

Michiana Mustangs Monthly Meeting (**Officer Elections for 2011 at this meeting**)

### December

4 (**Saturday**)

Michiana Mustangs Christmas Party at Honkers

## 2010 Meeting Dates

January 10

February 14

March 14

April 11

May 9

June 13

July 11 (picnic at Twin Branch Park in Mishawaka)

August 8 (pre-show meeting—to be confirmed)

September 12

October 10

November 14

December 3 (Christmas Party—to be confirmed)

## Notes from Last Month's Meeting

Meeting in the Concord Mall Parking Lot: Art Anderson, Scott, Miranda, and Philip Anderson, Howard Barrett, Kathy Bringman, Art Campbell, Ruben Chupp, Bob & Pat Goeller, Anna Greenwalt, Beth Greenwalt, Terry Gunderman, Phil & Bonnie Higley, Marty Hughes, Roger & Shirley Kaser, Jimmy Kendrick (Guest of sister Kathy Bringman), Elaine Kersey, Carl Kindig, Neal Lewis, Karon & Curly Long, Pete & Marilyn McClure, Rose McClure, Bob Miller, Steve & Cindy Miller, Brad Milliken & Kim Zink, Ron Newcomer, Phil Nicodemus, Ken & Diane Reed, Ken Schmitt, George & Shirley Wachs, David Yoder, and Steve York.

Upcoming events:

- Dowagiac Car Show on August 21: meet at Kevin Price's house so everyone can park together downtown.
- Porkfest Parade in Kouts on August 28: we must be lined up by 10 AM CDT.
- Essenhaus: August 30 (Thursday) is the next Michiana Mustangs Night at the Essenhaus.
- Tire Rack on September 4: to help with food planning, please let Marilyn know if you are coming.
- Harold Zeigler Show and Shine: September 18

There was no National Director present; therefore, no National Director's report.

Show report:

- Goody Bags will be filled this week with what we had been able to assemble. Contributions have been much less than in previous years.
- The traditional Site Preparation get-together will happen on Friday, August 6 at 1 PM. Early birds will meet in the Food Court for Lunch.
- Art and Scott Anderson were able to get a donation of 5 cases of pop and water from Coca-Cola of South Bend. CCSB will be added to the Sponsor list being read during the show.
- Everything else seemed to be ready for Saturday. Hopes were expressed for good weather.

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 7:40 pm.

## From the front seat of my red GT...

Well, here it is September and we had a very successful car show. Hats off to all who helped and a special thanks to Carl. A lot of hard work went into the planning and execution of the show and we had a very good turnout along with the good weather. Don't forget the activities at the Tire Rack. I will be on the way back from Canada, so I won't be able to be there. I am sure all will have a good time providing the weather cooperates. Thanks to the McClures for making all the arrangements.

Our next meeting will be back at Honkers on Day Road on September 13. For all involved, I have scheduled a ten minute board meeting after the regular meeting.

The show at Dowagiac was good despite the weather. There were about 130 cars, about half of the number from last year. The Club was represented by four cars and we did have a good time. More time was spent wiping the cars down after each rain. After three wiping sessions the rain finally stopped. If you have never been to this show I would encourage you to attend next year's show. It is worth the admission price just to see the quality of the cars in the show.

See you on the 13th.

Howard







## Larry and Shirley (Sierzan) Weaver

From the 'Elkhart Truth' July 25, 2010...

OSCEOLA -- Larry and Shirley (Sierzan) Weaver of Osceola will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary in August.

They were married Aug. 7, 1960, at Bristol United Methodist Church.

They will take their family on a seven-day Caribbean cruise this summer to celebrate.

Mr. Weaver is a retired principal of Mishawaka Schools. Mrs. Weaver is a retired special education teacher of Mishawaka Schools.

They have two children, Brenda Butterfield of Powhatan, Va., and Kim Mays of Colon, Mich., and four grandchildren, Matt, Kristen, Kyle and Austin.



The lovely bride



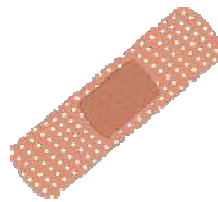
Larry and Shirley today



## New Members!

- Andy & Sandy Dlugosz of South Bend, with a '66 Fastback
- Jimmy Kendrick of Nappanee, currently 'between Mustangs'
- Welcome back greetings to long-time members Tom & Ellen Ostrowski of Mishawaka.

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



## On the mend...

- Valerie Malecki is out of the hospital after gall bladder surgery and plans to be at the September meeting.
- Shirley Weaver is dealing with a broken foot, and will be out of commission until the end of the year. Larry is continuing to recover from his stroke. They were able to take their 50th Anniversary cruise and enjoyed it tremendously (Shirley's break occurred after the cruise).

## Cannibal Alert in Granger!



Don't you wonder what Don did to earn this honor?



## Postcards from Show Day...

A big thank you goes out to everyone who put in a request for good show weather. I'm not sure we could have had better weather if we had paid for it.



Registration prepares for the rush...



Ford's John Clor had a steady stream of visitors to his tent to discuss the 'Mustang Dynasty'



The Club Sales area was also ready



Member cars on display



Brad and Curly kept participants informed and entertained



As usual, the judges did a thorough job...



## More Postcards from Show Day...



1999—2004 was a popular class



Karon and Curly got their traditional dance together



This beautiful Boss 302 won its class and the Judge's Choice Award



We had a good variety of non-Mustang Fords

A total of 123 cars were on site, a nice increase over recent years. Thanks to all who took part in the show. Hope to see you back next year!



Club member James Neis owns John Clor's choice for Best of Show

## First Look: 2012 Ford Mustang Boss 302 Laguna Seca

# Automobile

August 13, 2010  
By Phil Floraday



Dial your odometer back to 1969, one of the most contentious years in the battle between the original ponycars, the Chevrolet Camaro and [Ford](#) Mustang. By that year, Ford president Semon "Bunkie" Knudsen had poached designer Larry Shinoda from General Motors to massage the design that would house the Mustang's GT40-derived, 290-horsepower V-8. The displacement limit in the SCCA Trans Am series was 5.0 liters, which stoked the fire with the General's rival Camaro Z/28 coupe. American collective memory, however, would remember it as the 302, the cubic-inch figure that gave rise to the Boss 302 Mustang.

It was built for the track, with serious anti-roll bars, front disc brakes, and the ability to sprint to 60 in six seconds flat. But Knudsen, formerly of GM, ordered a version be built for mass consumption as a way to smoke Camaro drivers at stoplights. His dictum? "Make it absolutely the best-handling street [car](#) available on the American market!" Though the Boss lost to the Roger Penske's Trans Am Camaro team in '69, it took the trophy one year later with Parnelli Jones behind the wheel. The 302, known for its awesome power and sound, as well as Shinoda-designed tape graphics that set it apart from mere Mustangs, had taken its place in the pantheon of ponycars.

This resurrection of the storied Boss nomenclature is no mere graphics package or marketing ploy. The Mustang team channeled the spirit of that original project to create a true racecar for the road, employing a holistic approach that enhanced, upgraded, lightened and optimized the whole car for the purpose of vanquishing its archrival on race circuits like Laguna Seca. Oh, and that rival? Ford is no longer sparring with the Camaro. It's gunning for [BMW's](#) M3.

On paper, the cooking-grade Mustang GT with the Brembo Brake package looks M3-competitive in terms of raw numbers. To improve the odds of its live-axle pony in a full-on track attack, Ford further [enhanced](#) the chassis by raking it, lowering the front by 0.4 inch and the rear by 0.04 inch, and fitting old-school, five-position adjustable shocks and struts. Damping alterations are made using a screwdriver on the top of the rod from under the hood and in the trunk, as one did on the Gabriel shocks back in '69/'70. Position 1 is softer than the stock GT, 2 mimics the stock GT, and 3 to 5 are progressively sharper. The electric power steering can be adjusted for three levels of assist from the instrument cluster menu. Traction, stability, and anti-lock control systems are also reprogrammed for the Boss's track-star mission. Special lightweight 19-inch wheels shod in Pirelli PZero summer rubber frame the same 14.0-inch Brembo front/stock 11.8-inch rear brakes, equipped with Boss-tuned friction materials and special vented brake shields. Even the flexible brake lines have been reinforced so they expand 30 percent less than the GT's, to preserve a reassuringly firm brake-pedal feel. While the principal improvement is meant to be in fade resistance and pedal feel, stopping distances from 60 mph are said to shrink by three feet. On the skidpad, Ford claims the Boss is the first non-SVT Mustang to exceed 1.0g lateral grip.

Modifications under the hood are modest, but effective. A new variable-runner-length intake manifold, and new cams controlled by the same variable timing mechanism, conspire to broaden the torque curve and boost power output from 412 to 440 hp, while peak torque actually drops from 390 to 380. But even better than how it goes is how it sounds. Removing 11 pounds of sound deadening material and a retuning of the GT's "sound tube" (which works like a speaker broadcasting induction vibes at the firewall), admit plenty of intake music. A true quad-exhaust takes care of the rest, but we're not talking about four chrome tips out the back. This setup sends most of the exhaust through the typical dual exhaust system, but two additional pipes positioned opposite the crossover pipe lead to just ahead of the rear tires, sending a small amount of exhaust through a series of metal plates. They're mainly tuning elements, but they result in a unique aural experience, and the plates can be removed and replaced with aftermarket exhaust-dump valves for racing when no muffling is required -- or desired.

The power flows aft through a racing-style clutch with upgraded friction materials to a close-ratio six-speed manual, topped by a short-throw shifter, and on back to your choice of limited-slip differentials spinning 3.73:1 gearing. There's a traditional multi-plate locker with carbon-fiber plates, or a Torsen torque-sensing unit. Expect 0 to 60 times in the very low fours.

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## 2012 Ford Mustang Boss 302 Laguna Seca (continued)

To set the Boss apart visually, chief designer Darrell Behmer took inspiration from Shinoda's '69 production car as well as the Bud Moore/Parnelli Jones [race cars](#). The front fascia and grille include blocked-off fog lamp openings and a splitter, which is credited with trimming front lift considerably, cribbed from the Boss 302R racecar. A spoiler in the rear complements the look and aero effect of the front spoiler. Finally, the C-stripe and roof panel are painted white or black to coordinate with the chosen paint color (Competition Orange, Performance White, Kona Blue Metallic, Yellow Blaze Metallic or Race Red). Inside, there's a unique steering wheel wrapped in Alcantara, cloth seats with suede-like inserts for lateral grip, and optional Recaro buckets designed by the Mustang team for the GT500 that come bundled with the Torsen diff.

There will be two models, the totally streetable Boss 302, and the track-optimized Boss 302 Laguna Seca, of which a small run has been planned. When the Boss 302 hits the streets, the gauntlet will be considered thrown down once again, but this time, it's likely not just the [Camaro](#) that'll have to step up its game.



## SR-71 Blackbird Mustang Flies High at Air Venture



The SR-71 Blackbird Mustang – a one-off joint build between Jack Roush and Carroll Shelby, sold at a charity auction last week for \$375,000 during the annual Air Venture show in Oshkosh, WI. Inspired by the long-range USAF reconnaissance aircraft of the same name, this one-of-a-kind Mustang features a 5.0-liter V-8 with a Whipple twin-screw supercharger, SVT Track Pack wheels, a glass roof, custom graphic treatment and special Recaro seats with the embroidered signatures of both Roush and Shelby. Mr. Shelby was on hand as the auction winner, Rod Lewis of San Antonio, TX, topped the bidding, including those from Ken Griffey, Jr. Proceeds benefit the Experimental Aircraft Association Young Eagles Program. Roush remained hospitalized after crashing his plane at the event earlier in the week.



## Looking Back...

### September 1995

- The Club will lead this year's Labor Day Parade. Lt. Governor Frank O'Bannon will ride in one of the cars.
- A trip to Allied Signal's Proving Grounds for later this month was cancelled due to schedule changes at Allied Signal.

### September 2000

- The Four Seasons restaurant suffered a fire and will not be available as a meeting site. We will meet next month at the South Bend Moose Lodge near the airport.
- Brad is working on a Fall Cruise to Michigan's Sleeping Bear Dunes.
- Our 'Recipe of the Month' was for Taco Salad, submitted by Carol and Dave Cooper.
- Included in the 'New Members' list this month were Karon and Curly Long.

### September 2005

- This month's meeting will be at the Four Seasons restaurant near the airport.
- Becky Christena is selling 16" pillows with Mustang print fabric.
- Jim and June Schmidt's 2005 Mustang is the 'Pony of the Month'.
- Included in the 'New Members' list this month were Blake and Angie Pierce.



## For Sale!

I am thinking about selling my 1999 Mustang GT convertible. It is the anniversary edition and has the thirty-fifth placards on the side. It is a dark green stin metallic five speed with parchment leather interior. It came with key standard equipment and many options. It is in excellent condition and all original with 4,700 miles. It has been stored winters and kept in the garage when not driven in the summer. I have the thirty-fifth anniversary gifts that came with it. I also have the widow price sticker.

I drive it in the summer in this area. I still enjoy it, but drive it less every summer.

If you know anyone that would be interested in it, I will sell it for \$25,000.00

Thanks.

Greg Deitchley [DEITCH45@comcast.net](mailto:DEITCH45@comcast.net) (Sept)

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## 2005 Mustang GT Coupe

Redfire Metallic, black leather, AT, tilt, 'My Color' dash, am/fm/multi. CD, rear spoiler, seq. tail lights, new Motorcraft battery, NO mods. or body damage, 5-spoke Premium wheels, original owner, 28,300 miles

\$17,000.00 [canrln@comcast.net](mailto:canrln@comcast.net) (574) 276-7074 (Nov.)

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## 1973 Mustang Convertible for sale.

This is an original 1973 with less than 48000 miles, Red, White Interior, Black Top. 302 V8, power steering, power brakes, 3-Speed manual transmission. All original (except radio) runs and drives great. This is a great car and has been in the family since 1975. Always garaged and stored in the winter. Asking 13,900 but make me an offer. This car still has vintage tires. Please contact me with any questions. Chris Ferro 574.849.4883 or [cferro@homanlumber.com](mailto:cferro@homanlumber.com) (Nov.)



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If anyone is interested in Bob Christena's 72 Mach 1, I am entertaining all bids. Please let me know. I would love to sell it before the summer is up. Hope to see you soon. Warm Regards, Becky Christena (219-874-4487) or [likethebluebird@comcast.net](mailto:likethebluebird@comcast.net)

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(4) Continental 245/45ZR17 ContiExtremeContact ultra-high performance all season tires for sale.

Tires have less than 10k miles and 3/16 tread depth.

Will fit 2000-2004 Mustang GT with Bullitt rims.

\$200 for set

Call Roger at 574-229-5146. (Nov.)

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## Looking For...

289, 302, or 351 block or complete engine. Call Kevin at 574-210-9526 (Nov.)

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

## Humor Foursome

### 1. Geologists

Geologists are the only men who can speak to their female colleagues using the words "dike," "thrust," "bed," "orogeny," "cleavage," and "subduction" in the same sentence without a civil lawsuit!

### 2. In Court

The judge read the charges, and then asked, "Are you the defendant in this case?"

"No sir, your honor, sir," replied Bob, "I've got a lawyer to do the defendin'. I'm the person who done it."

### 3. Ordering a Meal for Delivery

A woman phoned an Indian restaurant and asked, "Do you deliver?"

The man on the phone replied, "No. We do chicken, lamb, beef, curry, tofu..."

### 4. Ouch!

A man and his wife watched a televised boxing match that quickly ended in a knockout.

The husband groaned. "What a rip off! It was all over in three minutes!"

His wife replied, "Now you know how I feel!"

## From the Back Seat...



### Miscellaneous mumblings...

Please make sure David has your current mailing address, e-mail address, phone number, and cars. I've gotten a few newsletters back lately due to incorrect addresses and couldn't contact the member because their phone number had changed. I'm also updating the lists of where we live and what we drive, and I want these lists to be accurate.

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I have a member profile for next month; anyone else want to send me one? I'm also waiting (somewhat) patiently for someone to send a Mustang of the Month or My First Mustang story. Please don't make me beg...

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We'll be doing another food drive for the Thanksgiving season. On the whole, things are better than last year, but we all know there is still a need. We had a wonderful response last year, and I hope we can do as well or better this year.

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Start thinking about who you want to lead the club next year; officer nominations will be made at next month's meeting. There will be new officers next year.

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Have a good month...

## 2010 Cruise-In Calendar

This information is from [www.michianacruisers.com](http://www.michianacruisers.com)

**Starting in May 2010 through September**

### Sunday

- Bonnie Doon's on Lincolnway near Ironwood, Mishawaka (5-8 PM South Bend time)

### Mondays

- AJ's Burger Shack, 4505 Ameritech Drive, South Bend (5 PM until Dark)

### Tuesdays

- Arby's on Bittersweet at Lincolnway, Mishawaka (5-8 PM)
- JD's Truck Stop, US 12 at US 31, Buchanan

### Wednesdays

- Pizza Hut, 1275 S. 11th Street, Niles (5:30-8:30 PM)
- Simonton Lake Drive-In, Elkhart (5-8 PM)

### Thursdays

- Das Dutchman Essenhaus Restaurant, U.S. 20, Middlebury (5:30-8:30 PM)
- Long John Silvers, Cassopolis St near Fazoli's, Elkhart (6-9 PM)

### Fridays

- Advance Auto on McKinley, Mishawaka (5-9 PM)
- Aaron's Plumbing, Roseland (6-9 PM)

### Saturdays

- (First Saturday of the Month) Town Square Restaurant, Walkerton (7PM-?)
- West Lot of Gino's East in Heritage Square in Granger (4-8 PM)

### The fine print...

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Once again, the Boss is back...details on page 7



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