

# **Michiana** Monthly

# **Celebrating 60 years of Mustangs!**



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### **Next Meeting**

November 11, 2024

Meeting at 7:00 pm Beef 'O' Brady's

12479 Adams Rd. (IN-23) (Intersection of IN-23 and Bittersweet Road)

### Granger, IN 46530

### **Upcoming Events**

#### November 11 (Monday)

Michiana Mustangs monthly meeting at Beef 'O' Brady's (2025 Officer Elections at this meeting)

#### **December 7 (Saturday)**

Club Christmas party at Dutchmaid Eatery and Gifts in Bremen. See page 2 for details.

#### January 13 (Monday)

Michiana Mustangs monthly meeting at Beef 'O' Brady's

#### February 10 (Monday)

Michiana Mustangs monthly meeting at Beef 'O' Brady's

#### March 10 (Monday)

Michiana Mustangs monthly meeting at Beef 'O' Brady's

#### March 29-30 (Saturday/Sunday)

South Bend Auto Show, Century Center, South Bend

#### April 14 (Monday)

Michiana Mustangs monthly meeting at Beef 'O' Brady's

#### **April 17 (Thursday)**

Mustang 61<sup>st</sup> Birthday Party

#### April 27 (Sunday)

Hospice 'Coffee Cruise-in for a Cause'

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# 2024 Car Show and Event Listing

November 11 (Monday)	Michiana Mustangs monthly meet- ing at Beef 'O' Brady's (2025 Of- ficer Elections at this meeting)
December 7 (Saturday)	Club Christmas party at Dutchmaid Eatery and Gifts in Bremen

If you know of other shows or events in our area, let me know so I can add them to the list.

# 2025 Meeting dates

January 13	February 10	March 10
April 14	May 12	June 9
July 14 (Club picnic)	August 11	September 8
October 13	November 10	December? (TBD)

# **Officer Elections this month**

There was only one candidate for each of these offices, therefore they are elected for 2024:

President: Scott Lickteig

Secretary: Art Campbell

Treasurer: David Yoder

Car Show Chairperson: Carl Kindig

National Director (MCA): Jim Schmidt

We will be voting for these offices between these candidates:

Vice-President: Bob Goeller and Chris Jones

At-Large Board Members (4 positions open): David Anson, Jerry Cardella, Pete Delchambre, Nick Falletta, West Geairn, George Graber, Pat Goeller, Ron Gortney, Rob Hayward, Chris Jones, Jake Kirby, Debbie Mittleman, Mike Mittleman, Phil Nicodemus, Terry Sarul, Diane Shaull, Bill Stickley, Alan Town, and Jane Yoder

# **Christmas Party Details**

Date: Saturday, December 7, 2024

Time: 5:30 p.m.

Location: Dutchmaid Eatery and Gifts, 1535 3rd Rd., Bremen, IN 46506 (574) 546-2192 (same location as last year)

Menu: Salsbury Steak, Country-fried chicken, mashed potatoes, green beans, dressing, garden salad, and cherry or coconut creme pie

Cost: \$25 per person (tip included) Plan to pay at the restaurantcash preferred

Contact person: Tandy Nicodemus (tnicodem53@yahoo.com) Last date to sign-up: Friday, November 29.

# **Behind the Wheel**

By Scott Lickteig

As the cool morning air settles in, it's clear that fall is upon us. This time of year often brings a bittersweet reminder: it's nearly time to think about storing our beloved Mustangs for the winter months ahead. While it's tough to say goodbye to cruising under the vibrant autumn skies, we can take comfort in the memories made and plan for the adventures that await us in spring.

We have some important updates and reminders for our upcoming meeting. Mark your calendars! This month, we will hold elections for our Officers and Board members. Your participation is crucial in ensuring we have strong leadership as we continue to grow and thrive as a club.

Additionally, we will be discussing our support for those impacted by recent hurricanes. We'll vote on the dollar amount to donate, so please come prepared to share your thoughts and contribute to this important decision.

It's been an incredibly active year for our club, filled with events, gatherings, and connections. As we look ahead to 2025, we are excited about the possibilities that await us. With continued enthusiasm and dedication, we can make the upcoming year even more remarkable.

We look forward to seeing you all at the meeting. Let's keep the Mustang spirit alive and prepare for an exciting future together!

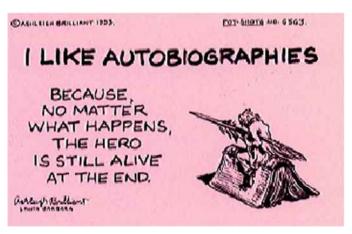
Happy Driving, Scott



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

Club President Scott Lickteig called our October meeting to order at 7:06pm. Attending the meeting was Art Anderson, Scott & Chris Anderson, David & Peggy Anson, Greg Burkowski, Art & Becky Campbell, Jerry & Jeri Cardella, Terry & Jan Dale, Pete & Chris Delchambre, Lyn Gorski, George & Kenlyn Graber, Ron & Vickie Gortney, Gary Hughes, Dennis & Patty Jennings, Jake, Nancy, & Kolton Kirby, Scott Lickteig, Dave & Gretchen Lowell, Brad & Nancy Milliken, Debbie & Mike Mittleman, David & Glinda Nicodemus, Phil & Tandy Nicodemus, Arnie O'Blenis, Tom Podemski, Kenny & Diane Reed, Diane Shaull, Alan & Lisa Town, and David & Jane Yoder.

- There is an MCA National Show next June in Cincinnati, the closest MCA show in 2025. Registration will be available at <u>http://www.mustang.org/</u>.
- Scott thanked those who took part in the Hospice Coffee Cruise-in for a Cause on October 6. Diane Shaull's '65 convertible took home the 'Best Car' trophy.
- Tandy Nicodemus updated us on the details for this year's Christmas Party on Saturday, December 7 (see page 2 for the menu and pricing for the dinner).
- Jim Schmidt was unable to attend the meeting, but he sent a message that a number of Mustang clubs were making donations to the Red Cross for hurricane relief efforts in the Southeast, and requested that the topic be brought up at the meeting. After discussion, the group was receptive to the idea of a donation, but through the Samaritan's Purse organization rather than the Red Cross. The topic was tabled until the November meeting for further discussion.
- Brad Milliken reported on the Fall Cruise from October 5th. His story can be found on page 6.
- Nominations were taken for the club's 2025 Board of Directors for next month's election. The final list of candidates can be found on page 2.
- Scott Lickteig won \$52.00 in the October 50/50 drawing. Other winners were Nancy Milliken, Dave Anson, Jane Yoder, and Diane Reed.
- The meeting was adjourned at 7:50pm.



# **Membership News**



# This Month...

- 3 Dave Cooper
- 13 Glinda Nicodemus
- 18 Valerie Malecki
- 20 Linda Arnold
- 23 Phil Nicodemus
- 30 Rich Sechowski



# Anniversaries This Month...

2	Peggy and David Anson	50 years
4	Gloria & Dick Cornman	62 years
8	Jackie & Arnie O'Blenis	21 years
10	Shari & Blair Knaak	52 years
12	Michiana Mustangs	47 years

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

# We remember...

Lane Northam (November 23, 2016)

# **Membership Anniversaries**

Jim Schmidt	26 years
Dave & Carol Cooper	25 years
John Reihl	9 years
Pete & Marylynn Yoder	8 years
Brad & Marilyn Robertson	7 years

# Last Month's Finances

<b>Income</b> 50/50 (Meeting) 50/50 Donation Membership income	52.00 32.00 120.00
Total Income	\$ 204.00
Expenses MCA discounts Website Total Expenses	15.00 240.00 <b>\$ 255.00</b>

Net Income

(\$ 51.00)

# MARINE CORPS RESERVE



Once again, we are asking for members to donate to Toys for Tots and/or the Food Bank of Northern Indiana. Most of us have been very blessed over the years; here is a chance to help some of those who have not been as fortunate, especially children.

Through the gift of a new toy or book, Marine Toys for Tots' programs deliver joy and send a message of hope to America's disadvantaged children.

To date, they've distributed 677 million toys to 301 million deserving children.

Today, 12.4% of the residents of northern Indiana are food insecure including 17.5% children. They don't know when they will eat their next meal. Hunger is a silent epidemic. When all of our residents have food security and access to nutritious foods, we will be even better physically and mentally prepared to take on life's challenges.

# Every \$1 that you donate provides 4 meals and hope for those who need it most.

Please donate new, unwrapped toys, cash, or a check to Toys for Tots, and non-perishable food, cash, or a check to the Food Bank. Help us make the holidays better for those who need help. If you want to donate cash for Toys for Tots, we will purchase toys to add to the donation. Thank you for your support.

# **Membership Renewals Due**

#### October

Karen Mann

#### November

F. Brad & Marilyn Robertson Pete & Marylyn Yoder

# <u>Please note these procedures used by the treasurer for dues collection</u>

- Month #1 (One month before due date): First Invoice
- Month #2 (The month of due date): Second Invoice
- Month #3 (De-Activation Month): No Invoice (notice in newsletter)

Dues should be mailed to David Yoder, 1155 N Center St #B, Bremen, IN 46506



None this month

Welcome to the club. We look forward to getting to know you!

# **For Sale**



Rims with tires for sale. (4) 10-hole Fox Mustang rims (top) For P205/65/R15 tires. These tires are shot. Asking \$200 for the set of four.



Ford Explorer rims with tires for sale. Tire size is P235/70/R15. Set of five with good tires. Asking \$500 for the set of five.

I will CONSIDER (not necessarily accept) best offer. Contact Harold Jedrzejewski at 574-315-0589.



Thank you for your service!

#### Cruise To LaPorte and Michigan City

On Saturday, October 5, 2024, a few of us met at Beef 'O' Brady's in Granger and headed west toward Vic & Connie Garrison's home in Laporte.

Along the way, we picked up Denny & Patty Jennings. We traveled Redfield Rd., Bertrand Rd., Chicago Rd. & Chicago Trail around New Carlisle.

Turning north on County Line Rd and west on East County Rd. to 1000 N to N. Wilhelm Rd. To Vic & Connie's. They have been doing a lot of work in their home & wanted us to see the results! When we arrived, we were greeted by them and a lot more Mustangs!

Connie was overjoyed seeing all of us Mustangers as was Vic. He showed us his pole barn and the Mustangs he is working on. Then we checked out their new Great Room. Wow! Very beautiful. I kept waiting to see Chip & Joanna Gaines! Now I know why we missed seeing them at the Spring Fling. Anyway, after checking everything out we headed for Swingbelly's in Michigan City. There we met up with some more of our Mustang family.



Swingbelly's is located just east of Michigan City on US 12. I told Connie we would have about 20 for dinner so that's what was reserved. 32 signed up but 27 came so we were only seven over! They took care of us in a very quick & efficient manner. I think everyone was pleased with the food and service. Attending were Vic & Connie Garrison, Dave & Jane Yoder, Brad & Nancy Milliken, Robert, Rhonda & Evan Hayward, Phil & Tandy Nicodemus, Denny & Patty Jennings, Peggy & Dave Anson, Dan Tannas, Jake, Nancy, & Kolton Kirby, Ray Hofecker & Gail Cummings, Art & Becky Campbell, Scott & Chris Anderson and Pete & Chris Delchambre. Thanks to everyone for coming and especially to Vic & Connie for your hospitality. Another great time with our Michiana Mustang family.

# **Amish Dinner**

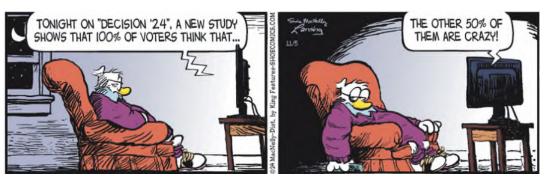
Saturday, October 26, 2024, the Michiana Mustangs went to Wilma Whetstone's house between Goshen and Middlebury for a good home cooked dinner. Sadly, it will be our last time there as her daughters are getting married and leaving the nest. So, she's losing her help. However, she has given us the number of another Amish lady that does dinners from her home for next year. Anyway, this year's was delicious as always with 34 of us in attendance.

We enjoyed salad, bread with strawberry jam, meatloaf, Salisbury steak, green beans, mashed potatoes and gravy, dressing and homemade noodles. Coffee & water were provided as were peanut butter pie or raspberry creme pie for dessert. Pretty sure everyone walked out stuffed!

I know we did. Another good time spent with our Mustang family.

Editor's note: Thanks to Brad Milliken for both reports!





### **New Mustang Ornaments Available**

## **1970 Ford Mustang Boss 302** Diecast Gets Limited Rerelease

By Brett Foote, October 29, 2024



Hot Wheels has added a host of Blue Oval diecast models to its collection of Red Line Club exclusives in recent years, which are only available to RLC members and feature superior levels of detail compared to the average piece one can buy from the local big box stores. That list includes a Spectraflame Bright Yellow 1970 Ford Mustang Boss 302 that just launched as an RLC exclusive this past August, but now, Hot Wheels is bringing that same diecast back for a second time, albeit as a limited release.

This yellow 1970 Ford Mustang Boss 302 diecast is one of a few popular collectibles that Hot Wheels is <u>re-</u> <u>releasing just in time for the holidays</u>, giving those that may have missed out on it the first time another chance to add it to their collection. The company isn't revealing just how many of these 1970 Ford Mustang Boss 302 diecasts it's making available as part of this special promotion, but as was previously the case, one must be an RLC member to purchase it – though oneyear memberships are available for \$9.99.

Along with its bright paint job, this diecast features a ZAMAC body, a set of Real Riders five-spoke mag wheels, a metal chassis, light smoke-tinted windows, and a black interior. There are also set of black hockey stick stripes and a supercharged "engine" underhood, giving this Ford Mustang Boss 302 a truly custom look. Like all RLC offerings, the 1:64 scale diecast comes packaged in a Kar Keepers clamshell case with an illustrated blister card, making it perfect for displaying pretty much anywhere one might choose, all for a cost of \$25.

This particular diecast isn't the only 1970 Ford Mustang Boss 302 RLC exclusive we've seen up for sale as of late, as it was preceded by a very cool Mustang "Boss Hoss" recreation that debuted <u>back in early 2022</u>. Additionally. Hot Wheels released a Mustang SVT Cobra R RLC diecast <u>back in February 2023</u>, too.

<u>1970 Ford Mustang Boss 302 Diecast Gets Limited</u> <u>Rerelease (fordauthority.com)</u> 2024 Ford Mustang GT Ornament Debuts for Holiday Season

By Brett Foote, October 30, 2024



For quite a few years now, Hallmark has released a number of what it calls Keepsake Ornaments on an annual basis, which are collectible Christmas tree decorations that span a wide berth of subjects – everything from movies to games to structures and, of course, vehicles. There have been several Hallmark Keepsake Ornaments for a wide variety of Ford models offered over the years, too, <u>including the Ford F-150 Light-</u> <u>ning</u> and more than one <u>Ford Mustang</u> model. Now, that collection has expanded yet again, this time, to include the 2024 Ford Mustang GT.

The new 2024 Ford Mustang GT Hallmark Keepsake Ornament gives S650 fans and owners something cool to add to their tree this holiday season, with a black exterior finish covering a metal body, a rear spoiler, and 2024 year-dated license plates, coupled with a gray interior. The Ford Mustang GT ornament was designed by Artist Robert Hurlburt and comes with a hangar attachment, as one would expect, and is packaged in a nifty gift box, making it easy to collect or give to that special pony car fan in one's life.

The 2024 Ford Mustang GT Hallmark Keepsake Ornament measures in at around  $1.73 \times 1.19 \times 4.01$  inches, and retails for \$21.99. The latest addition to this iconic collection is <u>available to purchase now</u>, just in time for the budding holiday season, which is somehow just around the corner. However, it isn't the only Ford Mustang model available in the 2024 Hallmark Keepsake collection, either.

Rather, it joins a 1969 Ford Mustang Boss 429 that just made its debut as well, though that particular ornament is a "miniature" variant that measures a mere 2.0 x  $0.7 \times 0.5$  inches. Regardless, it's an impressively detailed piece that also sports a metal body, along with rolling wheels and all of the famous styling cues we're familiar with on the Boss 429 – including a hood scoop, its fastback design, pony emblems, and a "2024" license plate to signify the year it was made available as part of the Hallmark Keepsakes Ornament collection

2024 Ford Mustang GT Ornament Debuts For Holiday Season (fordauthority.com)

# **Michiana Mustangs Online Clothing Store**

You are invited to begin shopping in the Michiana Mustangs on line store. The store has been set up to make the ordering process easier for you.

There are four steps to getting started:

- 1. Go to <u>https://accessimprintedsportswear.tuosystems.com/shopping/947203?sr=true</u>. Be sure to use a current version of the most common browsers (Chrome, Firefox, Safari, or Internet Explorer)
- 2. Log-in with this password: Dearborn1964.5
- Browse the available merchandise options. Be sure to carefully select the appropriate products, sizes and colors you need.
- 4. Once you've finished shopping, review your order and check out. You will receive an Order Confirmation via email (at the address you entered when ordering). Please look for this Order Confirmation e-mail once you've completed your order.

If you need assistance or have questions, please contact <u>gozigoose@comcast.net</u> and one of our online Customer Care representatives will be glad to assist you.



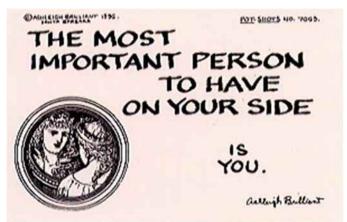
### Please help with your newsletter!

**Tell us your story:** Do you love talking about your Mustang; what you've enjoyed most or least; how you bought it and why? Then you're halfway there. Send your story to me with a few photos.

**Keep us in the loop:** Did you do some great mods to your Mustang, or attend an auto-related event or car show? Take a trip that you'd recommend to others? Send me your photos and a short article on what you did.

**Teach us:** Did you make some mods to your Mustang or work on a restoration or repair? Take a few photos as you go through the process and send them to me.

**How to submit:** Email your story and photos to me, or mail them to the address in 'The fine print' in the next column.



#### The fine print...

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If you are leaving town, enjoy your trip, travel safely, and we'll see you when you get back!

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