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Next Meeting

January 13, 2025

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

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 61st Birthday Party

April 27 (Sunday)

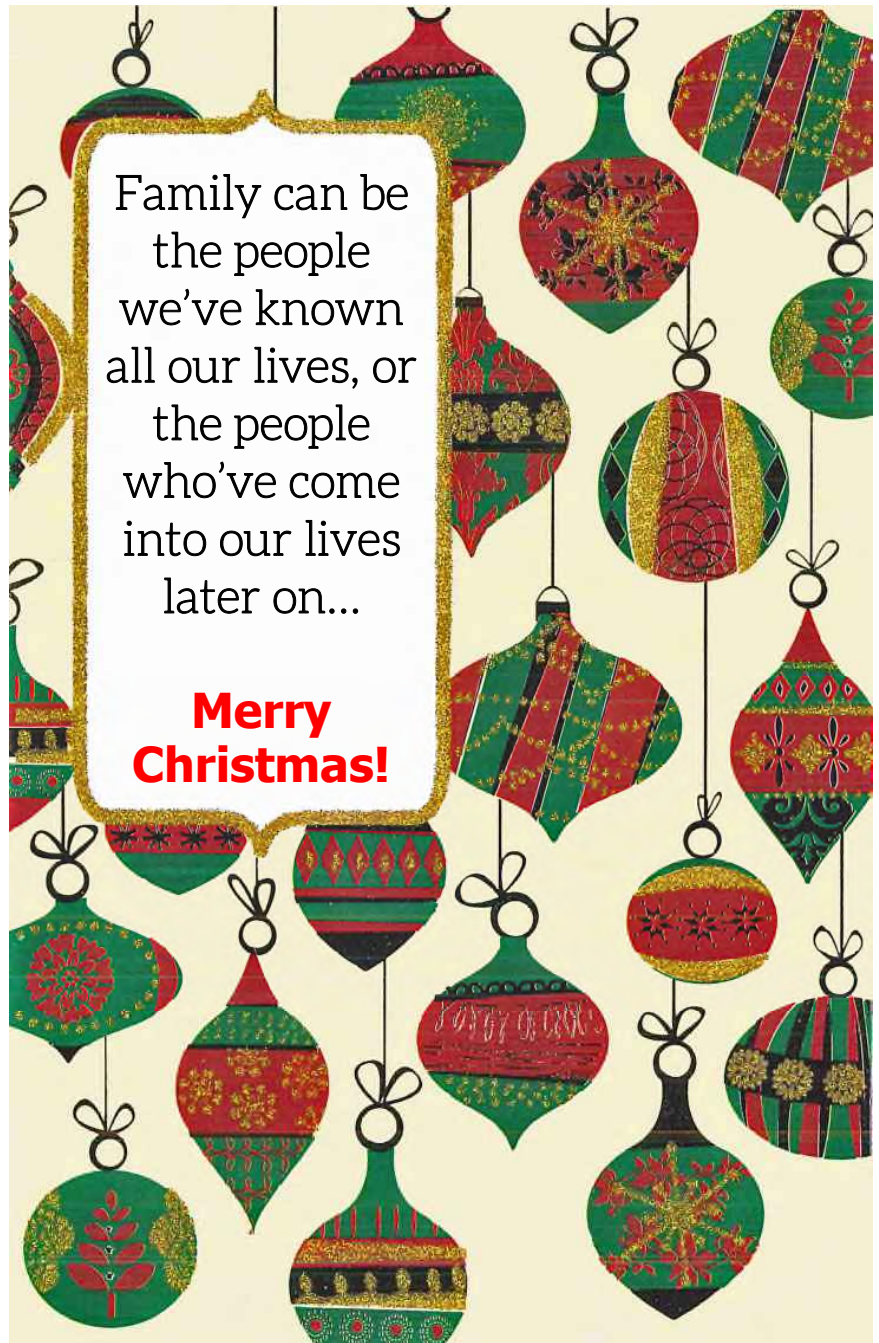
Hospice 'Coffee Cruise-in for a Cause'

May 1 (Thursday)

Opening cruise-in at Essenhaus in Middlebury

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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)

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: Salisbury 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 restaurant-cash preferred

Contact person: Tandy Nicodemus (tnicodem53@yahoo.com)

Officer Election Results

Congratulations to our Board of Directors for 2025!

President: Scott Lickteig

Vice-President: Bob Goeller

Secretary: Art Campbell

Treasurer: David Yoder

Car Show Chairperson: Carl Kindig

National Director (MCA): Jim Schmidt

Immediate Past President: Brad Milliken

At-large Directors: David Anson, Pete Delchambre, George Graber, and Jane Yoder



Behind the Wheel

By Scott Lickteig

Hello,

I hope everyone had a wonderful Thanksgiving filled with warmth and cheer, surrounded by friends and family. As we move into December, it's a perfect time to reflect on the past year, celebrating the events and memories that shaped 2024.

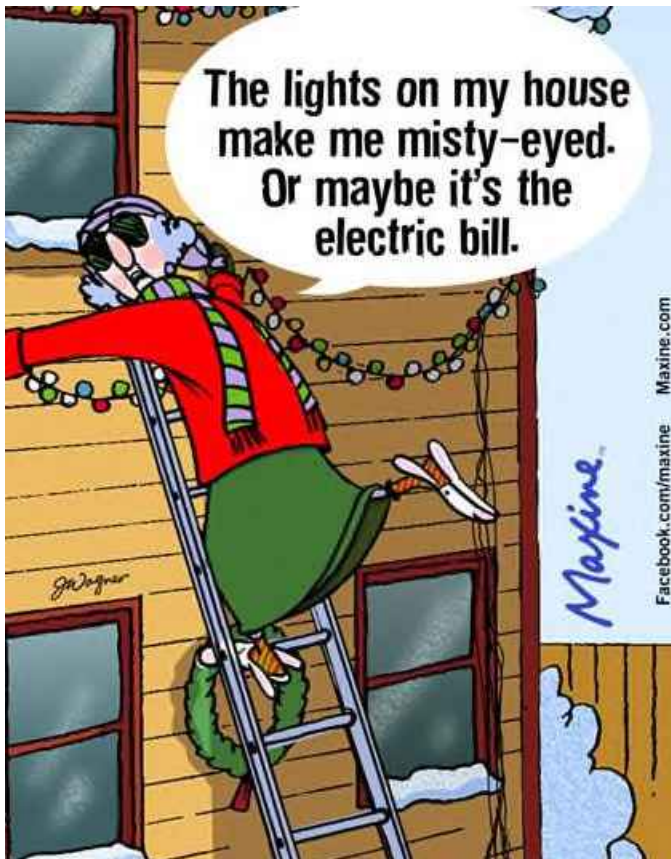
What a remarkable year it has been! From the dynamic events we attended to the spirited parades we joined, and the unforgettable cruises we embarked on, 2024 has truly been outstanding. Our annual show was a particular highlight, showcasing the passion and dedication of our club members.

Looking ahead, the path we've charted for 2025 is brimming with new opportunities and exciting adventures. We're committed to continuing this momentum and making upcoming experiences even more memorable.

I would like to extend my heartfelt gratitude to everyone who contributed to the success of our events throughout the year. Your enthusiasm and participation made a significant difference, and I look forward to an even more vibrant year ahead.

Wishing you all a joyful holiday season and a prosperous New Year!

Warm regards,
Scott Lickteig



Notes from Last Month's Meeting

President Scott Lickteig called the November meeting to order at 7:00pm. Attending the meeting were Scott & Chris Anderson, David & Peggy Anson, Greg Burkowski, Art Campbell, Jerry & Jeri Cardella, Terry & Jan Dale, Pete & Chris Delchambre, Bob & Pat Goeller, Lyn Gorski, George & Kenlyn Graber, Ron & Vickie Gortney, Lola Gunderman, Robert Hayward and Rhonda Belcher, Denny & Patty Jennings, Chris & Jen Jones, Jake Kirby, Scott Lickteig, Dave & Gretchen Lowell, Hal McClure, Brad & Nancy Milliken, Debbie & Mike Mittleman, Phil & Tandy Nicodemus, Arnie O'Blenis, Tom Podemski, Kenny & Diane Reed, Terry Sarul, Jim Schmidt, Diane Shaull, Bill & Pat Stickley, Alan & Lisa Town, and David Yoder.

- Ballots were passed out for the 2025 officer elections. Those candidates present for the meeting were asked to stand and be recognized before the vote. The officer voting results are listed on page 2. The 'Pumper' award winner will be announced at the club Christmas Party on December 7.
- Jim Schmidt announced that registration for the MCA National show in Cincinnati (June 27-29) will open approximately on December 1. He expects the show to fill quickly, so, if you are interested in participating, sign up as early as possible.
- As a follow-up to last month's discussion, the members voted to donate \$500.00 to the Samaritan's Purse charity for Hurricane relief in the southeastern U.S.
- A lengthy discussion took place concerning club membership dues. David Yoder explained that, without a profit from our annual car show, the club is basically at a break-even point each year, even after expense reducing moves such as bringing the newsletter printing 'in-house'. Our dues have been \$20.00 since at least 1995; we all know what prices have done in the last 30 years. After much discussion, a move was made, seconded, and approved to raise dues to \$30.00 per year starting in January 2025. The \$5.00 yearly discount for MCA membership will be continued.
- Our annual bowling outing will be scheduled sometime in January or early February; details will be announced as available.
- Rob Hayward won \$55.00 in the November 50/50 drawing. Other winners were Diane Reed, Mike Mittleman, Arnie O'Blenis, and Scott Lickteig.
- Donations were received for Toys for Tots and the Food Bank of Northern Indiana and will be delivered in time for the holidays.
- The meeting was adjourned at 7:42pm.

Membership News



This Month...

6	Tandy Nicodemus
8	Jim Schmidt
14	Patty Jennings
24	Gloria Cornman
25	Charlotte Newcomer
29	Fran Anderson
29	Shirley Weaver



Anniversaries This Month...

10	Tabitha & Craig Johnson	30 years
31	Becky & Art Campbell	44 years

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

We remember...

Beth Greenwalt (December 4, 2019)

Membership Anniversaries

Charlotte Newcomer	29 years
Lola Gunderman	24 years
Marion Williams	24 years
Nick & Linda Falletta	3 years
Debbie & Mike Mittleman	2 years

Last Month's Finances

Income	
50/50 (Meeting)	55.00
Membership income	20.00
Food Bank donation	20.00
Total Income	\$ 95.00
Expenses	
MCA discounts	5.00
Donation (Samaritans Purse - Disaster)	500.00
Food Bank donation	20.00
Total Expenses	\$ 525.00
Net Income	(\$ 430.00)

Cart Family lights



Looking for Christmas light displays this season? Check out the Cart Family lights at 51125 Woodhaven Dr. in Elkhart. Rod and Deb Cart and their sons have assembled a display of approximately 180,000 lights this year. Included in the display is Snowman Village, the annual Reindeer Football game, where the score changes nightly, most of the cast from 'Rudolph the Red-nosed Reindeer, and many other characters you'll recognize.

The hours this year are from 6:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m. thru the first week of January.



Membership Renewals Due

October (Pending deactivation)

Karen Mann
Donald & Tina Riley

November

F. Brad & Marilyn Robertson
Pete & Marylyn Yoder

December

Nick & Linda Falletta
Lola Gunderman
Debbie & Mike Mittleman

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 (De-Activation Month): No Invoice (notice in newsletter)

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



New Members!

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.



Hilarious moment man takes 109-year-old Ford to a dealer for a service



Rikki Loftus
October 31, 2024



Mechanics at a Ford dealership couldn't believe their eyes when a 109-year-old car arrived for a service.

The [Ford Model T vehicle](#) was first released back in 1908 and is known as being the first affordable automobile that made car travel accessible for middle-class America.

Two [YouTubers](#) took their own model of the [iconic car](#) for a spin but when they encountered problems, they decided to get them checked out.

Known online as [TFLclassics](#), the duo uploaded a video to their YouTube channel where they documented their experience taking the century-old vehicle to a mechanic.

Noticing that the Ford needed an oil change, the pair took the car to an expert.



Once there the mechanic, Ray, revealed that the oldest vehicle he'd ever worked on was from the early 1960s.

With the [YouTubers'](#) help, Ray got the car started by turning the archaic handle at the front of the motor.



After changing the oil, the mechanic inspected the vehicle and gave his expertise on it.

He said: "The biggest thing is we want to be sure our car is safe when it leaves so you'd probably fail those front tires."

When asked if he would send his wife out in the Ford Model T, Ray replied: "Well around the block, yes, on the highway, no."

After fixing up the car, the YouTubers let Ray take it out for a spin.

"It's definitely unique, first time driving one," the mechanic said from behind the steering wheel.



Viewers flocked to the YouTube comment section to share their reactions to the clip.

One user wrote: "The mechanic's smile when he had a chance to turn the handle and start the car was awesome. You could see it made his day."

Another said: "That Ford mechanic is so wholesome he seems so excited to be driving it. That's the best part of the video to me. Big ups to Ray."

A third person commented: "To see a working, fully functional Model T in this day and age that isn't in a museum and still driven is amazing."

And a fourth user added: "109 years ago, model T surprised everyone when it shows up in the country. Nowadays, the model T still surprises everyone driving around the country."

[Hilarious moment man takes 109-year-old Ford to a dealer for a service](#) (Unilad Tech)

2025 Ford Mustang V8 Lineup Gets Notably More Expensive



By Alexandra Purcell, November 18, 2024



The 2025 [Ford Mustang](#) ushers in the second model year of the iconic pony car's [all-new seventh generation](#). It remains largely unchanged in terms of updates, which isn't surprising given its recent overhaul, but there is a notable difference in at least one aspect of the Mustang. Its price rose compared to the 2024 model as expected with a new model year. However, the steep increase in the cost of V8 engine models in particular is definitely noteworthy.



The least expensive of the Ford [5.0L Coyote V8](#) engine-powered 2025 Ford Mustang models is the GT, which starts out at \$45,560, not including the \$1,595 destination freight charge (DFC). That's an increase of \$2,700 compared to the 2024 Mustang GT, which was priced at \$42,860 to start.

The GT Premium trim also got a \$2,700 price increase for the 2025 model year, and it's no surprise to learn that the range-topping Dark Horse variants are also significantly more expensive than their 2024 model year counterparts. The "regular" Dark Horse now starts at \$63,380, reflecting a \$2,745 increase, while the Dark Horse Premium sees the largest price hike, starting at \$68,375 – up \$3,745.

	2025 Ford Mustang MSRP	2024 Ford Mustang MSRP	+ / - 2024 Price
EcoBoost Fastback	\$31,920	\$31,920	\$0
EcoBoost Convertible	\$40,120	\$40,020	+\$100
EcoBoost Premium Fastback	\$37,545	\$37,445	+\$100
EcoBoost Premium Convertible	\$43,045	\$42,945	+\$100
GT Fastback	\$45,560	\$42,860	+\$2700
GT Premium Fastback	\$50,080	\$47,380	+\$2700
GT Premium Convertible	\$55,580	\$52,880	+\$2700
Dark Horse	\$63,380	\$60,635	+\$2745
Dark Horse Premium	\$68,375	\$64,630	+\$3745
Destination	\$1,595	\$1,595	\$0

Aside from pricing, there are a handful of minor changes on the way to the 2025 Ford Mustang. The [pony car loses four colors](#) that were available for the 2024 model year, although it does [gain two new hues](#). Dual-zone climate control [is now standard fare](#), while the [EcoBoost trims lose the 2.3L High Performance Package \(HPP\)](#).

The 2025 Ford Mustang does gain the [60th Anniversary Package](#) in honor of its milestone anniversary, which can be fitted on GT Premium models in both coupe and convertible configurations along with either the six-speed manual or 10-speed automatic transmission. This bundle adds a host of unique touches that pay tribute to the original Mustang, including special badging, stripes, a unique grille, 20-inch Dark Gravity Gray wheels, and [brings Brittany Blue](#) back to the exterior color lineup.



[Production of the 2025 Ford Mustang](#) began on November 4th, 2024 at the [Flat Rock Assembly plant](#), as reported by [Ford Authority](#).

[2025 Ford Mustang V8 Lineup Gets Notably More Expensive](#)

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 <https://accessimprintedsportsweat.tuosystems.com/shopping/947203?sr=true>. 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**
3. 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 gozigoose@comcast.net 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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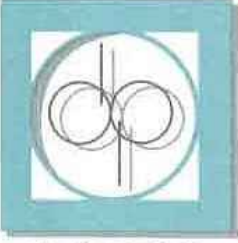
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If you are leaving town, enjoy your trip, travel safely, and we'll see you when you get back!

Note to those receiving the newsletter via USPS: Starting with the January 2025 newsletter, the newsletter format will change. The traditional newsletter will be available for viewing on the club's web site, www.michianamustangs.com



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