

# Michiana Monthly



Chartered as a Regional Club since 1978

Organized 1977

#### **Next Meeting**

July 9, 2012

Dinner at 6:00 pm Meeting at 7:00 pm

Club Picnic
Twin Branch Park
3810 Lincolnway East
Mishawaka, IN

#### **Upcoming Events**

#### July 3 (Tuesday)

Bremen Firemen's Festival Parade, 6:30 pm (see page 3)

#### July 9 (Monday)

Michiana Mustangs annual picnic at Twin Branch Park, Mishawaka

#### July 21 (Saturday)

Old Fort Mustang Club Show, Ivy Tech, Fort Wayne

#### August 6 (Monday)

Michiana Mustangs meeting at Concord Mall

#### **August 11 (Saturday)**

Michiana Mustangs Car Show, Concord Mall, Elkhart

#### August 25 (Saturday)

Porkfest Parade, Kouts

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#### **BRAD'S BLOG**

Just finished reading this month's Mustang Times and especially a couple of articles on Carroll Shelby. Carroll graces the July cover and both Austin C. Craig & John Clor's stories tell a lot about the racer, inventor and humanitarian Shelby was. So, will Shelby build the 200 mph Mustang? You bet. Check out July's Mustang Times. Remember, we'll take five dollars off your Michiana Mustangs dues every year you belong to the MCA, too.

Our show will be here before you know it and I'm asking for door prizes. When you're out at your favorite car store or dept. store pick up something you'd like to receive. We'd like everyone who comes to our show to go home with something. If you can, bring them to our picnic on July 9. That will be at Twin Branch Park in Mishawaka. We hope to eat at 6:00 PM and everyone bring a dish to share. If you have a first generation Mustang and would like us to consider it for the Paul Houseman Award, bring it.

Time to get the car ready for a couple of trips to Bremen...



**Note:** Friday, July 13 has been declared National Drive Your Classic Car to Work Day. Let's see some Mustangs on the road!

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#### **2012 Events Calendar**

#### July

3 (Tuesday)
Bremen Firemen's Festival Parade, 6:30 pm (More on page 3)

9 (Monday) Michiana Mustangs annual picnic at Twin Branch Park, Mishawaka

21 (Saturday) Old Fort Mustang Club Show, Ivy Tech, Fort Wayne

#### **August**

6 (Monday)
Michiana Mustangs meeting at Concord Mall

11 (Saturday) Michiana Mustangs Car Show, Concord Mall, Elkhart

25 (Saturday) Porkfest Parade, Kouts

#### **September**

10 (Monday)
Michiana Mustangs monthly meeting at Honkers

15 (Saturday)
Track Day at the TireRack in South Bend

#### **October**

8 (Monday)

Michiana Mustangs monthly meeting at Honkers (2013 Nominations at this meeting)

#### **November**

12 (Monday) Club's 35th Anniversary!
Michiana Mustangs monthly meeting at Honkers (2013 Elections at this meeting)

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

President Brad Milliken called the meeting to order at 7:07. He then asked if we had any new members or guests.

The treasurer's report was given by Ron Newcomer. Brad then recognized birthdays and anniversaries in June of club members.

Jim Schmidt had nothing new to report from MCA.

#### **Old Business**

Val reported that her horn finally works, it was discovered she had a penny stuck in her cigarette lighter.

Brad thanked everyone who participated in the Memorial Day parades.

#### **New Business**

Mona Steiner reported she has the Amish Place booked for October 6; a time will be discussed later. Mona told them that Saturday was the Oktoberfest in Winona Lake so Brad thought we could go there for our fall cruise and then eat at the Amish Place. There will be more details later.

Our club picnic will be at Twin Branch Park at 6:00 on July 9. Please remember to bring a dish to pass.

Carl Kindig offered his grill; he needs someone with a truck to haul it to the park.

It was discussed to maybe get a bench to honor the people who have died that were club members. Also Carl was asked if we could put some kind of Memorial space on our web site. He said he would work on it.

Brad reminded us of our upcoming Show and Shines:

- Ziegler's June 16, 9-2
- Bremen Ford June 30, 9-2

Brad thanked everyone for the good turnout at Eby Ford.

Dave Yoder informed us the Bremen parade will be July 3; we can meet at his old house on SR 331. We will leave from his house at 6 to line-up in town.

Carl Kindig then talked about our Car Show

- He reminded us we need to bring our door prizes.
- He got a box of supplies from MCA to use at the show.
- Howard Barrett and Carl went out to Concord Mall on Friday night to see how Fast Eddie's Cruise was set up and to see if we need more snow fence.
- It was decided that the Ford trailer could be used for part of the fence.

• Also they need to make sure about the electricity. Brad asked for car questions; there were a few. We had the 50/50 drawing and the meeting was adjourned.

#### **Last Month's Finances:**

#### **Income**

Total Income	\$269 50
Car Show Registration	45.00
50/50	44.50
Membership Renewals	\$180.00

#### **Expenses**

Net Income	(-\$1150.09)
Total Expenses	<b>\$1419.59</b>
Car Show Trophies	1331.08
Newsletter Printing & Postage	73.51
MCA Discount	\$15.00

#### **Joyce Yates**



Joyce Yates of the Indiana Region Shelby Club died on June 11.

Joyce and her husband Steve founded the Indiana Chapter of the Shelby American Automobile Club in 1977. The first annual Spring Fling was held in May 1978.

Steve and Joyce led Indiana SAAC until Steve's death in 1995. Since then, Joyce has

been the anchor for Indiana SAAC and Spring Fling. We send our condolences to the Yates family and to Joyce's 'family' at Indiana SAAC.

#### **Membership News**



#### This Month...

- 1 Phil Higley
- 9 Ron Newcomer
- 14 Peggy Anson
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- 18 Bob Relos
- 19 Art Campbell
- 20 Elaine Kersey
- 20 Pete McClure
- 22 Arnie O'Blenis
- 23 Marilyn McClure
- 25 Ken Reed



#### **Anniversaries This Month...**

None that I know of...

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



#### **New Members!**

None this month

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

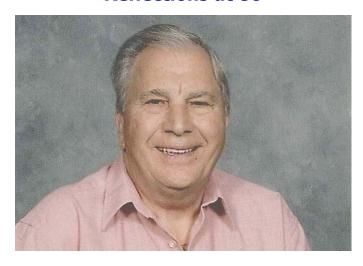
#### Keep them in your thoughts...

 Bob and Pat Goeller's granddaughter Emma is back at Reilly Children's Hospital in Indianapolis

#### **Membership Anniversaries**

Hal & Rose McClure	23 years
Larry & Shirley Weaver	14 years
Ken & Becky Schmitt	8 years
Owen & Blanche Samuels	7 years
Jerry & Leslie Handlin	3 years
Charles & Tamara Murray	3 years
Anna & Curtis Greenwalt	2 years
Beth Greenwalt	2 years
Roger & Shirley Kaser	2 years
Steve & Cindy Miller	2 years
Michael Williams	1 year

#### **Reflections at 80**



I'll turn 80 on July 18. I've been retired for 24 years. Life is sweet! Along the way I lost my two Gold Stars, Bobby and Donna. Thanks to you all and the club. My Mustangs and my old Ford pickup, along with my hunt for petroliana keep me upright and kicking. You all will never know the joy you have brought to my life. From the bottom of my heart, much love and thanks. Bob Relos

#### **Membership Renewals Due**

#### May

Jack & Melissa LaLone

#### **June**

Ruben & Idella Chupp Zachary Fields Maury & Margaret Jones Carl & Brenda Kindig Sam & Betty Treesh

#### July

Anna & Curtis Greenwalt
Beth Greenwalt
Jerry & Leslie Handlin
Steve & Cindy Miller
Charles & Tamara Murray
Owen & Blanche Samuels
Ken & Becky Schmitt
Jeff & Annie Stahl
Larry & Shirley Weaver

Jack & Laura Berry

#### **August**

Joshua & Shanda Brown
John & Sue Carlson
Ron & Cindy Hestad
Michael & Jennifer Hinchley,
Elaine Kersey
Curly & Karon Long
Valerie Malecki
Robert D. Miller
James Ilona Neis
Arnie & Jackie O'Blenis
Tom & Ellen Ostrowski
Michael Sebella
Don & Sharon Simmons

Tony & Carol Tavares
Janet Wade
Richi Wing
Alan Wright
David & Jane 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 (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

## These car colors attract the most bird poop



By Zach Bowman

Posted Jun 21st 2012 6:01PM

A new study has revealed red cars attract more <u>bird</u> <u>droppings</u> than any other color. The research, conducted by online retailer <u>Halfords</u>, revealed red vehicles made up 18 percent of cars marked by birds, while blue followed along in second place at 14 percent. Green vehicles got off the easiest, making up just one percent of those in the study. The sample included 1,140 cars in Brighton, Glasgow, Leeds, Manchester and Bristol, though there's no indication as to the total number of each car color in the group.

The study also asked owners how quickly they removed bird droppings from their vehicle's paint. Only one in six said they took care of the problem immediately, while more than half waited until the next car wash. Halfords says leaving the strongly alkali substance on your vehicle's paint work can lead to costly repairs. The company estimates owners spend around \$89.3 million per year in damaged paint.

http://www.autoblog.com/2012/06/21/these-car-colors -attract-the-most-bird-poop/?icid=maing-grid7% 7Cmain5%7Cdl10%7Csec1 lnk3%26pLid%3D172109

#### **MAYDAY**

A guy was towing his boat home from a fishing trip on Lake Huron when his car broke down.

He didn't have a cell phone, but his boat had a marine radio, so he climbed into the boat, clicked on the radio, and said, "Mayday, mayday."

A Coast Guard officer responded, "State your location." "I-75, two miles south of Standish."

There was a long pause before the officer asked, "Just how fast were you going when you reached shore!?"

#### 2012 Eby Show and Shine



Sunny skies helped attract cars and spectators

A special thanks to all who attended the show and shine on Saturday 6-2-12 at Eby Ford in Goshen. A great time was had by all with about 17 of our club cars present. Eby had invited several other people to bring their cars also. The weather was very pleasant even though is was a bit windy. Several of our club members won a \$20.00 gift certificate from Hoffman Auto Parts. Morris Eastham, one of our newer members, won the peoples choice award with his 1970 Mach I. I am sure that the dealership was very pleased with our turnout. Thanks again for those who attended and gave up their Saturday to help one of our club sponsors, and thanks to Eby Ford for having us and providing lunch.

**Howard Barrett** 







Morris Eastham accepts the peoples choice award for his 1970 Mach I.



#### **2012 Zeigler Show and Shine**



18 cars came out to the Zeigler Show and Shine. Thanks for lunch, Kathy!

Two Mustang mouses (mice?) were awarded as door prizes, won by Dave Anson and Art Campbell.



As always, members took advantage of the opportunity to visit.



Hot sunny weather greeted us at Zeigler Ford-Lincoln



An early Mustang prototype?



As far as I know, no one took this Boss 302 home with them.

## Facts about the Declaration of Independence

(ed. Note: somehow, I thought this would be appropriate this month...)

Have you ever wondered what happened to the 56 men who signed the Declaration of Independence? Five signers were captured by the British as traitors, and tortured before they died.

Twelve had their homes ransacked and burned.

Two lost their sons serving in the Revolutionary Army; another had two sons captured.

Nine of the 56 fought and died from wounds or hardships of the Revolutionary War.

They signed and they pledged their lives, their fortunes, and their sacred honor.

What kind of men were they?

Twenty-four were lawyers and jurists. Eleven were merchants, nine were farmers and large plantation owners: men of means, well educated. But they signed the Declaration of Independence knowing full well that the penalty would be death if they were captured.

Carter Braxton of Virginia, a wealthy planter and trader saw his ships swept from the seas by the British Navy. He sold his home and properties to pay his debts and died in rags.

Thomas McKeam was so hounded by the British that he was forced to move his family almost constantly. He served in the Congress without pay, and his family was kept in hiding. His possessions were taken from him, and poverty was his reward.

Vandals or soldiers looted the properties of Dillery Hall, Clymer, Walton, Gwinett, Heyward, Ruttledge, and Middleton. At the battle of Yorktown, Thomas Nelson, Jr. noted that the British General Cornwallis had taken over the Nelson home for his headquarters. He quietly urged General George Washington to open fire. The home was destroyed, and Nelson died bankrupt.

Francis Lewis had his home and properties destroyed. The enemy jailed his wife, and she died within a few months. John Hart was driven from his wife's bedside as she was dying. Their 13 children fled for their lives. His fields and his gristmill were laid to waste. For more than a year he lived in forests and caves, returning to find his wife dead and his children vanished. A few weeks later he died from exhaustion and a broken heart. Norris and Livingston suffered similar fates.

Such were the stories and sacrifices of the American Revolution. These were not wild-eyed, rabble-rousing ruffians. They were soft-spoken men of means and education. They had security, but they valued liberty more. Standing tall and straight, and unwavering, they pledged: "For the support of the declaration, with firm reliance on the protection of the divine providence, we mutually pledge to each other, our lives, our fortunes and our sacred honor."

#### **Station Wagons: The Documentary?**



#### By Chris Tutor

Posted Jun 21st 2012 11:29AM

It's no secret that the Autoblog corporate offices are teeming with station wagon fans. Give us the choice between a 1965 Buick SportWagon and a brand new Ferrari, and, well, we'll choose the Ferrari every time. But we still like the wagons.

So with excitement we watched the trailer (video available below) for "Wagonmasters," a documentary by a couple of Wake Forest University students covering the iconic American station wagon. The trailer begins with shots of a 1966 Pontiac GTO wagon, which, despite its absolute hotness, was never actually built by GM. The white-hot grocery-getter looks to be a GTO wagon recreation owned by Rocky Boyles in Raleigh, N.C.

It's an easily forgiven blooper that hopefully doesn't portend a disappointing documentary. A little less easily overlooked is an unaccredited quote used in the trailer that says, "The wagon is a thing of the past and I doubt will ever be produced again." How about the Cadillac CTS Sport Wagon, BMW 328i Sports Wagon, or VW Jetta Sportwagen?

The documentary's official website says the film "offers glimpses into the lives of such wagon enthusiasts, and tells the story of the station wagon as it represents a changing America over the last one hundred years." Despite the possibility of flaws, we'll hold our final judgment until after the film is screened July 28 at this year's Concours d'Elegance of America in Plymouth, Mich.

http://www.autoblog.com/2012/06/21/station-wagons-the-documentary/?icid=maing-grid7%7Cmain5%7Cdl10%7Csec3\_lnk3% 26pLid%3D172109

#### 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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1998 V6 Ford Mustang (red). Automatic transmission. 177k miles. Good condition.

Newer tires in good shape and new brakes in last year. If interested, please call Steve @ 574-220-1213 (August)

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We have an 88 mustang for sale. It is a 5.0, fox body style; rust free, convertible. The interior pieces are carbon fiber painted; new front seat covers, newer custom rims and tires. The car is apart at the time; we have everything. We were going to redo the whole car, and then my husband lost his job. His new job is a large pay cut so we must sell our Mustang ASAP. We are asking \$2000.00 or best offer. My email is <a href="mailto:bickelkim@yahoo.com">bickelkim@yahoo.com</a>. (September)

#### **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.

#### **At The Border Checkpoint**

Five Englishmen in an Audi Quattro arrived at an Irish border checkpoint.

Paddy, the officer, stops them and tells them: "It is illegal to put five people in a Quattro. Quattro means four."

"Quattro is just the name of the automobile," the Englishman retorted disbelievingly. "Look at the papers: this car is designed to carry five persons."

"You cannot pull that one on me," replies Paddy.
"Quattro means four. You have five people in your car and you are therefore breaking the law."

"You idiot!" the Englishmen replies angrily. "Call your supervisor over. I want to speak to someone with more intelligence!"

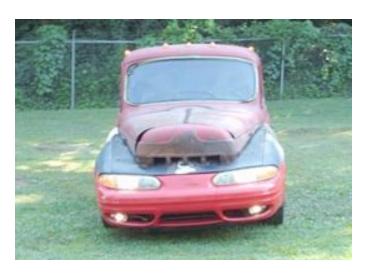
"Sorry," responds Paddy, "Murphy is busy with two quys in a Fiat Uno."

## He's been smoking some bad merchandise!

This was apparently an actual recent Craigslist listing. I'm not sure what this person was under the influence of, but I don't think I want any...



for sale 1962 international truckcar, has every optional that a car could have .has frontwheel drive driveline disk brakes all around , has air bags that are in working order has Oldsmobile dash with tilt cruise, power seats , air -did work but i low of freon due from setting -can drive it anywhere, every light works as well as new cab lights allready has grandam door handles installed and work great, has alloy wheels and this truck has a good title which is titled as a international, has a grand am rear with the original duel exhaust, car is fuel injected and there are no check engine lights on?everthing is in working order but the aircondition is low of freon call if interested to much to list lots of time put in this car , have to many other projects to ,do so call 606 456 xxxx -no emails please -price is firm -have probly twice as much invested .this vehicle will be sold where is as is...thanks



#### **Cruise-In Information**

#### **Wednesday Nights**

• Michiana Cruisers Cruise-In

5:30 - 8:30pm Pizza Hut 1275 S. 11th Street Niles, MI

• Simonton Lake Drive-In 51602 State Rd. 19

Elkhart

#### **Thursday Nights**

 Das Dutchman Essenhaus Cruise-In 4:30 - 8:00 pm Middlebury, IN

#### **Friday Nights**

 Fast Eddie's Kroozin' USA Car Show (different themes each week) June 1-August 31

Concord Mall, Elkhart
<a href="http://www.shopconcordmall.com/">http://www.shopconcordmall.com/</a>
<a href="elkhart">elkhart</a> indiana mall events.php for details

• **Dairy Queen in Nappanee** on the 2nd Friday of each month 5:30 - ?

#### **Local Shows**

- Saturday, July 7: Lawton, MI
   Adam Shafer Memorial Car Show at the High
   School 7:30 2 PM Details at 269.624.7224
- Friday, July 20: Three Rivers, MI Portage Lake Cruise-In 5:30 - 8:30
- Saturday July 21: Paw Paw, MI
   16th Annual Paw Paw Days Downtown Car

   Show Details at pawpawchamber.com
- Saturday July 21: Kendallville, IN Downtown Kendallville Car Show
- Saturday July 28: Coldwater, MI
   Cruise The Alamo in downtown Coldwater new hours this year 10 AM 8 PM Details at 517.279.6903
- Sunday July 29 Saturday August 4: South Bend, IN: The Studebaker Drivers Club International Meet Details at michiana-chapter-sdc.net
- Saturday, August 4: Hickory Corners, MI
   32nd Red Barns Spectacular 8 4 PM Details at gilmorecarmuseum.org or 269.671.5089
- Saturday, August 4: Bristol, IN
   Eby's Pines Campgrounds Car Show 10 4 PM
   Details at 574.848.4583
- Saturday August 4: South Bend, IN
   Hot Rod Extravaganza at the Moose Family
   Ctr. Details at 574.255.6200

#### From the Back Seat...



I wrote this a couple of years ago, but we do have quite a few new members since then, so I thought I'd repeat it...

#### The trees in the park...

Seven trees stand to the south and west of the picnic shelter in Twin Branch Park. Seven trees... some well on their way to maturity, others in various stages of the journey... Seven trees planted by the Michiana Mustangs Club in remembrance of members we have lost in the past few years.

The eight people recognized by these trees helped make the club what it is today. Some were not with us a long time; others had a profound influence on us as a club and, for many of us, personally.

Each year we gather among the trees to formally remember our friends. Of course, for many of us these people are in our thoughts throughout the year.

The trees in the park... one more part of the Michiana Mustangs 'family'.



We've reached our limit on trees for the park — we will be setting up an area on our web site to honor out lost members. Watch for details.

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Hope to see everyone at the park next week... it's always a good time with good food and good friends.

Have a great month...



The fine print...

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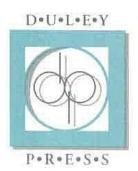
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Cruise-In season comes to Michiana; see pages 6 and 7.



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