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President's Message

Wow it is October already. Time fly's by when you are having fun. It has been a very busy summer with work, vacations, and car shows. I hope every one had a great summer. To those snow birds I hope all is well and you are safe and sound.

Our October meeting will be a busy one. First thing on the agenda will be nomination of Club Officers for 2007. Please come prepared to make your nominations. I will have a ballot for everyone.

Due to the rain out of our event at the Tire Rack, Toni will reschedule for next year. I want to thank her for the time and effort that was spent on making these arrangements.

Once again our October meeting will be at the Library in Granger, IN.

Thad's car is taking shape and the roll cage is done and the suspension parts and rear end are being installed. Hope to bring the car home in November sometime. Thad bought a house and has his own separate garage. He will be able to work on his car there and I will get the second half of mine back so I can work on my car this winter.

I am not looking forward to winter but want to get a few things done to my car for next season's car shows.

Hope all is well with every one and we will see you at the next meeting.

Sincerely

Howard Barrett



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September 11, 2006

President Howard Barrett opened the meeting held this month at the Harris Branch Library on Elm Road in Granger. Howard welcomed everyone including new member Darrell Young. He also reminded members to pay their dues. No bill is sent, so your only reminder is your name being listed in the newsletter in the month that your dues are payable.

Members and guest present were:

Howard Barrett	Kevin & Janette Price
Art Campbell	Diane & Kenny Reed
Carol & Dave Cooper	Robert D. Relos
Dick Cornman	Mark Taelman
Connie Dalrymple	Pat & Ted Sauerbeck
Toni & Sadie Estrada	Frank Schmidt
Pat & Bob Goeller	Jim & June Schmidt
Harold Jdrzejewski	Becky & Ken Schmitt
Rob Killingsworth	Jeff Stahl
Shari & Blair Knaak	Shirley & George Wachs
Sandy & Joe Kraatz	Shirley & Larry Weaver
Karon & Curly Long	Jane & Dave Yoder
Rose & Hal McJohns	Marcia & Steve York
Pete McClure	Darrell Young
Char & Ron Newcomer	
Elizabeth & Chris Pasternak	

Ken Schmitt reported about his first big Mustang celebration in Birmingham. Becky and he enjoyed it very much and he hoped they would be attending other nation-wide functions like this one.

MCA Regional Director Jim Schmidt announced the dates for National Shows in 2007. They are Mustang, Oklahoma -April 20-22, Louisville, Ky - May 25-27, Concord, CA - June 22-24, Springfield, IL - July 20-22, and the Grand National in Augusta, Georgia Aug.31-Sept. 2. These dates are also listed in the MUSTANG TIMES magazine. Jim also reported that June and he, and four other members attended the Crazy Horse All-Ford Show in Markle, Indiana on September 9. Despite the threat of rain, which never materialized, 85 cars were in the show. They had quite a number of Comets, Thunderbirds and Fairlanes in their show. Other members attending were Karon and Curly Long, and Bonnie and Phil Higley. Everyone came home with a winner's plaque.

Toni Estrada, Tire Rack Event Chairperson reported that the event is a go for September 23 & 24, 10 A.M. until 5 P.M

She reminded everyone that helmets must be worn if you plan to drive on the track !!

Angie and Blake will be doing the grilling and Carl Kindig will be the time-keeper. Two more people are needed for registration and 4 more for set-up. Since porta-potty rental is almost \$100.00, Toni was granted permission to spend up to \$200 for other items. After some discussion, Ron Newcomer made a motion that we cut our Tire Rack Event down to one time per year to save money and also charge each car on the track \$5.00. Blair Knaack seconded the motion and it passed. Howard offered to pull the club trailer to the Tire Rack on Sept. 22.

Carl Kindig, Car Show Chairperson, reported that our 2006 show had 136 participants. He and others felt that allowing Ford-powered vehicles helped keep the numbers up. Carl thanked all who helped in anyway at this year's show. It's a great feeling to see all the members who stay after the show to help load the trailer and clean things up !

Rose Johns reported that a movie will be made in Goshen that needs muscle cars. Anyone interested, please give her your name.

George Wachs reported for absent Events Director, Brad Milliken that Brad is working on a Fall Cruise. He will E-mail members when he gets the date set.

Jim Schmidt made a motion, seconded by Ron Newcomer, and passed that Dave Yoder's name be put on our club

trailer with our other sponsors' names, for all the improvements and work he has done inside the trailer. Without his ingenious shelving ideas, things would be much harder to fit into the trailer.

Carl Kindig made a motion seconded by Ron, and passed that we pay Brad \$200.00 for the use of his PA system for the show

The Neal Decker scholarship fund committee will be re-activated.

Karon and Curly Long bid all a fond farewell until spring. They invited anyone passing near Mesa, Arizona, to stop and visit.

50/50 Winners - \$38.50 to Art Campbell, shirt to Kevin Price, hat to Janette Price, car-cleaning products to Ken Schmitt and Mark Taelman.

The October meeting will be at this same library branch.

June Schmidt, Secretary

Bourbonnais All-Ford Powered Car Show August 6, 2006 - by June Schmidt

When it comes time for the Bourbonnais, Illinois show in the park, we realized that another Mustang Show season is nearly over. Alan Wright met us at our home early morning on July 8 and from there we headed south about 75 miles to the show.

We would rate this show site as #2 on our list of places, with Ft. Wayne being #1. This one is held in a wooded park in

Bourbonnais, which is just north of Kankakee, and home to the Chicago Bears Summer Training camp. With a solidly built shelter for registration, rest-rooms and seating (in case it rains) and a beautiful gazebo nearby to house all the doorprizes, it is a place hard to beat for all the needs at a car show. One park food vendor and one private vendor offered several selections for lunch with a free bottle of water obtained with a coupon in your goody bag.

Several really neat Thunderbirds and restored Model A's and T's are always at this show. If you care to rack your brain for answers, they always have a 25 question quiz in your goody bag with prizes for the winners. Most of the questions are about car parts and older models, so we usually pass on that one.

The show was nearly over when a rain shower hit, so all the good car owners got out their trusty drying towels for one more wipe before leaving. Both of us attending came home with awards.

Stars Fell over Alabama,by June Schmidt,

As 1081 Mustang beauties headed for Birmingham for the MCA 30th Anniversary Stampede.

Becky and Bob Christina, Carol and Dave Cooper, and Jim and June Schmidt met up with Karon and Curly Long way south on I-65 in Indiana on August 31. These four couples spent that night in Franklin, Kentucky while Pat and Bob Goeller, Brenda and Carl Kindig, Char and Ron Newcomer, Becky and Ken Schmitt, Shirley and Larry Weaver, Jane and Dave

Yoder, and Marcia and Steve York stopped at Bowling Green.

Early on September 1, all headed straight off the interstate to the Barber Sports Race Park - our home away from home for the next 3 days. There we all signed our lives away and yellow wristbands were "permanently" attached to our arms and we were warned that these were our admission to the park each day. We all picked up our credentials and goody boxes and drove into the area to see the place where our cars would be parked for the show.

The tiers of parking spaces made for a beautiful display of Mustang metal, however the descent to the lower track area left a bit to be desired. We later decided that walking up or down on the semi-steep grassy hills was the better way, rather than the driveway to your tier.

After finding our assigned, numbered parking spots, we all headed to our Comfort Inn to check

out our "digs." Some of us had suites, but the Christenas had the elite of all suites. Their bedroom was separate from their "dining area" which contained a beautiful dining/conference table with equally beautiful padded arm chairs and a gorgeous humungus floral display on the table. Our group probably would have fit around this table.

The most favorite place at the motel was the breakfast area where a charming, hilarious lady of color named Sara helped us fill our faces with waffles, biscuits and gravy, toast, cereal, sausage and eggs, juice and coffee. Never before had we had more fun at breakfast. Also every Monday through Thursday, a manager's reception was held from 5-7 P.M. where hot and cold hors d'oeuvres, chips and dip and wine and beer were offered to those who cared to imbibe.

Outside the southern style motel, surrounding the pool and parking lot were beautiful flowers, shrubs and trees. Several of the younger bodies graced the pool area at the end of the day at the track. The temperatures were 86 to 90 degrees everyday, so air conditioned places were highly sought. Carol Cooper, Karon Long, Becky Schmitt, and June Schmidt hired a taxi one day to take them to a shopping mall. It was a pleasant change from the outdoor heat and humidity.

Because of highway repairs and unfamiliarity with the area, some expeditions to restaurants proved a bit overwhelming, but all lived to tell of any harrowing ordeals.

Jim and June Schmidt attended the Saturday night banquet where Jim Owens, head of Mustang Marketing was the highly motivating speaker. Interesting facts that he passed along were: 18,000,000 total Mustangs sold, 18,400 Mustangs were sold in August 2006 --the most ever in one month. He showed the two well-known Mustang commercials and one brand new one that hadn't hit the public yet.

There were 6000 spectators at the race park on Friday and Saturday, with 1081 Mustangs on the show field. For \$150 a day you could actually race on the track and for just \$10 you got to take 2 spins around the track at 35 mph. (Some of us went 50).

Vendors showed many Mustang things from purses, clocks, and hats, to parts, key chains and add-ons to enhance your Mustang even more. The MCA tent overflowed with shirts of all sizes, designs and colors. I would venture to say that 50% of those attending bought at least one new shirt. (For those who didn't buy any, some bought 3 or 4, to make up the difference.)

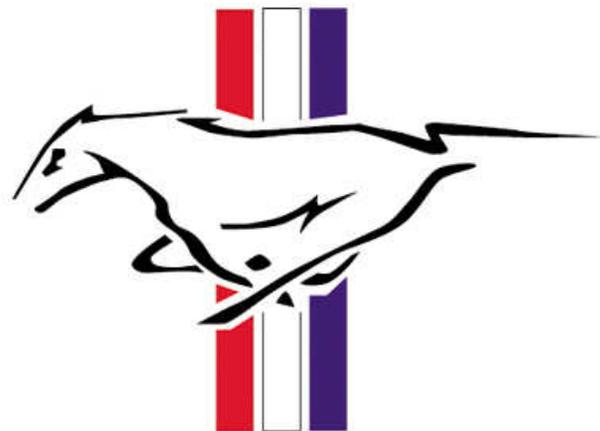
We all agreed that the show, the site, and almost everything was top flight during our stay. All of our club members came home with fond memories of fun times, great friends, and most came home with awards, too.

Last, But Not Least - - September 9, 2006 by June Schmidt

Crazy Horse Mustang Club show in Markle, Indiana has been our final show for the summer, for the last 4 years. It, too, is held in a park with grass, shade, and good food. Our club crowd didn't materialize this year with only Longs, Higleys, and Schmidts attending.

The day was a beautiful, sunny, breezy, not-too-hot one with over 80 cars here to shine their brightest for the 2006 show season finale.

Our members all came home with plaques; well-earned for all their efforts put into cleaning their beautiful, shiny, Mustangs.



Membership Dues

October

Krallman Jack Scarborough Steven & Dawn
 Taelman Mark & Judy

November

Cooper David & Carol Long Adis & Jane
 McClure Hal Sauerbeck Ted & Pat
 Wertz Herb & Barbara York Steve



If we missed your birthday, please let us know. It is hard to keep up with all the new members at times. Thanks!

Treasurers Report

Sep 06	
Income	
50-50 Meeting	38.50
Membership	180.00
Total Income	218.50
Expense	
CAR SHOWS - Expense	
Music-Equipment	150.00
Postage	22.52
Trophies	10.60
Total CAR SHOWS - Expense	183.12
CLUB ACTIVITES	
Birmingham	3,617.18
Total CLUB ACTIVITES	3,617.18
MCA Discount	30.00
Newsletter	
Copies	27.30
Total Newsletter	27.30
Total Expense	3,857.60
Net Income	-3,639.10

October

ALAN IPPOLITO 4TH	BLANCHE SAMUELS 5TH
MARY ANN YOUNG 8 TH	JUNE SCHMIDT 12 TH
Connie Dalrymple 17th	DAVID YODER 20 TH
BETH GREENWALT 21ST	BOB KERSEY 31 ST

Wanted

Used Power Steering pump or bracket system for my 1965 Mustang V8, (no a/c) , complete system or separate parts. Used or rebuilt, Please call Ted Sauerbeck at 574-273-8513, or email at tedpat71@aol.com. Also front seat belts for a 1987 to 1993 Mustang convertible. Thanks."

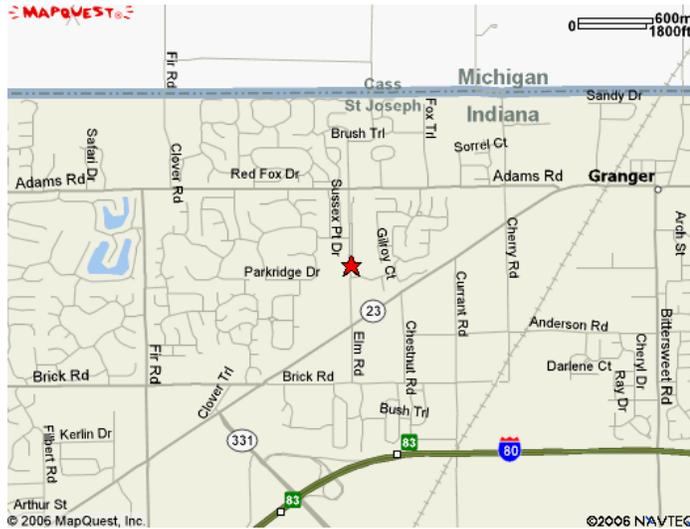
Free to good home

Rich Davis has a 200 engine from a Mustang that he is rebuilding. He was driving the 66' Stang until he decided to rebuild it. The engine is free to anyone who wants it. His phone number is 219-762-2489 Again, no cost, just remove.

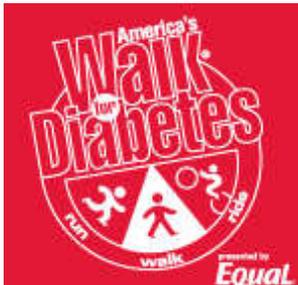


Map to the new meeting place...

Harris Branch Library 51446 Elm Rd. Granger IN



Take St rd 23 to Elm Road ,(Fire house on corner) turn left and go about a 1/4 mile to Library OR Take Toll Rd 80 to exit #83, go through toll booth, turn right to StRd 23, turn right and go about one mile to Elm Rd, Turn left down to Library on right.For Help call Library at 574-271-3179 (Sept. and Oct.)



You can touch the lives of family, friends, co-workers and anyone who lives with diabetes. Participate in America's premier walking event to benefit the American Diabetes Association—and the 20.8 million American adults and children who cope with type 1 and type 2 diabetes every day.

Chris & Elizabeth Pasternak are participating in the walk for diabetes on October 14th at Beuter Park in Mishawaka IN.

Chris and Elizabeth were both diagnosed with diabetes over 10 months ago.

We will have a collection can at the next meeting for donations. You do not have to donate but it would greatly help the cause.

Thank you, Chris & Elizabeth Pasternak

Fall Cruise!

Shine up the Mustangs for one last cruise of the year to Hickory Corners, Michigan.

It's been a few years since we've looked in the barns of the Gilmore Car Museum. They've added some new things, most notably a 1941 diner from Connecticut that has been restored, called the Blue Moon Diner.

The date is set for Saturday, **October 21** and we will meet at the **Cracker Barrel in Elkhart at 8:00 AM** for those wishing to have breakfast. **We will leave at 9:00 AM for the ride to the northeast side of Kalamazoo.** (Trying to make it later for our central time members!)

Have a CB radio bring it. We'll be on channel one.

The museum is about 74 miles from Elkhart. We should arrive around 10:30 AM. They recommend 3 hours for your visit.

Additional info at www.GilmoreCarMuseum.com

Those wanting to stop for dinner afterwards can. I haven't any plans yet, but, as everyone knows, we don't pass too many restaurants! Hope many of you can make it.

Any more questions give Brad a call at 574-674-4321.



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