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January 2017

DECEMBER 2016 MEETING MINUTES

Christmas party at Kendal Hill Park



Great food by Fema's

Everyone brought their favorite desert

Food and monetary donations collected for the Hope Center

Heidi read the Wright family story for our ornament exchange

Awards ceremony and lots of pictures

Thank You to Judy for planing and decorating for the party



Visit our website: <http://soilmustang.org/>

**The next Meeting will be held on Jan 10, at Franks Restaurant
132 Macarthur, Cottage Hills at 6PM.**



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Christmas Party Dec 4 Kendall Hill Park

2016 Club Member of the Year



2016 Club Appreciation Member of the year



2017 Officers



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Upcoming Events:

Jan 10, 2017
SIMA Monthly Meeting
6 PM at Frank's
Restaurant,

132 West
Macarthur Drive,
Cottage Hills, IL
62018
Phone –
618-258-8440

For other events in the
St. Louis, check out the
Lakers Car Club event
listing at the following
link:

<http://clubs.hemmings.com/lakerscarclub/>



JANUARY BIRTHDAYS:

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!!!

Tonya Obrock	Jan 3
Judy Schwallenstecker	Jan 6
Larry Roseberry	Jan 7
Heidi Todd	Jan 10
Ollie Schwallenstecker	Jan 10
Marilyn Kell	Jan 13
Tom Luebbers	Jan 16
Joyce Brungardt	Jan 17
Ron Kinder	Jan 18
Chris Cokenour	Jan 20
Kelly Bachman	Jan 23
Bill Meyers	Jan 24
Cheryl Martinez	Jan 26
Cheryl Steffey	Jan 29
Ken Stange	Jan 30

JANUARY ANNIVERSARIES:

Joe & Janet Phillips	Jan 27



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Note from the President

The State of the Corral

First, let me start out by wishing each and every one of you a Happy New Year!

Being this is my second "State of the Corral" address, we must begin by looking back at last year to see what we can improve on this year. Unlike other elected officials, I can clearly state that your club dues are not going up.

Last year the Mustang's Birthday (April 17) as National Mustang Day, where we cruised from Alton to Jerseyville to Pere Marquette and then to Maryville, where a great time was had by all, even the Chevy Club at Pere Marquette that we handed out National Mustang Day stickers to. Our goal this year is to at least have one more car join us and maybe cruise somewhere where we'll get more attention (eyes on Mustangs).

In July we hosted our 39th Annual Mustang & Ford car show at Robert's Ford. With the weather being in our favor, our publicity getting out to more and more people/shows, by day's end we had 172 cars/trucks on the show field. We must commend all club members that were present that day so we could accommodate so many people and cars. Our tally room worked out great and we were ready to hand out awards within half an hour of receiving the last judging sheet.

Two things that we need to work on our show this year are as follows: 1/ Runners--The President of the Corvette club was collecting the finished judging sheets from his judging groups and then having to bring them inside to the runners at the concession stand. We need our runner to go to him out in the judging field! I'm telling you, the man walked more than anyone there, so I think we can do better this year. 2/ "Best of Show" is the car that totals the most judging points, whereas Concours cars can get an extra 50 point, making it unfair for someone who doesn't have a Concours car to win the coveted "Best of Show" award. So this year's Show Committee decided that the top point leader in all classes (the first 3 sections on the judging sheet) would be declared the "Best of Show", being Concours cars already have a class of their own.

One final point on our car show--our lime green shirts (thank you George) worked great, as I saw a lot of people finding a club member if they had a question. Our goal again this year should be to plan for 110-130 we usually get and hope for another great turnout. I have heard through the grapevine already that more "Concours" class cars are expected to come to this year's show.

In September the club cruised to Casey, IL to see the world's largest attractions and for some to attend the Popcorn Festival & Car Show. I don't know who had more fun, the guys at the car show or the gals at the craft fair.



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In early October we cruised to Mt. Vernon to Lincoln Nation's and later that month all met at Jeff and Theresa's for a bonfire and potluck.

In December, we all met for our annual Christmas Party where Jerry Varble was awarded "Club Member of the Year" and Larry Roseberry for "Club Appreciation Member of the Year", and a plaque was awarded to Jeff and Theresa for having their bonfire every year.

With the money on hand and those generated from the car show and by your vote we spent \$2,200 to update our web site, which was sorely needed. Within the next few months we will have four people trained on keeping it updated so we won't have to go thru this expense again in the near future. Also thanks to Fred, we have a club site on Facebook. It was a great year for 2016, now this is what I propose for 2017:

1. At January's meeting we must discuss our clubs insurance needs. This is not show insurance, but any club function insurance (cruises, meetings, bonfires, etc..) We normally use Heacock Classic thru MCA which at our minimum we pay \$350 for \$1 Million in coverage. Fred (our correspondence person) received a packet from the Assn. of Classic Enthusiasts, who offer us better coverage for \$250 we get \$4 Million in coverage. We must decide which one of the two we would like as both are due by the end of January.
2. Legendary Mustang Sanctuary's Cruise-in at Bethalto Airport. There show last year was a flop. There were more vendors than cars. As a club charity, we need to do more to help them out. A committee (Kim, Janet, and Don) was formed to go out and talk to Legendary to find a date so that it could be better promoted and have a better turn out this year, thus raising more money for the plight of these horses. We have yet to hear from the committee. Legendary Mustang Sanctuary has been asked to include our club logo on their web sites "sponsors page", and any and all signage (banners) showing sponsors in the future. This was agreed to by Legendary.
3. Hope Food Pantry. This charity we give to in July (from our car show) and at Christmas time. My point is, are people only in need of food in July and December? I suggest we have someone contact the Hope Center and see when their lowest donation months are. That way our contributions will have a greater impact/help for their needs.
4. History Committee. When we voted for a brick to be placed in front of the National Mustang Museum, it was brought to our attention that the club had forgotten about our founding. A committee was formed (Bill, Jerry and Larry) to gather our clubs history. We are waiting for our report. In response to some of those questions, the Show Committee has changed the "Best of Show" trophy to the "Founder's Trophy". Small steps, but as long as we move forward we must also remember our past as 2017 represents our 40th year.
5. Friday evening/Saturday morning cruise-ins. In the old days this club used to have local cruise-ins to show people we are here. Therefore, we had a banner with our club name and logo made up and I would like to see a group of club members on a Friday evening/Saturday morning pull up some place for an impromptu cruise-in maybe once a month. These places could be show sponsors from years past or maybe somewhere else, that might turn into a show sponsor. The idea is to get the word out and attract new members. Remember, we're not only a Mustang club, but a Ford club as well.



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6. 40th Mustang/Ford Show and Robert's 50th as a Ford dealership. Our show should be extra special this year being double anniversaries. But the show committee can't do everything! We will have sponsorship forms at January's meeting. Most businesses set their charity/give-a ways up in the January-February time period. By May or June when we're hounding for door prizes or sponsorships, they've been hit up by every car club around. Remember, it doesn't have to be a car related business but can be anything from a 2-4-1 dinner special, half off ice-cream cones on Wednesday's or coupons from your favorite do-dad store, haircut salon or anywhere. Please start now! Kim and I do one big Wal-Mart run every week, starting January 1st, we pickup one door prize a week for the show, by show time in July that's close to 25-30 door prizes. I would rather have too many door prizes then run out and some don't get any.

Lastly, after a year and a half of asking for the club's by-laws, Jack found a copy and gave one to me. If anyone would like a copy, just let me know and I'll get you one to. So come January's meeting, Dodie, our club secretary will read "the minutes of our last meeting", instead of just taking a vote as published in the club's news letter.

I look forward to 2017, and know that with your input and help we will show growth, more fellowship, and more presence in the community and more nights in the garage with our other club members helping us work on our cars. Mostly, as always, I hope to see you all at the next meeting---Steve



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JERRY'S CAR

BEST OF SHOW GRAND CHAMPION CAR





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**Special Announcement
for all Mustang Owners
and Enthusiasts!**

Future Home Of
**THE NATIONAL
MUSTANG MUSEUM**
Opening Summer of 2017
www.thenationalmustangmuseum.com

**Finally!
There is going to be a
Ford Mustang Museum!**

The Ford Mustang was first presented to the public on Friday, April 17th, 1964, over 52 years ago. Ever since that day, you have been able to go to any Ford Dealer and buy a new Ford Mustang. Over the years, there have been hundreds of different models and Special Editions. Shelby's, Saleen's, Roush's, McLaren's, Bullitt's, "K" Code's, GT's, Boss 302's, Boss 429's, MACH I's and so many more. The Mustang has appeared in hundreds of motion pictures. At one time, there were no less than seven magazines dedicated to the Mustang. If there ever was a car deserving of it's own museum, it's the Ford Mustang! Come celebrate the Mustang with us!



Meeting:
2nd Tuesday of each month
7:00 p.m.
Frank's Restaurant
Cottage Hills, IL

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Legendary Mustang Sanctuary

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MARKET PLACE:

IF YOU HAVE ANY CARS OR PARTS YOU WOULD LIKE TO LIST, JUST SEND 'EM IN. WE'LL GET YOUR AD POSTED IN THE NEXT MONTH'S NEWSLETTER.

CLUB PICS AND NEWSLETTER ADDITIONS!

If you have any pics of your cars, friends' cars, project details or just general car stories you'd like to share send 'em to the newsletter at [email: jtvinson@hotmail.com](mailto:jtvinson@hotmail.com) ! If you are looking for parts or a new project, let us know and we'll put it in. Or, if you have to clear out parts or projects you can't get to, we'll post that, too. We'd love to add things to the newsletter that would show what shows or cruises our members are attending, what projects you are working on, etc. Just send them by the first of the month and we'll try to get them in that month's newsletter.

Thanks for your support!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

Please send any Birthday or Anniversary information, I may have missed. The membership list has several blank dates. Thanks!



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Membership Application



Name D.O.B.

Partner Name D.O.B.

Wedding Anniversary Date

Address

City State Zip

Phone E-mail

Mustang Club of America Membership #

List Your Mustang/Fords with Brief Description

List Club Activities you would like to participate in:

Send this completed application along with \$20.00 to:

Judy Schwallenstecker
2900 Huette Road,
Bunker Hill, IL 62014
Club meetings the second
Tuesday of every month.