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April 2017

MARCH 2017 MEETING MINUTES

SIMA met at Frank's. Steve called the meeting together at 7:02 pm. There were 25 members present.

Minutes of last month's meeting were approved. Larry made a motion to accept them and Paul seconded. Passed.

Treasurer's report given by Judy. Kim made a motion to accept the report and Marty seconded. All approved.

Kim reported for MCA: She announced the Grand National Show is being held in Kansas City on Aug. 25-27th. There are 110 spots left.

Our show is listed in the Mustang Times.

Our newest member got up and introduced himself and told a little bit about him.

No report on Hope Center.

Website: Steve contacted Leslie, and 4 people are signed up to train and will meet at her house possibly March 30.

Show committee: Larry asked what kind of awards to get for various categories. Need to set a time for when the Mustang will be built. Race cars will be there, also NASCAR. Steve announced we need sponsors for trophies.

Old Business: Steve announced that April is Mustang birthday. Stickers are available to those who go on a cruise in April.

Larry shared that the Southwestern magazine has an article about Rt. 66. He made a few suggestions for a cruise. Date for cruise is April 22nd. Will meet in Hamel at LOVE station by 9:00 and leave at 9:15 or 9:30.

New Business: Bill made a motion to continue getting the magazines Muscle Machine and Hemmings, Joe seconded, all approved. These magazines will be handed out at the meetings. Members will have cruise to Museum of Transportation on April 8th.

Joyce mentioned a possibility of meeting at Madison's Tea Room in Wood River. Theresa also mentioned The Eagle Nest was also available. Nothing has been decided yet.

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 7:42pm. Winner of the drawing was Don Sloan.

Secretary; Dodie Brewer

**The next Meeting will be held on April 11, at Franks Restaurant
132 Macarthur, Cottage Hills at 6PM.**



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35th SIMA car show



From Larry's photo album



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Upcoming Events:

April 11, 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/>

APRIL BIRTHDAYS:

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!!!

Ron Reid	April 2
Bob Colter	April 3
Curtis Weis	April 6
Joyce Meyers	April 23



APRIL ANNIVERSARIES:

Steve & Kim Strickell	April 14
Tommy & Dodie Brewer	April 24



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Note from the President

Birthdays, Rides & Whatnots-

As we are now in April, our beloved Mustang turns 53 on the 17th. That's 53 years of continuous production; no other car can proclaim that. It's often said that the Pontiac GTO started the "Muscle Car" era, but more to the point, it is our Mustang that overshadowed that by beginning the "Pony Car Wars", not only once, but numerous times and GM and MOPAR are still trying to catch up. Mustang is no longer compared to the Camaro, but to the Corvette.

Our Mustang so scared MOPAR that they had to bring back the Charger as a four door. The Challenger is back with its Hellcat edition but we've got the Shelby GT350 that will blow its doors off and it cheaper to buy.

Yep, 53 years and we're still going strong. No lapse in production and with a bright future in the works as Ford is scheduled to release a hybrid Mustang in 2020. For 2018 we lose the six cylinder Mustang, so for those of you who crave the 6, better get one now as your only choices will be either the eco-boost or the GT. As you know I've owned both and enjoyed them. The eco-boost is great, only no rumble out the tailpipe. Maybe I'm to "old school" but there's a certain sound that identifies a Mustang that I just couldn't get with the eco-boost. Maybe if I were younger and grew up around all those hopped up rice burners and thought if my car should sound like a pesky mosquito, I'd think different--NAH--nothing sounds better than a good running Ford V8 or 6 cylinder.

In 53 years our Mustang has had it hick-ups: The flat back fastbacks of 71-73, the 74 with no V8, the early fox bodies with the TRX wheel and an anemic 225 V8, a scare to turn our Mustang into a front wheel drive Japanese import (thankfully our letter writing campaign to Ford helped them see the light), A fox body platform that barely changed from 86 to 93 (but sprung a revival for the venerable 302 or 5.0 for new agers, no Cobra R's for 2000 due to a falsely reported horse power listing and a re-body in 15 that took people a while to come around to, but we've had our upsides to. We've had Hi-Po's, Cobra Jets and Super Cobra Jets, GT's, Mach 1's, California and High Country Specials, Bosses, Twisters, GT350's, GT500's, GT500KR's, Cobras, Cobra II's, Stallions, King Cobra's, Dominators, SVO's, Bullets, Super Snakes, Terminators, Shelby's, Saleen's, Roush's, McClain's, SVT's, not to mention our plain jane and vanilla cars, as each has a special place in our hearts. I'd have to say that's pretty darn good for what was to be a "Secretary's" car! So Happy 53rd Birthday Mustang and I hope to be around to be driving a 75th Anniversary model.

What's a better way to celebrate the Mustang's birthday than with the 2nd annual "National Mustang Day Cruise" sponsored by the Mustang Owner's Museum? While the actual birthday in on the 17th, we



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will be cruising on Saturday the 22nd. Plans call for meeting at the Love's Truck stop at the Hamel/Alhambra exit on I-55 at 9:15. We're heading out at 9:30 with the first stop in Litchfield to visit a Route 66 museum, then following old Route 66 to the old gas station in Mt. Olive for photo ops, then continue down route 66 to Kountry Classic's and then to the antique place in Livingston. After that we'll probable stop somewhere and grab a bite to eat if we haven't stopped already. So come one, come all! We have 35 window decals to hand out so every car gets one. So come out and help us celebrate our love and joy for our beloved Mustang. Just a note-let your friends know, you don't have to have a Mustang to cruise with us or even a Ford, anyone and everyone is welcome.

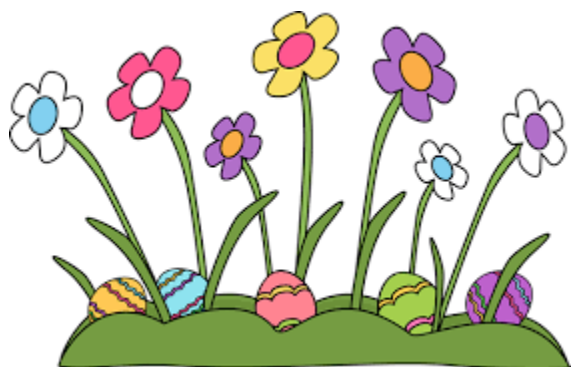
Now the Whatnots

We're down to 120 days or less till show day. Still needing sponsors, door prizes, raffle items and more...Flyers are available to hand out to place of business you frequent. Car Shows and cruise-in's are starting up, so let's all pitch in and get the word out. With our 40th and Robert's 50th we really want to make it special this year and our car show committee has done a great job of setting up day of show activities that will be of interest to all Mustang/Ford enthusiast

Leslie conducted her first training session for our 4 members on March 30th, so be sure to check out our web site as new things are popping up now and we have our classified and members pages up. So be sure to send something in to it and let everyone see your pride and joy, or with spring here, clean out that garage and sell and/or trade it on our site. Just in the last month I've had numerous people contact me about the club and our show after they've checked out the site.

Our garage squad has been out helping members this last month. They ran into a few hick-ups, but things are moving along better now. By-the-way--Larry lost his storage space in Wood River and must have it all moved out by the end of April, and is in the process of moving it to his Edwardsville shed. So, if you've got a free day, give him a call and lend him a hand, he's always there for someone needing help, so let's return the favor.

Sorry for being so long this month, but having rotator cuff surgery on April 4th and will be a one armed bandit for 6 weeks after, so next month's will probably be a lot shorter doing it one handed. Hope to see you all at the next meeting--Steve



HAPPY SPRING!!!



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More pic's from car show 35



Thanks Larry!



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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 1'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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MARKET PLACE:

MIKE AND MARION DALE HAVE THE FOLLOWING ITEMS FOR SALE:

Rebuild FMX transmission \$200, Antique Oil Can \$75, Power Washer \$175, 24foot ladder \$150, Unfinished gas pump \$150, 4x8 trailer \$225, Large fan \$100, Tire Changer \$75, Air Compressor \$200, Engine Stand \$50, Sandblaster \$200, Chrome Trim for Mustang \$20 and car dollies \$200.

Please call Mike or Marion at 618-216-3118-H or 618-301-7986-C

***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: itvinson@hotmail.com](mailto:itvinson@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 Huetten Road,
Bunker Hill, IL 62014
Club meetings the second
Tuesday of every month.