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**March 2019**

**FEBRUARY 2019 MEETING MINUTES**

SIMA met at The Eagles Nest. Steve called the meeting to order at 7:02pm. There were 27 members present.

A motion made by Janet to accept the secretary's report. It was seconded by Paul. All approved. There was no treasures' report due to Judy's absence. Judy has suffered a stroke, but is doing some better. Our best wishes for a speedy recovery.

The club offers our condolences to Heidi on the death of her husband Jim Todd. Steve asked Tom to say a prayer for her and family.

MCA report: Membership update dues have been sent. They are due March 1, 2019.

Upcoming events: 1st National Mustang Races Assoc. Gateway Rumble at Gateway Race Track in Madison -5/16-19. They will have drag racing, all Ford Car Show, Swap meet and manufacturer's midway. Car shows S&S with awards both days. Swap meet is on Sunday. Website: [NMRAdigital.com](http://NMRAdigital.com).

Carlisle PA Swap meet and all Ford car show. 6/12-16. Central Illinois Mustanger's Mustang and all Ford Car Show, Springfield, IL. 8/25. Shelby Nationals in Tulsa, OK, 6/12-16. 55th Anniversary Celebration at Charlotte Motor Speedway, Car show and drag racing, plus opening day of Mustang Museum. Website, [www.mustangownersmuseum.com](http://www.mustangownersmuseum.com). They are also having a Pony Drive to Charlotte, website [www.ponydrive.us](http://www.ponydrive.us).

National Show, March 29-31, Houston TX. Minneapolis, June 28-30. There will be a Mustang theme baseball game. May 31 –June 2, Carlisle PA swap meet and all Ford show. June 12-14, Shelby National in Topeka, KS April 17, 55<sup>th</sup> Anniversary celebration at Charlotte Motor Speedway, car show, drag racing, grand opening of Mustang Owners Museum.

Old business: Bobbie gave a report concerning the donation we will be giving the Salvation Army, They were very thankful and appreciative and will have someone at the show to accept the donation. She explained to us there was a choice of giving in two different ways. On the national level, which we would ring bells and that money would go national and a donation of money would stay local. Bill made a motion that we ring bells and the money from the show would be given locally. Larry seconded it. Motion carried.

June 8<sup>th</sup>, Legendary Mustang show at airport.

April 4<sup>th</sup>, Music Trivia from 6-9:00. It's a fundraiser for LMS. For a table of ten the cost is \$150.00. Location?

Larry reported that the flyers are made concerning the show. Designs are being made for the trophies. There will be 27 classes this year.

SIMA show pictures were in Feb. Mustang Times.

There are 6 cars registered for the Mustang Reunion 2.

New business: Steve asked if there were any suggestions for a cruise in April. Someone mentioned the old historical drug store, Beck's in Carlinville. Nothing has been settled yet.

Steve announced that he is working the 3-11 shifts and would not be at the meetings for a while. Vice president Tom B. will chair meetings.

Museum of Transportation is having a show by Mustang Club of St. Louis on April 6-7 from 10-2:00. On the 7<sup>th</sup> there will be a Early Ford Car Show from 11-4:00.

Joe asked if we wanted to judge Patriots in the Park on July 6<sup>th</sup>. Motion made by Bobbie, Riley seconded it. All approved.

Steve handed out magazines. 50\50 Bill & Joyce Meyers

Secretary, Dodie Brewer.

**The next Meeting will be held on Mar 12, at Eagles Nest Restaurant  
117 E Bethalto Dr, Bethalto, IL at 6PM.**



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## Thank You

Thank you for your generous gift  
in honor of Jim.  
Your heartfelt sympathies mean so  
much.

Jim & I loved our Mustangs -  
we had several beginning with a  
64 1/2 blue coup - badly traded  
(it had transmission problems) Can't recall  
just how many we have had - but  
SEVERAL. Thank you again - Heidi,  
Brian, Mike and  
families





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**Southern Illinois Mustang Association**

**Upcoming Events:**

SIMA Monthly Meeting  
 6 PM at Eagles Nest Restaurant,  
 117 E Bethalto Dr.,  
 Bethalto, IL 62010  
 Phone –  
 618-377-0697

**Visit our Website:**  
<https://soilmustang.org/>

For other events in the St. Louis, check out the Lakers Car Club event listing at the following link:  
<http://clubs.hemmings.com/lakerscarclub/>

**MARCH BIRTHDAYS:**

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY!!!**

Mar 6 Joe Phillips
Mar 6 Judy Bachman
Mar 7 Fred Obrock
Mar 23 Becky Nation

**MARCH ANNIVERSARIES:**

**HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!!!**

Mar 14 Jack & Marilyn Kell
Mar 16 Bill & Joyce Meyer
Mar 16 Bill & Marge Schaeffer
Mar 26 Curtis & Anne Weis
Mar 30 Ollie & Judy Schwallenstecker



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### Note from the President

The times, they are a changing:

I hate to see February end it's my favorite month of the year. Now, don't get me wrong, I hate cold weather and February is usually the coldest month of the year. This year was unusual as it'd warm up the 60's for a couple of days, then remembering that it was February, drop into the 20's or lower with wind, sleet and snow. I kept thinking of Paul out in it for hours on end clearing and salting the streets of Edwardsville and just hoping I could get to work and back. These so called global experts and their warming, ten years ago it was global cooling and we were headed for a new ice age. One has to wonder when Las Vegas and Los Angeles are getting snow and we're sitting at 60 degrees.

February is probably my favorite month because I was born in February, and 43 years ago this month at the tender age of 15 I got my driver's license and the world opened up to me. Within a month I was a proud owner of a candy apple red 67 Mustang coupe that was sold no title as its transplanted HiPo289 had no exhaust behind its open headers. I loved it, my Dad hated it, but it began a love affair that has never dimmed or faltered but grew stronger with each passing day and year, and that love is for everything Mustang!

Little did I know back then that I would buy, own and sell over 100 of these cars and have a chance to meet some of the biggest names in the hobby. Since then, there have only been a few months that I didn't have a Mustang to drive, work on, or just be able to open the garage door and see it sitting there. It gives me that warm feeling all over. Obsessed, Fanatic, maybe, but that's me. A passion that's been growing for 43 years and shows no signs of letting up.

When I was younger, that's all we dreamed of, getting our license, and it just wasn't us farm boys or girls but those who lived in town to. Back then your two most looked for birthdays were when you could get your driver's license and when you could legally drink.

As my kids grew up, some couldn't wait to get their drivers license while other didn't care if they got one or not, but when they did they were given a six cylinder Mustang as a first car, which they helped me build. The choice of color, stereo and wheels was theirs; the six cylinder was my requirement along with knowledge of regular maintenance. They paid the insurance and if it got dented or marred, they paid for the parts and we'd fix it up together.

Today's youth seem not to care if they get a driver's license or not, they have Uber to get around. And the best anti-theft devise is a clutch. Sadly, the new 2020 Shelby GT 500 will only come as an automatic (have a tear welling up already). I can only be thankful that Ford has kept our Mustang rear wheel drive, V8 optioned, two doors and soon to be the only non SUV in the Ford line of cars. But the writing is on the wall as Ford is still planning on producing a hybrid Mustang also in 2020. Will the gas powered V8 Mustang die out with us, I certainly hope not. I've owned every kind of Mustang, from 4 cylinders to 428SCJ's and the stock horsepower the new Mustangs are putting out, would have had our heads spinning back in the day. But, still to this day, nothing beats cruising through town in a 4 speed, 428SCJ 69 Mach !, thinking I had the baddest car that ran as good as it looked and sounded!

Let's hope we can find a way for our youth and younger generation to catch that feeling and keep our Mustang and hobby going for a long long time. As another February fades into history, we have March in front of us which should lead to more time out of the garage and cruising around knowing spring is around the corner.



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Lastly, a personal note. I got promoted at work and am now on the 3-11 PM shift. Kept my weekends off (so far), but don't know when I'll be able to bump off this shift. I will be able to attend the March meeting due to day shift training that week but for after that is up for grabs. So, for at least for this month I can still say I hope to see you at our next meeting at the Eagle's Nest on March 12th....Steve

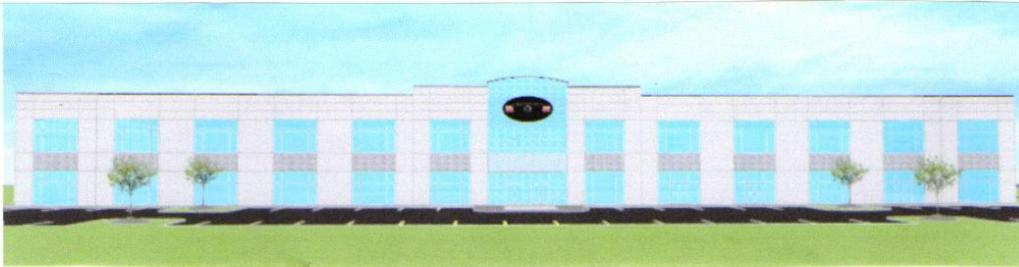




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### **MARKET PLACE:**



**For Sale** 1993 is the year and \$9500.00 asking price. Clean title.

Andy's contact information is 618-830-1836 (cell) 618-465-2541 (office) [andyvelloff@icloud.com](mailto:andyvelloff@icloud.com)

***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

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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  
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Bunker Hill, IL 62014  
Club meetings the second  
Tuesday of every month.