





# **Southern Illinois** Mustang **Association**

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### **AUGUST 2024 MEETING MINUTES**

SIMA met at the Moose Lodge in Edwardsville on July 9th at 7:00p.m. President Randy Mueller called the meeting at 7:00pm. A welcome was given by all to new members. A motion was made by Larry R. and seconded by Dan M. to accept the June secretary's report. All approved. Larry R. gave the treasurer's report. Money was received for 2 memberships, 2 sponsorships, jacket payments, and dues. Money was paid out for jacket purchases. A motion was made to accept the report by Paul B. and seconded by Larry W. It was approved by all.

#### MCA report (Kim Strickell)

Running for the MCA Board Members is one of our own – Steve Strickell. Bios will be in the July or August Mustang Times and elections will be in September. Last year only 6% of eligible members voted for the Board of Directors (only standard and digital member can vote). Please take the time to vote and support our very own Steve Strickell. The Regional Directors Summits have been moved to January at the board meeting which are in Orlando, Florida.

There are currently 14, 872 MCA members. More than half are standard members, which receive the Mustang Times. A reminder that on January 1, 2025, standard membership will increase to \$60 per year. You can renew early and not pay the increase until 2026.

The club has its show insurance and our MCA box with dash cards has been requested.

#### 2024 Nationals:

Aug 09-11 Des Moines, IA (info at website: https://www.mustangsatthecrossroads.org) members attending are Kim and Steve, Randy and Dorinda, and Dan.

Oct 11-13 Savannah, GA - Savanah Convention Center- Registration closes September 8, 2024. There will be a cruise to Henry Ford's winter estate.

**2025 Shows** (possibility of one additional show for 2025)

January 11-12 Board of Directors/Regional Directors Summit in Orlando, FL

June 27-29 Cincinnati, OH

Aug 29-31 Fredericksburg, VA

2026 Show (possibility of one additional show for 2026)

April 3-5 – Jacksonville, FL

May 14-17 Bristol, TN

Sept. 4-6 – tentative Labor Day weekend location TBD for the MCA 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary If you are not a member of the MCA, please consider joining – see Kim for information.

Committee Meeting: Friday, July 19<sup>th</sup>, is set up for Saturday's show. Be there at 5:00. Bring coolers, chairs, tables. Still need 3 more hoses. Awards are done for class winners, class champions, as well as the t-shirts. The t-shirt picture is from the cover of the book Unbridled Mustang Book. The author (Robert Kennedy) will be at the car show and will be selling/signing his book. The club has more car show sponsorships than classes. We have a PA for the show, have car insurance, as well the judging forms are done. Dash plaques are completed T-shirts will be sold for \$20. The educational scholarship is going to club member Ross. Since there was only one recipient, Randy suggested that Ross receive the entire \$500 since there wasn't a second recipient to split it with. It was motioned by Bobbi and seconded by Larry W. that the scholarship be \$500 instead of the usual \$250. All approved







Correspondence: Magazines distributed.

**Old business:** There was no old business to address.

**New Business:** The next car cruise-in at the Moose Lodge will be August 30<sup>th</sup>. Everyone is encouraged to come out to support the Moose Lodge in this event. The Mustang Sanctuary Scavenger Hunt will be September 14<sup>th</sup>. This event helps to support the Mustangs for our Veterans Program and also support local small business. Registration begins at 10am with the hunt beginning at 11am. The cost is \$10. Seven fun stops. For more information, we can be contacted at 618-616-8875 or mustangsanctuary@yahoo.com

A motion was made by Larry and seconded by Kim to adjourn. The meeting was adjourned. Winner of the 50/50 was Jeff.

Secretary, Dorinda Mueller

\*\*\*\*\*The next meeting will be held Aug 13, at Edwardsville Moose\*\*\*\*\*
7371 Marine Rd, Edwardsville, IL at 6PM.
Meeting at starts at 7PM. Arrive 6PM if you will eat beforehand.



Below find a link to pictures from the car show:

https://www.icloud.com/sharedalbum/#B0uGI9HKKG2XwID

Thanks, Jacqueline







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### **Upcoming Events:**

SIMA Monthly Meeting 6 PM at Edwardsville Moose 7371 Marine Rd Edwardsville, IL Phone – 618-251-8039

# Visit our Website:

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

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

### **August Birthdays**

### HAPPY BIRTHDAY!!!

Aug 04 John Steelman Aug 06 Ed Buhrer Aug 06 Jon Saathoff Aug 07 Marion Dale

Aug 10 Brayden Steelman

Aug 21 Donna Kinder

Aug 24 Tommy Brewer

Aug 25 Fran Colter



**August Anniversaries** 

### HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!!!

Aug 05 Charlie & Monica Gaines Aug 21 Chris & Terri Case Aug 29 Mark & Jo Downs







#### OWNERSHIP NOT ESSENTIAL.......ENTHUSIASM IS:



A note from Randy

Greetings Fellow Mustang Enthusiasts,

Thank you all in the club for helping out with the 46th annual car show as it was a huge success! The weather was almost perfect, the food was great, we had plenty of cars, awards turned out wonderfully, and all those in attendance enjoyed each other's company. I look forward to our meeting this coming Tuesday to learn just how well we did with the amount of money we earned. Again, thanks.

My daughter, Jacqueline, was our official photographer for the show and many a good pic was captured for our viewing pleasure. The photographs can be viewed at the following link: https://www.icloud.com/sharedalbum/#B0uGI9HKKG2XwID

If any of you wonder why you are part of this club, I'll tell you why. It's because we need some extra excitement in our lives and to build friendships. This was evident to Dorinda and I these past weeks. Our oldest grandson needed a car. He came to the show hoping to find one reasonably priced. This met with negative results; however, Dan's brother-in-law knew of a 4<sup>th</sup> generation Mustang that might work. I was out-of-town so Steve graciously agreed when asked by Dorinda to meet her in Collinsville (from Highland) to help inspect the car. This car turned out not to be a good fit for a young man's first car. Steve was a blessing as his opinion was greatly valued. Thanks, Steve.

I am now going to let my daughter tell the "rest of the story" in her own words:

A first car is a huge deal to any 16-year-old, something they dream about and work towards. Our search for Connor's first car changed from looking for anything that runs and is safe, to the search for a Mustang to continue the Mueller/Uhler love of this iconic car. Looking at our budget and our criteria, we weren't sure how realistic it was - but we started our hunt and ultimately found the perfect ride. The first question was, where do we look? We reached out to family and friends to see if they knew of anything available; we went to Ford dealerships trying to see if they had anything in our price range sitting on the backlot or ready to be sent off to auction. We stopped at every used car dealership we saw along the roadside and scoured Facebook Marketplace looking through the numerous posts each day. I'd love to say that we typed in our criteria and had a car the next day, but that was certainly not the case. We looked and test drove at least 12 different cars, most of which were not nearly as "mechanically perfect" as their description advertised. In fact, we're pretty sure at least one was stolen and during another one of our test drives we barely made it back to the seller because the car was shaking so badly. Oh, and there was another car that, while really nice, when we were about to make the purchase, we ran the CarFax and wouldn't you know - there were 9 total losses on the car report (which of course the dealer had absolutely not been aware of). My mom, Dorinda, was even great enough to check out another car, and Steve was kind enough to go as well to inspect it. Even with everyone in our corner and trying to help us find what we were looking for, we were starting to get a little disheartened because again, it didn't need to be cosmetically perfect (Connor can save and work with his Pops to make the car his own), but we did need it to be mechanically sound and safe! This past weekend we drove down from Chicago and Pops (Randy) got







home from a work trip from Denver on Friday night, and the next morning at 7am we drove 2 hours east to Xenia, IL, where we finally found someone who had described the car exactly as it was. When we pulled up to the farm, we all looked around a little nervously because the Mustang that was advertised was nowhere to be seen, but the father of the gentleman selling the car let us know that he would be there in a moment. Sure, enough we heard the engine of the car and a red, 2005 Ford Mustang Deluxe Coupe 2D pulled up. Even with all of the cobwebs and dust that had been accumulated from sitting in the barn for the better part of the past two years, we could tell right away that this car was in good shape – I mean at least it was running and not shaking or making a whole bunch of noise right off the bat! Connor and Pops took off in the Mustang and when they pulled back up, I knew the test drive had gone well. At the end of the day, we were able to make a deal and it was great dealing with these two gentlemen who weren't trying to get one past us. We put new tires on it the very same day and Connor and Pops spent the next two days cleaning the car up and getting it ready to make the trip back home with us to Chicago. The guys at Roberts Motors came through in a big way and were able to squeeze us in on Monday morning to give it an oil change, fix the air conditioning and do an overall checkup on the car as well. I never in a million years would have thought my son's first car would be a Mustang, but now that he has it and getting to see him and my dad work on the car and talk about all the things they want to do over the upcoming years, I couldn't imagine it any other way. I know Connor is already talking about having his car sit next to his Pops's and Uncle Dan's car at the next SIMA car show next July, and I can't wait either!









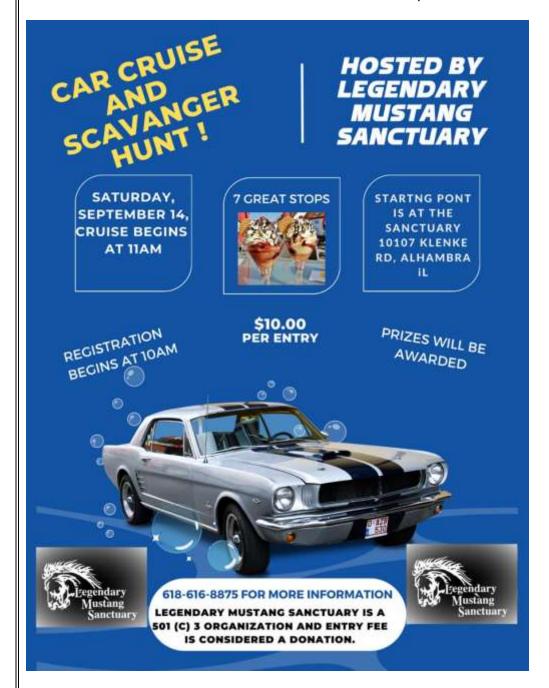






Well it's off to Iowa with Steve, Kim, Dan, Theresa, and Dorinda for another adventure. We'll let you know how things go. Just so you know, we will be meeting up with friends from our previous club, the Front Range Mustang Club, from Denver at this show – it really is nice to be part of a club! Don't forget to continue to pray for all of our brothers and sisters who are ill.

Randy









### 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 <a href="mail: itvinson@hotmail.com">email: itvinson@hotmail.com</a>! 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!!!!!!!!!









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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:

Larry Roseberry 4692 Drda Lane Edwardsville, IL 62025 Club meetings the second Tuesday of every month.







