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FEBRUARY 2025 MEETING MINUTES

SIMA met at the Moose Lodge in Edwardsville on January 14, 2025, at 7:00p.m. President Randy Mueller called the meeting at 7:00pm. New member Dan Corey was introduced. A motion was made by Larry R. and seconded by Kim S. to accept the January minutes. All approved. Larry R. updated the club on its bank account. Monies were received from membership payments, sponsorships, as well as the 50/50 that is held each meeting. There was a motion to approve made by Steve S. and seconded by Tom. All approved.

MCA report (Kim Strickell):

Kim shared that the yearly club update was accepted by the MCA. She reminded everyone that effective April 1, 2025, the cost of an MCA membership increased to \$60 for standard membership and \$40 for digital membership. Raffle tickets are still available for the 2025 Mustang being given away at the MCA 50th in Braselton, GA, August 28-30, 2026. Ad is in the Mustang Times.

Our yearly policy for the club renews February 25th for \$529. This is up \$46 from last year.

2025 Nationals – All registration is done at mcashows.com

April 4-6 Orlando, FL - Registration closes February 28th.

May 23-25 Lake of the Ozarks, MO– registration is open now and will close on May 2nd

June 27-29 Cincinnati, OH – Show and hotel registration are now open. It closes on May 27th

Aug 29-31 Fredericksburg, VA – Registration is open.

Car Show Committee Report:

The flyer has been printed for the show. There were some changes made to the categories this year. The '64-'73 class was broken into two categories. An additional category was added; this is the Under Construction/On Going category. Decisions are still being made regarding trophies. The entry fee was raised to \$25; the display fee to \$20. The sponsorship form is online. Christmas in July will be continued at this year's car show. Members are asked to please be on the lookout for Hot Wheels Mustangs (or similar branding) and buy them to contribute for the show's Christmas in July. Singles are preferred over packs, but either is fine. Thank you in advance for your help. The next meeting will be Monday, March 17th, at 6:00p.m. at Larry R.'s house.

Old business: There was no old business.

New Business:

April is the birthday month of the Mustang. Please bring ideas for a club cruise to celebrate. The cruise will take place in April.

Tom thanked Steve and Jerry for their help with his '96 green Mustang Convertible'.

Paul shared that the Moose was hosting a gathering for the Daytona 500 on Sunday, February 16th. Feel free to join in.

Trivia questions were distributed and time given for members to answer questions. Steve shared the answers. The winners of the trivia with 4 correct answers were Paul Brooks, Brayden Steelman, John Steelman, and Brian Todd.



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Correspondence: Magazines distributed.

A motion was made by Larry R. and seconded by Larry W. to adjourn. The meeting was adjourned.

Winner of the 50/50: There was no 50/50 this meeting

Secretary, Dorinda Mueller

**The next meeting will be held March 11th, at Edwardsville Moose Lodge
7371 Marine Rd, Edwardsville, IL
Dinner at 6:00p.m. (if desired); Meeting at 7:00p.m.**

Trivia Question from Larry W

This photo was taken in 1976. I wonder if the membership can identify the owner? It may not be hard to identify the owner. What do you think? The clue would only be that the photo was taken in 1976. What do you think?





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Upcoming Events:

SIMA Monthly Meeting
Second Tuesday of the month, 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/>

March Birthdays

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!!!

- Mar 06 Judy Bachman
- Mar 06 Joe Phillips
- Mar 07 Fred Obrock
- Mar 20 Staci Bilzing



March Anniversaries

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!!!

- Mar 14 Jack & Marilyn Kell
- Mar 16 Bill & Joyce Meyers



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A note from Randy

Greetings fellow Mustang enthusiasts,

As you know, our car show is right around the corner. I encourage each of you to sign up as many sponsorships as you can for our trophies and to collect Hot Wheels and Matchbox scale model cars for our Christmas in July spectacular.

Speaking of Hot Wheels, I decided to learn a bit more about these incredible toys that I have played with for my entire life. Hot Wheels were introduced by Mattel on May 18, 1968. It was the primary competitor of Matchbox until Mattel bought Matchbox owner Tyco Toys in 1997.

In 1968, prior to the 1968 New York Toy Fair, the Mattel company invited a Kmart executive to its Los Angeles headquarters for a preview of its newest product (Hot Wheels). After watching a 1/64-scale muscle car replica shoot down a track and across the floor, the executive ordered 50 million cars on the spot. A custom Mustang was one of sixteen models featured in the debut set.

I learned that many automobile manufacturers have licensed Hot Wheels to make scale models of their cars, allowing the use of original design blueprints and detailing. Hot Wheels were originally made to be more like customized/modified cars.

Everyone who has ever played with or collected Hot Wheels has a favorite. Being of German descent, my favorite is the 1969 Red Baron with a white interior. These cars demand \$3,500 if you are seeking them. I just love the Stahlhelm helmet and the red line wheels/tires. Apparently, the Red Baron has been in production on and off again for decades. I believe my brother Kevin had one of these cars as a kid. Unfortunately, I don't know what ever happened to it. This car comes in at #15 as the most collectible Hot Wheels.

Coming in at #2 is the 1968 Over Chrome Mustang valued at \$40,000. OMG! Only two of this strawberry over chrome Mustang were produced. It was meant for advertising purposes, was for internal use only, and never sold. In case you are wondering, the 1969 Pink, Rear-Loading Beach Bomb would be worth \$175,000!!!



Hot wheels is celebrating 60 years of Ford Mustang in style. Five cars are featured: the 1984 SVO, 1969 Boss 302, 1971 Mach 1, 2018 RTR Spec 5, and my favorite year the 1965 2+2 Fastback. I guess now I have something else to hunt for at Walmart.



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I look forward to seeing each of you at our upcoming meeting. Please consider attending a MCA event this summer. You know the Ponies in the Ozarks is just a hop, skip, and a jump away. It would be fun to have a few club members attend this event. Remember to pray for our brothers and sisters who are ill. I am truly honored to serve as your president. Please let me know if I can be of help to any of you.



Randy



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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!!!!!!!!!!!!!!



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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 are the second
Tuesday of every month.



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MEMBERSHIP FEE WILL BE INCREASING FOR 2025

JOIN THE MCA!
GET ALL THE MUSTANG CLUB OF AMERICA HAS TO OFFER!

\$50 FULL 1-year
MEMBERSHIP

\$80 for non-US

JOIN TODAY AT MUSTANG.ORG
OR CALL 850-438-0626

- MCA MEMBERSHIP CARD AND NUMBER
- MEMBER BENEFITS
- ACCESS TO ENTER MCA SHOWS
- MCA WEBSITE ACCESS
- ABILITY TO VOTE IN MCA ELECTIONS
- ABILITY TO RUN FOR MCA OFFICE
- DIGITAL MUSTANG TIMES ACCESS
- MUSTANG TIMES 1 YEAR SUBSCRIPTION

\$35 DIGITAL 1-year
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\$25 ASSOCIATE 1-year
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ALL MEMBERSHIPS INCLUDE: ACCESS TO DRIVING AND CRUISING EVENTS, A WINDSHIELD DECAL, SOURCES TO TECHNICAL INFO AND PARTS, ACCESS TO MEMBERS ONLY SECTION OF MUSTANG.ORG, FREE CLASSIFIED ADS IN MUSTANG TIMES AND ONLINE, AND DISCOUNT OFFERS FROM VENDORS ON PARTS AND MERCHANDISE.

