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SEPTEMBER 2025 MEETING MINUTES

SIMA met at the Moose Lodge in Edwardsville on September 9th at 7:00p.m. President Randy M. called the meeting to order at 7:00pm. A motion was made by Steve S. and seconded by Kim S. to accept the August minutes. All approved.

New Visitors: A new visitor tonight was Rob Simons. He has a red 1969 Mach 1 with a 351 engine. We welcome you!!

Treasurer's Report

Larry R. updated the club on its bank account. Monies were received and deposited from 50/50 and dues. Monies were paid out to the Speed Demons for judging, to Bobbi B. for the car show special awards, to Kay V. for the ice, and to John S. for the car show fan rentals. A motion to approve was made by Paul B. and seconded by Steve S. All approved.

MCA report (Kim Strickell):

The 60th anniversary Mustang was given away during Mustang Week in South Carolina. It was won by guy in California. The MCA is planning to give away another Mustang at the MCA 50th in Georgia. January 17th-18th in Biloxi, Mississippi, is the Regional Directors Summit and Board Meeting.

2026 Nationals – All registration is done at mcashows.com

March 27-29 – Jacksonville, FL

May 22-24 – Lake of the Ozarks

July 25-27 – Tulsa, Oklahoma (This is a park-at-the-hotel show)

August 28-30 – Braselton, GA – MCA 50th

Steven S. and Kim S. attended and judged the Grand National in Fredericksburg, VA. There were over 300 cars. The weather was fantastic in the upper 70's and no rain. The club also received the President's Award for 2024. Steve S. is headed to Dallas in October to attend the board meeting. If anyone has questions or concerns about the MCA, please let him know so he can bring it to the board. Kim S. received an updated Regional Directors duty list if anyone is interested in seeing it as she has a copy.

As always, if you are not an MCA member, please consider joining. If you are an MCA member, please keep renewing. We must have at least 10 active members to keep the club's charter.

Old business:

- The Gateway Classics Caffeine and Chrome in O'Fallon, IL, is Saturday, September 27th, from 9:00-12:00. The car is the host club and needs a minimum of 10 cars. \$10 is paid to club for each car in attendance if a minimum of 10 is reached and will be paid up to 20 cars (\$200 maximum).
- The bonfire hosted by Theresa and Jeff Vinson is Saturday, October 25th. Please bring a side dish or dessert.
- The Moose Lodge's last cruise-in was the past Saturday, September 5th. We had a great showing with at least 8 cars from the club participating. Club member Brayden S. received the Moose Lodge's trophy for the cruise-in.
- The club's Christmas party is Sunday, December 7th, in the outside pavilion of the Moose Lodge. Paul has made the reservations.



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- Thanks to Brian for bringing the suggestion that was approved for an October cruise. The cruise will be Saturday, October 4th. We will meet at 9:00am at the Route 66 sign in Edwardsville (632 W. Schwarz Street). Cruise over to Grafton (with stops at either the Grafton Visitor Center and gas station in town for a restroom and/or poker run stop), drive up to Casey's in Jerseyville, then over to the Litchfield Museum & Route 66 Welcome Center. Stop for a bite to eat at the Ariston Café in Litchfield. Head down to the Soulsby Service Station (nice photo opportunity), and end at the Route 66 Creamery in Hamel.

New Business:

The Legendary Mustang Sanctuary had a fire in their house. It destroyed the kitchen, and one cat did not survive. All their chicken, dog, and cat food was in the basement and lost due to smoke and water. Hamel COOP came the next day with a truck load of donated food for all the animals. They have asked if anyone has kitchen supplies not needed, they would appreciate them as everything in the kitchen was lost. Kim S. and Steve S. saw Kathy on Sunday. They are currently living in a camper and looking for a place to rent as it will be at least 6 months until they can get back into their house.

Steve S. requested a garage night for the next night (Wednesday, September 10th). He said he needed 3 people who will be able to help him lift something into his car, run a jack, and be under the car with him. Larry R., Randy M., Paul B., and Brian T. Everyone meets at Steve's house at 5:00pm.

Here are some upcoming local shows you may be interested in attending:

- September 13 (Saturday, 11:00am-10:00pm) – Bunker Hill Fall Fest – put on by the Speed Demons
- September 13 (Saturday, 8:00am-3:00pm) – Hamel Rte. 66 Car and Bike Show, Hamel Community Park, judging starts at noon, awards at 2:00pm
- September 27 (Saturday, 9:00-12:00) – Caffeine & Chrome at Gateway Classic Cars. We are the host club and need at least 10 cars to be there.
- October 12 (Sunday, 8:00am-3:00pm) – Gateway Grizzlies Klassic Car Show powered by KSHE 95, Arsenal BG Ballpark, Car registration 8:00-11:00, Car Show 11:00-3:00, Awards at 3:00

Correspondence: None. Magazine was distributed.

A motion was made by Dorinda M. and seconded by Kim S. to adjourn. The meeting was adjourned.

Secretary, Dorinda Mueller

**The next meeting will be held Oct 14 at Edwardsville Moose Lodge
7371 Marine Rd, Edwardsville, IL
Dinner at 6:00p.m. (if desired); Meeting at 7:00p.m.**



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Upcoming Events:

SIMA Monthly Meeting

**Second Tuesday of the month,
6PM 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/>

October Birthdays

Oct 02 Theresa Mueller

Oct 03 Dan Mueller

Oct 06 Chris Casey

Oct 07 Rob Simons

Oct 19 Jim Vonderheidt

October Anniversaries

Oct 27 Randy & Dorinda Mueller



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A note from Randy

Greetings fellow Mustang enthusiasts,

First off, thanks to everyone who drove their cars to the Gateway Classic Cars event. My wife said everyone seemed to have a good time but that it was hot. Fortunately, we maxed out by getting \$200 for participating in the show and everyone should have gotten their fill of doughnuts.

October is here. This is the best time of year in my opinion. It's a bit cooler, the leaves change color, I married my wife, and there are spooky movies playing all month on TV. Dorinda and I are big time horror movie fans. I do believe Jerry and Kay also enjoy getting the bejesus scared out of them. Who doesn't have an insatiable appetite for Universal classics such as Dracula, Frankenstein, and the Wolf Man?

I wondered to myself if Mustangs have shown up in horror films. A little research pointed to a movie called "The Conjuring" which debuted in 2013. The movie was about paranormal investigators working to help a family terrorized by a dark presence in their farmhouse. A 1967 Mustang convertible is depicted in the film. The '67 was billed as a stylish car that was built wider and longer than previous iterations. In the event Steve asks for the plate number of this car as a bonus question it is "FJ-6K9" Rhode Island.

Another favorite of mine is Kolchak: The Night Stalker. This TV series aired on ABC during the 1974-1975 season. It featured Carl Kolchak (Darren McGavin) who drives a beat up 1966 Mustang Springtime Yellow convertible. He investigates mysterious crimes with unlikely causes, particularly those involving the supernatural or science fiction, including fantastic creatures. FYI – JAWS (the horror movie about a large shark) has a cameo shot of a Mustang parked on the street in a couple of scenes. This movie is 50 years old, and it scared me to the point I had difficulty entering our bathtub at home when I was 13 years old!

Speaking of scary, Dorinda and I are contemplating a trip to Shawnee National Forest (if the government opens up) to do some serpent viewing. Apparently 2.7 miles of LaRue Road is closed down each year for thousands of snakes, as well as other reptiles and amphibians, use the road to travel back and forth between their feeding grounds in the nearby LaRue Swamp and their hibernation area in the surrounding bluffs. This migration takes place in March and October. So, if you are interested in walking along a rock road in search for Northern Cottonmouth, Copperhead and Timber Rattlesnakes please let Dorinda and I know. Maybe we will be safer traveling in large numbers :O. It is a 2 ½ hour drive from Alton.

Let's have fun on our Fall Cruise and remember to pray for those in our club who are under the weather and/or struggling with daily life.



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Caffeine and Crome – Gateway Classic Cars





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Steve presents Randy with our club's MCA President's Award



Steve presenting Dan with his MCA 5 car show pin





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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

MCA MEMBERSHIP RATE INCREASE

At the First Quarter BOD meeting in January, the Mustang Club of America' Board of Directors voted to increase membership dues. The following rates for Standard and Digital memberships will be effective beginning April 1, 2025. Associate memberships remain the same at \$25 per year, while International membership is now offered for only one-year at \$120.

Standard Membership (Print and digital *Mustang Times*)

1-year: \$60
2-year: \$115
3-year: \$170
5-year: \$240

Digital Membership (Digital *Mustang Times* only)

1-year: \$40
2-year: \$75
3-year: \$110
5-year: \$175

Associate Membership (no change; does not include *Mustang Times*)

1-year: \$25
2-year: \$50
3-year: \$75
5-year: \$100

International Membership

1-year: \$120



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