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JANUARY 2026 MEETING MINUTES

SIMA met at the Moose Lodge in Edwardsville on January 13th at 7:00p.m. President Randy M. was out of town for work. Vice President Dan M. called the meeting to order at 7:00pm. A motion was made by Kim S. and seconded by Dorinda M. to accept the December minutes. All approved.

Treasurer's Report

Larry R. updated the club on its bank account. Monies were paid out for the Christmas party, donations to the club's charities (Salvation Army, Legendary Mustang Sanctuary). There was a motion to approve made by Dan M. and seconded by Kim S. All approved.

MCA report (Kim Strickell):

Starting this year, there will only be a judges meeting on Friday. That way we can get started earlier on Saturday. We still have to find our assistant head judge for sheets. If you only go on Saturday, you will be responsible to find your judge to see if they need help with judging.

The MCA 50th Anniversary show schedule should be out in February.

2026 Nationals – All registration is done at mcashows.com

March 27-29 – Jacksonville, FL – registration closes on 2/27/2026

May 22-24 – Lake of the Ozarks – registration is open

July 24-26 – Tulsa, Oklahoma – registration closes June 24, 2026

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

If you are going to attend an MCA show and have a car judged, you must be an MCA member. If anyone joined MCA last year, please make sure Kim has your MCA # so it can get on the yearly club update that she has to turn in by March 1st. The club has to have 10 active MCA members to keep the club charter. If you are not an MCA member, please consider joining. If you are an MCA member, please keep renewing.

Steve and Kim are heading to the Regional Directors Summit and National Board Meeting this coming weekend (January 17-19). If you have any MCA concerns or questions, please share with Steve to bring to the meeting. Hopefully, we will have new information at the next meeting. The club typically provides some monies for the trip, however, due to the lower turnout at last year's car show because of the rain, they are not requesting any funding to help with attending the Regional Directors Summit.

Old business:

- The club website is updated per Kim – her son helped with this.
- Steve and Larry dropped off toys and donations to the Salvation Army on December 10th.
- The family that the club helped for Christmas had 3 children. Bobbi purchased and wrapped all the gifts. Thank you, Bobbi!
- Suggestions were asked for regarding club activities for these winter months. The only suggestion was from Kim for the St. Louis Auto Show on January 24th. The cost is \$12.00. We can meet at the Casino Queen and take the Metro, or meet at America's Center. We could then eat at the Old Spaghetti Factory. If you are interested, call Kim by this coming Monday (January 19th) as she will make reservations at the restaurant.



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New Business:

- It is the time that members vote for the charities the club will support for 2026. A motion was made by Paul Brooks to keep the same 2 charities we currently have (Legendary Mustang Sanctuary and Salvation Army) and was seconded by Steve S. All approved. A suggestion was made that we also consider doing something for a local warming center (Edwardsville, Alton,...). Maybe the club can collect items like blankets, socks, etc. that can then be donated.
- The Car Show Committee will have its first meeting on Tuesday, January 20th. Future meetings will be on the Monday following the club meeting. Steve and Kim will be attending the Regional Directors Summit and National Board Meeting this coming weekend and will not be back in town until Monday evening, so this first meeting is moved to Tuesday. The meeting will be held at Larry R.'s house and will begin at 7:00p.m. The vice president should bring ice cream. We would like to continue with distributing Hot Wheels/Matchbox cars so please begin collecting those to contribute to the car show. The car show will be on July 18, 2026.
- The club has a new Facebook page! Thank you, Kim. This was the domain of Fred and he really wanted to try to keep it up but with health issues that has not been possible. Be sure to check it out. Thank you, Kim!
- Tom fell and is getting rehab. Dodie said he is doing well and will be getting out this Friday.
- Filled out charity paperwork. Just needs signature and it will be done.
- Fred's 1970 Mustang fastback will most likely be going up for sale.
- April is the Mustang's birthday month. Let's think of what we can do on April 18th. Maybe something to hook into the 100th anniversary of Route 66.

A motion was made to adjourn and was seconded. The meeting was adjourned.

Trivia Winner: Paul Brooks Winner of the 50/50: Marilyn

The next Meeting will be February 10th at the Edwardsville Moose

7371 Marine Rd, Edwardsville, IL

6:00pm dinner (optional)

7:00pm meeting





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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/lakersclub/>

February Birthdays

Feb 01 Bob Bachman
Feb 01 Kurt Obrock
Feb 01 Jeff Vinson
Feb 08 Carol Roseberry
Feb 14 Steve Strickell
Feb 27 Vicky Schorr

February Anniversaries

Feb 25 Ron & Donna Kinder



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A note from Randy

Greetings fellow Mustang enthusiasts,

I'm typing my blurb for the newsletter while sitting in Los Angeles. I left Sunday morning when the temperature was zero degrees. It was a balmy 72 degrees in LA when I landed. I immediately changed into some shorts and walked around town showing off my legs to Dorinda.

As mentioned in the November newsletter, Dorinda and I were involved in a car accident with the 2012 MCA Mustang. I was driving along Illinois State Route 140 heading west just a few miles out of Bethalto when an animal crawled out of the ditch onto the roadway. It was dark outside and I had nowhere to pull over as there was a lot of traffic. I eventually pulled into the Schnucks parking lot and discovered my front end was all messed up. Everything from the upper grill downward was destroyed. I called the insurance company and was told the car would be totaled because of the amount of damage and the high mileage (124,000 plus). I pleaded with them to save our Mustang.

Good news, the car has been fixed. The insurance company spent \$5,000 and then I spent that much as well to replace the hood as it was severely corroded. Because the hood was replaced, the fenders had to be repainted so the cost of making the car look like new was getting to be expensive. I was relieved that the upper grill did not need to be replaced because the grill is no longer being manufactured. The MCA detail tape on both front fenders was difficult to find as it is no longer being made. A company in Canada reproduces the tape but declined to work with me as they were not happy about customs fees. The tape was located at two different Ford dealerships from out-of-state. Ultimately, Woodman Collision Center did a great job repairing the 2012 MCA Edition Mustang.

I was saddened that the trip to the St. Louis Auto Show was abandoned due to the weather. I was really looking forward to it. I believe high-speed Mustang drifting was a highlight of the show as well as a Mustang 2026 lineup. Our club in Colorado (Front Range Mustang Club) attended the Denver Auto Show every time it was held and always had a good time.

I seriously considered buying a 2026 Mustang when our MCA was damaged. One thing I didn't like about the new Mustangs is that there is a flat screen in place of the gauges on the dashboard. I guess I'm old school as I would definitely prefer a gauge (analog or digital) vs. a flat screen. Analog gauges offer a classic look vs. a flat screen number.

Spend as much time with loved ones as you can because it goes by too fast. Remember to pray for those in our club who are under the weather and/or struggling with daily life. Dan will be running the show at our upcoming meeting. See ya soon.



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Randy & Dorinda's car





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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