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General Meeting - April 3, 2024 - Attendance at The Venue

John & Marilyn Wanacheck, Steve & Karen Kropp, Sonny & Marina Reese, Tom & Diane Geul, John Koza, Denny Bujak, Bob & Dawn Lang, Joe Mitchell, Dave & Peggy Moeller, Jerry Cafarelli, Jeff & Jean Minar, David Pawski, Rick Clark, Tony DeStefano, Ed & Jodie Sabo, Dick Pahls, Bill Myers, Tom & Tracy Jost, Connie & Jerry Leonard, David Brucatto, Greg & Sherry Sarbach, Gary Smith, David DeStefano, Cathy Hirt, Don & Judy Woerz, Bobby & Missy Baker, Larry Blasio, John Buterbaugh.

New Members: Dave & Kathy Hoppe (returning members), Shane & Tammie Schwaben, Lucia Martucio.

Guests Joe Labay and Larry Davis. There were 46 members present and 2 guests.

The next general meeting will be at The Venue on May 1. To kick off the summer it will be a pizza party outside on the picnic tables. If inclement weather it will be inside. Pizza is provided, you will be responsible for your drinks. Dinner from 5:30 on, Meeting at 7:00



John began the meeting at 7:00 by recognizing the presence of Denny Bujak, one of the first founding members.

- ◆ Window clings with the club logo are available for new members. If current members need new ones they can be purchased for \$5.00 each. See Marilyn Wanacheck
- ◆ **Finance Report** —Peggy Moeller gave the financial report.
- ◆ **Bylaws**—there was a copy of the new bylaws on each table. Sonny Reese made a motion to approve the new bylaws and Dick Pahls seconded the motion. By a show of hands the changes were approved unanimously.
- ◆ **Annual Car Show 2024**—Sonny gave an update. He has established PayPal and Venmo accounts for show entry payment. This year the entry fee is \$20 for peoples choice awards and \$30 for judged cars. Entrants that want their car judged must be pre-registered. A sign-up sheet is available for volunteers.
- ◆ **Car Show Raffle Baskets**—Diane Geul is asking for items to fill these baskets. She has 20 themed baskets she is working on and has provided a list of the themes for you to use when buying something to donate. For your convenience she is also accepting cash so that she can do the buying for you. She wants to have these baskets done by the beginning of August so please give her your donations anytime you see her. The list: Made In Ohio (locally made indoor, outdoor décor, soaps), Summer Cooler, Movie Night (popcorn/candy/drinks/movie gift card), Gardening (gloves, hand cream, spade, OFF) Coffee, Tea, Kitten/Cat, Puppy/Dog, Children (coloring books, games, cards), Mustang/Ford, BBQ (grill supplies, sauces), Beer Basket, Wine, Ohio Sports Teams, Car Cleaning. Talk with Diane to get the latest on what items she is still in need of.
- ◆ **Meetings** John is looking for alternative meeting sites that can be held outdoors during the summer. Joe Mitchell is arranging a June meeting at The Ramp near Portage Lakes.
- ◆ **Car Shows to attend as a club** Maps Air Museum June 8th, Mustang/Camaro Showdown June 29th at Summit Racing, LEOMC Car show August 4th in Erie, PA.

- ◆ **Flight 93 Memorial Spring Cruise May 18** The caravan will leave from McDonald's at the I-76 and St Rt. 44 intersection, Exit 38B. We will be leaving at 8 a.m. and traveling the turnpike with a restroom pitstop and then on to our lunch stop at Tailgatez. Then onto the Flight 93 museum with dinner after at Ruby Tuesday's at 6 pm. On Sunday there is an optional trip planned to the Johnstown Flood Museum. Adults \$12.80, age 62+ \$11.20. It is open 12 to 5. Hotel info: Hampton Inn 324 Laurel Crest Road, Somerset, PA 1-814-445-9161 Currently there are 7 rooms left under NE-OMC block of rooms. The rate is \$137.70. You must call to reserve your room or book online at www.Hampton.com and under the "special rates, group code" enter 90Q. Deadline is May 4th for the group rate.
- ◆ **Upcoming Car Events** For info on these shows contact Steve Kitz 330-690-2515
2024 Krieger Ford All Ford Show Sunday 5/19/24, in Columbus. 50 year celebration of the MCO.
The Hot Rod Power Tour is Thursday June 13 in Hebron, Ohio. Spectators can come out and see the tour at no cost.
The 2024 Great Race is Sunday 6/23 and they will be stopping in Marietta at about 4 p.m. where you will be able to observe and interact with the rallyists until 6 p.m. Steve Kitz's plan is to have lunch at 11:00 a.m. at Mulligan's, 4118 Belden Village St. Canton and leave at 1:00 for the 2 hour drive to Marietta. After the event you are free to return home or spend the night in Marietta. The local Hampton has rooms for \$129 plus tax.
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- ◆ **Name Tags** Don't forget to wear your name tag! There will be a token penalty of \$1 if you forget to wear yours. Need a new name tag? see the secretary, Karen.
- ◆ Rick Clark mentioned that his brother and fellow club member Norm has been in ICU at AGMC for that past week and a half. Norm has been diagnosed with cancer and is having heart related issues.
- ◆ Larry Davis friend of member Lucia Martuccio spoke about an exhibit he plans to have at the Crawford Auto-Aviation Museum in Cleveland. He is looking for special Mustangs from 1964.5 to present. (see message Larry emailed with details).

John mentioned the birthdays of those present today.

The meeting was adjourned.



Jerry then held the 50/50 raffle which was won by Greg Sarbach!
 The Eclipse themed gift bag was won by Shane Schwaben.

Thanks to Jeff & Jean Minar for desserts tonight.



Welcome new members!

Lucia Martuccio, she has a 66 GT Convertible in Playmate Pink.

Dave & Kathy Hoppe (returning members) '24 GT Premium Performance Convertible, '17 GT Convertible, '90 T-Bird 35th Anniversary Edition.

Shane and Tammie Schwaben have a 2003 GT Convertible.

Future Events

- May 18—19** Spring trip to Flight 93 Memorial
- May 1** **NEOMC General Meeting** at the Venue—Pizza Party
- May 19** Krieger Ford All Ford Show—Columbus www.mustangclubofohio.org
- June 5** **NEOMC General Meeting**
- June 8** Maps Air Museum Annual Car Show—N. Canton
- June 13** The Hot Rod Power Tour —Hebron, Oh. www.hotrodpowertour.us
- June 23** The Great Race—Marietta www.greatrace.com
- June 29** 16th Annual Mustang VS Camaro Showdown—Summit Racing
- July 10** Gervasi's, N. Canton— Mustang Night
- July 13** Annual Club Picnic at Countryside Campground **No General Meeting in July**
- July 26-27** CAN-AM—Pittsburgh
- August 4** LEMOC Car Show
- August 7** **NEOMC General Meeting**
- September 4** **NEOMC General Meeting**
- September 8** Annual NEOMC Car Show
- September** Maize Valley
- December 14** Christmas Party

This is the email I received from Larry Davis concerning the exhibit he is putting together.

“Fellow Club Members:

As most of you know, this year marks the 60th Anniversary of the Mustang. I am currently curating an exhibit at the Crawford Auto-Aviation Museum in Cleveland, Ohio. This exhibit will run from approximately the first of November 2024 till sometime in May 2025. The show will consist of approximately 18-20 cars representing all generations of Mustangs from 1964.5 to 2024. The intent of course is to share with the public the massive story that is the Ford Mustang. I am reaching out to local clubs first to help fill those slots if you are interested. They would be installed on our heated main floor, roped off, insured, secured, etc. the same as any museum. Basically, thousands of people will get to enjoy your car, and we provide heated indoor storage for them. I am looking for “Day 1” neat and clean examples, that means cars that are visually stock or basically stock (wheels are ok) to show as an example of what a customer would have been able to buy off the showroom floor. If you are interested or know someone with an exceptional car that you think would be interested, please contact me at 330-770-3980 or at Ldavis@wrhs.org and I can explain to you with more detail and hopefully answer any questions or concerns you may have.

Thank you for all the consideration!

Larry Davis”



Cars & Coffee Dates



Breakfast meets at 9 am on Saturdays — Lunches are at noon on Wednesday unless stated otherwise.

Remember to sign up for these at the meetings or contact Diane Geul to get on the list.

If you need to cancel please be courteous and let Diane know in case she has a waiting list. Diane 330-322-3537

- April 17** **Lunch** at Maize Valley Winery—6193 Edison St NE, Hartville
- May 4** **Breakfast** at Samantha's—4954 Portage St NW, N. Canton
- May 15** **Lunch** *Road trip!!!! Caravan will leave for Sebring from Summit Racing, time TBD*
Brickhouse Bar & Grill 206 E. Ohio Ave., Sebring
- June 8** **Breakfast** at The Waterloo Restaurant at 423 Waterloo Rd.
- June 19** **Lunch** Angie's Italian Restaurant 343 4th St NW, Barberton.

April Birthdays!



Peggy Moeller	Karen Kropp	Judy Woerz	Sherry Sarbach
Tom Geul	Bobby Baker	Debbie Bujak	Dorit Seed

Dessert Sign-Ups for general meetings.

May—Marina Reese	June—Peggy Moeller	August—Jerry & Connie Leonard
September—Tom & Linda Baker	October—Jean & Danny Derreberry	November—Betty Crewes

The following pages are photo's taken during the trip to Birmingham for the Mustangs 60th Anniversary Celebration hosted by the MCA. Danny Derreberry, Steve Kitz, Jerry Cafarelli and Frank Schneider donated their time to judge cars. Those also traveling to Birmingham were John and Marilyn Wanacke, Jim and Laurel Caslow, Steve and Karen Kropp, Jeannie Derreberry. Frank and Danny both won Gold Awards. Besides looking at all the show cars we were also entertained by the cars out on the race track from amateurs to professionals. Barber Motorsports is a beautiful complex with sculptures and artwork all around the park. The weather was beautiful also!

On the way home Steve, I and the Wanacke's stopped at the Mustang Museum Of America in Odenville, about 30 minutes from Barber Motorsports. It is an exceptional museum with cars spanning the whole 60 years and 2 full rows of State Highway Patrol and Sheriff cars. It's a must see if you are ever in the area. The owner was very generous with discounting ticket prices and also merchandise.

The first photo on the next page with the luggage and stuff on the ground is a puzzler for you to figure out. What is going on here? Did the car break down? Did we get pulled over by the cops and have to be searched? Did someone get mad and throw someone out of the car? Are we camping? Looking for a lost item? What is your guess? Answer is on the last page(8).



Above right "The Chase"

Above "Lady in the Lake"



Denise Ricci (LEMOC, green car), a car from a Florida Club, Kropp's, Wanacheck's



Mustang Museum of America



Member Highlights

Since I do not have a volunteer this month for the member highlights Steve (Kropp) wrote our Mustang story.

We have been married for 20 years and live at a small lake north of Canton with our small dog and 2 lazy cats. I was a mailman and Karen was a medical assistant but we are now retired. Jobs in the club have included 50-50, and Secretary. Besides Mustangs we enjoy kayaking, motorboating and all types of travel and adventures. Our first Mustang was a 1995 red convertible that was too good of a deal to pass up at Montrose Ford. Next was a white 2001 convertible, then a red 2005 convertible with red interior. After that was our black 2007 Shelby GT #3040 (the one you wished you hadn't sold!), that took us to at least 28 states. The next Mustang was a vintage car. We combined a trip to Myrtle Beach for Mustang Week with a visit to Florida to pick up a beautiful 1968 Cali Special big block 4 speed, black with red interior that is now living in Malta. Next car was the 2011 glass roof MCA edition. At one point we owned 4 Mustangs but are now down to just one, our Competition Orange 2015 GT Convertible.

We joined the NEOMC in the summer of 2008 and soon started traveling to Mustang events. The most epic trip was the 2009 Mustangs Across America. The drive began at Shelby Headquarters in Las Vegas going across the country with several hundred Mustangs ending at the Mustang 45th at Birmingham, Al. Our Mustangs have also taken us to the Tail Of The Dragon in NC, the Blue Ridge Pkwy, the Mustang 50th in Charlotte and to Sturgis Mustang Week. Several Myrtle Beach Mustang Weeks, lots of trips to Woodward Dream Cruise and then 15 years later back to Birmingham for the 60th Mustang Anniversary.

Our Mustang journey has been tons of fun and we are thankful for all the great people we have met and continue to meet.



The answer to the what's going on with the luggage? Auto-cross! Can't have stuff in your car and you haven't checked into the hotel yet! John did the autocross about 5 times and Steve couldn't get enough and had to be dragged off after about 20 turns! Above pic is Steve & John in their helmets.