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General Meeting - March 6, 2024 - Attendance at The Venue

John & Marilyn Wanacheck, Steve & Karen Kropp, Sonny & Marina Reese, Tom & Diane Geul, Steve Kitz, Joe Mitchell, Dave Moeller, Jim & Laurel Caslow, Jerry Cafarelli, Jeff & Jean Minar, Mike Kalamán, David & Kerrylynn Pawski, Rick Clark, Danny & Jeannie Derreberry, Tony & Chris DeStefano, Ed & Jodie Sabo, Dick Pahls, Nicole Pahls, John & Cindy O'Brien, Betty Crewes, Steve Chimera, Bill Myers, Kevin & Jenny Cline, Connie & Jerry Leonard, David Brucatto, Steve Simmons, Greg & Sherry Sarbach, Gary Smith, Tom & Tracy Jost, David DeStefano.

Guests Paul Moeller, Marc Crewes, Bud White.

There were 45 members present and 3 guests.

The next general meeting will be at The Venue on April 3. Dinner from 5:30 on, Meeting at 7:00

John began the meeting at 7:00.

- ◆ 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**—Dave Moeller gave the financial report.
- ◆ **Roster Updates**—a copy of the roster was available for everyone to review it and to make any changes to their member info.
- ◆ **Bylaws**—there was a copy on each table of the 3 proposed changes to the bylaws and a voting slip for each member to fill out. At the end of the meeting the slips were collected and the votes tallied. The 3 changes (listed below) passed with a vote count of 29 yes to 7 no's. The new additions to the bylaws will be presented at the April meeting.
 1. All officers and appointees (no more than 8) will have their dues paid by the NEOMC for the calendar year that they are elected or appointed .
 2. New members joining the NEOMC after the month of June will pay 50% of annual dues for the remainder of the calendar year. New members joining after August will pay normal dues. Their membership will be good through the following calendar year.
 3. The active paid member of NEOMC is eligible to vote on any issue in the club. If that member would like their spouse or significant other to be a voting member of NEOMC issues, that member will pay 20% of normal dues. This will be tracked on the roster.
- ◆ **Annual Car Show 2024**—Sonny gave a short update concerning the work he has been doing to allow entrants to pay via PayPal or Venmo. At the next meeting he will have a sign-up sheet available for volunteers.

John has also been in contact with Summit Racing about holding the car show there in 2025 instead of Montrose Ford, possibly in July. It was too late to do it this year to get it organized and have it done properly. He is hoping to still have Montrose Ford involved in the car show. He will be meeting with Summit Racing again in the fall.



- ◆ **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, car travel games), Mustang/Ford, BBQ (grill supplies, sauces), Beer Basket, Wine, Ohio Sports Teams, Car Cleaning.
- ◆ **Flight 93 Memorial Spring Cruise May 18** Diane Geul has made the following arrangements. The caravan will leave from McDonald's on St. Rt 44 at the I-76 intersection, Exit 38B. There was a discussion about the turnpike expense so Diane will look into an alternative route. As of now she has us 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 Max & Erma's at 6 pm. Hotel info: Hampton Inn 324 Laurel Crest Road, Somerset, PA 1-814-445-9161 There are 12 rooms blocked under NEOMC, the rate is \$137.70. Your room is not reserved until you call and pay for it. To reserve it call the hotel or book online at www.Hampton.com and under the "special rates, group code" enter 90Q. Deadline is May 4th for the group rate.
- ◆ **Meeting Info** John is looking for alternative meeting sites for the summer that can be held outdoors. If you know of a place please contact the restaurant to be sure they can handle our group and have ample parking, then let John know. The pizza party will be held at the May meeting at the Venue. It will be outside if weather permits.
- ◆ **Club Dues** Member dues were due by the end of the February. If you were late in paying and still want to be an active member and receive the newsletter mail in a check for \$25.00. You will not receive a newsletter in April if you are not on the roster. Please mail your checks to:
Peggy Moeller 6712 Hillside Rd, Independence, Ohio 44131
- ◆ **Upcoming Car Events** Steve Kitz provided the following information for these events. For info on the 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 June 23 and they will stop 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.
- ◆ **Car Shows to attend as a club** Maps Air Museum, Mustang/Camaro Showdown, Summit Racing, LEOMC Car show in Erie, PA.

- ◆ **Cruises and events to attend as a club** Maize Valley. Solon Cruise, Rick Clark is going to arrange for the club to go in as a group to park together. Frank Schneider is looking into go-cart racing, Dick Pahls is looking into track time or motocross at Nelson Ledges
- ◆ **Roster Updates** Contact Peggy for any changes or errors. 216-905-0748
- ◆ **Website Updates** John O'Brien is looking to update the website. Please send him photo's of your cars. obrienj@neo.rr.com 330-697-0847
- ◆ **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 or text her at 330-265-5975. At today's meeting there were 5 members without name tags and money was collected and will be added to the account.

Harwood Motors has asked for a donation to go towards their car show. A vote was taken on this and it was unanimous that we would not be able to make a donation this year.

The meeting was adjourned.



Jerry then held the 50/50 raffle which was won by David Brucato!
Each month there will be a special gift bag to honor whatever is going on that month.
This month was a St Patrick themed bag won by Dave Mueller.



Thanks to Marilyn Wanachek and Diane Geul for providing the deserts for tonight.

Dessert Sign-Ups for general meetings.

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



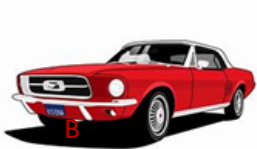
Tom Baker	Amy Brucato	John Buterbaugh	Steve Chimera	Sonny Reese	Ed Sabo
Betty Crewes	Mike Hayhurst	Cathi Heitger	Melina Kalaman	Diane Taras	Tom Sadar
Chuck Kozelka	Dick Pahls	Amanda Rorrer	Henry Bill Schaefer	Kevin Kline	Stacy Sadar



John & Cindy O'Brien William & Lisa Myers

Future Events

- April 3** **NEOMC General Meeting** at The Venue—dinner starting at 5:30, meeting at 7 p.m.
- April 5-7** MCA 60th Anniversary Celebration—Barber Motorsports Park, Birmingham, AL
- April 6-7** Mid-Ohio Ford Club hosts the 43rd Annual Columbus Spring Swap Meet
- 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
- September 8** Annual NEOMC Car Show
- September** Maize Valley
- December 14** Christmas Party



Cars & Coffee Dates



Breakfast's meet at 9 am on Saturdays —Lunch's 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 330-332-3537

- March 21 (Thursday)** Lunch at Hartville Kitchens—1015 Edison St. NW, Hartville
- April 6** Breakfast at Lukity's Country Inn—2697 Manchester Rd., Akron
- 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** *Road trip!!!! Caravan will leave for Sebring from Summit Racing, time TBD*
Brickhouse Bar & Grill 206 E. Ohio Ave., Sebring



Don't forget to set your clocks ahead on Sunday March 10.

Bill and Diana Bray's car was in the Mustang Time's March issue. They were at a car show in Florida where they spend the winter months.



We had a great time at the lunch and bowling outing. About 15 or so people attended, some bowling some just hanging out. Lisa Myers and Steve Kropp had the high scores on both games.



Below are pictures from Diane and Tom Geul for their member highlight on the following page.



Member Highlights

This month Diane Geul tells of her and Tom's journey into the car world. They joined the club in 2008 and Diane is our Event Coordinator. In her words it all started with her dad. After he retired from the Navy and having the skills of a machinist and welder he bought the first of his 20 Edsel's and other cars plus a defunct dairy barn in Medina to store them in, then built a house on the property to be near his beloved cars. Once the house was finished he started rebuilding the cars. During those years he showed his prized Edsel's at events including Stan Hywet every Father's Day and was known throughout the country as Mr. Edsel.

Tom and I were married in May 1969 and by September, with the urging of Tom's best friend, we bought our first of five corvettes. We joined Tiretown Corvette Club where we have maintained membership for over 50 years. During this time cars shows, rallies, speed events and socials have been a big part of our lives. We've both have held leadership positions.

For ten years we were inactive in the corvette club because we were involved in the Boy Scouts where our oldest son Michael earned the highest rank of Eagle Scout. The highlight of those years was going to Philmont Scout Ranch in the New Mexico Rocky Mountains with Michael and our younger son Robert. There we camped and hiked over 80 miles, literally uphill until the last day, while we each carried a 40 pound back pack. To earn money for this and other outings we helped work a concession stand in the Dawg Pound during the Brown's football season where the beer never stopped flowing.

Even after the passing of my dad his legacy lived on. Over 15 years ago the family was at an event at Summit Racing and a few Mustangs were for sale. One caught my eye, a 1970 Fastback and as Tom calls it "she went to the dark side". The car needed some work so we had it restored. Tom had recently retired from IBM and got the local pit crew together and started rebuilding it. Michael is a mechanic and our garage has been the place to be for all kinds of auto work, sometimes until the wee hours of the morning.

The car was now ready for Stan Hywet, Summit Racing and other places but we felt uncomfortable taking the car on longer trips. While driving past Don Sitts Auto Sales on a late Sunday afternoon a 2007 Shelby was sitting outside to be sold. We stopped and looked but the business was closed so I called Michael and asked him the details of the car and told him I was interested in buying it. At 7:30 Monday morning they called me saying they were holding the car for me. I now owned my second Mustang.

If I'm not active with cars I like to sew. After retiring from Stow schools I made the costumes for their theater department and had the honor of accompanying them when they performed at the Fringe Festival in Edinburgh, Scotland. Following that I volunteered for Weathervane Playhouse and continue to make dresses for the Little Dresses For Africa program. I'm also involved with my family history because my paternal grandmother was a survivor of the Titanic.

Time permitting Tom and I like to travel; having been as far north to the Alaskan Yukon Territory; South to Ushuaia, South America ("End of the World") and the Falkland Islands; East to Asia and New Zealand and west to Hawaii.

In addition to Michael, our younger son Robert is an Executive Chef, and between them we have 6 grandchildren, one who is also an Eagle Scout.

