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The MCA has a new membership drive that you might be interested in....it's called the Three 4 Two program. Look it over and give me a call 989-553-5766 so we can get a membership for you and we can all share the savings.

The "Three 4 Two!" Membership Drive Program immediately gets the MCA two new MCA members, not renewals, and extends the current MCA member's membership by one year. A win for the MCA and a win for the recruiting MCA member! That's all there is to it. Just follow the guidelines outlined below and sign up new MCA members as fast as you can!

1.) You must be a current MCA member in good standing to. If your MCA membership has expired, you must bring it to a current status before you're eligible to receive a membership extension.

2.) Every application must include your MCA number along with your name and other information. This is so the MCA can make sure the right membership number is extended at the same time as the new members are entered into the MCA data base to keep the proper records. E-mail addresses are optional. For information regarding our data handling practices and privacy policy please visit www.mustang.org/privacy.php.

3.) All three MCA memberships must be processed together and each new MCA membership is \$50.00 each.

The recruiting MCA member will have to collect the new MCA member's dues and forward it on to the MCA with the filled out application. This will prevent any problems regarding who the actual recruiting MCA member is. All new MCA memberships under this program shall be for \$50.00 each. Offer does not apply with any other discounts or programs of the past or in the future.

4.) You can recruit up to 10 new members and get your MCA membership extended for an additional 5 years. That's right! You can do this up to 5 times! Recruit 10 new MCA members and your MCA membership will be extended for 5 years! Each extension must be done separately. Each shall consist of a current MCA member and two new MCA members so that proper records can be kept.

5.) New MCA members recruited can recruit new MCA members to extend their MCA memberships by 5 years. Once they have their MCA number, new MCA members can recruit new MCA members and extend their MCA membership the same as the MCA member who recruited them. That means that when a new MCA member spends \$50.00 for their MCA membership and recruits 2 new MCA members themselves, they will have actually paid \$25.00 a year for their MCA membership. If they bring in 4 new MCA members, that means their MCA dues are actually \$16.67 per year and so on.

HorseSense 4.6

by Tom Welsh, 2012 MCMM
President

So, I have to ask: Did anyone get to the North American International Auto Show (aka: Detroit Car Show)? I went, and was IMPRESSED by the Ford, Shelby, and Lincoln displays. Seems like they out did themselves this year. It was real hard to leave given the sweet Mustangs, Boss 302's, and Shelby vehicles on display. In walking around, it seemed like the crowds were bigger in the FoMoCo areas, but I'm undoubtedly biased. The new, 2013 Ford Fusion and Lincoln MkZ are outstanding in design and content. Ford keeps reaching higher and higher.

We had good discussions at the January meeting on ideas for social events - watch for more on this later. We finalized the dates (Sept. 16th), registration costs (\$15 advance/\$20 day of show/\$2 spectators), and 2012 charity (sticking with the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation) for the September show. Show Chairman, Jeff Amo, has also put into place additional judging categories to bolster attendance by both Mustangs and other Fords, Mercs and Lincolns. Additionally, we are revisiting the location question, with a tentative plan to return to the Outlets at Birch Run Mall.

We are still working on the planning for our Armed Forces Day spring show, in support of the Saginaw County Veteran's Plaza. Watch for more details on this event over the next two months.

The one that got away. I was going through some old photographs last weekend, and came across an old friend... one that was taken from us way too soon. The story began in the mid



1960's when my our family, a real Ford family at heart, sold Welsh Motor Sales, the Ford dealership in Grayling. My Dad, after a short stint as co-owner of a Gulf gas station, went to work for the local GM dealer as Service Manager. I, who was raised in the Ford dealership, was broken hearted, figuring that "we'd never own a Ford again." Well, Dad showed his true quality one day when he brought home a two-year-old, 1965 Mustang 2+2! I was in love, and still have a special place in

my heart for 4bbl, 289 Fastback's to this day. College came, and guess who needed a more reliable car to drive to school? You guessed it, me! Well, I drove it to Kirtland Community College for two years, then on to MSU for the next year or so. It was a daily driver, of course, and I only remember one bad winter where it let me down after hitting a drift that was hood high going home from Kirtland. And, then, one morning while at MSU, I came out to the parking ramp to go shopping, and it was.... not there! Stolen, and never found.

Dad and I spent a lot of time working on it over the years, rebuilding the rusted out floor boards one year, and the engine a year or two later, all during our short, six years of ownership. Northern Michigan was (and still is) tough on cars, as totally replaced floors after only about six years is not a very good record. Dad always said it was the vent louvers in the roof that leaked.

The photo shows a few of the modifications we made, including real halogen headlights, halogen driving lights (it was not a GT) and chrome wheels. It even had redlines on the rear in this photo. Even with an automatic, I recall the sound of burning rubber in first and second gear, and that 289 V-8 sound is still among my favorites. That's my story, on the one that got away. What's your story?

Here's What Is Due...

The dues for the Mustang Club of Mid-Michigan are due in January of each year and are \$20.00 for the year. Make your payment out to MCMC and mail it to: MCMC, P.O. Box 324, Frankenmuth, MI 48734.

What do your membership dues get you? The following items and more!

- A Regional Club of Mustang Club of America
- Technical Assistance
- Car Show Information
- Social Contacts and Activities
- Monthly Editions of our Newsletter, **Horsin' Around**
- Parts / Buyer Information
- Information on Originality
- Best of All, a Common Interest in a GREAT CAR

So send in your dues today!!

Mustang Club of America (cont.)

6.) You can either go on the MCA website and complete the process or mail the application with payment. Go to www.mustang.org and sign up today using either a credit card or PayPal for payment. You can also print out the Application Form from the website and mail it in. You can even use the Application Form below, or a copy of it, and mail it in to the address below with payment. Payment can be a check from the recruiting MCA member or checks from the new MCA members. However, if the new MCA member's check is returned, their MCA membership will be cancelled and the recruiting MCA member's membership will be docked for the extended year.

7.) Lastly, the MCA reserves the right to cancel this MCA Membership Drive at anytime. For any reason, the MCA reserves the right to cancel this program at anytime. Be sure to get your application(s) in ASAP!

The MCA Regional Clubs can also use the "Three 4 Two!" Membership Drive Program to help build their MCA numbers. As an example,

an MCA member can sponsor two new MCA members, have them join at \$50.00 each, and then the two new MCA members can then sponsor two new MCA members and get their MCA membership extended for a year which would work out to only \$25.00 per year. This is a great way to bring all the MCA Regional Club members into the MCA in a very economical fashion!

The MCA's "Three 4 Two!" Membership Drive Program will only in effect from December 1, 2011 to February 29, 2012. Just think if every MCA member jumped on this and we could increase the MCA membership by thousands! Let's see if we can make that happen!

If you are sending the application by mail, please use the attached form for every two new MCA members you sign up and mail with \$100.00 payment to:

Mustang Club of America "Three 4 Two!" Program
4051 Barrancas Avenue PMB 102
Pensacola, Florida 32507

FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS

- 2 Brett Porterfield
- 5 Bob Porterfield
- 9 Bill Hoard



Meeting Minutes 1-16-12

Meeting opened at 7pm by President, Tom Welsh. October minutes were accepted as reported. Attendance: Brett, Media & Sophia Porterfield, Al Selesky, Steve Caesar, Dick Lebsack, Lon Hetchler, Larry Blymer, Del Zimmerman, Bob & Gina Dillenbeck, Jeff Amo, Harry & Carol Davis, Quentin & Pat Levitte, Tom Welsh, and guest Charlie Reinhardt.

Treasurer's Report: Lon Hetchler Report given and accepted. Notified we are being charged \$3.00 per month for service fee to receive monthly statements via mail at Citizens Bank. Discussion about this.

Committee Reports: Tom said the club is looking for someone to be property manager.

MCA: Quentin Levitte We have to send a list of membership from club by March 1st. Need 10 members in MCA to maintain membership status. MCA is offering a deal on cost now (3 for 2). Will send info out to members.

Discussion on social activities for the club. Will get listings and see what and where we can go. Tom showed us a book with listings and ads from 2011, "Mid-Mich Car & Truck

Shows, Cruise-Ins & Swap Meets." Discussed some possibility of getting our car club ad (cost is \$20) in the book.

Lon showed some apparel that can be ordered and has a new price list. This will be put in the newsletter.

MCMM Annual Show: Jeff Amo

Waiting for final info on going back to Birch Run Mall. Working on having more classes. Existing trophies can be upsized to larger trophy for \$8 a piece for this year.

Motion made by committee and seconded by Larry Blymer to do the show at Birch Run on September 23, 2012. Voted on and approved by membership present. **(NOTE: After the meeting, the date was corrected to Sunday, Sept. 16th, between the Frankenmuth (7-9) and Scholz (23rd) Car Shows.)**

Motion made by committee that cost for show is pre-registered \$15 – day of show is \$20 and spectator fee is \$2 per person and under 12 is free. Voted on and approved by membership present. Discussed what charity we are going to work with this year. Motion made by Quentin Levitte for the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation and seconded by

Larry Blymer and Del Zimmerman. Voted on and approved by membership present. A list of jobs and people will be put in the newsletter.

Some discussion was given to the May Show and to keep it on Armed Forces Day. Harry Davis will try to contact Tom Webb to see if they will support us doing a car show this year. Bob Dillenbeck had the 50/50 drawing. Money winner was Al Selesky for \$14, calendars to Jeff Amo and Brett Porterfield and a goody bag to Gina Dillenbeck.



CALLING ALL COLLECTORS!

Do you have a collection of any kind that you would like to share with the club? Please email me at brettp05@sbcglobal.net with information and pictures for featuring in an upcoming issue of **Horsin' Around!**

Tips & Tricks by Stan Bentley



Comments by Stan

A dog goes to a fire for two reasons. To see and be seen. Such is the case with our older Mustangs. Those headlights and tail lights are 40 years old. Even when they were new they were not all that bright. Over time the wiring has become brittle and there is more resistance which makes the lights dimmer yet.

Getting to see better will involve the newer Halogen head lamps.

The Halogen lamps use more current [amps] than the old ones so in most cases you must use a relay. In the 1965 to the 1968

Mustangs the head light switch has a fuse which will not handle the current draw of the halogens. I have

heard that some

people use the head light switch from a 1969

Mustang. The 1969 Mustang used four head lamps so the switch is heavy enough to handle the two light halogens.

There are several ways to go to make things brighter. For the head lights go to

www.brighterwhites.com. This is the system I used. You can print the pages and all the wiring, relays, and connectors can be bought at any local parts store. Painless also offers a similar kit with everything you

need

(www.painlessperformance.com). There are also the LED head lamps, these are the brightest of all. I have no experience with these. They draw very little current so you do not need the relay. These lights are much more expensive and they do not look anything like the originals.



There is also several ways to go with the tail lights. First, just change the lens. The old lens over time becomes dark, dull and scratched. The tail lights came with #1157 bulbs, The bulbs used in the newer Mustangs are #2057 and are much brighter and will fit in the same socket. There are also the LED lights that fit the same socket. You just have to make sure that you get the ones that will work with the brake and turn signals. Other sites you might try.

www.wysco.com
www.truck-lite.com
www.superbrightleds.com

Now for the dash lights, this might be just replacing the dial faces. There are different colors as well as the colored bulbs.

I used green colored led bulbs. These are available from most Mustang supply stores. They fit in the same sockets and are much brighter.

There are several Mustang Club of America National Shows that Ruth and I as well as several other members are planning on attending next summer. More about that next month.

Remember don't be a stranger.

Roush Open House Dates:

5-10-2012 (Thursday) 5:00 to 8:00 pm

6-14-2012 (Thursday) 5:00 to 8:00 pm

8-16-2012 (Thursday) 5:00 to 8:00 pm

9-13-2012 (Thursday) 5:00 to 8:00 pm

Upcoming Events

MCMM General Membership Meeting

Monday, February 20, 2012 at 7:00 pm

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Monday, March 19, 2012 at 7:00 pm

MOCSEM Spring Swap & Shop

Saturday, March 24, 2012, Village Ford,
23535 Michigan Ave, Dearborn
8:30 am to 2:30 pm
Car Pool planning at Feb. Membership Meeting.

MCMM Board of Directors Meeting*

Monday, April 16, 2012 at 6:00 pm followed by

MCMM General Membership Meeting

Monday, April 16, 2012 at 7:00 pm

8th Annual Armed Forces Day Car Show

Saturday, May 19, 2012, 10 am to 2:30 pm
Culver's, Bay Road, Saginaw

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Monday, April 16, 2012 at 6:00 pm followed by

MCMM General Membership Meeting

Monday, May 21, 2012 at 7:00 pm

Save the date:

MCMM All Ford and Mustang Car Show

September 16th, 8 am to 4 pm
Birch Run

*Members are welcome to attend the BOD meeting.

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If you have something that you want to sell or there is something you are looking for, please [e-mail me](#) or let me know at the next meeting!

Business Card advertisements cost \$25 per year and start during the month of the first ad.

For Sale: 2011 Mustang Convertible, LOW LOW MILEAGE, MCA Package (billet grille with tri-Pony badge), six speed auto, SIRIUS, call (989) 791-5020 for details.

WANTED: '64 1/2 to '67 Mustang Convertible. Must be V8, manual transmission preferred (automatic considered). Will spend up to \$50,000 for the right car. Finders fee paid for any lead that results in a purchase. Please contact Dan Brooks at (517) 304-6306 or sales@duvoy.com.

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am to 2:30 pm

Send your Feedback Comments on the
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