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CLUB PURPOSE

The Golden Hills Mustang Club, established in 1982, is a nonprofit organization, the purpose of which is to promote the admiration, ownership, care and maintenance of the Ford Mustang Automobile - regardless of model year.

The club provides a social group for its members whereby they can meet, socialize and maintain a spirit of good fellowship, and participate in activities including the use of their Mustang.

The club serves as a medium for the exchange of ideas, information and parts, and is dedicated to furthering the interest of owners and drivers of the Ford Mustang.

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By Sue Calvert

Message

Hello Everyone,

First of all, I wish to send a big Thank You to Ron DuPratt Ford for their continued generosity in supporting our club. Part of the proceeds from their check will go towards our annual Biggest Little Car Show. Speaking of the car show... the date has been moved to September 26th. Additional details can be found in this newsletter.

We find ourselves living in unprecedented times where we have to be apart from each other for an undetermined amount of time. I never would have imagined having to cancel our General Membership meeting in March – and now we know that April's meeting will be cancelled, as well. I hope that you and all of your loved ones are making it through this COVID-19 crisis. I look forward to the day when we can, once again, plan events and outings that bring us back together. I miss you all!

STAY SAFE AND STAY HOME IF YOU CAN



From the Membership Chairman:

To everyone who paid their dues on time this year, your promptness is much appreciated! Your checks have been turned over to the treasurer and receipts have been written, so if I didn't hand you one at the meeting, I will be emailing them soon.

To everyone who hasn't paid, this **WILL NOT** be your **LAST** newsletter. We normally purge the mailing list on April 1st but this year, with meetings being cancelled and lives being disrupted, we are postponing that custom. If you have the means and would like to pay electronically, please go to our website and submit your renewal using PayPal. We don't want to lose you as a member, so rest assured you are still on our list. Don't forget to email a copy of your renewal application to membership@goldenhillsmustangclub.com. If have any questions you can text or call me at 707-738-0938. **STAY SAFE OUT THERE!** Thanks, Norma McCabe



WELCOME NEW MEMBERS





NO NEW MEMBERS
THIS MONTH





Birds of a Feather Flock Together

Last month a small group of club members braved the corona virus threat and ventured to Marysville for the falcon class at West Coast Falconry. We felt safe because we were isolated in our cars on the drive up (and back). Upon arrival there was plenty of open space to practice "social distancing", there was plenty of hand sanitizer, a hand wash station, and the leather gloves we used were all sanitized before our very eyes. The setting is on a slight hillside overlooking a beautiful valley with a view of mountains in the background. We were blessed with a beautiful, sunny day for our once-in-a-lifetime experience.

The owner, Kate, and two handlers were there to greet us. They gave a brief talk on the history of falconry as a hunting method, which goes back about 10,000 years. We learned how the falcons are trained to hunt and that falcons are carnivores, not vegetarians!! Sometimes they go after prey that is much larger than they are. We learned that falcons have excellent vision, forward and peripheral, and they can spot prey from very high up. Sometimes from high up they dive downward towards the prey at a speed exceeding 200 miles per hour. If the prey moves suddenly, sometimes the falcons cannot stop or swerve away



Birds of a Feather Flock Together cont

and the result is they slam into the earth and well, you can guess the result.

The handlers with the falcon (Don Diego Alejandro Santiago Zaragoza Inigo Montoya Del Gato; Don Diego for short) demonstrated various maneuvers that falcons do, and best of all we got to interact personally with the falcon, with him landing on our gloved arms. The experience of having the falcon fly to us and land on our arm was exciting. It is amazing how lightweight and gentle he is when landing on our arm. While at the same time we saw a demonstration of the swiftness and

strength of the falcon. We learned that Don Diego has his own personality, and it is a sweet personality, but nonetheless, the birds are wild predators.

West Coast Falconry also has owls, hawks, and one vulture. They provide falconry training, and in addition to the falconry class there is also an owl class available. Check out their website (WestCoastFalconry.com) for further information. The place is amazing. Needless to say, we were all ecstatic and had a great time.

By Pat Sivigliano

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YOU CAN STILL HELP WITH OUR RAFFLE! It may be more difficult to secure items for the raffle, but now we have more time. Please remember that the proceeds from the Raffle Prizes and the 50/50 Raffle go directly to the local charity. The more prizes we have to offer, the more money we are able to donate.

Thank you, Sue Calvert

Unfortunately, our Biggest Little Car Show was just one of many that had to either cancel or postpone their show this year due to COVID-19. GHMC was very fortunate to secure another date in late September at our same wonderful venue. The Car Show Committee will continue to work diligently to make this the BEST SHOW EVER! You may have noticed that the design looks a little different for the T-Shirt. We were very fortunate to secure Brizio Products (formerly Andy's Tees) as our T-Shirt vendor this year. They are a little more expensive

cure Brizio Products (formerly Andy's Tees) as our T-Shirt vendor this year. They are a little more expensive, but their quality is superior. Their graphic designer has enhanced the beautiful design by Peter Mitsopoulos so it can be digitized for high quality screen printing.

The cars featured in this year's design are those of two club members who recently passed away: Bill Stephenson and John Rose. This year's design is a tribute to two individuals who made a big impact on our club for many years. Watch your email for updates or call Donnie McEachern @ 707-470-9940 or email:

<u>carshow@goldenhillsmustangclub.com</u> to volunteer your talents when the stay at home order is lifted.



Car of the Month



Bill & Judy Davis' 1964 1/2 Coupe

Editor's Note: This is a repeat of a classic Car of the Month in honor of the Mustang birthday April 17th.

The year was 1964 and it was a year of change, The Beatles were the most popular band on the pop charts, Ravi Shankar had #1 single and a whole group of followers. Cassius Clay became the World Heavy Weight Champ and depending on whom you ask the biggest movie at the box office was My Fair Lady, Dr. Strangelove, Mary Poppins, Goldfinger or A Hard Days Night. However, the very best thing that happened in 1964 was my dad

had just read an article about the NEW FORD MUSTANG in the may issue Popular Science Magazine. He packed all of us in the 1955 Mercury and we drove to the Ford Dealership in Metuchen, N.J. I will always remember pulling into the lot and seeing this absolutely beautiful bright orange mustang sitting on the showroom floor. It was truly LOVE at first sight. After what seemed like forever the salesman handed dad the keys and I got to drive the car home. When we got home everyone else Mom, Dad and my sister all drove the car well into the night.



Car of the Month cont.

Well, since that very first time "Betsey" (my mother named the car), the car has never been out of my family's care. While I was in college my mom took care of her "Betsey" and kept records on everything she ever did to and for the car. The car has had 3 speeding tickets in her life, two at my hands and one from a friend of mine. Needless to say, she was a fast car in her day. We moved back to California in 1970 and since that time Betsey has not been out of California.

Betsey has been licensed in three states New Jersey 1964 to 1965, Florida 1965 to 1969 and California from 1969 to the present. The actual restoration on the Mustang began in 1993 with work on the 289 engine and drive train. At that time I made the decision to keep the car in its

original condition so we pulled all the after market items off the car.

The body repair and work didn't start until 2002. It took me a long time to decide on who would be the very best person to take care of this special car. So in August I met Rick from R&D Body works. He invited me down to his shop to see some of the work he and Dania had been doing. When I saw what kind of work they did I knew that R& D was the right place to have the body work done. A little over a year later I drove what looked like a brand new car home. The only thing that has been changed from the factory is just the muffler system and that was so it would run and sound better than the off-the-line Mustang. There are still some minor things which should be done to the car to complete the restoration so it still continues to be a work in progress. By Bill Davis

Dent Removal Day & Dustless Sandblasting Demo Tentatively Rescheduled to May 30, 2020 ★ 10:00 am

In light of the stay at home orders being extended, Saturday, May 30th will be the dent removal day with Ian from Dent Solutions and dustless sandblasting with TJ from J & T Blasting Abrasion, two of our sponsors. TJ will have a demonstration of his dustless sandblasting and will be able to do small parts... that day. Ian also will be removing dents from cars (daily drivers and classics) at a discount. If you have never seen Ian work his magic, it is worth it to come watch. Ian now has a paint chip service which will also be available that day. They will each quote you a price before each job.

If you are planning on bringing a car to be worked on by Ian, or parts to be sandblasted, let Dan Cordeiro (486-6709) know so he can put you on the signup form.

There will also be a BBQ lunch provided. It is a fun day to watch the miracles happen on the cars, see how the sandblasting works and have a good lunch, not to mention the fun of hanging out with other car people...This year we are combining two clubs, Boyz Under the Hood and Golden Hills Mustang Club. The event will take place at Cordeiro Vault, 495 Ryder St., Vallejo



** UPCOMING EVENTS **

| Apr 1 | CAR SHOW MEETING & BOARD MEETING HELD VIA EMAIL |
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| Apr 17 | National Mustang Day— CELEBRATE AT HOME WITH YOUR MUSTANG |
| Apr 19 | River Cats Game tentatively rescheduled for Saturday, August 29th |
| Apr 23-26 | Kool April Nites—cancelled until next year |
| Apr 28 | General Membership Meeting, 7:30pm, Stars Recreation, 155 Browns Valley Parkway, Vacaville |
| | ALL APRIL GHMC EVENTS CANCELLED |
| | ALL MAY AND FUTURE EVENTS DEPEND ON LIFTING OF THE STAY AT HOME ORDER |
| May 30 | Dent Day & Dustless Sandblasting @ Cordeiro Vault - Tentatively Rescheduled—See pg 7 |
| June 13 | Napa Ford Display w/Canine Guardians Assistance Dogs |
| Jun 25-28 | Camping @ Lake Francis—watch email for details |
| July 15 –19 | GHMC Jet Boat Ride - Road Trip to Grants Pass July 15 th -18th! Kids 4 to 11 54.75 Adults 72.25 dinner included! Contact Dan McCabe if interested. |
| Sep 26 | 36th Annual Biggest Little Car Show - Rescheduled |

NOTE: If you sign up to attend a GMHC event but cannot attend, please notify the event chairperson ASAP.

If you need contact information, please email: info@goldenhillsmustangclub.com

MUSTANG TRIVIAL PURSUIT GAME

Dan McCabe's Question for February was:

The 1969 Mustang had a choice of many engines. Each one had its own letter code.

How many different engine codes were available for 1969?

Nick Loya gave the correct answer, which was:

12

Nick's question for our next meeting is:

How many years was the 3rd Generation Mustang produced?

Watch for the next question in the ???? issue of Pony Tales

DUE TO THE FACT THAT THERE WAS NO MEETING IN MARCH

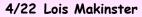
AND NONE SCHEDULED FOR APRIL THIS QUESTION WILL STAND UNTIL WE MEET AGAIN



Happy Birthday

APRIL BIRTHDAYS

- 4/2 Danielle Wright
- 4/4 Regina Williams
- 4/5 Michael Irwin
- 4/6 Austin Sturgeon
- 4/7 Karin Irwin
- 4/7 Greg Stevenson
- 4/9 Geoffrey Snow
- 4/14 Jack Banovitz
- 4/14 Nicole vonTina
- 4/15 Danielle von Ting
- 4/18' Ellyn Derby
- 4/21 Chuck Hodgers



4/23 Sally Ann Wright

4/23 Kai Pomereinke

4/24 Loretta McCalmont

4/28 Lisa Phillips

MAY BIRTHDAYS

- 5/2 Ileine Burke
- 5/2 Dennis von Ting
- 5/3 Shelby Bauer
- 5/9 Sue Calvert
- 5/10 Tony Barkman
- 5/14 Ian Myska
- 5/16 Rachel Cordeiro



5/18 Jackson Her-

man

5/19 Jason Scott

5/22 Melinda Barkman

5/22 Brant Seghetti

5/24 Yvonne Westberg

5/25 Mike Robinette

5/26 Kirk Stafford

5/27 Jeff Gunderson

5/27 Carl McCune

5/27 Emma York



PLEASE LET US KNOW IF WE HAVE FORGOTTEN ANYONE!

* Sunshine Corner *

The following members were sent some Sunshine in the past month:

- A sympathy card was sent to Sally Wright for the passing of her mother. We all send our condolences.
- A Get well card was sent to Christine Pezzolo after another brain surgery. As of this writing she is still in a rehab facility and will be coming home soon..
- A card was sent to Kirk Stafford after he slipped on the ice at at his cabin and broke three ribs. We hope he is feeling better by now.
- I am doing much better after my knee replacement. Thank you, Mustang Family, for all the good wishes!
- Please continue to keep Christine Pezzolo, and Carl McCune in your prayers as they are both battling cancer. If you would like to send encouragement cards or text notes to the above members please contact me for their addresses.







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