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GHMC HOSTS A SPECIAL DAY



On Saturday May 1st, GHMC held their second meeting of the year while celebrating National California Special Mustang Day at Ron DuPratt Ford in Dixon. Members enjoyed the beautiful spring day and held their meeting in the shade at the end of the parking lot. More pictures on page 6.



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.

2021

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Moving Onward

By President Sue Calvert



First of all, I want to thank everyone who came out to the event at Ron DuPratt Ford on Saturday, May 1st. We made quite a showing of Mustangs and even managed to hold the second General Meeting of the year. Since Solano County is still in the Red Tier (as of this writing) it's been challenging to hold a General Membership meeting without our normal room at Stars Recreation Center. We managed to sit in a shady circle and got through the meeting in record time.

We are moving ahead with plans for our Biggest Little Car Show at the Suisun Waterfront Park on October 2, 2021. I al-

ready have some great raffle prizes on hand – with the promise of one fantastic Grand Prize to come. We're going to start collecting additional raffle prizes and goodie bag items soon – so watch your email for further details as we approach June and July.

We have some great events coming up, so check out the calendar in this issue and on our website. I'm also planning on having our 3rd General Meeting on Saturday, June 12th when we meet at Napa Ford for our display. I hope to see a lot of you next month!

Stay well!!

Sue

IT'S PAST TIME TO RENEW MEMBERSHIPS!

Thank You to those who have already paid, but we still have a few who haven't!

I am hoping now that now have had a couple of meetings everyone will agree with me how much we are all eager to keep the club going. Our Mustang Family has been comforting to so many during the past year, and we want to continue to be a source of goodwill in our community. Without our Car Show last year, our only income was membership. We hope to be able to have a show in October this year, but nothing is certain. Please keep in touch and **if you are uncertain if you have paid your dues**, please contact me at membership@goldenhillsmustangclub.com

If you would like to send your check in the mail there is an application on the website, or contact me to have one mailed to you. If you would like to use PayPal there is a link on our website - Click Join Our Club and scroll down to: ****pay online for Membership Renewal (\$30)**** or you can go to your PayPal account and send money to a friend using the email : membership@goldenhillsmustangclub.com

Whether you pay by check or online, please fill out a new application for our records and either mail it to P.O. Box 497, Fairfield, CA 94533-0049 or email it to the above address.

Thank you!

Please Stay Safe and hope to see you soon!

Norma McCabe





FORD POWERED DRIVE FOR HUNGER

Just like last year, Paul Cuff asked the Golden Hills Mustang Club to participate in the 2021 Ford Powered Drive for Hunger. He also reached out to other clubs to make sure this year's donations were as good if not better than last year. We are Proud to say it was! Our calculations tell us it was a 33% increase over 2020!

Approximately 70 cars brought food and donations, and enjoyed a drive through the beautiful countryside in perfect weather! We raised 6,034 meals, Food contributions totaled 1,462 pounds and monetary contributions totaled \$2,408. (See the thank you letter from the Food Bank to see just how successful it was!)

This was a very fun event, Thanks to the Cobra Experience in Martinez who opened the parking lot for the food drop-off and thankfully opened the restrooms for us! After all the food was collected we enjoyed seeing all the beautiful cars and waited for the 3 special Mustangs to lead us through the back roads and beautiful countryside of Contra Costa County. Click on this link to see the YouTube video:

<https://youtu.be/NqgMLCwZ7Sc>

Some of us didn't follow all the way to the end but turned off and drove to Heather Farms Park in Walnut Creek for a picnic lunch. Thanks to Sue for finding the perfect spot.

Many Thanks go to Sue Calvert and her "twin" Nini Murphy from the Grabber Blue Mustang Registry, Donnie McEachern, Laura Mize, Diane Riga and her niece Marina, Scott Paulin, Rob Schutte, Robin & Paige Paulsell, Jerry & Cyndy Lamphiear, and a brand new member who joined that day Joel Edelmann and his lovely wife Michele, for joining Dan & Norma McCabe to help make this day so successful! Hope it happens again next year!



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April 16, 2021

Ford Powered Drive for Hunger

Thank you so much for your April 10, 2021 food donations to the Food Bank of Contra Costa and Solano. The total of 1,462 pounds of food and \$2,408 you brought in equates to 6,034 meals for our neighbors struggling to make ends meet.

How does your hard work make a difference? Since the Covid pandemic began in March, 2020 the Food Bank has been supporting 280,000 people each month. That is 100,000 more people seeking help than just a few months ago. In Fiscal Year 2019 you helped us distribute about 25,000,000 pounds of food. The last year we were up to 31,000,000 pounds and we are on track to hit 40,000,000 pounds this current year.

While the need is great – the community has risen to the challenge. Thanks to generous and energetic folks like you who organize food drives, no one has been turned away. This would not happen if everyone waited for "someone else" to make it happen. It was up to YOU, and YOU did it!

We know there is a bright future ahead, with the virus under control and the economy booming back, but it will take all of us working together to bring it about.

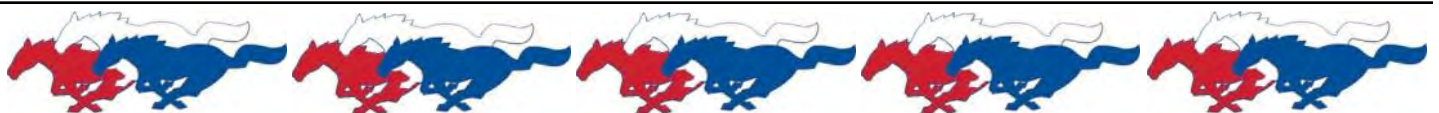
Please feel free to reach out to me with any questions.

It takes a village to feed a village.

Thank you for being a part of the solution.


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MILITARY VEHICLE DEMONSTRATION DAY

April 24, 2021
9:30am-2:30pm

And Car Show

By Dan McCabe

The American Armory Museum in Fairfield is a very special place to see. The mission is to: "Educate Future Generations About, And Impress upon Them, The Sacrifice, Bravery And Enduring Significance Of The United States Military Through Military Vehicle Displays, Armaments, Other Military Related Items And Educational Videos". One of the displays is the Jeep that General Patton used during the last days of WWII.

Each year the Armory hosts a car show and military display and for a donation you can ride in a tank or other military vehicle. The highlight of the day is the crushing of two donated cars. These cars are crushed with Tanks! It is a sight to see! All the kids lined up chanting "Crush that car, Crush that car!"

This year brought a record number of cars and trucks and if you didn't get there early you may not have been able to get in. Thankfully, GHMC members: Brian Evans, Ron & Liz Normandin, Bill Davis, Dan McCabe and new member Dick Cartwright were on time and entered the show. Also joining us were Napa Valley Cruiser members Chris Butler, Dave Silveira and Mike & Judy Biggs. Mike won his class with his beautiful 1957 Chevy truck!

As in years past, GHMC made a donation to the Museum, Car show participants were joined by GHMC President Sue Calvert along with Clif Wilson and Neal Randles to presenting the check to General Manager Geoff Lippman.

GHMC is proud of our support of this wonderful Museum and we hope more of you can go next year!





The making of an event . . .

You may be wondering how the event pictured on the cover and page 6 came about. Why would we celebrate one special kind of Mustang and why would we hold our club meeting at that event? Well, the second part is the easiest to explain. Since our regular meeting place has not opened up yet, we need to find places that have restroom facilities and have a shady place to hold an outdoor meeting. We are planning to have our June meeting at another Ford dealer in Napa.

Now to address the first question: When the Mustang Owner's Museum announced that they would be honoring the California Special on May 1st, Ron Normandin contacted me to ask if GHMC could do the same. I remembered a photo was featured in a book about the California Special written by Paul Newitt. It was of a California Special in the showroom at Ron DuPratt Ford in Dixon back in 1968. With that photo in mind, I called Peter Spitzer at Ron DuPratt and asked if we could do a display there. Because of our long history with DuPratt Ford and the desire to continue that relationship, Peter was more than happy to okay the event. I wasn't able to be there that day, but the pictures show that it was a wonderful day! What better way to get together outdoors, celebrate a little history and get some club business done at the same time!

This event was the prime example of how club members can work together to make an event happen. Ron Normandin thought up the event, brought it to a board member and then helped publicize the event on social media. All members have the ability to do the same. If there is an event you would like to see happen, please don't hesitate to bring it up. Just contact any Board Member and we will be happy to help, if possible.

By Dan McCabe



CONGRATULATIONS!

MORE HAPPY NEWS TO REPORT THIS MONTH:

♥ We heard that the Leathers family is expanding. Tim changed his Facebook status to "Married" in April. Congratulations Miki Medina for finally wrangling this great guy!

♥ Tim's daughter, Courtney Ann, just announced that daughter Avery has a back up in training. Tim will be a grandpa again! Congratulations, Leathers Family!



★★ UPCOMING EVENTS ★★



ALL FUTURE EVENTS ARE TENTATIVE

May 1	General Meeting this month held at Ron DuPratt Ford.
May 15	Poker Run with SAMC - Watch your email for flyer!
May 23	Sunday afternoon River Cats Game postponed to later date. Watch email for details.
Jun 5	7th Annual Cobra Day All Ford Car Show, Cobra Experience, Martinez. Details to follow
June 12	Napa Ford Display/June Club Meeting
Jun 24-27	Camping at Lake Francis , contact Brian Evans for more details.
July 3-4	July 4th parades have not been announced yet. Watch your email!
July TBA	Grants Pass Jet Boat Trip if there is enough interest.??? Please contact Dan McCabe if interested.
Oct 2	36th Annual Biggest Little Car Show is postponed again. No permit yet, but we are working with the City of Suisun for the October date. Watch your email for details!

*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*



WELCOME NEW MEMBERS



Joel Edelman & Michele Rebollini
Walnut Creek, CA
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Vallejo, CA
2020 Coupe, Rapid Red



Happy Birthday



MAY BIRTHDAYS

5/2 Ileine Burke
 5/2 Dennis vonTing
 5/3 Shelby Bauer
 5/8 Jeff Bassett
 5/9 Sue Calvert
 5/10 Tony Barkman
 5/14 Ian Myska
 5/16 Rachel Cordeiro
 5/16 Dan McCabe
 5/18 Jackson Herman
 5/19 Jason Scott
 5/22 Melinda Barkman
 5/24 Will Valencia
 5/24 Yvonne Westberg
 5/25 Mike Robinette



5/26 Kirk Stafford
 5/27 Jeff Gunderson
 5/27 Carl McCune
 5/27 Emma York

JUNE BIRTHDAYS

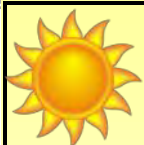
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 6/3 Norma McCabe
 6/3 Mike McCalmont
 6/4 Liz Normandin
 6/5 Joey Holecek
 6/5 Alexia Robinson
 6/8 Mason Sturgeon
 6/9 Angie Markle
 6/10 Jason Richard Marz (Pickering)



6/10 Peter Mitsopoulos
 6/11 Terry Scott
 6/11 Denise Imboden
 6/12 Shannon Hodgers
 6/12 Pat Sivigliano
 6/17 Tammy Robinette
 6/20 Eli Prado (Pickering)
 6/20 Connor Wiederspahn
 6/20 Vincent Wiederspahn
 6/22 Drake Wilson
 6/23 Suzanne Freitas
 6/23 Dean Laroski (Pickering)
 6/26 Mari Haran
 6/26 Kristin Irwin
 6/26 Logan Sturgeon
 6/30 Hilmar Walter



PLEASE LET US KNOW IF WE HAVE FORGOTTEN ANYONE!



Sunshine Corner



Cards were sent to the following members:

- ❁ A card was sent to Christine Pezzolo to let her know we are praying for her, as she was not doing well and was in a care home for rehab. She is home now.
- ❁ Bill Banovitz had another surgery on his foot, hang in there Bill you will be feeling better soon.
- ❁ Hideko Wilson fell in her back yard and broke her hip and is in a rehab hospital. We hope you will be home soon.
- ❁ Paige Paulsell was in E.R. for several hours. Paige get lots of rest so you can be back to normal soon.
- ❁ Kathy Loya fell and broke her wrist which now is in a cast. Kathy we hope you heal fast so you can have the cast removed soon.
- ❁ Dan McCabe threw his back out unloading the trailer after camping. He is slowly getting better, and hates being unable to do things. We hope he feels better soon.
- ❁ Please keep these members & other members that have had health issues in your thoughts. They could all use our prayers. If you would like to send them a card, email or text please do so. It really means a lot to know that others care.
- ❁ Remember if you know of some SUNSHINE please contact me.

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HAPPY NEWS?



DOES ANYONE HAVE SOMETHING TO SHARE?

It is always great to share some happy news, especially during difficult times like a pandemic. If you have something **HAPPY** (retirement, engagement, new grandchild, recognition or an award) to share with your fellow club members, please send me an email: nrmccabe@gmail.com

