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THE FEEDBAG

From the Prez ,

April 1, 2000

Happy April Fools Day everyone !! I don't know about everyone else, but I've been seeing a lot of cars coming out of storage and on the road lately. It's good that Spring is finally here. I must admit, the Winter did not seem all that long. Although that could be due to the fact that we have a little one to keep us busy !

Speaking of the little one, William is doing great. He just turned five months old the 21st of March. He's been healthy and happy, which is all we can ask for. He's even been to a few of the monthly meetings as well as the bowling outing. Gotta break him in young ! I can't wait to get him out for a ride in the Convertible. Just as long as he doesn't have any accidents in it.

In other news, we are starting the process of adding onto our house. Now before you ask, no I'm not adding another bedroom. It's something more important . . . another garage ! We just got the plans done and we are getting quotes to add an attached 20' x 36' garage on to our existing garage. The new garage will house the two Mustangs and our collection of Mustang diecast and Memorabilia. I can't wait to get it done. And seeing as we are going to have some additional garage space, we are also kicking around the idea of looking for a '94 Mustang SVT Cobra , preferably WHITE. So if anyone knows of one for sale, please keep us in mind.

There wasn't a whole lot of stuff going on in March to report on. We did have our meeting at " Venice Club " and the turnout was very good. I believe we had just over 20 members attend. We managed to eat a good amount of pizza. I don't think anyone left hungry ! Our thanks to Jack Winters for setting it up for us and we hope to do this again in the future. It is a nice change of pace from the bank. Other than that, nothing else really was going on in March. To keep everyone up to date, the Car Show plans are progressing nicely. We'll fill you in on all the details at the April meeting.

One thing I do want to mention before I end this letter. We are still looking for someone to plan the June 3-4 OTR Trip. If someone wants to do this, I need to talk to them ASAP !!! If we cannot find a volunteer to plan the trip, we will have to cancel it. Another thought is that if we have to cancel the OTR Trip, we might hold a one day trip on Saturday, just to do something. If anyone would have any ideas for that, please let me know ASAP. We will have to publish details in the next newsletter.

Well that's all for now. Till next Month .. " Keep America Beautiful ...Drive a Mustang ! " Take care all.

Scott



HAPPY EASTER FROM YOUR EDITOR

NEW WEB SITE COORDINATOR

Scott Jentsch, who was responsible for coordinating the club web site, has announced he will no longer be able to handle this activity. Vickey Troyer has volunteered to take over the duty of updating our web site.

MARCH MEETING

Thanks to the efforts of Jack Winters the March meeting was great. It was held at the Venice club. Beer, Soda and pizza was served to the 20 members and family who attended.

TECH TIPS ARTICLE

Starting with next months issue of the feedbag we will include a question and answer section. Our Technical advisor Lisa Housey will answer your Mustang questions. Dick Doria has also volunteered as a backup source. This is how the article will work. If you have a question you can mail or e-mail it to Lisa. She in turn will answer your question and forward this information to me to print in the newsletter for the benefit of all members. If you have a question send to: Lisa (vernmotz@aol.com) or W148 N8193 University Drive Menomonee Falls WI 53051

CAR OF THE MONTH

A few years ago I ran a car of the month section in the feedbag. I would like to resurrect this feature for future Feedback publications. Mail or e-mail me a picture (4 X 6 max size) of your car along with a short summary of the vehicle and I will publish it in the Feedbag.

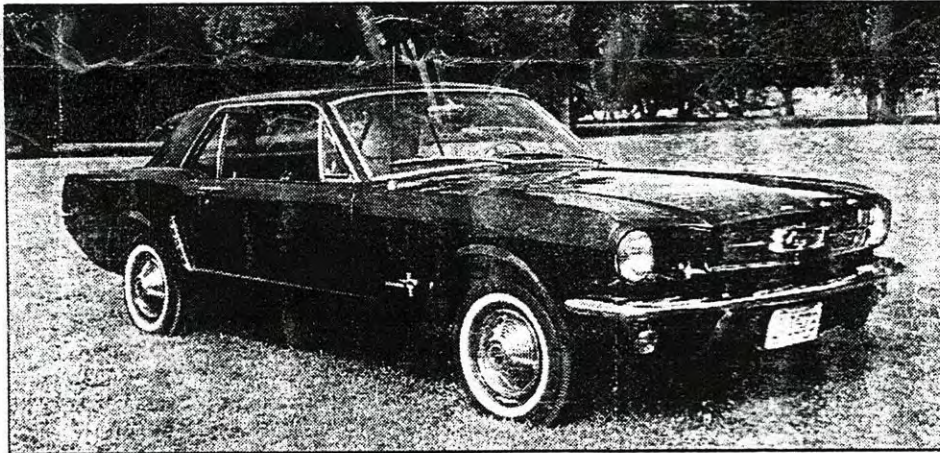
GOODIE BAG UPDATE

A few members have come forth with items for the club show goodie bag, but more items are needed. Please contact the people you do business with and ask for donations. Contact Bob Zimmermann if you have anything for the bag.

UNTIL NEXT MONTH
FRATERNALLY YOURS
BOB ZIMMERMANN

MINUTES FROM MEETING 3/27/00

- The meeting was called to order at 6:50 PM by Scott Moen. This meeting was held at The Venice club. There were 20 people in attendance
- Bob Zimmermann read the minutes from the February meeting.
- Sharon Doria gave the treasurer report.
- Scott announced the date change for the Loyal Ford car show. Their show date was changed to May 7th.
- Tom Miller suggested we get new business cards printed.
- Sharon Doria reported that there were 10 sign ups to date for the Brunch Run to Silver Springs Country Club. Cost is \$18.00 per person. There will be a group leaving from Wauwatosa Savings Bank that Sunday morning.
- Scott circulated a sign up sheets for jobs at our car show. Every member should sign up for at least on area. Help is needed in all areas.
- Tom Miller has set up for the Day trip scheduled for July 29th. We will be going to Manitowoc and visit the Maritime museum . A restaurant stop will be planned for the return trip.
- We are still looking for a volunteer to coordinate the June 3 - 4 Over the road trip. If necessary we could convert this to a day trip.
- Scott was going to talk to the people at Venus Ford to see if they would promote our show with their radio commercials and newspaper ads.
- Jack Winters recommended having name tags made up for members.
- The meeting was adjourned at 7:10



A blue Mustang that's documented as a pre-assembly prototype and the first hardtop sold to the public has been restored to new condition.

First Mustang hardtop to be displayed

CALIFORNIA - The first production Ford Mustang hardtop has been found and restored. Collector Bob Fria, of Glendale, located it in the city of Temecula.

Fria's research indicates the car was sold new in Whitehorse in Canada's Yukon Territory. It had been mistakenly sent to the Yukon from Vancouver, B.C., traveling by ship and narrow-gauge railway. The car was supposed to have been sold new in Vancouver in April 1964, at the Mustang's introductory new-car sales gala.

After 17 years in the Yukon (including two years at a remote silver mine north of Whitehorse), the car made its way to Edmonton, Alberta for the next 14 years. It then went to Bozeman, Mont. and Temecula. The car was then brought to Glendale by Fria. Over a two-year period, it was fully restored to its original condition.

Fria says his Mustang had a "dual life." It was first assembled as a hand-made factory prototype put together at Ford's Allen Park Prototype Plant, near Dearborn, Mich., in February 1964. Ford converted it into a production car for public sale. It has been documented as the only known prototype Mustang to survive.

The car will be shown at auto museums and Mustang Club of America activities beginning in the spring of 2000, the Mustang's 35th anniversary year.

WISCONSIN EARLY MUSTANGERS 2000 CALENDAR

DATE	EVENT
4/24/00	Monthly club meeting. Wauwatosa Savings Bank 7:00
5/7/00	Ice Breaker Brunch Run. Place to be determined
5/7/00	Loyal Ford Car Show
5/20/00	Car Show Set Up 12:30 PM Venus Ford
5/21/00	Annual Car Show at Venus Ford
6/3/00 6/4/00	Over the Road over night trip. Need someone to plan
6/24/00	Day trip. Manitowoc WI Tour Maritime Museum
7/7/00 7/9/00	Iola
7/23/00	Sorens Ford Car Show
7/29/00	Day trip. Need volunteer to coordinate
7/31/00	Monthly club meeting. Wauwatosa Savings Bank 7:00
8/6/00	Elkhorn Car Show
8/20/00	Midwest Ford Show Antioch Ill
8/27/00	Wisconsin Dells Auto Show
8/28/00	Monthly club meeting. Wauwatosa Savings Bank 7:00
9/15/00 9/16/00	Northwoods Shelby Meet
9/24/00	W.E.M. Club Car Rally
9/25/00	Monthly club meeting. Wauwatosa Savings Bank 7:00
10/6/00 10/8/00	Door County Over the Road Trip
10/30/00	Monthly club meeting. Wauwatosa Savings Bank 7:00
11/27/00	Monthly club meeting. Wauwatosa Savings Bank 7:00

Reminder: If you plan on attending the Annual Brunch Run which will be held on May 7th. Send your money in now so we can get a final headcount.

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****FOR SALE:** Shorty headers, fits 289 or 302 Asking \$70. New chrome 8.8 differential cover \$25. Flywheel 10" clutch 1985 HO Mustang \$25. Rear bumper '71 Mustang \$20.
CALL JIM 262-521-1014

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****WANTED:** Rust free 1966 Mustang Convertible. prefer A code GT with pony interior but would be open to others as well. Will consider driver to restored car depending on quality and price.
CALL KERRY 608-836-6871

WANTED: Old woodworking Magazines. If you are cluttering up your closet with old woodworking magazines I would be glad to get them off your hands. Looking for any publication related to wood crafts (Popular Woodworking, Wood, Shopnotes, Woodsmith, Fine Woodworking) to name a few.
CALL BOB 414-761-2007 OR EMAIL RZIMME0525@AOL.COM

WANTED: All parts needed are for a 1972 Fastback: (1) Right Door and door skin and inner panel. (2) Black center console with clock. (3) C-6 transmission.
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WANTED: Any size trains or parts, electric or wind up. CALL WAYNE 920-206-0464.

**** Indicates new ad this month**

FREE WANT ADS TO MEMBERS

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A Short History of the Model T

After 20 years of experimentation, Henry Ford finally saw the fruits of his labor in October of 1908 with the Model T. This was the vehicle he had wanted to build since his first Model A in 1903. The Model T changed the world. It was a powerful car with a possible speed of 45 mph, and ran 13 to 21 miles on a gallon of gasoline. It carried a 20-horsepower, side-valve, four-cylinder engine and two-speed "planetary" transmission on a 100-inch wheelbase. Important to the long-term success of the Model T was Childe Harold Wills' experimentation with the properties of vanadium steel, which resulted in the lightness and durability that was an important trademark of the Model T. In October of 1913, mass production of the automobile began. Ford had previously organized workers and components to enhance the production of the Model T, but the moving assembly line quickly improved the speed of chassis assembly from 12 hours and eight minutes to one hour and 33 minutes. In 1914 Ford produced 308,162 cars, which was more than all 299 other auto manufacturers combined. It was also in 1914 that the Model T, in the interest of streamlining production, dropped the colors red, blue, green and gray; it was now available in "any color so long as it is black."

Mass production did allow for flexibility in the price tag, however. Henry Ford introduced the Model T at \$850 for the Touring Car, but by October of 1924, he was able to offer the Runabout for as low as \$260. Few things other than the price ever changed on the Model T: Electric lights were introduced in 1915, the radiator shell went from brass to black in 1917, and in 1919 an electric starter became an option on the closed cars. These would be the only major modifications until the mid-1920s, when Henry Ford gave in to pressures to modernize the car and began experimenting with changes.

The changes were not enough to keep the Model T competitive, and Henry Ford finally decided it was time to cease production. After more than 15 million Model Ts had been made, a ceremony marked the formal end of the line in May 1927. On October 27, 1927, Ford Motor Company entered a new era as the first Model A came off the Rouge assembly line.

WISCONSIN EARLY MUSTANGERS ICE BREAKER

*Champagne Brunch
(includes coffee, tea, or milk)*



Where: Silver Spring Country Club

N56 W21318 Silver Spring Rd.

When: May 7, 2000

Time: 11:00am

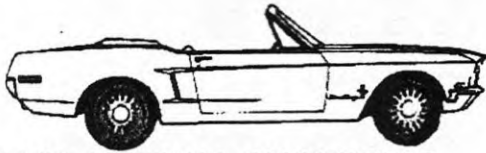
Price: \$18.00 per person (price includes Tax and Tip)

RSVP: Sharon Doria/Wisconsin Early Mustangers

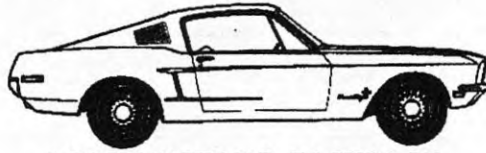
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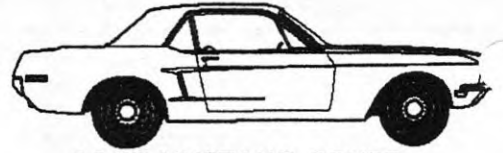
THE 1968 FORD MUSTANG



1968 MUSTANG CONVERTIBLE



1968 MUSTANG FASTBACK



1968 MUSTANG COUPE

Side marker reflectors were added to the front and rear quarters this year. Grille bars were deleted in 1968.

The GT Equipment Group consisted of a heavy duty suspension, dual exhausts, with chrome quad outlets, fog lamps, GT stripes, GT pop open gas cap, GT ornamentation on front fenders, F70-14 wide oval WSW tires, Slotted and painted (or chromed) 14" style steel wheels with GT hub caps and chrome trim rings. GT cars had no grille bars this year-for the first time. The heavy duty suspension was unchanged from 1967.

A "California Special" hardtop with special trim was sold on the West coast, due to the popularity of Mustangs in that state. The "High Country Special" for the Colorado market was continued, but this year it came with special trim - same as the California Special except for nameplates.

On April 1, 1968, Ford introduced their GT Mustang with the new 428 Cobra Jet. It's heavy duty suspension was special, with staggered rear shocks on 4 speed cars.

Luxury Mustangs have the Interior Decor Group, which consists of molded door trim panels with integral arm rests, padded quarter trim panels on hardtops, red/white door courtesy lights, lower door grille, roof console, bright metal trim on foot pedals, woodgrain instrumentation panel appliques, vinyl covered T shifter lever on auto transmission and woodgrain knob on manual transmission, bright buttons in seat back, and woodgrain steering rim and insert.

A Sports Trim Group option included woodgrain instrumentation panel applique, 2 tone painted hood, knitted vinyl inserts in bucket seats for fastback and hardtop, and bright wheel lip moldings on 6 cylinder cars.

Prior to Feb 15, 1968 Mustangs came with a rectangular red reflector in the rear quarters. Mustangs built after that date had oval shaped chrome trim.

A convertible was added to the Shelby lineup in 1968. The "KR" label on this new addition stands for "King of the Road". When Ford introduced their new 428CJ on April 1st the Shelby GT500 was already dropped, and replaced with the GT500 KR, which was equipped with the newer , higher performance 428CJ.

Production of the GT350's and the GT500's switched from Los Angeles to the A. O. Smith company in Ionia MI.

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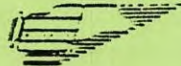
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