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CVMC News

Adopt-A-Highway October 31, 2009

We had 8 members show up for our rain delayed Adopt-A-Highway Trash Pickup. They were Larry Noble, Don & Karen Lane, Llew Stakes, Bill Gray, Mike Peyton, George Bobrovsky & Tony Hall. After we finished we went to Pizza Hut for pizza mmmm mmmm good!

CVMC would like thank everyone who showed up to help out and for those who didn't show up "Where were you?" Just kidding! We hope you can make it next time.

Our next Adopt-A-Highway Trash Pickup will be April 10th, 2010 so mark your calendars.

Article By Tony Hall



2009 Christmas Parades

The 2009 Christmas Parade Season will be here before you know it so get those beautiful Mustangs all cleaned up for another great CVMC Parade Season!

The Ashland parade is Nov. 22 at 2:30 P.M. We meet at the Southern States store at 120 Hanover Ave. about 1:30 P.M. and move to the line up spot as a group.

The Mechanicsville parade is Dec. 6 at 3:00 P.M. We meet at the Mechanicsville Elementary School at 2:00 P.M. as this is the line up spot (on Atlee).

The Chester parade is Dec. 13 at 2:00 P.M. We meet at the Morris Funeral home on West Hundred Road at 1:00 P.M. This is the staging area for the parade.

PLEASE NOTE: This is based on the last few years as I have not received any confirmations at this time. I will post them on the forum section as I receive them.

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Be sure to check the CVMC Forums for more information on the upcoming parades!

Article By Llew Stakes

Photos By Tony Hall

2009 CVMC Christmas Party December 5th, 2009

CVMC Christmas Dinner reservations are being accepted now. This year it will be held on Saturday December 5, 2009, at 7:00 PM. It will be at the

Holiday Inn Cross Roads. This is the same location we hold our monthly meetings. We are not limited by the number that can attend. Guests are welcome. This is a great deal for our members. The cost is \$26.00 per couple for paid members. All single members will pay \$13.00 each. All additional guests will be required to pay the full price of \$26.00 per person. This includes non alcoholic drinks, salad, 2 vegetables, choice of 2 entrees, and dessert. Cash bar available. Your payment will confirm your reservation. So get those checks rolling in. Please bring a NEW TOY that is not wrapped for donation to the Children's Hospital Toy Drive. Deadline for reservations are DECEMBER 1. I look forward to seeing each and every one of you on December 5.

Article By Gordon Martin



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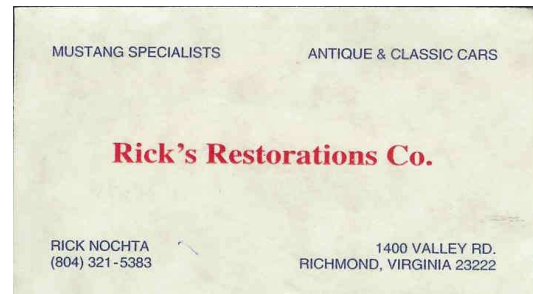
2009 Officer & Director Elections

Hello CVMC Club Members! You have an opportunity to do your civic club duty and sign up for an office during the CVMC elections. We will be electing President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer and CVMC Directors. Please submit your name to Dave Dickey or me if you are interested in being placed on the ballot for any of these positions. Elections will take place at the December meeting. Thanks!

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Article By George Bobrovsky



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CVMC October Monthly Meeting Minutes

By Kathy Morton

President Gordon Martin welcomed everyone to the CVMC monthly meeting at 7:30 p.m.

New members: Welcomed Dennis Papa and son, Daniel, who has a 1966 Mustang that he is restoring.

Gordon announced that Sheehy Ford has a new manager and was hoping she would be attending our meeting tonight or in the future.

Treasurer's Report was given by Ron Martin and approved by membership.

September 19th Car Show:

Gordon thanked all for their work on a successful Car Show that had gorgeous weather. Special thanks was given to Larry Noble, Dave Dickey, Tony Hall and Rusty Wiseman for their leadership. CVMC members discussed the show's strengths and weaknesses as lessons learned for future shows. Larry stated 145 cars were at the Car

Show and 13 displays for a total of 158 cars! Dave thanked all for good judging and felt there were beautiful cars at this show, including the Mazda that was Ford powered. Larry clarified that the trophy plaques and judging sheets, if requested, will be sent out in 4-6 weeks.

Board Meeting Update:

Gordon thanked all for attending the Board Meeting on Mon., October 5, 2009. It was decided that we will only purchase 10 RIR Race Tickets next year instead of 20. This decision was made after tickets have not been sold in the past and the Club had to bear the expense. The future purchasing of 10 will be re-evaluated after the next few races to see if we wish to continue purchasing.

Trash Pickup: Gordon announced that Saturday, October 24 at 9:00 a.m. has been set as our next trash pickup on the Southside, off Otterdale Road. Meet in the Ivymont Shopping Center, off Route 60, at 9:00 a.m. After trash pickup, all will enjoy Pizza Hut pizza. E-mail will be sent out to membership.

Christmas Party: Saturday, December 5 at 6:30 p.m. at Holiday Inn Staples Mill Road. Cost is \$26 per person and Club will pay one half of the cost for each person. Please bring new, unwrapped toys that will be taken to the Children's Hospital. No limit on total number of participants as it has been in the past.

MCA Update: Dave Dickey thanked all who attended the 45th Anniversary in Birmingham and those who attended the Raleigh, North Carolina show in July. The Club received a 3rd place trophy for club participation. MCA National Show in Virginia Beach from August 13-15, 2010. Dave received a notice from the MCA Board that dues will be raised to \$50 per year. Dave has written and voted in opposition of this increase due to economic times. Dave suggested that if a MCA member renews before January 2010, they can pay \$160 and renew to June 2016 to avoid due increase. Gordon stated that it is not required to be an MCA member but it

is suggested because of the benefits. Gordon thanked Dave for his work as our MCA representative.

Elections: George Bobrovsky provided sign in sheets for those interested in running for the office of President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, 5 Directors and MCA Director. Nominations will be accepted and the election will be held in December.

Spring Car Show: Saturday, April 17, 2010 has been set for the Spring Car Show. This is an open show with all cars welcomed. George Bobrovsky is Spring Show chairman and is looking for volunteers. Please contact George if you are available.

CVMC Merchandise: George Godsey has CVMC flags for car antennas available and will be getting USA flags soon. Has many items with the CVMC logo – tank tops, coffee cups, hats, denim shirts, winter coats and will have Christmas ornaments. George mentioned CVMC's 25th Anniversary next year and wants to make an anniversary shirt available with the approval of membership. More details to come.

Parades: Lew Stakes announced the Ashland Parade is Sunday, November 22 at 2:30 p.m. - will meet at Southern States in Ashland. Mechanicsville Parade is scheduled for Sunday, December 6, at 3:00 p.m. and Chester's Christmas Parade is Sunday, December 13, at 2:00 p.m. Times to gather for the parade will be announced.

Miscellaneous: Gordon was given some cards to visit a sports center on Ridgefield Parkway which he handed out to those interested. Break taken. Raffle and 50/50 was held. Meeting adjourned at 8:45 p.m. Next Meeting Wed., November 4, at 7:30 p.m.

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Thanks For Contributing To The Galloping Gazette

I would like to take a minute to thank everyone who has contributed to the Galloping Gazette and let everyone know that if you have an article that you wrote on anything CVMC, Mustang and or Ford related please send it to me to be used in the newsletter.

Ideas for articles are but not limited to the following... Club Functions; Car Shows that you attended; Parades; Restoration Projects; Modification's; Unique Mustang's and or Ford's; Unique people connected with Mustang's and or Ford's; etc... Please include any pictures.

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News From The Blue Oval



SEMA '09: '34 FORD HOT ROD 'REPLACES DISPLACEMENT' IN FAVOR OF 400-HP 3.5L TWIN-TURBO ECOBOOST V-6

Ford Powertrain, Detroit Street Rods and Experi-metal team up to showcase classic '34 Ford 3-Window

Coupe hot rod boasting "first" rear-wheel-drive application of EcoBoost™ V-6.

The first production rear-wheel-drive 3.5-liter EcoBoost V-6 model launches next year in the Ford F-150, followed by a 2.0-liter I-4 in 2011 for the Falcon in Australia.

Dan Kapp, director of Ford Powertrain Research and Advanced Engineering, joins SEMA's "Driving Green" technology briefing on Tuesday, Nov. 3 to discuss the subject of green performance and EcoBoost's potential as the "replacement for displacement."

DEARBORN, Mich., Oct. 28, 2009 – Hot rodders have always lived by the motto "There's no replacement for displacement," indicating that the more cubic inches an engine has, the better the resulting performance. Ford Powertrain and Detroit Street Rods are out to prove that thinking out-of-date with their EcoBoost™-powered '34 Ford hot rod.

To be introduced at this year's Specialty Equipment Market Association (SEMA) show, the Ford hot rod will be the "first" rear-wheel-drive application of the 3.5-liter twin-turbo EcoBoost V-6 delivering an estimated 400 horsepower and 400 ft.-lb. of torque – power numbers that easily rival a typical hot rod's 302-cubic-inch V-8 or even a modern-day V-8 of similar size.

"EcoBoost technology shows that there is a viable replacement for displacement," said Dan Kapp, director of Ford Powertrain Research and Advanced Engineering, who will be part of a SEMA "Driving Green" technology briefing panel discussion during the show. "As consumers' demand for fuel efficiency continues to grow, and our commitment to delivering best-in-class fuel economy remains steadfast, it's important to show that performance does not need to suffer as a result."

"Hot rod builds provide blank canvases for SEMA member companies and SEMA is uniquely positioned to demonstrate that horsepower and green power can coexist without

sacrificing performance or the cool factor," said John Waraniak, SEMA vice president of Vehicle Technology. "This '34 EcoBoost hot rod is a fantastic example of modern green technology being applied in a manner that any performance enthusiast would love."

The EcoBoost family of engines uses turbocharging and direct injection technology to deliver up to 20 percent better fuel economy and up to 15 percent fewer CO2 emissions versus larger-displacement engines.

"The beauty of EcoBoost is that it enables us to downsize for fuel efficiency, yet boost for power," said Kapp. "We're able to decrease the size of the available engine – such as installing a V-6 versus a V-8 – yet boost the power using turbocharging to deliver similar power and torque to that larger engine."

The first EcoBoost engine, a 3.5-liter twin-turbo V-6, launched this year on the 2010 Ford Taurus SHO and Flex and on the Lincoln MKS and Lincoln MKT. The EcoBoost V-6 produces 355 horsepower (365 hp in the Taurus SHO) and 350 ft.-lb. of torque.

Ford has recently announced the first four-cylinder EcoBoost engines, launching in global applications beginning next year. The 1.6-liter EcoBoost I-4 first arrives in Europe, followed by the 2.0-liter EcoBoost I-4 launching on products in both Europe and North America.

Going forward, Ford will shift its powertrain strategy to be built around EcoBoost technology. Under the new system:

A 3.5-liter EcoBoost V-6 would replace naturally aspirated V-8 engines

A 2.0-liter EcoBoost I-4 would replace naturally aspirated V-6 engines

A 1.6-liter EcoBoost I-4 would replace naturally aspirated large I-4 engines

Following the launches of the new EcoBoost I-4s will be the extension of the 3.5-liter V-6 to the first rear-wheel-drive configuration in the F-150 pickup truck late next year. Another global application, the Ford Falcon sedan in Australia, will receive a rear-

wheel-drive version of the 2.0-liter EcoBoost I-4 in 2011.

The fun-to-drive nature of EcoBoost engines is leading Ford to introduce these fuel-saving powertrains in large volumes virtually across its lineup. For example, by 2013 more than 90 percent of Ford's North American lineup will be available with EcoBoost technology, and nearly 80 percent of Ford's global nameplates will have an available EcoBoost option.

By 2013, global EcoBoost volume throughout the Ford, Lincoln and Mercury vehicle family is expected to be 1.3 million units, with up to 750,000 sales coming from North America alone.

'34 Ford EcoBoost hot rod project

Detroit Street Rods' latest build is a 1934 Ford and is a joint venture with Ford Motor Company and Experi-metal. In this '34 application, the EcoBoost engine is configured for rear-wheel drive and is coupled with a Tremec five-speed manual transmission.

"The decision to use the EcoBoost engine for our powertrain on this project was an easy one in that it gave us the opportunity to combine the iconic '34 Ford sculpted body lines with the advanced technology of the EcoBoost powerplant," stated Robert Smith, president of Detroit Street Rods. "The result is the perfect hot rod marriage of advanced technology for power and legendary automobile design."

While the stock Honeywell turbochargers that drive the EcoBoost engine are used, they were repackaged to fit the engine bay of this all-steel replica body. The engine configuration and turbocharger packaging was dynamometer tested by Ford Powertrain for proper calibration of the engine electronic control module (ECM). In addition to the all-stock engine, other components including the fuel pump, ECM, fuel pump module, fuel pump processor and drive-by-wire throttle were utilized in their original production configuration.

The body is from Steve's Auto Restoration and is the recently released 1934 Ford 3-Window coupe. The complete body and fenders are from brand-new tooling, and are designed, stamped and manufactured by Experi-metal in Sterling Heights, Mich. This "replica" '34 features all-steel construction, full fenders, running boards, electronic power windows, air conditioning and custom bumpers.

The engine was repackaged and fitted with an engine plate adapter to mate with an aluminum flywheel, performance clutch and a Tremec TKO five-speed transmission. The turbochargers were repositioned to the front of the cylinder heads and custom aluminum tubing was used to route the air from the custom air cleaner through the air-to-air intercooler. The exhaust gases are routed from the cylinder heads through coated headers, through the stock wastegates, and pass through large custom exhaust cones located outside the engine bay and just above the front fenders.

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FORD, ROUSH FENWAY RACING, AND CON-WAY FREIGHT UNVEIL NEW 2010 NATIONWIDE MUSTANG

CONCORD, N.C., October 13, 2009 – A new era of Mustang racing rolled out here today, piloted by an All-American driver and with a returning sponsor familiar to loyal NASCAR fans.

Three major events were rolled into one today as Ford teamed up with Roush Fenway Racing and Con-way Freight to unveil the No. 16 Con-way Freight Mustang with driver Colin Braun at Roush Fenway Racing headquarters in Concord, N.C.

Ford announced in July that Mustang, the iconic pony car that has raced for all 45 years of its existence, would compete in the NASCAR Nationwide Series beginning in July 2010 when a limited rollout of NASCAR's new car begins at Daytona International Speedway. Today marked the first time the NASCAR Mustang was seen in public.

Braun, 21, a native of Ovalo, Texas, will make the move from the NASCAR Camping World Truck Series, where he was the 2008 Raybestos

Rookie of the Year, to a full-time Nationwide program next season, along with Con-way Freight, which has been his sponsor for the last two years. Roush Fenway and Con-way Freight recently agreed on a contract extension to remain as a primary sponsor for 18 Nationwide races within the organization.

"I'm so happy that Con-way Freight decided to move up with me to the Nationwide Series for 2010," Braun said. "They have been a great sponsor for the past two years in the truck series so it means a lot to me that they will continue to support me in the future. I'm also looking forward to driving a Mustang next year. I've always thought they are such incredible cars, but have never owned one. Maybe when I win my first race the guys at Ford will want to give me one of my own."

Mustang has a storied history in motorsports and can claim more than 2,000 professional race wins worldwide. Its iconic standing in the auto industry aside, Mustang brings a breath of fresh air and new sense of excitement to the NASCAR Nationwide Series.

"This truly marks the start of the next era of Mustang racing," said Brian Wolfe, director, Ford North America Motorsports. "We fully expect this Mustang, with drivers like Colin behind the wheel, to start to enjoy the kind of success so many other Mustang racing programs have enjoyed throughout the last four decades.

"Mustang is a proud and historic brand for Ford. This is a car born to race, and NASCAR is the next logical step for its racing pedigree."

Braun and Con-way Freight have had good success together and are experiencing a breakout season in 2009. Braun started the season by capturing his first of his three poles to date in the season-opening race at Daytona, and followed that up with his first NASCAR win, which came at Michigan International Speedway in June. He finished 13th in the point standings last year and currently sits

seventh with five races remaining this season.

"We're excited to help unveil the 2010 NASCAR Nationwide Mustang, and to announce Con-way Freight's first-ever sponsorship in the Nationwide Series," said John G. Labrie, president, Con-way Freight. "The opportunity to continue working with Ford, Roush Fenway Racing and Colin Braun is a great one for us. Colin's talent on the track and competitive spirit remind us of our more than 20,000 employees and the commitment they bring to their jobs every day. All of us at Con-way Freight look forward to supporting Colin all the way to another Rookie of the Year win in 2010."

Con-way Freight's first venture into racing took place in 2005. In 2006, the company rebranded and changed its name, and a racing sponsorship provided an ideal opportunity to build awareness of the Con-way Freight brand in an entertaining and exciting way for both customers and employees.

"Through the first five years of Con-way Racing, we saw that the program was a huge win for Con-way Freight and our customers, so we made the decision to move forward with a new affiliation with Ford, Roush Fenway Racing and Colin Braun," said Bill Wynne, vice president of marketing, Con-way Freight. "We've seen tremendous rewards from those relationships, and that's why we're here today to announce a new era of Con-way Racing action in the NASCAR Nationwide Series."

Mustang currently competes professionally in the NHRA Funny Car and Pro Stock divisions and places like the Grand-Am KONI Challenge, SCCA World Challenge, and the Mustang Challenge Series. In addition, thousands of Mustangs see action by grassroots racers at road courses and drag strips all across America.

"I have been a Mustang owner and enthusiast for many years myself so this is an exciting day to see this car racing in NASCAR," said car owner Jack Roush. "My teams have won

several road racing championships over the years in Mustangs, and I look forward to winning more with Colin, Carl (Edwards) and Ricky (Stenhouse, Jr.). With the continued support of Ford and Con-way Freight we plan to give Colin the opportunity for his second Rookie of the Year title in NASCAR, and ultimately a Nationwide Series championship."

Overall, Roush Fenway Racing has the most all-time victories in the NASCAR Nationwide Series with 107 and two driver championships, courtesy of Greg Biffle (2002) and Carl Edwards (2007).

About Ford North America Motorsports

Ford North America Motorsports, based in Dearborn, Mich., is responsible for major racing operations in North America, including NASCAR (Sprint Cup, Nationwide Series, Camping World Truck), Grand American sports car racing, NHRA drag racing, USAC midget car racing and the Ford Racing Mustang Challenge for the Miller Cup. Ford North America Motorsports also oversees the development and marketing of Ford Racing Engines and Performance Parts, the outreach programs with all Ford Clubs and Ford enthusiasts, and the marketing of the Ford Racing brand through initiatives such as Team Ford Racing. For more information regarding Ford Racing's activities, please visit www.fordracing.com.

About Roush-Fenway Racing

Roush Fenway Racing is NASCAR's largest team operating nine motorsports teams. Five in the NASCAR Sprint Cup Series with drivers Matt Kenseth, Jamie McMurray, Greg Biffle, Carl Edwards and David Ragan; three in the Nationwide Series with Kenseth, Biffle, Edwards, Ragan, Erik Darnell, Ricky Stenhouse, Jr. and Colin Braun; and one in the Camping World Truck Series with Braun. For more information on any of the Roush Fenway Racing teams, log onto www.RoushFenway.com. For

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***1972 Ford Mustang GT-Coupe Pewter Coupe
A Mustang hardtop That's
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Places***

By Jim Smart

Photography by Tom Rounds

Few of us can agree on what makes an automobile "right." Few of us can argue with the emotional charisma of a first- or second-generation Mustang convertible; make that a first-generation GT with the sound of a solid lifter 289 Hi-Po inside—just for fun. Next in line is undoubtedly the '69-'70 Mustang SportsRoof. Make ours a Boss 302 or a Cobra Jet Mach 1. Now that's "right."

Not many of us get excited over '69-'73 Mustang hardtops because they tend to be vanilla in scope. We remember these cars for our high school math teacher or the divorced neighbor down the block. As we said, vanilla and utilitarian in scope. Dress up one of these hardtops in the right color combination with a smattering of options, however, and suddenly it's the cutest thing you've ever seen.

Mustang Monthly staffer Tom Rounds caught this hardtop at Charlotte during the Mustang's 35th anniversary celebration a year ago. There it was, clad in glistening Light Pewter Metallic—a nice ride anyone would be proud to own and drive. Call this Mustang d'Elegance. Why? Because it's not something you see every day. Fourth-generation Mustang hardtops are survivors because they didn't have the mass appeal enjoyed by their SportsRoof and convertible siblings. They remain the kids whom those "outside of the family" overlooked.



Theresa Marie Slaughter of New Jersey didn't overlook this pewter hardtop. She isn't a high school math teacher, nor is she that lonely soul down the block. She specializes in retail sales.

To get a look at her prized possession, we'll start by opening the driver door. Stroll past the pewter finish into a rich world of brilliant vermillion vinyl. It's rich yet vanilla. It's dressed in all black yet it screams magenta. It has high-back bucket seats, a console, a Philco AM radio,

and a host of nice Mustang refinements for 1972.

Take the wheel and this Mustang yields a comfortable driving experience. Lean on the gas and the 302-2V small-block V-8 responds with ample power. A C4 Select-Shift smoothly channels the twist to conventional 2.79 cogs in back. Twin-pod instrumentation looks sharp, and a steeply raked dashboard yields a bold and majestic appearance something to be proud of.



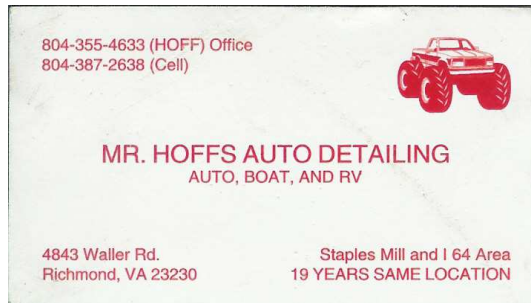
Theresa affectionately calls her Mustang Madison. It's an easily admired and respected family member. A restoration allows us to express our love and affection for those possessions we hold dear, especially when it becomes the ultimate sacrifice of time and assets. A restoration takes heaping measures of both. What's more, this one was accomplished by Theresa and her family.

The icing on the cake is the prestige that comes from the recognition of your peers in Mustang Club of America concours competition. Teresa's '72 has won two First Place awards in MCA Grand National competition. Add to that an MCA

National Show First Place award; an MCA Grand National Gold; an MCA National Gold; two awards for Excellence at the 30th and 35th anniversary celebrations, respectively, in Charlotte; and a Best of Show at Rice and Holman Ford in Mount Laurel, New Jersey. Outstanding performance from an oft overlooked cuter pewter coupe.

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MCA is winding down for 2009. I have not received any information on how the National Judges meeting and training seminar, held in Wisconsin earlier this month, went.

I have not received any information on the election results, Board of Directors meeting or the dues increase.

Mark your calendars for August 13th to the 15th, 2010. That is when MCA comes to Virginia Beach for a National show. It is an easy drive, just over 100 miles from Richmond.

The 2010 National Show Schedule has just been published and will be at the following locations:

March 27th-30th, 2010 Pensacola, FL
June 4th-6th, 2010 Mustang, OK
July 16th-18th, 2010 Bellevue, WA (Grand National)
August 13th-15th, 2010 Va. Beach, VA
September 3rd-5th, 2010 Asheville, NC

Local MCA Regional shows and cruise-ins in the Richmond metro region are covered in the Galloping Gazette and on our website.

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CVMC - MCA Gold Card Judges

1964½-1966: Don Lane
1967-1968: Dave Dickey
1965-1970 Shelby's: Rick Noctha

CVMC - MCA Certified Judges

1966: Karen Lane
5th Generation: Tony Hall, Dave Dickey & David Lythgoe



News From The Car Club Council

Good news - Virginia set a record for the fewest high ozone days this summer. There were only three high ozone days and all were in Northern Virginia - none in the Richmond, Tidewater and Roanoke areas. Ozone levels are determined by weather. Summer days with very high temperatures and stagnant air produce high ozone levels. This summer we had mild pleasant weather.

A recent survey reveals that 57% of Americans think global

warming is real. 36% believe global warming is man-made. Since only 36% of people believe it is man-made then they may believe that something can be done about it. This leaves 64% of the people who don't think we can change the weather. Two years ago 77% of people thought global warming was real. As Congress moves closer to a Cap and Trade greenhouse gas bill fewer people think something needs to be done about global warming – especially if it means raising energy costs. Cap and Trade would cause an increase in gas prices and electricity. These higher costs for traditional energy sources are meant to make "green" sources of energy more "affordable".

The EPA may make a decision on going from E-10 (10% ethanol in gasoline) to E-15 in December. I will keep you informed.

Cars symbolize freedom. Remember how important having a car was when you were a teenager? We Americans can get into a car at any time of the day or night and drive just about anywhere in North America. Many gas stations are open 24/7 so we can do just that. I can't imagine an America without cars.

I recently read an article in the AARP Bulletin. It was an interview with the federal Secretary of Transportation Ray LaHood titled "Living in a Post-Car World". I have a link on the car club council newsletter page. It's an article you should read as it gives a better understanding of the kind of thinking going on inside the DC beltway.

LaHood is part of what some call the green cabinet. Cabinet members who want us to go green. LaHood is a former Republican Congressman from Illinois. He has broken with Republicans over Amtrak funding and is a strong supporter of expanding rail service. In fact while he was in Congress he voted for one bill that provided \$9.7 billion in Amtrak funding.

Here is a quote from the article: "People want alternative forms of transportation; they don't want to

own two or three cars. And they want green space, biking and walking paths, but they want the amenities, too— access to shopping, restaurants, health care."

LaHood envisions America as livable communities where people "don't want cars". He wants to invest billions in light rail instead of fixing roads. And when I say billions I'm talking about the \$400 to \$500 billion range. Livable communities are being tried in several places but people still need cars to travel to work, school, shopping, etc. One great big subdivision cannot have every single place you need to go.

**CCCCV President
Fred Fann**

Upcoming Car Shows

MCA Events

March 26-28, 2010 31st Annual Gulf Coast National Mustang & All Ford Show Pensacola, Florida

Hosted by Gulf Coast Regional Mustang Club at Pensacola Interstate Fair Grounds. Event hours are 8am-5pm with check-in running Friday 8am-5pm ; Sat 8am-11am. Registration fee is \$50.00. Come join us for the 1st national show of the year. The 31st Annual Gulf Coast National Mustang & All Ford Show promises to be bigger and better than ever. In addition to our show there will be several area car clubs hosting shows adjacent to our site so bring all your non Ford buddies along with you. See our web site for additional information and activities. For more information, call Nick Kirby at 251-978-2012 or email [nlkirby@gulftel.com](mailto:nkirby@gulftel.com) or visit the website at <http://gcrmc.com>.

For more information on other MCA Car Shows and Events please visit the Mustang Club of America's website at... [Mustang Club Of America](http://www.mustangclubofamerica.com)

Non-MCA Events

November 7th, 2009

Weston Manor Special Cruz-In

The Board of Trustees of the Historic Hopewell Foundation [Weston Manor] is having a special cruize-in at the Manor on November 7th 10am - 2pm. They will make lunch available to all participants and also open the Weston Manor for FREE TOURS. The gift shop well be open to purchase really different Christmas items. The Manor is off 21st street in Hopewell.

For more information on other Area Car Shows and Events please visit the Car Club Council of Central Virginia website at...

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