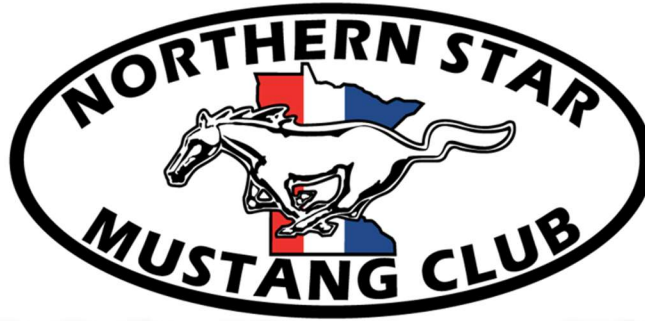




NSMC Pony Tales

THE OFFICIAL MONTHLY PUBLICATION OF THE NORTHERN STAR MUSTANG CLUB

Minnesota's Chapter of the Mustang Club Of America

The Northern Star Mustang Club holds meetings on the first Monday of each month (unless it's a holiday) at **6:30 pm** at **Davanni's** in Edina located at **5124 Gus Young Lane**, (952) 920-9090. Feel free to come early and join fellow club members for dinner and camaraderie before the meeting. The next meeting will be held **Monday, December 2nd**.

December, 2024



By Mike Ackerman
President

Holiday greetings to all of you!

As the year draws to an end, I want to thank all of the members that have in some way or another helped with club activities, whether it was a small thing or an ongoing task **THANK YOU!** Two new members of the board will be taking over the first of the year, Mike Boulka as President and Pat Alfonso as Secretary. Congratulations to both of them and welcome to the Board. If you have any questions or concerns before, please ask me. It has been a pleasure to be your president over the past year or so. I will be asking the new board for me to stay in the email loop because of unfinished business. The web site renew is the task at hand and I don't want to change anything till after the first of the year.

As you get this your Thanksgiving will be done and hopefully a good one and a Merry Christmas to all and your families. This year we hosted Thanksgiving for our family, and Christmas will be hosted by our daughter and her husband. It's always a good time when we get together and no doubt some kind of shenanigans will take place. It looks as if we will be doing some very fun events this off season so stay

tuned. As we get into the year and as we always do, it will be a fun time planned at the winter party thanks to Steve & Pam for getting this organized again this year.

The car show season is a little way off, but plans are ramping up. Sunday, June 1st and Sunday, September 14th are the dates to remember. If you are on the list of car show co-chairs you will be getting an email after the first of the year to start getting things set up to go. Some tasks need to be done soon and some others happen the days leading up to the show. Also, we have been talking with Apple and they want to move forward with a 3rd show at their new location in White Bear Lake and I will be looking for a few members to kind of head that up please. Just thinking of a real simple show, easy to set up and run so please call me or email with your interest. Please don't get intimidated with this, it's not a hard job, it can be a lot of fun and you have all the support of members to help. The time frame I was thinking was July/August?? So please contact me and let's talk.

Thank you,
Mike Ackerman

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Memoriam

It is with a heavy heart that to let you know that fellow club member Martin (Ace) Greenberger has passed away on November 19, 2024. The service was on November 22.

Please keep Diane, Kalman and Lily in your hearts and prayers.

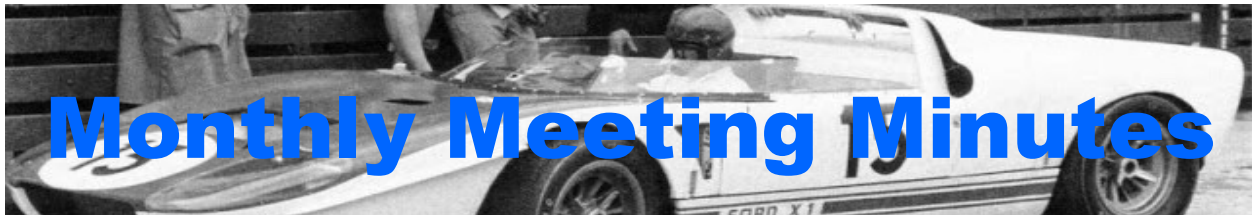


By Chuck Anderson
Membership Lead

287 members, no new ones.

As we get near the membership renewal season, Middletwin has added a feature where you are able to renew your membership online without actually logging in. So if the only time you log into your Middletwin account is to renew, you don't need to remember your login information to do that now.

When you receive the renewal reminder email, I have set the button in that email to send you directly to that page, where you will enter the email associated with your account and it will pull up your information for confirmation and then allow you to renew from there. There is also now an option to renew for more than just one year if you like.



By Dennis Mevissen
Secretary

You can check out of the minutes from the club's previous Monthly Meeting by visiting the Club website by clicking [HERE](#).



By Vacancy
Cruise Director

We have an opening for leadership of this committee. Please let Mike Ackerman know if you are interested

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Pella, Iowa Cruise May 2-4, 2025

This area gets sold out, so we are looking at blocking rooms ASAP. We will stay in a town close by to keep the room cost down. If you are interested in this trip, Please R.S.V.P. by September 15 so that we can get a room block. This will not commit you to going but just give us an idea of interest. We will reach out again with more details in early 2025. You will have an opportunity to sign up then too.

Please email Christine at chrsmillington65@gmail.com.

This is the hotel information for the Pella IA trip.

Cobblestone Inn & Suites
4222 S 22nd Ave E
Newton IA
641-275-9495

Please email (chrsmillington65@gmail.com) or message her at (507-202-1965) once you make a reservation so she can block more rooms if necessary. Thanks.



By Doug and Karen Saunders
Charity Director

The Charity Committee thanks the club members, the car show participants, and Apple Ford for the funding that allows us to give to charities in our communities and to scholarships for local students entering the automotive industry.

Charities so far this year total \$12,350 (+3000 match):

- \$6000 (+\$3000 match) to Every Meal, Apple Valley and Shakopee Apple Ford shows
- \$500 to Apple Valley HS Music Dept, who performed at the Apple Valley Apple Ford show
- \$500 to Magnus Veterans, Bill Cochrane memorial
- \$2400 to Hennepin Technical College for Northern Star Mustang Club automotive scholarships
(Thank you letter below.)
- \$2700 to Dakota County Technical College for Northern Star Mustang Club automotive scholarships
(Thank you letter below.)
- \$250 to Samaritan's Purse in support of hurricane relief (Thank you letter below.)

This month we joined with other Mustang Club of America affiliates by sending \$250 to Samaritan's Purse to aid with on-the-ground support of Hurricane Helene relief.

We estimate that we might have about \$1600 to give to another charity or two by the end of the year. The charity committee favored two charities:

- Magnus Veterans (Dayton MN, \$1M yearly budget) -- Welcoming community of members, health specialists, and volunteers working together to provide a comprehensive approach to veteran well-being (580 patient members)
- Wishes and More (Minneapolis MN, \$2M yearly budget) -- Grants wishes and scholarships of hope for Minnesota kids (<19 yrs) with a terminal or life-threatening condition, often outdoor sports or car related

We have been in contact with Wishes and More about a teen with cancer who is a Mustang enthusiast and wishes to do an automotive restore. We will be looking for some ways to support and encourage his wish.

Charity Committee: Doug Saunders, Karen Saunders, Carole Ackerman, Dan Bye, Scott Sokol, Gary Ostberg, Pam Flaten, David Kronk, Gordy Vosberg, Dennis Mevissen



Northern Star Mustang Club
c/o Doug Saunders
16227 Grinnell Avenue
Lakeville, MN 55044

Dear Doug,

The Hennepin Technical College Foundation is very fortunate to have so many wonderful business/industry and individual donors that donate time, talent, equipment, and dollars. Your donation truly impacts our students with funding for scholarships, student crisis funds and our food pantry. All donations impact our classrooms, labs, and programs, and helps each student reach their educational goals.

This is your official tax receipt. For in-kind donations, the tax deduction is limited to the excess of the contribution of the fair market value of any item received in exchange for this contribution. Kindly consult your tax advisor for more information and keep this receipt for your records.

Should you have any questions, please contact us at (763) 488-2811 or email: foundation@hennepintech.edu.

We sincerely appreciate your gift, and look forward to a continued partnership in the future.

Date: 10/15/2024

Gift Type: Cash Donation to the Northern Star Mustang Club Scholarship Fund

Cash Gifts - Monetary Value: \$2,400.00

In-Kind Gifts - Donor Estimated Value:

Deductable Amount:

Receipt Number: 61864

In-Kind Donations up to \$5,000:

If the donation is from \$500 to \$4,999.99, the donor may be required to file IRS Form 8283 with their tax return to claim the deduction. Please consult with your tax advisor to determine the tax implications of your gift.

In-Kind Donations of \$5,000 and above:

If the donation is \$5,000 or more, the donor may be required to file IRS Form 8283 signed by an authorized appraiser, in addition to a copy of the appraisal, with the IRS and the Foundation. Please consult with your tax advisor to determine the tax implications of your gift.

Mission: Hennepin Technical College Foundation's mission is to provide resources that support career and technical education.



Northern Star Mustang Club
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October 15, 2024

Hi Doug,

Please accept our heartfelt appreciation for your recent gift of \$2,700.00 on 10/10/2024. Your kindness and generosity are truly inspiring. Contributions like yours help alleviate the financial burdens our students face, allowing them to focus on their studies and achieve their career aspirations without the added stress of financial obstacles.

Your support is more than just a donation; it is an investment in the future of our hardworking and talented students. Because of donors like you they can pursue their dream and reach their full potential.

As a registered 501(c)(3) organization, your donation is likely tax-deductible. Please keep this for your tax records to claim your deduction.

Once again, thank you from the bottom of our hearts for your continued support and generosity. You are making a significant difference in the lives of our students, and we are deeply grateful.

Sincerely,

Handwritten signature of Kim Shaff in blue ink.

Kim Shaff
Foundation Executive Director

kimberly.shaff@dctc.edu

Handwritten signature of Jenna Baumgard in blue ink.

Jenna Baumgard
Development Director

jenna.baumgard@dctc.edu

Receipt Information

The DCTC Foundation is a registered 501(c)(3) organization,
EIN 41-1488605, and no goods or services were received for this donation.
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Dakota County Technical College Foundation | 1300 145th St. E. Rosemount Minnesota 55068



Franklin Graham *President*

November 16, 2024

Northern Star Mustang Club LLC
5640 Quail Avenue N
Minneapolis, MN 55429-2807

Dear Friends,

Thank you for your gift to Samaritan's Purse designated for Hurricane Relief. When these powerful storms strike communities, they can cause immense damage and leave many residents in need. Our teams deploy to some of the hardest hit areas to provide critical relief in Jesus' Name.

At Samaritan's Purse, everything we do is focused on bringing help to hurting people and sharing the hope of the Gospel that can change lives for eternity. I will be sending you a newsletter with reports on our work around the world—the most recent copy is enclosed.

You can also visit samaritanspurse.org to find the latest information on what the Lord is doing through this ministry. I hope you will pray for the projects and needs featured.

Please continue to pray for those who have endured hardship after devastating hurricanes, that they would experience the peace of Jesus Christ, the One who is present in the midst of life's storms. **"When you pass through the waters, I will be with you"** (Isaiah 43:2). We are deeply grateful for your partnership. May God bless you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be "FG", written over a horizontal line.

Franklin Graham

FG/mw/hrn

Enclosure

801 Bamboo Road
P.O. Box 3000
Boone, NC 28607 U.S.A.

TEL: 828.262.1980
samaritanspurse.org

"All we have comes from God and we give it out of His hand."
— 1 Chronicles 29:14b, Dutch Paraphrase

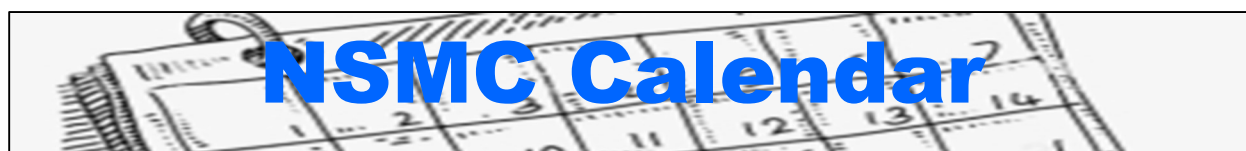


By Pete Schmidt – MCA Regional Director
NSMC is the Twin Cities' MCA Chapter club

Below is the Information for the 2025, 2026 and 2027 (so far) MCA national shows. More information can be found at <https://mcashows.com/>.

Mid-Florida MCA National Show Orlando, FL	April 4-6, 2025
Ponies in the Ozarks, Gravois Mills, MO (OIR)	May 23-25, 2025
MCA National Show in Cincinnati, OH	June 27-29, 2025
MCA Grand National in Fredericksburg, VA	Aug 29-31, 2025
MCA National Show Jacksonville, FL	April 3-5, 2026
1st Tennessee Regional Group National Show (Bristol, TN)	May 14-17, 2026
Mustangs on the Mother Road National Show (Claremore, OK)	July 24-26, 2026
Mustang Club of America 50th Birthday (Road Atlanta, Atlanta GA)	Aug 28-30, 2026
MCA National Show Gulfport, MS	April 23-25, 2027

If you have any questions about MCA shows and HPDE's please send an email to Pete at northernstarmustangclub@gmail.com.



Visit the club's website [HERE](#) to see all of the cool activities that we have planned for the year! Watch your emails for the latest scoop and any changes that may happen through the year.



December NSMC Off-Season Activity Toys for Tots Toy Drive!!!

We are again meeting to collect Toys for Tots and hosting a movie for club members.

We will be showing a great classic comedy movie this year – 1941

We will collect toys between 8:45am and 9:15am. The theater will open at 9:00am to sell concessions and the movie will start at 9:30am. There is no fee for watching the movie so please patronize the theater's concessions if you are hungry. This is a family friendly event so bring everyone who may enjoy the movie.

Details...

- **What** - NSMC toy collection for the Marines Toys for Tots toy drive
- **When** - Saturday, Dec 7th between 8:45am – 9:15am
- **Where** - Marcus Southbridge Crossing theater in Shakopee (8380 Hansen Avenue)



We hope you consider dropping off a new toy that is unwrapped and suitable for kids up to about age 12. We will be taking pictures of club members and donation at 9:05am. After the movie we'll bring the toys to Apple Ford Shakopee which is a T4T collection point.

There is no need to RSVP – just show up. Email northernstarmustangclub@gmail.com with any questions.

We hope to see you there!



Your NSMC Elected Officers from left to right are Erick Rosquist (Co-Treasurer), Dennis Mevissen (Secretary), Mike Ackerman (President), Scott Sokol (Vice-President), and Dan Bye (Co-Treasurer).

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This is the Club Contract Information.

Area	Primary Contact	Backup 1
Apparel	Pam Flaten	
Calendar - Web	Erica Gustavson	
Calendar - Year at Glance	Pete Schmidt	
Cruises by Committee	Sharon & Dan Cindy & Mike Vicki & Mark	
Domain Name	Erica Gustavson	
Facebook Postings/Admin	Carole Ackerman	Erica Gustavson
Facebook Backup 2	Sharon Bye	
Facebook Backup 3	Andrea Nelson	
Financial Docs	Dan Bye	Ericke Rosquist
Google Account	Erica Gustavson	
Google Forms / Payable	Erica Gustavson	
Middletwin Admin/eMail blasts	Chuck Anderson	Erica Gustavson
Email blasts Backup 3	Sharon Bye	

MCA Representative	Pete Schmidt	
Meeting Agendas / Minutes	Pat Alfonso	
Membership Management	Chuck Anderson	
MS Forms, Surveys	Erica Gustavson	
New Member Outreach	Phil Zuehl	Pete Schmidt
New Member Packet	Pete Schmidt	
Newsletter	Sharon Bye	Chuck Anderson
NSMC Bis Cards	Pete Schmidt	
NSMC Clings	Pete Schmidt	
NSMC Email	Mike Boulka	Erica Gustavson
NSMC Email - backup 2	Mike Ackerman	
NSMC Name Tags	Pete Schmidt	
NSMC Show Flyers	Erica Gustavson	
POS - Wix Payment	Dan Bye	
Web Site	Erica Gustavson	
WIX Forum	Erica Gustavson	NSMC



Our expanded web-based forum is up and running! Only a few hiccups that we discovered along the way. What's missing from the discussion? Many of you! We currently have about 70 members who have signed up and are looking for more people to interact with and share their passions and experiences with fellow club members. This is a great place to ask questions, buy/sell/trade those missing or excess items in your garage or storage.

Please go to the club website and request an account with your email address used for club communications. If you don't want to check the site for updates, you can register to get notified of new postings by checking the BELL icon on a given category or post. Be sure to update your profile with a name and picture to help others know who they are interacting with. If you have questions about the forum, please email the club account, and we will reply. Web forums and clubs like this only work if we get participation, so check it out!

If you have something that fits this column, email us a description and pictures by clicking [HERE](#)!

Check out our club wearables, below.

The NSMC has t-shirts (\$20) available in three colors and baseball hats (\$20) in three colors as show here. They can be purchased at many of our events and shows.

If you have an existing garment or fabric item, you can get the club logo embroidered by Joyce Swanson. She does great work and is very reasonable. Joyce does this as a hobby, she is able to make something large on an 8x12 inch hoop, for something on the back of a jacket or shirt. You would need to bring her your item, or mail to her, with a picture of what you need, and she will be happy to help you out. She also does vinyl iron on items most anything, especially words or cut out shapes, this can be ironed on a flat t-shirt or sweatshirt or apron something with a smoother flat surface, nothing quilted. Her number is 763-453-1029. Joyce Swanson.

The club has set up a new source for apparel using the club logo. Check it out [HERE](#).

Members can also order custom screen-printed items from REDBUBBLE. Enter the club's name in their search function and browse through the 60+ items that are available. Check them out by clicking [HERE](#).





Thanks again to Scott Sokol for sharing some of his interesting finds in the Ford world. Are you wondering what vehicle this is? Click [HERE](#) to find out more about rare breed of Mustangs: 1982 McLaren Mustang DSO.

