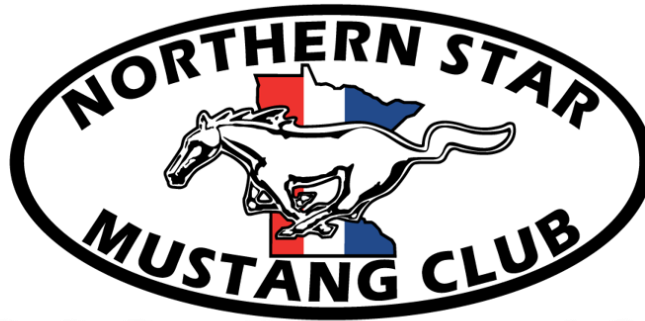




# NSMC Pony Tales

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, February 3<sup>rd</sup>**.

**February, 2025**



**By Mike Boulka**  
**President**

Welcome to February!

We are into our 2025 event calendar. The annual Winter Party was another great time by those who attended. Pam and Steve Flaten planned another terrific party (both of them were under the weather), albeit, a tad cold (again!), from start to finish. A HUGE thank you to both Pam and Steve for their efforts-again! I hope you both get well soon!

We have a full schedule of events like this on the schedule for 2025. Please plan on getting to one or more of them to get the most out of this club. There are a lot of wonderful people in this group, and they happen to be a lot of fun to be with.

If you don't see something that you would like to do, or see, step up and plan something new. Doesn't have to be car related.

By the time you read this, there will have been many car related events (not in this climate) run. The Chili Bowl (a bucket list for me), the Winter Mecum and Barrett Jackson auctions (and many other in the Phoenix area). I am watching the Rolex 24 (the opening round of the IMSA racing series) while I am writing this. Exciting start as the Multimatic Mustangs qualified 1-2 in the GTD Pro class. Let's see what happens in the next 23 hours.

Both of the major auctions, as usual, had tons of beautiful cars crossing the block selling for a lot of money. I did notice, especially at Barrett Jackson, many of the cars were anything but stock or original. These are supposed to be collector car auctions, but many of these cars had taken the restrooms route. many of the drivetrains in the 50's, 60's and 70's were current model electronically monitored. With many of these cars, about the only thing that resembled the original was the body, and is most like aftermarket panels.

In defense, there were many muscle cars that were original, and selling for considerably more than the original window stickers. I did see at least two '69 Mustang Mach 1's, Cobra Jet engines, that sold for \$130,000. They did look good!

What caught my eye on many of the restomods was with the interiors. Custom dashboards with digital gauges, ugly, gaudy steering wheels and button tufted, pleated leather seats.

All of this got me thinking of the cars from the 50's into the early 80's. Those cars were so simple, easy to work on and easy to drive. As you moved up the food chain, the exteriors and interiors got a little more exotic. Not so much with leather, but with beautifully done brocade cloth (50's-60's) to velvety soft velour (70's-80's).

My personal favorites were Lincoln's. Some of you know, my Dad had a '65 Lincoln Continental 4 door. Yes it had suicide doors-big thick doors! It was painted a light pastel yellow with an olive green vinyl roof. It was not as pretty as it sounds! But he fell in love with the second he saw it being unloaded off the trailer at Prestige Lincoln-Mercury in downtown Minneapolis.

But what I always loved was the interior. It too was a light green in color, with wood trim on the doors, and lots of brushed metal work.

The seats were done in a gorgeous green brocade cloth, trimmed with green leather. Had the exterior been a different color, that car would have been stunning.

The '69-71 Lincoln Continental Mark III's came with similar style interiors. Leather was also available, but again, simple and elegantly beautiful!

One final "old man" grumble. I even heard a couple of the commentators make fun of a '55 Chevy restomod, with all of the above work done, but it still had the original chrome bumpers. One of them questioned "wonder where they found them".

Really???

Time to get off my soap box and chase some kids off my lawn! I need to start packing for Kathie's and my long weekend in LA next week.

Stay warm and happy!

Go out to your garage and say Hi to your fun cars. Can't drive them...yet. But it is still fun to look.

See you at the February 3 meeting!

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Prayers needed for Roger Stolley, long-time club member. He has had an awful month. He has had several surgeries for an aneurysm and abscess in his leg that has been complicated with infection.

Also, a former President of the club, Chris Vick's wife recently passed away from a massive heart attack. Chris was the president in the 90's.



***By Chuck Anderson***  
***Membership Lead***

Members = 139  
New = 2

Jim Roehl, Maple Grove  
Dennis Nelson, White Bear Lake



***By Pat Alfonso***  
***Secretary***

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



***By Mike and Cindy Neimann and Christine Millington***  
***Cruise Directors***

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

### **PELLA TULIP TIME Agenda B**

#### **May 2**

Depart early from a Southern location off 35W  
 Lunch in Ankeny, IA at Maid Rite  
 Free Guided tour of state capitol in Des Moines  
 Hotel check-in- Cobblestone Inn- Newton.. Time to explore Newton or Pella.  
 Dinner in Newton at 7p at Biagio Italian Restaurant- ltd menu (plenty of choices) due to our group size

#### **May 3**

Breakfast at hotel  
 Lunch on own- there will be food stands in downtown Pella  
 Ticket options- Tickets to events will be available soon, please continue to monitor website to purchase individual tickets or you can get on site (although it is possible tours might sell out, tickets are non-refundable <http://www.pellahistorical.org>  
 Tour of Pella -\$10  
 Tour of Museum and Windmill- \$25  
 230p-Parade and Grandstand Show- \$25  
 Quilt tour  
 Visit shops, meat markets, bakeries, coffee houses  
 Tea Time-\$22 10a or other times- includes Scholte House Tour- Note you will need to have a ride to Pella. Buy tickets at <https://www.pellahistorical.org/mariastearoom..>

Dinner-tbd

**May 4-** Breakfast at hotel/ return on own



***By Doug and Karen Saunders***  
***Charity Director***

Donations for 2024 totaled \$18,350. Thank you to Apple Ford, club members, show participants, and show volunteers for your time and contributions!

\$6000 (+\$3000 match) to Every Meal, providing meals to disadvantaged students on non-school days

\$500 to Apple Valley HS Music Dept, who performed at the Apple Valley Apple Ford show

\$2250 to Magnus Veterans, comprehensive support of veterans well-being (580 patient members), \$500 of this was in memory Bill Cochrane

\$2400 to Hennepin Technical College for Northern Star Mustang Club automotive scholarships

\$2700 to Dakota County Technical College for Northern Star Mustang Club automotive scholarships

\$1750 to Wishes and More, providing wish fulfillments and scholarships to Minnesota children with life-threatening illnesses

\$250 to Samaritan's Purse in support of hurricane relief

The following two thank yous were received.



January 9, 2025

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#### Our Mission

Heal and honor our veterans and their families through community fellowship and a comprehensive approach to restoring the mind, body, heart, and spirit.

#### Our Vision

Fully restore the Warrior Spirit by bridging the gap between those who serve and those whom they serve.

#### Serving

All veterans, service members and their families

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Mr. Tim McKee

Dear SIR OR MADAM,

Happy New Year from the Magnus Veterans Foundation. This is your annual statement of giving to Magnus. Thanks to you, 2024 was an incredible year for Magnus, our veterans, and our communities. We shattered our goals and grew our membership and services thanks to your generous donations. Your gifts have saved veteran lives and strengthened entire families.

We started 2024 with the goal of reaching 1000 veterans and veteran family members. We successfully met that goal and expanded coverage to an additional 500 members in 2024. By the time the ball dropped on New Years Eve, Magnus delivered over \$879,000 of free care in 2024 to veterans and their families because of your generosity.

Thank you for your donations of \$500 in 2024. Thank you for your continued support for our nation's warrior families. We will reach even greater heights in 2025 as we continue to demonstrate excellence in veteran care thanks to you.

LTC (Retired) Shawn Alderman, MD  
President, Magnus Veterans Foundation

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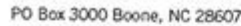
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This is a record of your 2024 contributions to Samaritan's Purse. No goods or services were provided to you in exchange for these contributions. The total does not include the value of gifts-in-kind, stock gifts, or IRA qualified charitable distributions. This form may be helpful when filing your 2024 income tax returns.

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January 23, 2025

Thank you for your contributions to the work of Samaritan's Purse in 2024. Your prayers and financial donations have helped us meet crisis needs around the world in Jesus' Name.

To ensure that you have the necessary information to complete your 2024 tax return, we have included below the year-end total of your contributions made by cash, check, or credit card. Individual Retirement Account (IRA) gifts, which are not tax deductible, are not included on this statement.

We're grateful for your partnership in ministry as we strive to be the hands and feet of the Lord Jesus Christ to those who need immediate help and lasting hope.

Branden Dietheald

BS/mw

**Your total deductible cash contribution for the year 2024 is \$250.00.**

If you have questions, please contact Donor Ministries at 1-833-801-7746, Mondays through Saturdays between 8:30 a.m. and 10:00 p.m. (EST); or email [stewardship@samaritan.org](mailto:stewardship@samaritan.org).

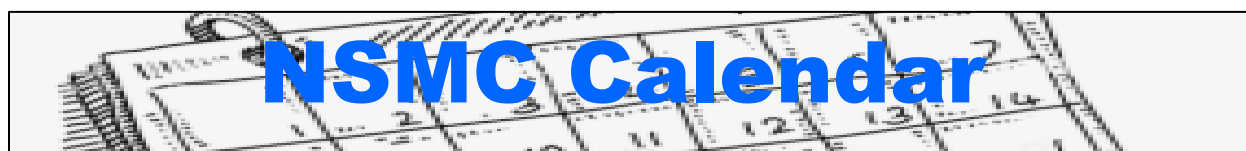


**By Pete Schmidt – MCA Regional Director**  
**NSMC is the Twin Cities' MCA Chapter club**

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](mailto: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.

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**NSMC Holiday Party – January 18, 2025**  
**Pam and Steve Flaten**

On January 18, 2025 the club hosted the annual Holiday party at the Lost Spur Country Club. This is a thank you to all the members that have worked so hard for the club events, drives, shows and charity efforts. This year was themed as Route 66. People wore their club shirts and other auto memorabilia shirts. A photo booth was set up for people to get their photo at a spot on Route 66. About 60 people attended and enjoyed the evening.

The social hour started at 5:00 and the bartender developed a specialty Route 66 adult beverage just for this group.

Once again, the Lost Spur did not disappoint. They put together a buffet of Buttermilk Fried Chicken, Carolina Pulled Pork, White Cheddar Mac and Cheese, Seasonal Creamed Corn, Scalloped Potatoes, Honey Cilantro Baked Beans, Sweet and Sour Coleslaw, and Cheddar Chive Drop Biscuits. That was followed by a chocolate or white mousse filled cakes for dessert.

This year new entertainment was provided to play Music Bingo. A card like normal bingo was provided but instead of numbers, song titles filled each box. A video screen also displayed each title so the player did not have to know all the songs. There were five different winners in the 4 games that were played. The lucky winners were rewarded with gift cards to Kwik Trip.

A number of amazing door prizes were available, and each attendee was provided with 5 tickets to put in a cup for each prize they would like and a random drawing was held from those selections. The lucky winners went home with things from bottles of wine, a Leinenkugel's cooler, boxes of chocolates, blankets, club shirts and more.

Based on all the laughing, talking and joking, everyone had a good time. Thanks you again for all your help in putting on all the events and efforts to raise funds for the charities this year.

| On Call Music & Events           |                           |                    |                     |                              |
|----------------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------|---------------------|------------------------------|
| Game 1                           |                           |                    |                     | 2                            |
| I Stay Away                      | My Kinda Lover            | Sexy And I Know It | Love In An Elevator | Girl, You'll Be a Woman Soon |
| Rock The Casbah                  | 1999                      | Shake It Off       | Applause            | Kodachrome                   |
| Wanted Dead Or Alive             | Beverly Hills             | ★                  | Umbrella            | My Own Worst Enemy           |
| Open Arms                        | All My Ex's Live In Texas | Fat Bottomed Girls | Take Me Home        | Little Bitty                 |
| No One Like You                  | Roll with the Changes     | Baby               | Touch Of Grey       | Country Girl                 |
| www.oncallmusic.net              |                           |                    |                     |                              |
| Game 2                           |                           |                    |                     | 2                            |
| Youngblood                       | Feel Like Makin' Love     | Whatta Man         | Kryptonite          | Cold                         |
| You're My Best Friend            | Dirt On My Boots          | Ms Jackson         | Bad Girls           | Funk #4                      |
| Mony Mony                        | The Weight                | ★                  | Immigrant Song      | Crocodile Rock               |
| China Girl                       | Every Little Step         | Boogie Shoes       | On The Floor        | Caught Up In Y               |
| Lucky Star                       | Detroit Rock City         | Only In My Dreams  | More Than A Feeling | Goin' Unde                   |
| Karaoke, MINGO, DJs & Live Music |                           |                    |                     |                              |



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**Upcoming Non-Club Shows:**

March 22 -23, 2025 – Motorhead Madness Car Show, at DECC in Duluth, MN  
April 12-13, 2025 – Rod & Custom Spectacular, Canterbury Park in Shakopee, MN  
July 18-20, 2025 – Street Machine Nationals, Minnesota State Fairgrounds, St. Paul, MN



Your NSMC Elected Officers from left to right are Mike Boulka (President), Dan Bye (Co-Treasurer), Scott Sokol (Vice-President), Ericke Rosquist (Co-Treasurer), and Pat Alfonso (Secretary).

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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      | Cindy & Mike<br>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 the new Cruise for Cause charity raffle car RTR Mustang!.



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**It's different here.**

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