



BLUE OVAL TRACKS

The First State Mustang and Ford Club Monthly Newsletter

“Join us for the ride...”

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GENERAL MEETING

The General Meeting of the First State Mustang & Ford Club will be held on Tuesday, January 3rd at 7:00 pm, at Lonestar Steakhouse on DuPont Highway in New Castle.

TOPICS OF THE MONTH

Elections
Auto Show
Cafe Napoli
2012 Events

PRESIDENT'S CORNER



By Dave Eastburn

Well, never let it be said that we are *not* a tight knit club, as evidenced by our Christmas party at Cafe Napoli! We squeezed 62 members into a room that should hold 50 comfortably, and the best part was...nobody complained. That speaks volumes about the night, from the great food to the great company we all enjoyed with fellow members. I want to thank each and every one of you for coming out December 6th, all the spouses and kids, and especially to my wife Kathy. While I covered a lot of subjects about the past year and what we have planned for next year, I did manage to overlook one thing: I wanted to offer a huge thank you to all the wives and girlfriends who are very supportive of the club and all the events through out the year, and who ride along on many of these trips. While many people tend to think of a car club as a "guy thing," we know it's not, and we encourage more female membership in the future. So ladies, please accept my apology and my very big "thank you." The club

presented a very special award to young member Tyler Narvell for all his help at shows and cruises this past year, a \$25 visa gift card - enjoy Tyler! And our 2011 Dick Steininger award for club member of the year went to John Young. Congratulations John, and keep up the good work. A special thank you also to Cafe Napoli for a fantastic job, not only for the great food, but also excellent service thanks to our servers Sarah and Allison. Manager Evan has offered us the room for our monthly meetings on Tuesday nights, and we will be discussing this at the January meeting at Lone Star. Maybe it's time for an upgrade? I hope everyone enjoyed the gifts from the club, I mean Santa, just a little way to say thank you to all of you, new members and old, male or female, who help to make us what we are. I want to thank my E-board, Rob, Tim, Shawn and Dave for all their hard work and efforts this past year - it showed! I'm excited about what we have coming in 2012, and hope everyone reading this will, and I mean quite literally...JOIN US FOR THE RIDE! (check out the Christmas party pictures on the web site)

Club officer elections were held and I am very happy to be your president for 2012, and honored that you feel confident in me and where I am taking the club...and even happier that Rob will be joining me as VP again. Tim will be heading up our PR & Events position once again, Shawn Poulson will be treasurer/secretary, and Mr Dave Alford will be handling the newsletter/membership offices again. I'm sure I speak for all of us when I say thank you for your confidence in us, and we hope to see you all at our club events in 2012.

Speaking of events, Tim snuck one more in on December 10th with the Hershey Trip, and had a great turnout, 8 cars with a total of 20 members. Thanks to all of you who came out on a clear but chilly December day for our last event of the year. We are already gearing up for the January 28 Philadelphia Auto Show club bus trip. You must get on the list as early as possible by emailing or calling

Tim Narvell; I'm not kidding, if not, you risk not riding along with us. (the bus ride is free to members and their family) Should we pack the bus, we will work out the details ahead of time, ensuring that everyone gets the free show pass for Saturday. Those of you who have not joined us in the past, here's a quick run-down: bus trip to the convention center, free breakfast, door prizes, Ford's new Mustang presentation, and an all day free pass to the show. This is a huge family affair, kids love it, and we encourage you to bring everybody along. A great way to start the year, right? After that, is the Atlantic City show, which should be a fun ride down...hey Tim, are we hitting Cracker Barrel over the bridge for breakfast on that one? Mmmm, love that place. And plenty of room for us to park our cars, too. Ok, enough from me now, it's over to VP Rob Campbell for his comments on our new year. As always, looking forward to seeing you all, in 2012...at the meeting!

VP'S CORNER



By Rob Campbell

What a way to end the season! We had an amazing holiday dinner at Café Napoli with over 60 members in attendance! The food and staff were great!! Congrats to all the officers who won the elections. Everyone is stuck with us for another year LOL We ended the year with our now annual trip up to Hershey Antique Auto Museum and cruise over to Shady Maple. We had 9 members go and had a great time!! The weather was a little cold but no snow so you cant beat that. I can not wait till next years cruise.

We get a few weeks off for the holiday and then we kick right back into it. We start off with our meeting on January 3rd. Then on January 28th we have our annual bus trip up to the Philadelphia Auto Show. This will be our 3rd year doing this and keeps getting bigger and better. As you know I have never been able to take advantage of the bus trip as I always was in Boston during the show. This year I am home and cant wait go. Ford has some nice surprises for us so you don't want to miss it!

I hope all members can get out to our cruises and shows. We have a lot of fun stuff planned this year and want to make First State Mustang and Ford the best car club in the tri State Area!! We have another Hershey run for the Shelby show in April, Carlisle, South Jerseys show, Wings and Wheels just to name a few. We don't expect you to go to everything but like to see everyone's smiling faces!! ☺

I would love to see a cruise up to another show with over 20 cars in a line...it is so fun to be part of that!! Well I hope everyone has a great Christmas and a happy new year! See you all at the meeting in January 2012!!

NEW MEMBERS

Robert Holmes

TREASURER'S REPORT

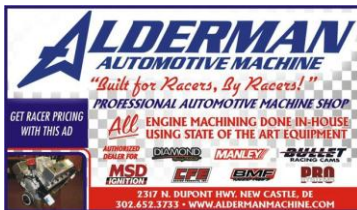
By Shawn Poulson

Treasurer's report for 11/17/2011 – 12/18/2011

Income	
Dues	\$200.00
Expenses	
Christmas party	\$1139.47
Newsletter	\$88.10
Net income	-\$1027.57
Account balance	\$1955.92

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