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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 5th at 7:00 pm, at Damon's Restaurant on Rte. 13 next to the New Castle Airport.

The December E-board meeting will take place immediately after the General Meeting.

TOPICS OF THE MONTH

2010 cruises & shows

Club event ideas

PRESIDENT'S CORNER

By Dave Eastburn

Presidents Corner...

To all our members I wish a happy and healthy New Year of 2010! Our December Christmas party meeting was great fun, I'm happy to report we had 54 members in attendance, some new members and new faces, great food - and lots of it - and enough gift giving to make Santa's work shop Elves jealous. Damon's set up a beautiful room again for us, complete with holiday decorations, and Heather and Angie kept drinks flowing and anything else we needed. They really did outdo themselves this year, and let's hope that things will still be just as good next year. On this great night, the club awarded the 2009 Dick Steinger award to Rob Campbell, for his outstanding efforts in 2009 in all areas of club activities. Rob really earned this award, and I'm sure he has some new ideas up his sleeve for the coming year. Also, a special award was presented to club co-founder Jeniene Barker for "starting us up" in 1982, and we are glad to have her back in the "little club she started so long ago," as she has said to me many times recently. We look forward to her continued involvement in the years to come. Thanks also to everyone who brought out cans & boxes of food for the Food Bank donation to be given by the club.

To everyone who came out this night, to everyone who helped out (Vic, thanks for the extra gifts! Joann, thanks for cutting the cake!) all the E-board members and I thank you and look forward to next year's party, already!

Club elections were held on this night also, and I am happy to announce that Rob Campbell will be taking over as Vice President as of January 1st. Thanks to all those who supported Rob in this move, and voted for him. Also, a big hand to out-going VP Dave Halliday who did a great job these past two years. Dave Birchmire will continue on as our National Director, Kathy Eastburn will continue on as treasurer, and Dave Alford will continue on in our newsletter and membership department. They have all done a GREAT job these past years, and if anyone has suggestions as to how we can further improve the club with these positions please feel free to forward your ideas at a meeting. Finally, I thank you all who have given me another year to lead the club as President. (Hey, you had your chance to kick me out!) I look forward to another busy year with shows and cruises, meetings, pestering you all to show up, asking for help at events (hint, hint to new members...) and god knows what else, but what the heck, I ask for it! I think we have the best members in the best Mustang & Ford club in this great state of Delaware, thanks to you all!

At our December 8th E-board meeting, we touched on some important decisions and ideas for 2010...

1. Club dues will remain at \$20 per year to cover printing & mailing cost. Starting January 1st newsletters will be mailed in 6x9 envelopes to better protect them.
2. Cruise nights will be moved back to the 2nd Saturday of the month, starting with the first cruise on April 10th. The "Toy Run" cruise will be held the LAST Saturday of October, ahead of the Fox Run cruise.
3. There will be no rain date for the cruises.
4. The Ford Sponsorship money (see scan in newsletter) will be used in the club for events & promotions yet to be determined.

5. A cash donation of \$250.00 will be made to the Food Bank Of Delaware along with the food collected at our party.

6. The club has decided to allow ALL makes & models at our cruises, through ALL years. While some of you feel that it should be a "classic car" only cruise night, we feel it is important to encourage all car hobbyist, including the young who take great pride in the work they have put into their vehicles. While for now they may be "tuner" cars, some day they will have the disposable cash to afford a muscle car, and maybe it will be a Mustang or some other Ford. Do we want them to remember us as the club that wouldn't allow them to display their tuned up '99 Honda at our cruise when they were 21?

Well, here we go, another year. I'm excited, and there's only three months 'till our first cruise. How can that be? Check out VP Rob Campbell's column in this newsletter, and as always, I'll see you all at the meeting...

Dave Eastburn

Club Dues

It's time once again to pay your Club dues. The dues are \$20.00 per year.

You can pay your dues at the meeting, or mail a check to the address below. If you send a check, please make it payable to **The First State Mustang and Ford Club**.

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VP'S CORNER

By Rob Campbell

First I want to say thank you for the opportunity to serve as VP for 2010. Dave and I are looking forward to a great year and hope to have a lot of great things planned. One thing I am working on is getting pricing for club jackets and sweatshirts. I hope to have it by the January meeting. I also want to thank Dave Halliday for everything as well. I hope everyone is having a great holiday season. I can't believe how fast it came up! Before we know it the cruise and show season will be here.

For some of you that do not know me, I thought this would be the perfect place just to give a quick background on myself. I am 34 and have been married to my beautiful wife Keri for 11 years. We have 2 kids, Zachary who is 6 and Nicholas who is 2. Zachary is really starting to get into the car show scene. He has been with me to Carlisle and is already talking about going back! He loves the burn outs of course ☺ I am an Assistant Branch Manager at WSFS Bank and have been with the company for 4 years.

We bought our first Mustang in 1998. It was a 98 GT Convertible. Later that year I bought my 66 mustang. I traded in the 98 in 2003 when Zachary was born. In 2004 I needed another Mustang to drive as my 66 is in need of major restoration. ****hint**hint**** ☺ I searched and found my 93 GT Hatchback. I was part of another club for about 10 years before joining First State Mustang and Ford in February 2009. This has been the best move I have done. Everyone I have met has been great and I am looking forward to continuing our relationships as well as meeting new members!

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Kathy Eastburn

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Steve Capano





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