

Pony News

January 2018
Pierce County Mustang Club

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Don't forget the following club events this month:

FNDO

See Calendar

Koffee & Cars Cruise

As well as the Board, Car Show, and Gen. Club Meetings

Mustang of the Month



Jerry & Heidi Althauser



Please note the calendar change for the March Poker Cruise. Conflicts required the change.

Check in this Newsletter for membership renewal including using PayPal.



Just a few members having fun at a few Club events! Too much fun for one page. See more inside.

Go to the website—Events—Past Events and view our library of photos in photobucket!

President's Message



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ow! Here we are ready for another amazing year. I am looking forward to working with our new board and the club at large as we support and lead this amazing organization. We have some great experiences planned for this year. Join the fun as we cruise local areas, do a few longer trips and show our colors in a parade or two. Be part of the Friday Night Dinner fun as we go to new locations and revisit some old favorites. There are always lots of car shows that we attend as a club and of course our own in August. We are also trying to set up a tour or 2 of some local automobile restoration and customization businesses. Those who went with us last year to Art Morrison's Custom Chassis' can tell you it was fun and educational. I just had to hide the catalog when we got home!

You will find our calendar for the year in this newsletter. Don't miss out on the fun but also plan for the charity work that we are involved with as well. Be looking for opportunities to repackage food for the Emergency Food Network and to contribute items as needed for others. Groups such as Korum Automotive Group and the Ford Peanut Butter Drive (we will be collecting again in April for this event), Caring for Kids, St. Francis House, Santa's Castle, Pepsi Guys (spaghetti drive) and the Tears Foundation have all expressed their gratitude for the many ways in which our members provide support.

Korum has once again committed to help sponsor our show which in turn helps us support the charities above. We greatly appreciate the partnership we have with them and look forward to continuing to provide help in their direction as we can. This includes a Mini Show this year. We are just waiting for the date. We want to thank Jeff, Susan, and Alex for meeting with us. Lots of fun ahead.

As we begin this year, I want to once again thank those who have served on the board in the past. It is the efforts of those who have come before us that sets the course for our current activities. Our club mission, as stated in this newsletter each month, is to be:

"a social group whose purpose is to promote a better understanding and stronger fellowship in the preservation and maintenance of all Mustang and other Ford Motor products."

Let's keep that in mind as we continue to make positive contributions to our communities and have lots of **GREAT FUN!**

Life is always an adventure.....

Let's enjoy the ride together

While we are in the reminding spirit, don't forget that as you check and replace batteries in your smoke alarms and check the home fire extinguishers, there is one more to check...the car!

Heidi Geise
PCMC President

Charity Involvement



Imagine this......Jerry and Cathy won the 50/50!

Jerry "I never win anything" Murphy and his wife Cathy were the big winners of the year's 50/50. Names were drawn at the FNDO. Santa's Castle will get the other half.

And we start all over.....Purchase for next year at any club event. Just see Missy.

2018 Charity Running Total

Cash Dona- tions	EFN— April	Ford Peanut Butter	Toys for Santa's Castle	
Back- packs & school sup- plies	EFN— Oct			

Money Found!!!!!!

Our amazing treasurer was able to find \$246.77 in money that people donated at various times over the year. The Board decided in the December meeting to add this amount to the charity contribution we were already making to The Tears Foundation which will bring their total to \$746.77 for the year.

\$500 \$400 \$300 \$100

Spreading Cheer

On December 28th, a group of PCMC members cruised around Pierce County handing out our donations to local charities. We visited St. Francis House, The Tears Foundation, and the Emergency Food Network. We were sorry to missy Caring for Kids in person but we will mail their check to them.

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St. Francis

House—Janel Tobar, Director of Development & Marketing.

Tears Foundation—Miriam Krause, Director of Finance & Operations.



Emergency Food Network—Merrit Reed, Volunteer Coordinator; Helen McGovern-Pilant, Executive Director; and Kevin Lasinski, Repack

Coordinator.

Caring for Kids—Diane Formoso (no photo)

PCMC General Meeting Minutes—No Dec Meeting

Look here for the January Minutes in February

In Memory of Gary Sullivan



It is with great sadness that we say good-bye to another PCMC club member, Gary Sullivan. Gary passed away suddenly on December 1, 2017.

Gary and his wife Cathy joined the club in 2016. They are also part the Rod Knockers. I have heard the same thing about him from everyone I talk to regardless of the club—"One of the nicest guys you will ever meet."

The Mustang isn't his only car love. They also have a collection of classics including several Mustangs.

Gary and his family restore vintage coin operated rides such as you see in front of stores sometimes and from what I understand do an amazing job.

They have "several" (an understatement—over 300

is what I was told) at their home in Graham. They were recently at SEMA where they took some of their work for display and sale.

From my perspective, Gary was a people person and a "life-long student" In his MoM article he gave

us the root meaning of the name Mustang-"a



mixed lot of stray beasts." He was a story teller who loved to share and learn. I will also remember him just as we see him in

many of these photos, with his arm around Cathy, his wife.

Although they have not been with the club long, Cathy and Gary were active members. We will miss Gary's smile and his stories. Our hearts go out to Cathy and the family.







Membership News

The Pierce County

Mustang Club is open to any person or family interested in the PCMC Purpose.

All Ford cars are welcome.

Ownership is not required...
Enthusiasm is!!!
Dues: \$25 per year

Membership dues are payable in January of each year.

New Membership is prorated according to the month joined.

CLUB

MERCHANDISE

Ball Cap \$15
Car Pennant \$10.00
Lapel/Cap Pin \$4.00
(stick or magnetic)
Parade window clings \$20.00
Name Tag \$8.00 each
(stick or magnetic)
Club Window Cling \$2.00

Items can be purchased by mail, please add an extra \$3.00 to cover postage.

OR

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To order: Nancy Freeman pnredride@msn.com

PCMC CLUB ANNIVERSARIES – January

Scott & Jody Wickett 2000 Dan Alpert 2002 Larry & Patti Martin 2010 Tom & Lori Rochefort 2011 Howard Junge 2012 2012 Greg & Karen Robbins 2015 Chip McCullough 2015 **Daniel Watson** Jordyn Osborne 2016 Butch & JJ Blodgett 2016 Jim Blodgett 2016 Jerry & Heidi Althauser 2017

ROSTER UPDATE AS OF Dec 31, 2017

116 Member #s — 188 Members

Among Our Own—In Our Thoughts:

Our thoughts go out to **Cathy Sullivan** and her family for their great loss. **Gary Sullivan** passed away on December 1st.

LaVonne Youngedyk is recovering from surgery. **Paul** says she is coming along very well.

Congratulations to **Rachel Wright** and her husband Brian for the official adoption of their grandson, Danny.

Joanie Nordlund who will be getting knee surgery on Jan. 5th.

Mission Statement

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Mustang of the Month

Jerry & Heidi Althauser 2012 Red Candy Coupe, 2015 White F-150, 1975 Brown F-250

Here is the story of how I got my "Baby," a "supercharged V6 coupe with 3:73 gears and a White Line Watts link rear suspension" car.

We purchased a condo in Long Beach California in July of 2010 for a vacation destination, winter sunshine. We drove Heidi's 2005 PT Cruiser to California so we would have a car to drive when we visited.

After about two years (2012), I finally was able to talk Heidi into replacing the PT cruiser with a car we could take to car shows and meet new friends with. She agreed and let me choose what I wanted. I have always loved Mustangs hence 1977 I bought my first, a white and blue Cobra 2, so it

was a no brainer, the car had to be a Mustang. My favorite color is candy apple red so now all I had to do is go shopping.

My budget was limited and we still had to have somewhat fair gas mileage (20 – 30 mpg) so the search began. I found the car in Whittier, California and we went for a test drive. This is the one

and they matched our price so we drove it away. The funny thing is the car came from Seattle as a rental and now is back in Seattle after two years in California.

In 2014 I retired and we moved to California. For the two years we were in California I had time to join the Beach City Mustang Club (BCMC) and personalize the car to be my baby. In 2016 we decided year around sunshine was just too much so we moved back to Washington (yes the car has passed Washington emissions tests as is).

I wanted to find a Mustang Club here to continue to meet new friends and do the same things we love to

> do, cars, cruising, and having fun. PCMC is just that the right club for us, so thank you to all that have made us feel welcomed.

> > Submitted by

Jerry & Heidi Althauser



New Members

No new members in December but watch for January

Check in this Newsletter for membership renewal including using PayPal.

ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL CASH - CHECK - PAYPAL

To use PayPal click on the link below. Your payment is \$26.25, reflecting \$25.00 in dues plus an additional \$1.25 convenience fee*. Please note Membership Dues in the special notes area.

https://paypal.me/pcmctreasurer/26.25

As always cash or check in the amount of \$25.00 (no extra fee) will be gladly accepted in person or by mail. PCMC, PO Box 44853, Tacoma, WA 98444.

*The note on page 1 is an error, PCMC is not paying the convenience fee.

In the News

Trying to keep up with Mustang news? Here are a few items to check out.

We had a special treat prior to the Board Meeting in December. Korum pulled a new 2018 Ford GT Mustang around to the front for us to drool over. I love my Mustang, but I couldn't resist having a seat behind the wheel and revving the engine a bit. Amazing interior on this one. Beautiful dash with enough knobs and switches to make you wonder if you need to call the tower for clearance before take-off. Wrap around seats that hug you almost as well as the grandkids. A welcome mat—light from under the side mirror that shines a pony on the pavement below and a lighted Mustang sign on the running board with a variety of colors to choose from. Rev it up and you hear and feel the 460hp at your feet and in your grip. No, I am not trading mine in, but if I had to.....this wouldn't be a bad option.

In Mustang Times...

There is a new tire out for Mustangs that is a combined effort from Ford and Michelin. Stealing from the Ford GT and Shelby GT350 it is a "Michelin Pilot Sport 4S high-performance summer tire." Incredible what goes into building a tire. This one is designed to help move your pony from 0-60 in under 4 sec-

onds and includes a special tread pattern specific for Mustangs for better grip and handling.

If you are into the racing scene, Ford is helping Bob Tasca III as he powers his Mustang Funny Car for the 2018 Drag Racing season. Keep an eye open for it.

And if you are a reader, a new book, *Shelby American Up Close and Behind the Scenes*. This tells the story of Shelby American from '62-'65 including the development of the Shelby GT350's.

Keep sending me interesting news you have found.

Information Article: And The Cruises Begin....

By Heidi Geise

It has been almost 2 months since our last cruise. Remember that one to the Veteran's Museum? It was a lot of fun, just like all the others we do. These cruises are fun for lots of reasons:

- We get to drive our fun cars.
- We get to hang out with fun people.
- We get to drive through some gorgeous parts of Washington.
- We get to drive our Mustangs. (Did I mention that already?)
- The people planning them are organized and plan a fun experience.
- We get to see Museums, bakeries, communities, auto related manufacturing plants, etc.
- And we get invited back because we are respectful as we drive through these locations.

As we start our cruise season, here are a few reminders so that we continue our record of fun and safe cruises.

- These are cruises not races. There are no points for finishing first. Observe the speed limits. Often we go a little below so that if we get separated people can catch up safely.
- 2. Printed directions are provided, again in case cars get separated people can find their way to

the next stop.

- It is cool to see a string of 20 or more Mustangs but not so much if you are in traffic trying to get somewhere. Sometimes we have to make room for other vehicles to pass or travel in the same direction.
- 4. We travel with our lights on so that others know we are traveling together and to stay visible. This helps others on the road but also our own members in case of issues that occur where we need to wait or help a fellow driver.
 - 5. Most importantly, HAVE FUN!

I have seen parts of our communities that I didn't even know existed because of the planning of so many of our members.

There are always laughs and comradery and a

sense of pride in our club, our cars, and our state.

Don't miss the fun. Check out the calendar and join in as we see Washington in our Ponies.

See you on the road....don't forget to wave!



Trivia:

Q—The Dream Giveaway for 2018 will feature a pair of Mustangs. What will some lucky winner walk away with besides \$45,000 to pay the taxes?

A—1965 Shelby GT 350X (experimental) with 670 hp and a 2017 Shelby GT 350X with 875 hp.

Either should get you to the store and back.

Got a topic you are curious about or know about?

Send me your stories or ideas for topics by the 25th of the month! What do you want to know about?

Send to: pcmceditor@gmail.com

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GOT A MUSTANG OR RELATED ITEM TO SELL?

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Deadline is the third Friday of each month for the next issue.

Alert: Have you gone onto the website lately?

Please go onto the website and visit the Members Cars page.

If you don't see your car there, please send a photo to Heidi at pcmceditor@gmail.com

We are down to just 11. Don't miss your chance!

Trivia Question: So we know just about everything about our Mustangs....what about their ancestors and relations

The Model T had no transmission, as we know it. There was a gearbox, but it only offered one speed. You would push the shift forward to take the vehicle out of neutral and engage the drive train. To go in reverse, you would depress a pedal on the floor.

Without the T where would the Mustang be? Aren't you glad our Ponies moved past all of that?

December Club Events

Cruising with the Club:

Mustangs Not Required, Enthusiasm Is!

Santa Parade

Dec. 2

What a fun, but very wet, Parade this year. We were 4 lighted ponies strong. On Chuck, on Paul & Heidi, on Harry & Charlotte, on Missy & Clay. Watch out for the Grinch and the drill teams and bands. Light 'em up they yell and we happily oblige.

Our lights and decor are all packed up and dry, until next year when we get to do it all over again.

Submitted by Missy Willert





Holiday Party

Dec. 9



That time of year already, yes it is! And we all know what that means for PCMC...
Holiday party.

Nancy did a great job of coordinating all of this year's

celebration even while both of she and Pete were under-the-weather. Thank you.

There was an amazing array of food, all good. I had to sample all of it in the name of "research." Nancy and Greg did a juicy and delicious ham and smoked turkey, respectively. Yum! There were po-

tatoes, salads, pastas, sweet potatoes, desserts, and lots of all of it.

The tables were festively decorated

with silver platters and flowers with hand crocheted pads. The décor was done by Sue Velasco. Very nice! The

chair with the star at each table got to take home the arrangement, all of it. What a treat! Thank you, Sue.

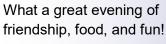
Thank you, Sue.

The adults didn't go without either. A fun game of "tag—I get your gift" lead by Vickey Olson was played so that all who brought a gift for the exchange received a gift of their own. I saw lots of Seahawks materials, warm blankets, chocolate, wine, games, puzzles, sushi setting, and...what did Greg get?....a Useless Box?....must have come from Paul.

Throughout the event a slide show ran. It showed all the activities we participated in throughout the year, the Mustangs of the Month, and members old

and new enjoying the activities.







There was a movie and activities for the kids although they seemed to entertain themselves quite well. Each received an early Santa gift as well.





FNDO—The Sizzler

Dec. 15



2018 Events

Nothing to Do...Not Us!

Club Cruises

Jan 27 Koffee & Cars Cruise

Feb 10 Cupid Cruise

March 10 Poker Run (Date Change)

April 22 National Mustang Day Cruise

May 19 LaConner Cruise

June 9/10 Two Day Leavenworth Cruise

Sept 15 Yakima Canyon Drive / Show

Oct 27 Treasure Hunt

Nov 11 Veterans Day Cruise

Dex 15 Fantasy Lights Cruis

FNDO

Jan 19 Farelli's on Canyon

Feb 23 Sizzler

March 23 Brank's

April 20 Carr's

May 18 Aversano's

June 22 Elmer's

July 20 Old Spag. Factory

Aug 24 Round Table 160/

Meridian

Sept 21 Ben Dew's

Oct 19 Louie G's (Fife)

Nov 16 Buttered Bisquit (Bonney

Lake

Dec 14 Main Garden (Main in Puyallup)

Other Club Events

Feb 3 Bowling Paradise Lanes

April 7 Daffodil Parade

April 21 EFN

June 17 Rainiers Game

July 28 Toy Drive & BBQ at Murphy's

Aug 12 PCMC Car Show

Aug 26 Club Picnic

Oct 13 Glass Blowing—Tacoma

Oct 20 EFN

Nov 3 Planning Mtg for 2019

Dec 1 Santa Parade

Dec 8 Holiday Party

(Lots of other clubs put on shows that we attend as a group. See the calendar each month or look at the website for a listing of shows and other events we support.)

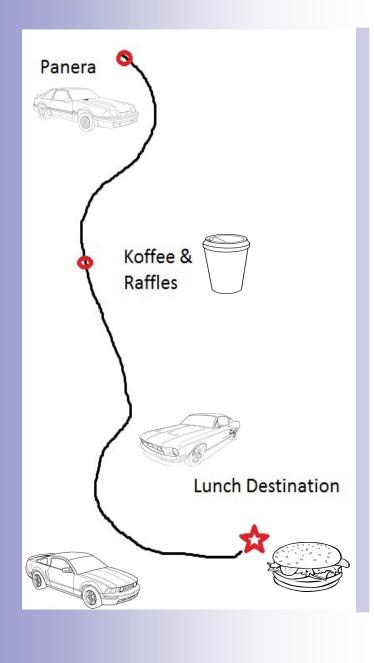
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See website for details $\underline{\text{\bf www.piercecountymustangclub.com}}$

Get Organized Month and Soup Month

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 New Years Day	2 Motivation & Inspiration Day	3 Chocolate- covered Cherries	4 Trivia Day	$oldsymbol{5}$ Bird Day	$\it 6$ Apple Tree Day
		PCMC Bd Mtg— Freeman's 6:00	Day			Caffeine & Gaso- line
7 Bobblehead Day	8 Bubble Bath Day	9 Apricot Day PCMC Car Show Mtg—Denny's @ South Hill—7:00	10 Bittersweet Chocolate Day	11 Milk Day	12	13 Rubber Duckie Day
14 Hot Pastrami Sandwich Day	15 Hat Day	16 PCMC Club Mtg—6:30	17 Kid Inventors' Day	18 Thesaurus Day (or should I say—rare synony- my day)	19 Popcorn Day FNDO—Farelli's on Canyon	20 Buttercrunch Day
21 Granola Bar Day	22 Celebration of Life Day	23 Pie Day	24 Belly Laugh Day	25 Irish Coffee Day	26 Spouse's Day	27 Chocolate Cake Day
						Koffee & Cars Cruise— Concannon
28 Blueberry Pancake Day	29 Puzzle Day	30 Croissant Day	31 Inspire Your Heart With Art Day			

KOFFEE & CARSMID-WINTER RUN 2018



WHEN: SATURDAY

JANUARY 27TH, 2018

WHERE: PANERA BREAD

SOUTH HILL PUYALLUP

TIME: 10:00 AM

LEAVE 10:20 SHARP

Join us on a Cruise through

Some south end neighborhoods

With a stop for Koffee & Raffles,

Then a trot down I-5 for a no host lunch.

QUESTIONS:

CONTACT CLAY 206-551-6307

Cupid Cruise

Saturday, February 10, 2018

Join Pierce County Mustang Members as we visit a

Chocolate Spot or Two

No-host lunch at

Johnny's at Fife

Meet at 9:30 at McDonald's at I-5 and 512 Leaving at 10:00



Help us collect Coloring Books and Crayons

For more information contact Charlene Rivera
360-292-8806 or RiveraLarryCharlene@comcast.net

PIERCE COUNTY MUSTANG CLUE



Poker Run Saturday



This is a combination cruise. It is a fun cruise as well a poker cruise. The Poker portion of the cruise is optional for those wishing to cruise only.

Best Hand - 50%

2nd Best - 30%

3rd Best - 20%

of entry fees and re-draw purchases
There will also be awards for the three(3)
worst hands, Best dressed in Green, Best
decorated car & other awards
There will be an entry fee of \$5,00 for these

There will be an entry fee of \$5.00 for those participating in the poker run part of our cruise (1 hand per person)



Start at Park & Ride end of 312

(By McDonalds)

Meeting at 8:40 am

Depart at approx 9:00 am

We will meet at the Park and Ride at the end of Hwy 512(by McDonalds). There will be a meeting of drivers at 8:40 am to go over rules, sign driver release form and to draw the first card for those taking part in the poker run. We will also hand out a ticket to all in attendence for some drawings we will have throughout the the cruise. All directions and information concerning stops and poker rules will be handed out at the meeting. There will be stops and rest breaks and the cruise will take approximately 1.5 to 2 hours estimated. Our final stop(destination) will be given you with your directions sheet. At last stop we will have lunch and a final card draw and there will be some awards



???Questions???

Contact Jerry Murphy@ 253-847-2948 email: traveltrlr@comcast.net



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pcmceditor@gmail.com.

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www.piercecountymustangclub.com

Next Meeting: Jan 16, 2018 at Korum in Puyallup-6:30pm

Don't forget to respect the business needs at Korum by parking in the back.





