

November 2009 Newsletter

Next Club Meeting

November 20th, 6PM Dinner & 7PM meeting
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Minutes

Treasurer's Report

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Upcoming Events

November elections

Christmas party planning

Winter (yuck!)

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The "Let's Celebrate Fall" Party

On Friday, Oct. 30th, Gary and Dorothy Glasgow sponsored a little club get-together at their place in Shepherd. Despite the fact that things got a little windy (the conversation and the weather), everything came off quite well! After it was all over, Gary and Dorothy decided to put together a bit of prose to describe the event. Enjoy!

The Bonfire That Wasn't, But Was Fun, Anyway!

With the wind a'huffin' and puffin' -- we decided to build a smaller fire in the barbecue. Figured it would help keep the arson charges away.

Hopefully, everyone enjoyed themselves -- lots of good food. (Blackened hot dogs?) Gathering in the sun porch kept the wind out of the girls' hair, and also made it so we didn't need jackets to keep from shivers.

Shivers of another kind were provided by the appearance of a lone wolf, who was hanging around the Mustang herd.

Do you suppose it was from the Yellowstone pack?

Lots of visiting and eats, and a serenade from Monte, who tried vainly to tune my guitar so he could sing a song or two.

We enjoyed the gathering and are always open to further events.

As one old mustang said to another,

"Keep on a'kickin'!

It keeps the buzzards at bay!"

(Gary 'n Dorothy)

This 'n That

Shriners' Appreciation Plaque: At the last meeting, Scott showed everyone the nice plaque we received from the Shriners' Hospital as a gesture of their appreciation for the donation and support they got from our event. And while the plaque was certainly very classy, we all agreed that we'll need to have some sort of base made for it to help "set it off." After that, we aren't quite sure where we'll be able to keep it, but we may ask Bob Smith to put it on display for us, since we don't have a permanent club residence.

Money Spending Ideas: The club discussed ways we could spend the extra proceeds we had from the car show, and several members came up with some very good ideas. The various suggestions included purchasing an enclosed trailer we could use to store the club inventory, and setting up a scholarship for a Montana technical school, like the Career Center. (Randall mentioned that Conoco Phillips would be interested in helping us contribute to a scholarship fund.) Another suggestion was that we could host the annual Christmas party in January for the club members - and pick up the tab! We'll continue the discussion at the next meeting, after Randall gets some more information

on any possible income tax issues (involving the proceeds) that we might have to consider. We'll need to know a little more about that aspect before we can make a final decision.

Christmas in January Party: Be watching for more information on the January Christmas Party. The current plan is for it to be held on January 16th at Gusick's Restaurant. (Yeah! T-bone steaks, baby!)

Trailer Scouting: At the October meeting, Mark Francis mentioned he'd been looking for a trailer for the club, and found one in Missoula that sounded like a great deal. After the meeting, he learned that the trailer had been sold, but decided he'd keep looking for another one. Later on, he found one in Bozeman that he bought and brought home - a very nice 12' enclosed outfit. The seller had used it to move from the East coast to Montana and had no further need of it. (Moving from the East coast? Wise decision!) The only problem was that he had repainted portions of the trailer with a roller to cover up some old logos. Scott Hecker and Jerry Mueller wound up spending several hours scraping off the paint so they could get it professionally painted - and have our logo added to the sides of the trailer. Nice touch! Bob Koschel picked up the trailer on Monday and will work on finishing it up for us. Scott's idea is to move it around town to advertise the club. From what we understand, next weekend it will be at Denny Menholt Chevrolet! (At least, we're pretty sure that's what we heard...)

Elections! Already? Yep! At the November meeting, we'll be voting for next year's officers. And in addition to finding a new secretary (since Sandy's stepping down), we'll also need to find someone who's willing to take on the newsletter. So if you're interested in this fun-filled and rewarding job, please let Monte know!

For the Ladies! Did you know that we have some wonderful independent sales girls in our club? Sandy Steffan is a fine Mary Kay consultant with lots of experience. She really knows how to help you look and feel beautiful. Tammy Dicks is a consultant for It's Just Jewelry, and if you haven't had a chance to check out her products, you need to treat yourself. Her jewelry sells for \$20 for every necklace in the catalog, and \$10 for every pair of earrings. Now that's a great way for someone to find a classy looking piece of jewelry to add to their collection. Another choice for beautiful jewelry is to call Jill Wittman, who sells Silpada Jewelry. Rhonda Schmidt sells Beijo bags - another great accessory for your wardrobe. Sandy Mueller sells for Private Quarters, a company that provides quality linen products for bed and bath. Choices, choices, Choices! It's like we have our own little mall amongst our members! All these ladies love to do parties and would love to introduce you to their products. Think about supporting them by hosting a party, and get some great free stuff in the process! They'd love to have you be their cheerleaders and help them out. Call a few of your friends and you can have a party!

A Christmas Idea from Sandy Mueller: Hey guys, does the idea of shopping for a Christmas gift for your wife send shivers up your spine? Do you wind up going from store to store, only to end up at the checkout counter with whatever happens to be available? I know four ladies who would be able to make your wife very happy on Christmas Day. You write the check - we'll do the rest! We can even wrap your present for you, so all you have to do is sit back and see how happy she is. Think about it - you'll have more time for yourself! Let us know how we can help!

"The Word" from The Prez!

Hello, folks and pony lovers! Here I am again - seems like it was only a week ago when I last wrote to you. November is starting out very nice. It looks like some fall weather might finally be headed our way. It's about time! Gary and Dorothy Glasgow had a bunch of Mustang members out last week for a hot dog party, and we all had a great time. The group sang "Happy Birthday!" to Dorothy and said "So long!" to Ken and Billie Lewis, who are headed south for the winter. See you two in the spring! At our next meeting we'll be entertaining nominations for officers for the 2010 year. We'll be seeking nominations for president, vice-president, secretary, treasurer, and one new member for the board of directors. We'll also be looking for someone to take over as editor for the newsletter. If anyone is willing to volunteer for any of those positions, please step up and let us know. Hey, if the weather holds up, we might even try to get in a show-n-shine in November. Wouldn't that be great! The club Christmas party will held on January 23rd, 2010, at Gussicks Restaurant at 6:00 PM. Mark it on your calendar! Well, guys and gals, this is it for now. See you all very soon. Happy cruising, and drive safe.

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