

# The Galloping Gazette

The Official Newsletter Of The Central Virginia Mustang Club December 2006 Issue 240

#### CVMC News

#### **Election Time is Here!**

Central Virginia Mustang Club Directors Election Ballot 2007-2008

Please check <u>6</u> names from this list to serve as CVMC directors.

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	Sharon Burke
	Steve Coleman
	Tony Hall
	Richard Jones
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CVMC PO BOX 35-474 Richmond, Virginia 23235-0474

**DECEMBER 6, 2006** 

This is a very important election and you are highly encouraged to participate. If you cannot make the December meeting then please mail your choices to the P.O. Box listed so your voice can be heard. Remember this is your club so lets hear from you!

Gordon M. Martin President (804) 550-3196

nativeborn@comcast.net

#### 2007 Membership Renewal!!!

I want to remind everyone that the end of the year is here again and we are accepting renewals now for the New Year. We would like to keep our club growing and continue to meet new friends and have a good time at shows and events.

Thanks from your Treasurer -Membership Chairman. **By Ron Martin** 



#### 2006 CVMC Christmas Party!

Date: December 9<sup>th</sup>, 2006 Location: Hill City Chop House

Time: 7:00 p.m.

Menu: Attendees will have a choice of 14 oz. ribeye, Chicken Chesapeake (chicken breast stuffed with crab imperial, smothered with a light seafood sauce and served with rice pilaf), and crab and shrimp (a jumbo lump crab cake and 5 hand breaded coconut fried shrimp). Each of these entrees include a salad.

Price: 24.60 per person with club

picking up half

If we want dessert, we will either have to pay for it on our own, or it can be added at an additional cost. Extra activity: Toys for Tots. We are asking all attendees to the party to bring an unwrapped new toy to go in the box.

Contact: Brenda Jones

10801 Brewington Road Richmond, VA 23238 Phone: 804-740-2096

Please send checks made payable to Central Virginia Mustang Club for the number of people attending. Please contact Brenda with the number of people. We can choose our entrée when we get there.

**Brenda Jones** 

Phone: 804-740-2096 jonesauto1951@comcast.net

#### CVMC Christmas Parade Season



37th Annual Ashland/Hanover Olde Time Holiday Parade

It was a great day for a parade, bright and sunny and the temps in the 50's. What more could you ask for?







CVMC had 17 Mustangs and a AC Cobra for the parade this year. I believe we had 6 1<sup>st</sup> Gen Mustangs, 5 4<sup>th</sup> Gen. Mustangs and the rest were 5<sup>th</sup> Gen. Mustangs.







The parade started at 2:30pm and it seemed to take a little longer than usual this year but I don't think anyone cared (except maybe Llew).



We even had a mascot this year!



They a great crowd this year as usual. The kids and parents looked like they were having a great time.



I know everyone from CVMC had a blast and we will be back again next year.

By Tony Hall

#### Mechanicsville Rotary/Ruritan Christmas Parade

This parade is on Dec 3rd at 3:00. Let's meet about one hour before at the Mechanicsville Elementary School on Atlee Road. This is a nice smaller parade through Mechanicsville. It doesn't take very long to do this one. Hope for a nice turn out by the CVMC.

#### Chester Christmas Parade

The time is Dec. 10th at 2:00 P.M. Contact Llew for more information.

These meeting places are tentative, so stay tuned for updates. **By Llew Stakes 804-262-5789** <u>afancycat@comcast.net</u>

Dave Lythgoe and I traveled up to Fairfax County to attend the Northern Virginia Mustang Club's (NVMC) 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Car Show.

The trip started out as a sunny morning and a little on the cool side. The further north we went the clouds we saw. When we arrived it was mostly cloudy with some sun poking through every once in a while.







We got to meet Cecee Coburn and Ebby Short to founders of NVMC along with many of their members. This was a "Top 30 Participant Vote" Dave and I had a great time checking their Mustangs.



CVMC At The 4th Annual Northern Virginia Mustang Club Car Show & Club Picnic November 5th



The trip was great I hope more CVMC members will come with us next year to their show and I hope both of our clubs will do many events together in the future.

Tony Hall 804-337-4807

#### Here Ye! Here Ye! CVMC Website Help Needed!

If you know how to do websites or are willing to learn then "CVMC WANTS YOU!"

CVMC needs to people to help in updating the website on a regular monthly basis.

We also need people to help give our website a "New Look". The website has not changed for the last four years. Remember the more people we have helping the less work there is.

If you have any interest in helping please give the following a call...

Gordon Martin 804-550-3196

Rusty Wiseman 804-357-6196

...we hope to hear from you soon!

By Gordon Martin

CVMC Board Of Director's

Meeting Minutes

October 16, 2006

By Brenda Jones

Members in attendance: Richard and Brenda Jones, Steve Coleman, Ron Martin, Llew, Marsha and Aaron Stakes, George Bobrovsky, Kathy McWilliams, Rick Nochta, Dave Lythgoe, Rusty and Betty Wiseman, Dave and Judy Dickey, Tony Hall and Gordon Martin.

President Gordon called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. Gordon explained he had changed the location but we hadn't gotten the new update with the change so he was late and we were all the wrong location. We got the meeting off to a start by discussing the Spring Show. We decided on a date of April 7<sup>th</sup>, 2007, with the show being held at Virginia Center Commons in the same location as last year. George Bobrovsky will be setting up with VCC this week. He is looking for volunteers. It was suggested that we change the top 30 to Top 10 GM, Top 10 Ford, Top 10 Mopar, Top 10 Mustang, Top 5 imports, and Top 5 trucks. George will be talking with Johnny McGrath about using his RV. He is going to need help with registration and getting sponsors. We have a generator lined up. We are trying to get the same number of spaces that we had for our Fall Show.

Tony talked about our Fall Show. He needs items for the newsletter. He thanked everyone who helped with the show. He told us that it went pretty good, only a few complaints. Ron Martin did registration, Steve Coleman did parking, and Rick Nochta was in charge of judging.

We need better communication between the different areas. Signs need to be made for the rows so we can tell where the cars need to be for the different classes. The person in charge of parking needs to work with Registration so they know what to do with the cars. Need to do more up front planning. Keep it simple. Need more judges. The quality of judging was great – just need more of them, so we can finish judging around 3-4 p.m. and give awards out at 4p.m. Dave suggested starting judging as soon as registration closes.

Tony suggested to put up signs that say the show field is full. To cut

off registration at 11:00 or when we reach 215 cars whichever comes first.

Gordon suggested having the judging classes either one hour before the meeting or have it on a Thursday or Friday night.

Rick said we had 24 judges this year. Need to put an inexperienced judge with an experienced one.

Tony brought up about sponsorship. We need more sponsors. We need to push the sponsors and trophy classes. We had a range of \$5500-6000 that we needed to raise and we only raised \$4500.

Tony discussed the idea of a two day show. To take our show and spread it over two days. It wouldn't be that much more work and it would give the judges time if they needed to go back to a car. The only other option would be to keep it at a one day show and reduce the number of cars.

Need to look into security for the show if it is a two day affair. Tony said if anybody wanted to step up and take it over he would be glad to be a coach.

Dave mentioned about the MCA having elections and we gave him our suggestions for Bill Johnson for President. Tony mentioned the Directors coming up for election. We have several who will be coming off the board this year. A date of September 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2007 was tentively set for our Fall Show.

Gordon adjourned the meeting at 9:00 p.m.

#### CVMC Meeting Minutes November 1, 2006

Gordon called the meeting to order at 7:30pm and welcomed all in attendance. Gordon asked if there were any new members or guests present, there were two, David Marsh and Jim Hague.

Darius and Stephanie announced their Saleen took a top 10 finish at the MIR For Fever Race and his race car ran in a 9.939 at 135mph.

Paul Oliver announced he just purchased a 2007 Mustang GT.

Mike Cole and Michelle Myers recently were married and the club wished them well.

Ron read the treasurers report, if anyone would like specific information; please contact Gordon or Ron for details.

Llew Stakes mentioned the Ashland Christmas Parade on November 19, 2006 and the Mechanicsville Parade on December 3, 2006.

George spoke on the Spring Show. The show will be held on April 7<sup>th</sup>, 2007. George is looking for Sponsors and volunteers for the event. Tony will in charge of Dash Plaques, Ron will help with Registration, Kendall will be the DJ, Rick and Steve will help with parking, David Lythgoe will provide generators and Johnny will be providing the camper.

George will be having a meeting with Virginia Center Commons Mall Management this week to finalize details. There will be a Show Meeting in the future to discuss all of the details, more information coming soon.

The Central Virginia Mustang Club Annual Christmas Party will be held on December 9<sup>th</sup> at Hill City Chop House.

Gordon announced that it is time for elections for Directors. During the December Meeting elections will be held for directors. Anyone interested should contact Gordon for more information.

Tony announced that Stephanie and Darius Sweptson will assist him with the Fall Show. Darius is the New Chairman. There is the possibility of the Fall Show being a two day event due to the large turnout this year. A vote will be taken at the December meeting to determine if the Club would like to extend the show to two days.

The Simon Youth Day of Giving at Virginia Center Commons Mall will take place on November 19<sup>th</sup> from noon until 6pm. Tickets will be sold by Dave Dickey if anyone is interested.

Gordon mentioned that Election Day is around the corner and

encouraged everyone to get out and vote.

There is a new Classic Care Center located in Fredricksburg Virginia and if anyone is in the area they should check it out.

Gordon has shirts left over from the Fall Show and are on sale for \$10.00.

Tonight there were 38 members in attendance.

There was no raffle tonight.

Gordon thanked everyone for attending tonight's meeting and concluded the meeting at 8:30pm.

#### Amy Blumenthal, CVMC Member Deployed To Kuwait Receives 30 Year Award!

CVMC member Lt. Col. Amy Blumenthal was deployed to Kuwait six or seven month's ago.

She has been serving our nation for more than 30 years. While on deployment in Kuwait she was recognized for her years of service by Maj. Gen. Thomas Robinson.

The photos below are of Amy receiving her award.

CVMC congratulates Amy on serving our Nation for 30 years and we wish her a speedy and safe return.





By Tony Hall

#### CVMC At MIR Ford Fever

Daris, Stephanie, Travis and Chris all attended the Ford Fever Classic last month. Daris ran the 1985 Mustang and Chris ran his 2006 S281 Saleen S/C with street radials. There were lots of Stangs there and boy was it a great weekend to race! Daris ran

in the "TOP ET" class and Chris ran in the Street 16 class. I put the 2006 S281 Extreme in the car show both Saturday and Sunday. The E took top 10 both days! On Saturday Daris ran a 10.01-w/100 shot of nitrous! I have video to this, which the link is posted below for your viewing enjoyment. We all had a great time... On Sunday Daris was the first one of the day down the track for a trail run before eliminations started. With a r/t of .050 and a 125 shot of nitrous he got the Stang down in the 1/4 mile at 9.939 at 135 MPH!!!! Unfortunately I got so excited that I cut Daris time off on the video. Chris got the S/C down the track with his best time of 12.41! Pretty darn good considering all he did was change the tires other than that all stock!

Daris made it to the second round of eliminations where he lost at the tree! He "red lighted" but that is okay because we had an awesome time that weekend. Chris too lost in the second round of eliminations.

On Sunday we met up with Melissa our new found friend who happens to live in Chesterfield, VA... Got to get her to join the club. She drove her Cobra down the track in the ¼ mile at 158 MPH and 9.12! You go girl...

All in all it was a great weekend and unfortunately the last weekend before Chris was shipped off to Iraq to defend our Country. He will be back in April to go racing with us again.

By Stephanie Swepston

#### CVMC On The Web

Yes, folks CVMC has a website! We have CVMC Club Events listed along with MCA Regional and National Shows and lets not forget the Local Shows. <u>CVMC Events Link</u>

We also have a ton of pictures from our past events. <u>CVMC Event</u> Photo's Link

We have a very good Forum's Section. Here you can pass along your extensive knowledge about your Mustang or answer someone's question. It is also a good way to keep up with current CVMC projects and events. CVMC Forum's Link

Be sure to use your CVMC website, it is here for your use! www.centralvamustang.com
By Tony Hall

#### CVMC Gear "HELD WANTED"

CVMC is looking for someone to fill this vacancy. CVMC NEEDS YOU! If we do not find anyone to fill this spot then we will be without that great "CVMC Gear"!!!

If your interested please contact Gordon Martin at following phone number or e-mail address...

Gordon Martin

Home: 804-550-3196

E-Mail: nativeborn@comcast.net

CVMC needs you so please step forward so our new and old members can continue to get that fantastic CVMC Gear!

By Gordon Martin

## Thanks For Contributing To The Galloping Gazette

I would like to take a minute to thank everyone who has contributed to the Galloping Gazette and let everyone know that if you have an article that you wrote on anything CVMC, Mustang and or Ford related please send it to me to be used in the newsletter.

Ideas for articles are but not limited to the following... Club Functions; Car Shows that you attended; Parades; Restoration Projects; Modification's; Unique Mustang's and or Ford's; Unique people connected with Mustang's and or Ford's; etc... Please include any pictures.

Be sure to send your articles to me Tony Hall at <a href="mailto:svt95cobrava@aol.com">svt95cobrava@aol.com</a>.

#### CVMC Editorials

I noticed this little piece about MADD in the News from the Car Club Council of Central Virginia.

"One thing to look for in the upcoming session is the new Mothers Against Drunk Driving proposal. The new proposal to curb drunk driving is a mandate of an alcohol detection device for first time offenders. Currently under Virginia law a person with multiple violations can be forced to purchase and use such a device in their car. The big change is doing this for first time offenders. It has cut the number of drunk driving crashes in New Mexico and other places it has been tested. The driver of the car must blow into the device to get the car started. It will not start if the person has been drinking. This makes more sense than upping the penalties for drunk driving each year with little change in the number of drunk driving crashes. It is estimated that 13,000 people die each year because of drunk driving. MADD has set a goal of getting this new proposal into law in all states."

The problem I have with this proposal is that where will this stop? I DO NOT believe it will stop with 1st offenders. It will end up being standard equipment on all new cars one day.

I know MADD wants to get drunk drivers off the road or prevent them from driving in the first place, which is not a bad thing. The problem with this logic is that it will not work. What is to keep the drunk from driving another car? How long will that device stay installed on the vehicle? Are they to use this device for the rest of their life, etc.? Just to name a few questions.

This is just the latest in a long list of things the authorities want to do to keep an eye on you and make sure you behave according to what they think you should do. I have heard about the authorities looking into using GPS to tell if you have been speeding,

driving recklessly, etc. They also want to use you're the little black box that is in most new automobiles produced today against you in a court of law if you have an accident.

My thing is that until we stand up against this sort of intrusion into your liberties it will continue and get worse MUCH WORSE. Think about it, what ever you can imagine the authorities can do to keep track of what you do they either have the technology to do it now or will have it soon.

They should keep the law as it is and ENFORCE them better than they have been doing.

#### By Tony Hall

The opinions expressed in the CVMC Editorials are that of the individual and not the opinions of the "Central Virginia Mustang Club, Inc."

This is a new section of the Newsletter and is open to all CVMC Members. Please keep the topics to Cub or Automotive related issues.

Be sure to send all Editorials to...

Tony Hall svt95cobrava@aol.com

... I will be glad to post them.



#### News From The Blue Oval



# FORD FUSION REIGNS AS "FAMILY CAR OF THE YEAR" AT THE 2007 BOSTON AUTO SHOW

The Ford Fusion is named "Family Car of the Year" by members of the New England Motor Press Association (NEMPA). Award presented at the Boston Auto Show. Fusion's ride-and-handling, high level of safety equipment and value are the attributes making the four-door sedan a winner in this year's NEMPA balloting Fusion's sales success is playing a key role as Ford expects to improve its U.S. car market share for the second consecutive year.

BOSTON, November 3 - The Ford Fusion begins its sophomore season with another honor today as it receives the "Family Car of the Year" award from the New England Motor Press Association. The trophy is given during the Boston Auto Show media luncheon at the Bayside Expo Center.

"Put it this way: If you were a teenager looking to borrow the 'family' car," says Ezra Dyer, president, New England Motor Press Association, "you'd be pretty psyched it if that car was a Fusion." The NEMPA jury noted the Fusion's combination of great rideand-handling, standard safety equipment and value as the factors that put it on the top of the balloting.

"The phrase 'family car' connotes a dearth of fun," adds Dyer, "but the Fusion combines sedan practicality with a level of behind-thewheel entertainment that you don't typically get in this class, or at this price. And it looks sharp, too."

The Fusion's fall 2005 debut helped Ford regain share of the U.S. passenger car market for the first time since 1993. Sales have exceeded company expectations as the four-door sedan finished its first model year with 138,000 units sold. With Fusion's help, Ford anticipates increasing its car market share for a second straight year in 2006.

Fusion's success among family buyers is due in part to its emphasis

on safety equipment, which includes f ront-seat side air bags and side-impact air curtain now standard on all models, in addition to dual deployment front air bags, energy-absorbing safety belts and load-limiting retractors.

Fusion is often cited for its deft driving performance by offering an all-wheel-drive system that improves traction on slick surfaces or better handling in a curve. Drivers can choose a 3.0-liter V6 engine that delivers 221 horsepower. The V6 is mated to a six-speed automatic transmission posting fuel economy numbers of 20 miles-per-gallon (mpg) city and 28 mpg highway. The Fusion's I-4 engine delivers 160 horsepower with fuel economy rated at 23 mpg city and 31 mpg highway.

"We are honored that the New England auto media has singled out the Ford Fusion as this year's best choice in family cars," says Steve Grant, Boston Region sales manager, Ford Marketing, Sales & Service.
"Fusion continues building a reputation here in the Northeast among customers who are looking for something special from a four-door sedan, especially in winter driving conditions."

Fusion's success isn't restricted to showroom sales. The sedan is a finalist for the coveted North American Car of the Year Award that will be announced in January 2007. Fusion recently was named "One to Watch" by the editors of Consumer Guide.

Article and Photo by Ford Motor Company





#### AND BIFFLE MAKES THREE 11/19/2006

## BY TEAM FORD RACING CORRESPONDENT

Homestead, Fla. — It's called Ford Championship Weekend. Three nights. Finally, three Ford vehicles in victory lane to wrap the weekend and the 2006 NASCAR season.

Greg Biffle won his third straight Ford 400, capping a sweep of Ford Championship Weekend at Homestead-Miami Speedway, becoming the third different Roush Racing driver to win at Homestead in three nights, as he led Ford to its third sweep of a NASCAR Nextel Cup, Busch Series and Craftsman Truck Series weekend this year.

Mark Martin won Friday's NCTS race in a Roush F-150, Matt Kenseth won Saturday's Busch race in a Roush Fusion and Biffle turned in a stellar performance in victory Sunday night in his Nextel Cup Fusion, which enjoyed a remarkably successful first year of competition.

"I tell you, this Ford Fusion race car is just so awesome," said Biffle, who scored the 11th win of his Nextel Cup career and the sixth for the Fusion in its first season of NASCAR competition. "This is the same car I've won with three years in a row and

these fans down here at Homestead-Miami are something else, also. I'm pretty excited to come down here. I love this place."

Biffle's key to victory came in practice, when he got his Fusion dialed in the way he likes it: loose, loose, loose. "I finally got sort of pissed off in the second practice and just told them to keep stacking right-rear spring in it," Biffle said of the orders he gave crew chief Doug Richert and the rest of the team.

"I raised the track bar up, I did all kinds of things. I took sway bar out of it. ... I went out there in first practice and the thing was so loose I could hardly drive it and we were pretty fast after about 15 laps. The second practice, it was so loose I couldn't drive it. I couldn't make a fast lap, so we tightened it back up just a tiny bit and I said, 'Just leave it alone for the race. I'll suffer with it. I'm either gonna be hauling butt or I'm gonna be too loose and we'll have to work on it.' But I haven't had a tooloose race car all year. I haven't experienced that yet and I wanted to kind of experience that."

In Sunday's race Biffle started back in 22nd position, but got hot once the sun went down, as he motored to the front of the field at Homestead to score his second Nextel Cup victory of the season, to go with his triumph at Darlington Raceway in May.

"When the night fell and it cooled off, my car came back to life there in the middle part of the race track," said Biffle. He dedicated the race to his father, Jack, who suffered a mild stroke last week and is back home in Vancouver, Wash.

But if Biffle had bittersweet emotions on this night, it was not due to his performance on the track or the effort of Roush Racing during the weekend. The former Busch and NCTS Champion not only won the race, he was the first of three Roush Fusions in the top 10, as teammate Matt Kenseth finished sixth and Carl Edwards was eighth.

But the night belonged to Biffle, who took the lead on lap 214 and led

all but eight laps from there until the green flag on lap 268. He averaged 125.375 miles per hour in the victory before a crowd estimated at 80,000 people at the South Florida speedway.

Kenseth was able to trim six points off Jimmie Johnson's Nextel Cup points lead and finished the day where he began, second in the 2006 championship hunt. It's was Kenseth's third year in a row competing in the Chase for the Nextel Cup and he finished in the top 10 in points for the fifth consecutive year, all with Roush Racing. Aside from his championship season of 2003, it was Kenseth's best finish in the Nextel Cup point standings.

And he had absolutely no regrets or apologies about where he finished in the Chase for the Nextel Cup. "We've had unbelievably competitive cars all year, we've had great pit stops, we won four races, we probably could've won eight or nine of them if everything would've fell into place and went right," said Kenseth. "They give you stuff and put you in contention to win and that's all you can ask for. We did that more times than we didn't do it this year, so it's been a great year."

Kenseth's long-time crew chief, Robbie Reiser, echoed his driver's sentiments. "You hate to run second, but it was a heck of a season for all these guys," Reiser said.

"Great job by the No. 17 bunch. Couldn't ask for it to be any better—other than one more spot. ... Running in the top-five all night long shows we can get the job done. We'll be back next year."



#### By Dave Dickey MCA Regional Director

Notes from the November Board of Directors (BOD) meeting include

- 1. Results of the elections for the Executive Board and National Directors: Bill Johnson is President; Steve McCarley, Vice President; Kay Kleschka, Treasurer. There was no nomination or write in for Secretary. According to the Bylaws this position may be appointed by the Board and President Johnson has spoken to a few people and will his recommendation for a Secretary at the next BOD meeting
- 2. Mary Jean Wesche continues to excel as Editor of Mustang Times
- 3. Among the many recommended changes from the Judges Meeting held in St Louis on November 4, include: Show and shine type shows be expanded to National Shows; drop street in modification class description; Judging clinics required at all National/Grand National shows; Key Host Clubs show personnel are strongly urged to visit and perform show duties at other National/Grand shows for training purposes
- **4.** Special Events Committee reported the History Channel presented a 30 minute "Infomercial" on the MCA and our 30<sup>th</sup> celebration.
  Indianapolis is a strong possibility for Mustangs 45<sup>th</sup> anniversary. If this happens, I will be there

## MCA National shows closest to Richmond for 2007:

National show in Louisville, Kentucky Memorial Day weekend (May 25 – 27) which I am going and we already have our Hotel reservations. Flyers for this show are on the table. Springfield, Ill. (July 20 – 22) is the next closes show.

The last show of 2007 will be the Grand National in Augusta, Georgia Labor Day weekend (August 31 to Sept 2).

I need to have the names of CVMC members that are also members of MCA. Please check the updated list on the table for those CVMC members that are MCA members and check to make sure I have both your CVMC and MCA numbers are correct and when your MCA membership expires. If you are a new club member and belong to MCA, please add your name to the list. Also anyone that wants to join MCA, I will have the applications at the meeting.

Check out our website for additional cars shows in the Richmond metro region.

Judi and I have many things to be thankful for this Thanksgiving and we hope each of you had a wonderful Thanksgiving.

#### **CVMC - MCA Gold Card Judges**

1964½-1966: Don Lane 1967-1968: Steve Shaver 1967-1968: Dave Dickey 1994-Present: Steve Shaver



#### December 2006 Car Hobbyist News From the Council By Fred Fann

I have two proposals from DMV that may replace the HB 288 from last year. These proposals were written from the notes of the two DMV Task Force meetings on the misuse of

antique plates. I have links to both below. The documents were in MS Word and I converted them to HTML so everyone will be able to view and read them. The text is the same. Car hobbyists still have an opportunity to have input on these proposals. After reading them feel free to contact me with any of your thoughts or ideas.

Proposal 1 - <a href="http://carclubcouncil.com/draft1.htm">http://carclubcouncil.com/draft1.htm</a>
Proposal 2 - <a href="http://carclubcouncil.com/draft2.htm">http://carclubcouncil.com/draft2.htm</a>

Please note that both proposals do not include any mileage restrictions for driving your antique. There is no requirement for annual inspections unless you do not have collector insurance or are a member of a club. My main concern with these proposals is they may not be strong enough to discourage the misuse of plates. There was very little if any enforcement of the current law so I am not sure enforcement will be stepped up with a new law. In addition to these two proposals Tom Cox (President of the Southwest Council and Chairman Legislative Affairs Antique Automobile Club of America) and myself have worked on a third proposal. Tom has secured possible sponsors for this measure. We are hoping that everyone can agree and there will be only one bill to address the problem of the misuse of antique tags and it will be a bill that all of us can support.

Your council representatives will continue to work on this and monitor the happenings in the General Assembly when the next session begins in January. We are also hopeful that there will be no legislation introduced that would be detrimental to our hobby.

One thing to look for in the upcoming session is the new Mothers Against Drunk Driving proposal. The new proposal to curb drunk driving is a mandate of an alcohol detection device for first time offenders. Currently under Virginia law a person with multiple violations can be forced to purchase and use such a device in

their car. The big change is doing this for first time offenders. It has cut the number of drunk driving crashes in New Mexico and other places it has been tested. The driver of the car must blow into the device to get the car started. It will not start if the person has been drinking. This makes more sense than upping the penalties for drunk driving each year with little change in the number of drunk driving crashes. It is estimated that 13,000 people die each year because of drunk driving. MADD has set a goal of getting this new proposal into law in all states.

If you read the Richmond newspaper then you have seen the recent articles about high-speed pursuits by police officers. Years ago after the death of the Hopewell mayor because of a high speed pursuit - I stated that police departments need to come up with a comprehensive plan on when officers can and cannot engage in pursuits. I think the major point in the newspaper articles is that the police are supposed to maintain safety for all of us. Engaging in a high-speed pursuit puts a lot of people in a situation where they could be injured or killed. Unfortunately for all of us only the City of Richmond is looking at a pursuit policy. If you have not read the newspaper articles you should. I still hope that the police administrations can come up with quidelines on pursuits to take the some of the pressure off officers who have to make split second decisions that could end up killing or injuring innocent bystanders.

During 2006 we have had a record high number of cruises and car shows. Please submit your event early for the calendar and be sure to check to make sure your event does not occur on the same date as many other events.

If you need to contact me: Fred Fann fred@iloveoldcars.com 804-590-9583

#### CVMC Guess The Plate



The object of this game is to guess which CVMC member the license plate belongs to.

#### Cymc Classifieds

This section is for CVMC Members ONLY! If you have any Mustang/Ford items for sale please send the information via e-mail to: svt95cobrava@aol.com

#### New Member's

Betty Shiflett, Chuck Carter, Ronnie Jenkins, James Hague, Don Hudson, Rob Parker, Walter Osborne, David Marsh

**Welcome!** We at CVMC hope you will be a member for many years. CVMC has 170 members signed up for 2006.

## Renewed Member's For 2007

Sharon Burke & Dave Kretz, Tony Hall, Renee Bennett, Shawn Godfrey

Thanks everyone for coming back for another great CVMC year! CVMC has 170 members signed up so far for 2006.

#### CVMC Guess The Plate Answer

David Lythgoe's 2005 White Mustang GT

#### December Birthdays

Looks like we have a bunch of birthday Guys & Gals!

Dec. 1<sup>st</sup> Brenda Boyd, Dec. 5<sup>th</sup> Matthew Gaffney & Lyn Williams & Adriana Dempster, Dec. 10<sup>th</sup> Darlene Riggins, Dec. 11th Rob Parker & Rusty Wiseman & Bruce Bennett & James Bobrovsky, Dec. 14th Victoria Bader, Dec. 16th Christi Uminski & Bill McGill, Dec. 17th Phyllis Sims & Bill McCauley, Dec. 18th Joan McGrath, Dec. 20th Bryan Floyd, Dec. 21st Gerald Novarro & Kevin Robertson, Dec. 22<sup>nd</sup> Chuck Carter, Dec. 23<sup>rd</sup> Manuel Nichols, Dec. 25<sup>th</sup> Brenda Jones, Dec. 26<sup>th</sup> Shirley Shaner & Billy McDaniel & Tom Chapman, Dec. 27th Michael Hauser & Paul Shank, Dec. 28th Ryan Jenkins & Sandy Mitchell, Dec. 29th Faye Braughton, Dec. 31st Michael Roberson & Cathy Bruno & Chris Bennett

Happy Birthday and Many Happy Returns!

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