

# The Pony Express

MUSTANG CLUB OF TAMPA OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER

## Mustang of the Month: Frank Morales' 1965 K Code Convertible!



*(Article by Frank Morales)* You either had one or always wanted one. Well here it is the original pony car, a 1965 Mustang GT Convertible. But this isn't just any Mustang Convertible it is one of a handful of original "K" code high performance Mustang convertibles equipped with the GT package. This is not a replica built from an "A" or "C" code car- it is an authentic "K" code with all matching numbers. This is a 1965 Ford Mustang K-code 289/271 horsepower, 4-speed, convertible with a Paxton Supercharger. The 271 high performance engine is professionally built with correct HiPo heads, solid liters, heavy duty rods, exhaust manifolds, 4V carburetor, correct open element air cleaner and dual-point distributor.

This car has a Dealer Installed, period correct, Carroll Shelby Paxton Supercharger. My friends joke that the car "has a bad power steering noise" knowing that it's the Supercharger making the noise. The Mustang has been restored to its original eye-popping exterior Rangoon Red with a power white top and deluxe white pony interior (red dash and carpet). Full length factory center console and wood grain dash factory 140 mph speedometer, factory Rally gauges with factor Rally pak 8000 RPM tachometer (K-code only) and clock (both work). Original factory wood grain three spoke steering wheel, original AM/FM radio and seat belts re-done by Snake Oil with correct labels.

*(Continued on page 13) ...*

*This year lets resolve to make better  
"Bad Boy" decisions ...*



### In this Edition...

Mustang of the Month	1,13
Editor's Note	2
MCT's Club Leaders	2
Facebook/Joining MCT	2
President's Message	3
Our Newest Members	4
Mustang Ladies Corner	4
It sounded like a good idea...	4
Buy, Sell, and Trade	5
MCT Christmas Party	6-7
The Rusty Report	8
Cruise-Ins	9
MCA Benefits	9
Businesses & Services	9
Calendar of Events	10
The Rust Bucket	10
Bill Currie Ford Ad!	11
BCF Referral Program	12
Reflections ...	13

## The Pony Express

Melinda Morales, Editor

(Email: newsletter@mustangcluboftampa.com)

### Newsletter Staff:

Lupe Minute..... Lifestyle Reporter  
 Rumer Mills..... Investigative Reporter  
 Sally Ride..... Traveling Reporter  
 Paige Turner..... Reporter At Large  
 Rusty Sparks..... Staff Mechanic  
 Ada Sage..... Staff Philosopher

### Thanks to our contributors this month:

Frank Morales, Harry DePeppe, and Rusty Gillis

(Note: Melinda writes under multiple pen names)

## A Note from your Editor...

Happy January fellow MCT members!

I hope everyone had a wonderful holiday season. For Frank and I it was truly memorable. We love spending the holidays with our family, it is why we moved to Florida. And we have made so many good friends that are like family now, too. The holidays were a great opportunity to make wonderful memories.

One of those memories was our December Christmas Party on December 9th. I hope all of you in attendance enjoyed it as much as I did.

This year if you are at an event of interest to our MCT members, please take a few pictures and send them to me with a paragraph or two about the experience. I know everyone would love to hear from you. I know I would.

Now we have a whole new year ahead of us. To me it's like starting a new book, one with 365 pages of stories, pictures, events ... friends, good times, and happy memories too! I can't wait to see what 2019 has in store for us ... Until next time, happy reading! - Melinda

## Thanks to our Club Leaders!

### Officers...

PP = Past President

President	.....	Frank Morales
Executive VP	.....	Frank Cossota (PP)
Treasurer	.....	Rusty Gillis
Secretary	.....	Mary Lou McCarty
Membership	.....	Harry DePeppe
Newsletter	.....	Melinda Morales
Webmaster	.....	Scott Englert

### Board Members...

Lucy Carroll	Bob Perry
Jim Carroll	Brandon Pacifica (Facebook & Sergeant at Arms)
Harold Champion (MCA Regional Director)	Robbie Polo (Cruise Director)
Phil Collie	Howie Taylor (Publicity Director)
Chris Meyer (PP)	

Facebook Friends of the MCT is now up to:

### 2,998!

Make sure you check us out on Facebook! Many thanks to Brandon Pacifica for keeping the club's Facebook page up to date and interesting.



Not a member? Thinking of applying for membership? Ownership of a Mustang is not required, just an enthusiasm for the model.

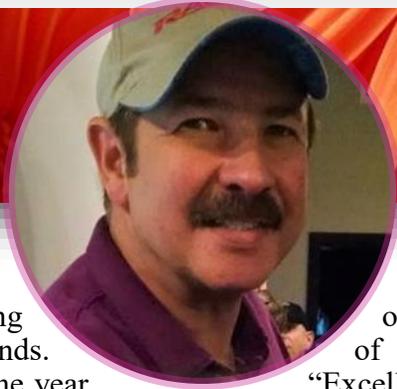
Go to <http://www.mustangcluboftampa.com/membership/>

Or e-mail the Membership Director

[membership@mustangcluboftampa.com](mailto:membership@mustangcluboftampa.com)

## President's...

## ...Message



Hi MCT Members and Friends.

Happy New Year's to all Mustang Club of Tampa members and friends. Since this is the first Newsletter of the year, I want to start by wishing you all a happy New Year and I hope that all of you had a great holiday season with your friends and family. Now that the holidays are over, I'm looking forward to 2019 and a new year with MCT.

One of my favorite moments over the holidays was the MCT annual Christmas party that was held on Sunday, December 9<sup>th</sup> at Bahama Breeze. Bahama Breeze is one of my favorite restaurants in Florida because of the setting and the atmosphere, not to mention the food. This was a special evening of fun, entertainment, charity, and recognition. Bahama Breeze provides an elegant atmosphere with awesome food and service. For me, this was a special evening.

This year, Melinda came up with the MCT Holiday Garage theme, and the special introduction of Melinda's 2018 Mini-Member ornament collection. Every mini-member had it's own unique name on its personal membership card, was wearing an MCT t-shirt, and each shared its Holiday Garage name with one member or friend participating in this event. These mini-members made a very nice and memorable Christmas tree ornament. As if these unique one-of-a-kind mini-member ornaments weren't enough, Melinda made MCT Holiday Garage Tool Boxes as centerpieces. These beautiful MCT Garage Tool Boxes were given out to one member at each table.

This year Bahama Breeze added appetizers to our menu and they were served "family style" to every table. In fact, we had so many appetizers to enjoy that many dinners were taken home! In addition to a delicious dinner and fun, we had an award presentation. The Mustang Club of Tampa has had a successful year, and this is due to the hard work, time, dedication, and commitment of the Board Members. Without them our Club would not be the success that it is today, and we acknowledged the Board of Directors at the Christmas party. I also presented an

"Excellence in Action" award. This award is given to a person who, in their own unique way contribute to the success of the Club. Last year's recipient of the "Excellence in Action" award was Harry DePeppe for his support and excellent job in managing our membership. Also, for his willingness to pitch in where ever help is needed. This year, I recognized Robbie Polo and Melinda Morales who truly represents the name of this award "Excellence in Action". Please read my "Excellence in Action" award article for additional details.

I would also like to thank our Christmas Party Chairman, Melinda Morales, for organizing such an elegant and memorable event. Thank you, Melinda for doing an outstanding job.

Now that the holiday season is over, we need to move on to the new year ahead of us. Our 2019 Board of Directors are working on, and planning out our activities for the New Year. We will be scheduling Car Shows, cruises, a Poker Run, a Club Picnic and Christmas Party. Also, this year Robbie Polo is planning a couple of surprise activities that will be announced later. I hope that most of you can support us by attending these events and if you have any suggestions please let the MCT Board, or me, know as soon as possible. We welcome new ideas from our members.

In closing, I want to thank you for the support that you have given me and for allowing me to be your president. I have met some wonderful people through our Club and made some lifetime friendships that will remain with me forever. I am looking forward to another exciting and successful year for MCT. Finally, a very special thanks to Bill Currie Ford and Jennifer Currie for her support of MCT and for helping to make 2018 a successful year for MCT. We are lucky to have such an awesome club sponsor. Also, I wish all MCT Members a Happy New Year.

Best regards,  
Frank Morales, MCT President  
[president@mustangcluboftampa.com](mailto:president@mustangcluboftampa.com)

## Welcome to Our Newest MCT Members...

Ralph Kleppan '11 Mustang Convertible  
Candice Hewitt '15 Mustang Coupe  
Wayne & Grace Garris '05 Mustang Convertible  
Rocco Costa '16 Mustang GT Fastback

Larry Levine '09 Mustang GT Convertible  
Nicholas & Helle Mellitas '17 Mustang GT Conv.  
Ben Sudduth '16 Mustang Fastback  
Lloyd Luke '07 Mustang Coupe



Our total membership is **185 families, 316 total members!**  
*Welcome to our newest club members! We look forward to having you join us at our next club meeting or event!*

### Mustang Ladies Corner ...

*By Lupe Minute, Lifestyle Reporter*

This year I was having such a good holiday season ... and then I got in an huge argument with my Ford Explorer.

You see, my Explorer and I were running around getting Christmas gifts and shopping for holiday dinners. We have always worked so well as a team. Every time I dashed from my Explorer to another store I thought it was so thoughtful that my Explorer would honk at me as I walked away from her. It always put a smile on my face and I would waive back at her and say, "I'll be right back!"

Then my Mustang Man decided to join me on the last of my errands before Christmas. The first time I dashed out of the Explorer she once again honked a greeting to me. It was at that point that my Mustang Man "educated" me on what my Explorer was doing. Apparently my Explorer was telling me that I had left my keys in the car. She wasn't honking a good bye. Instead, as my Mustang Man pointed out, "She's telling you that you forgot your keys ... dummy." Well wasn't I embarrassed. Now any time she honks at me my feelings get hurt. I have to admit that on New Year's day she honked one too many times and I actually walked back up to her and slapped her.

And when did Ford decide to sell smarty pants Explorers anyway? I blame them for this ...

### It Sounded Like a Good Idea at the time ...

*by Rusty Sparks, Staff Mechanic*

If you've been married for a long time, like me, you come to know that there are ways to make your life, and your wife, happy at the same time. Lucky for me I learned early on that the way to keep the little lady happy was to make a point, not a statement. But to do it quietly ... very quietly.

Case in point, like many homes, ours has a nice utility sink in the laundry room. Soon after moving into our home my wife would use the utility sink to hand wash her fancy underthings while she used the washer and dryer on more resilient items of clothing. The first time she did this she asked me, in that special little way that wives do, "You don't mind, do you?" "Of course not, dear." That trap was avoided.

Then one day I was working in the garage and when I needed to clean out my oil pan I found her fancy things soaking in the utility sink. So I took my oil pan into the kitchen and cleaned it there. I didn't leave too much of a mess ... just a couple of oil drops here and there.

When the little lady saw "that nasty old oil" in her sink I gave her my most clueless look and said, "You don't mind, dear?" Ever since then the utility sink has been designated as part of the garage space. Now that's what I call "happily ever after."

## Buy, Sell, and Trade

**For Sale**— Ford 1G Alternator. \$35. Early OE Look - 75 Amp - 55 Idle - 1V - OE Only - Externally Regulated - Natural Powermaster - Alternator P/N 7078. Features: Early OEM/Retro Look 75 Plus Amps At Top End/55 Plus Amps At Idle Externally Regulated Great Upgrade To Replace Lower Amp Units. Re-wired my 1965 Mustang and went to a single wire 3G alternator - this one came out of the car—no charging issues with this one. If interested contact Jerry at [jmay12550@verizon.net](mailto:jmay12550@verizon.net).



**For Sale**— 1968 Mustang Coupe, 289, 2bl., auto trans, not running. 2 engines, 2 trans, lots of extra parts. Some rust on hood and under vinyl top. \$4,000 takes all. Call Frank C. at 813-376-8979 for info.

**For Sale**— 2 Tires (used).Pirelli P-Zero Corsa 285/35ZR-19. They have approximately 4,000 miles on them and have approximately half of their original tread left. \$100 for the pair! Contact club member Daryl Waterman at (cell) 714-434-2801.

**For Sale**— Have four Stock GT wheels for sale. Came off my 14 California Special. Had P245R19 tires mounted on them. All for do have a little curb rash. Also have TPMS sensor for tires as well. Selling for 150.00 each OBO. Selling as set only. Contact Joe Della Fave at [joe.dellafave@gmail.com](mailto:joe.dellafave@gmail.com) or call 609-850-1887.



**For Sale**— I have a complete Grill kit for a 67 Mustang GT. Includes all trim, horse and corral, etc. \$125 for all. Call Mark @ 813-205-2953

**For Sale**— FOMOCO 4 barrel manifold for sale for a 289. Asking \$85. Anyone interested can contact John Goyack at 727-726-5701.

**For Sale**— 1996 Mustang 4.6 liter V8. 4speed automatic with overdrive. Approx. 150,000 miles on it. It's been in Florida since 2003 and always garaged. It's black with tan leather interior, drivers seat is somewhat warn. Black top is 6 or 8 years old and is like new. All my paperwork is at home and I am in Mass. But will be back in FL Nov. 26th for two weeks. I have all the maintenance records. Tires and battery are good. Asking \$3000.00 OBO. Contact George Flavin at [flaving@bellsouth.net](mailto:flaving@bellsouth.net).



**For Sale**— Raxiom Navigation & Touch Screen Upgrade For OE Radio (15-17 All). 8" HD Touch-Screen LCD, Navigation System with iGO NextGen Software, US and Canada Maps Included, Retains Sync and Factory Functions, HDMI Connectivity / USB Charging / OBD2 Reader, Input for Factory Reverse Camera, Factory Style Dash Bezel Included, Not Compatible with SYNC® 3, Fits 2015-2017 Mustangs Equipped with the Standard OE Radio with the 4 in. Screen. This is no longer available from American Muscle. This is for everyone with the little 4" screen that wants to upgrade to a 8" screen with gps. I have everything for installation. Asking \$275.00. Contact Doug @ 813-857-7959 or [dkasr2@gmail.com](mailto:dkasr2@gmail.com)



**For Sale**— American Muscle Speed Form side scoops in Performance White for Ford Mustang. Came off of a 2012, will fit 2010-2014. Perfect condition at half price of new. \$100. Call Wayne Garris at 727-215-6121.



*MCT members looking to Buy, Sell, or Trade can post items here. Our newsletter reaches all our members, sponsors and several other Mustang Clubs.*

*E-mail your photo & info to: [newsletter@mustangcluboftampa.com](mailto:newsletter@mustangcluboftampa.com)*

# Features

## MCT's 2018 Christmas Party At Bahama Breeze

On December 9th we had our 2018 Christmas Party. We ended the year on a great note and I want to thank everyone that came out and participated. I know everyone had a great time! Here are the pictures ...



Toy Donations! Red Elephant Gift Exchange! Two of the MCT Mini-Member Ornament Collection!



# Features

## MCT's 2018 Christmas Party At Bahama Breeze (Continued)



### Excellence in Action ...

The Mustang Club of Tampa has had a successful year, and this is due to the hard work, time, dedication, and commitment of the Board Members. Without them our Club would not be the success that it is today. While each of these people deserves to be recognized for their unique contribution, at our year-end Christmas party I like to recognize one special member.

In my past, and for many years, at the Orange County Mustang Club in California, I recognized one individual who contributed special qualities that in different ways contribute to the success and image of the Club. Therefore, as president of MCT it is easy to tell the member, or members, that go out of their way to support and contribute to the Club's success. This award is the highest recognition I can give a member for their support, dedication, and contribution to MCT.

This year it was tough for me to pick just one individual for the Excellence in Action Award. One minute, a member would do something outstanding and deserving of the award, and then the next month another member would do something outstanding and deserving of the award. So, I would switch my pick from one member to another. Finally, after many months of deliberating my decision, I decided to honor two MCT Members with the Excellence in Action Award. So in December it was my honor to recognize Robbie Polo and Melinda Morales as recipients of the Mustang Club of Tampa "Excellence in Action" Award for 2018.

Robbie Polo for his contribution in planning our monthly MCT cruises, luncheons, tours and other activities. In addition, to his support and can-do, positive attitude which is always refreshing.

Melinda Morales for doing an outstanding monthly MCT Newsletter, planning our picnic, planning the 2017 & 2018 Christmas Party, and for doing all MCT flyers for our various activities. Congratulations to both. An award well deserved for your contribution in making MCT a success.—by *Frank Morales*



*Going to a New Year's party without wearing a tracking device is just asking for trouble ... — Ada Sage, Staff Philosopher*

# Features



## The Rusty Report

By Rusty Gillis

Gillis Restorations builds every car as if it were Rusty's own. They are a one stop restoration shop. From rust repairs to turn key restorations, no job is too big or too small. Let's see what Rusty is up to this month ...

Brian has been working on the Vista blue 1965 Mustang Coupe installing an American Autowire harness. It has been updated since the last one we did and he said it is easier to install (see picture #1). The fuse panel comes with a bracket and mounts on the side kick panel under the dash (see picture #2). Brian has the wires neatly tie wrapped under the dash (see picture #3). To keep the wires neat they have been wrapped and go through adel clamps inside the trunk and attach to the taillights (see picture #4). The wires for the headlights, turn signals and horn are kept out of the engine compartment and go under the fenders attached to the fender apron. This is also a good view of the Open-tracker front suspension and disc brake kit (see picture #5).

We decided to upgrade the instruments (see picture #6). The Classic Instruments installed in the new bezel (see picture #7). Now an update on the 1969 Grande. Brian assembled the sheet metal to make sure everything fit after making quarter panels and adjusted the door and trunk gaps. The quarters and roof are held on with small self-tapping screws (see picture #8).

The body was completely disassembled and sandblasted (see picture #9). I sprayed two coats of SPI red oxide primer. The factory never primed the inner structure under the roof so now it will be better than new (see picture #10). Brian is plug welding the roof and the rest of the body back together (see picture #11). This is how it looks after welding. The top of the windshield goes here after the welds are ground smooth (see picture #12).



*(Rusty's story continues next month) ...*



[www.gillisrestorations.com](http://www.gillisrestorations.com)  
 727-847-7973  
 Email: [rusty@gillisrestorations.com](mailto:rusty@gillisrestorations.com)

# Features

## Area Cruise-Ins

*Events are subject to change so always check with organizers.*

√ Every 1st Monday - Mustang Mondays, Biff Burger & Buffy's BBQ, 6 to 9:30pm. 3939 49th St N. St Petersburg. Info: 727-522-0088. Free event. December meet is Toy Drive, bring a toy! More info on MCT facebook page.

√ Every Friday - Pep Boys Speed Shop, 5-8pm 10124 N. Florida Ave, open-to-all, drivers receive a hot dog & soda, door prizes, 10% discount on store purchases, DJ Ed Cullins. Info: Joe 813-933-2424.

√ 1st Saturday - Dairy Queen, Lutz, 6-8:30pm. 23671 FL-54, Lutz. All makes and models welcome. Food, ice cream, DJ music, raffles and face painting. Fun for whole family. Info: 813-949-8900, or email Dawn.c@inspiringservice.com.

√ 2nd Saturday - NorthPointe Village, 5-8pm. 16506 Pointe Village Dr, Lutz. Door prizes, old-

ies, music and 50/50. Info: Paul Figoni 813-468-0277

√ Last Saturday - Cars & Coffee at Streetside Classics. 9am-12. 4610 Pet Lane, Lutz, FL. 150+ classic cars on display under one roof.

√ 2nd Saturday - Insty Tune & Lube offers free coffee and breakfast. 7am-10am. Free event, open to all. 14783 N. Dale Mabry Hwy, Tampa, FL 33618. 813-960-3908. Get your car questions (or problems) answered for free while showing off your car.

√ 1st Saturday - Garage One Pro Shop. 5136 W. Idlewild Ave., Tampa, FL 33634. 877-396-8895. Free coffee and doughnuts, product demos, store specials and \$50 cash raffle. Music provided by DJ John Paul Gasca. Open to all years, makes and models of cars, trucks and bikes. Dirty vehicles are welcome. Free event.

## Member Businesses and Services



Phil Collie  
*Internet Consultant*  
Lazydays, The RV Authority  
Cell: 800-626-7800  
[pcollie@lazydays.com](mailto:pcollie@lazydays.com)

Rusty Gillis  
*Automotive Restoration*  
Gillis Performance Restorations  
Ph: 727-847-7973  
[rusty@gillisrestorations.com](mailto:rusty@gillisrestorations.com)

John Underwood  
*Custom Cabinetry*  
U.S. Design & Mill, Inc.  
Cell: 813-854-2321  
[USDMI1@tampabay.rr.com](mailto:USDMI1@tampabay.rr.com)

Glenn Bornemann  
*Auto Detailing Products*  
Garage One  
Ph: 813-380-3773  
[mustang62401@gmail.com](mailto:mustang62401@gmail.com)

Jeremy & Jessica Cianfrocca  
*Auto Detailing*  
Tampa Wax Slingers  
Ph: 813-409-2630  
[jcianfrocca@tampabay.rr.com](mailto:jcianfrocca@tampabay.rr.com)

Jose Chinchilla  
*Autobody & Collision*  
Full Metal Garage  
Ph: 813-217-5364  
[fullmetalgarage.com](http://fullmetalgarage.com)

Fred Flesche  
*Indoor Gun Range/Sales*  
Shooting Sports Inc.  
Ph: 813-933-3000  
[fjfn@aim.com](mailto:fjfn@aim.com)

*Members who would like to add your business or service, which may be of interest to other members, email your info to:*  
[newsletter@mustangcluboftampa.com](mailto:newsletter@mustangcluboftampa.com)

## Mustang Club of America

Another great perk for Mustang Club of Tampa members, who also join the National Club

### *Mustang Club of America*



MCA members can take advantage of ***The Ford X-Plan***

Purchase a Mustang with a deep pricing discount, the process is both simple & rewarding.

Don't forget to make the dealer aware of your MCT membership for a \$150 loyalty bonus to the Mustang Club of Tampa. See below for details.

<http://www.mustang.org/content.php/274-X-Plan-Pricing-for-MCA-Members>

# Features

## Car Shows & Other Events

*Events are subject to change.  
Always check with organizers.*

### Car Shows -

√ January 3-13—The Mecum Auction will be held at Osceola Heritage Park, 1875 Silver Spur Lane, Kissimmee, FL 34744. Mustang Club of America will also be hosting its National Directors Meeting January 11th through 13th.

√ January 12— Boggy Bottom Auto Show. 9:30am—2pm. Lupton's BBQ Ranch, 8407 Lupton Place, Plant City, FL. Open to all years, makes and models. This show is located in a beautiful country setting just south of Plant City. Over 20 vendors, 50/50 and more space for show vehicles. Breakfast served from 8-10:30am and a BBQ lunch buffet is served from 11:30am-1:45pm. Show car registration closes at 11am, then the professional judging starts. Registration includes 1 BBQ buffet wristbands and additional wristbands can be purchased the day of the show as well as ala carte grill items. Pre-registration is \$25 before December 31, day of show is \$30. Email: [jcianfrocca@tampabay.rr.com](mailto:jcianfrocca@tampabay.rr.com). Phone: 813-409-2630.

√ January 13— The Shops at Wiregrass 2019 Series Car & Truck Shows begin. 2811 Paseo Drive, Wesley Chapel, FL 33543. 10am to 4pm. \$20 Pre / \$25 Gate. Hosted by Premium Productions. This is an open show with 60 classes. 2 Best of Shows for each class and 24 overall Best of Show trophies by division. Club participation

award is \$100 (10 member minimum), \$150 (20 mem min), \$200 (30 mem min). Music, vendors and food & drink available. Registration 10am-12pm, judging at 12:15pm, awards around 4pm. No cars are allowed to leave until after the awards ceremony is over. This is a Wiregrass safety rule. Violators will be banned from participating in future Wiregrass shows. Rain or shine.

√ February 9—Celebrity Auto Festival. Big Top Flea Market, 9250 E. Fowler Ave., Thonotosassa, FL 33592. Registration is free. Hosted by Ed's Project Car Swap Meet. The Celebrity Auto Fest features tribute movie and TV cars on display. This is your opportunity to see dozens of unique cars all in one location. Best of all, you can do a little shopping and get some eats with a beer at Big Top Flea Market. For more info: <https://celebrityautofest.com>.

√ February 17— The Shops at Wiregrass 2019 Series Car & Truck Shows. 2811 Paseo Drive, Wesley Chapel, FL 33543. 10am to 4pm. \$20 Pre / \$25 Gate. Hosted by Premium Productions. This is an open show with 60 classes. 2 Best of Shows for each class and 24 overall Best of Show trophies by division. Club participation award is \$100 (10 member minimum), \$150 (20 mem min), \$200 (30 mem min). Music, vendors and food & drink available. Registration 10am-12pm, judging at 12:15pm, awards around 4pm. No cars are allowed to leave until after the

awards ceremony is over. This is a Wiregrass safety rule. Violators will be banned from participating in future Wiregrass shows. Rain or shine.

√ March 9th— Streetside Classics 4th Annual Spring Car & Truck Show. 4610 Pet Lane, Lutz, FL 33559. 8am to 3pm. \$20 Pre / \$25 gate. Presented by the Premium Productions. This is an open show. 2 Best of Shows in 53 classes and 28 overall Best of Shows in division. Club participation award plus \$200 (20 member min). Vendors, music, vendors, and food & drink available. Registration 8am-12pm, judging noon, awards around 3pm. Rain or shine.

### Other Noteworthy Activities -

√ January 8th — MCT Board Meeting. Our next Board Meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, January 8th at 6:30pm.

√ January 22nd — MCT General Meeting. Our next General Meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, January 22nd at 6:30pm, in the room over the Bill Currie Ford showroom.

### The Rust Bucket... by Rusty Sparks, Staff Mechanic



"We can't stop the ringing in your ear, but we can modify it to your favorite ringtone."



# BILL CURRIE

## PERFORMANCE CENTER

**FOR ALL YOUR MUSTANG NEEDS**



**NEW 2019  
MUSTANGS!**



**X-PLAN PRICING TO  
ALL  
MCT MEMBERS,  
FAMILY & FRIENDS!  
PLUS  
10% OFF PARTS  
AND SERVICE  
FOR MCT MEMBERS!**



**5815 N DALE MABRY HWY  
TAMPA FL 33614**

**BillCurrieFord.com**

**813-872-5555**

### SALES HOURS

**Monday – Saturday**

**9:00am-8:00pm**

**Sunday**

**11:00am-5:00pm**

### PARTS & SERVICE

**Monday-Friday**

**7:00am-6:00pm**

**Saturday**

**7:00am-5:00pm**

**Closed Sunday**

# BILL CURRIE FORD

## Referral Program



### FEATURES

Club members, and the club, have special Loyalty Privileges at Bill Currie Ford. Earn \$\$\$, receive discounts, and work with a dedicated team to assist you. Here is what we get in return:

\*\*\$150 - Paid to the club when a club member purchases a vehicle

\*\*\$150 - Paid to any member who refers a friend to purchase a vehicle

\*\*10% - Discount for Parts and Service



A dedicated Mustang enthusiast at Bill Currie is assigned to assist you.

Dealership Contact for MCT Members:

Sean Sullivan, 813-872-5555 x1752

To receive these benefits **always** introduce yourself as a member of Mustang Club of Tampa and present your membership card. If there are any questions, contact the club President, Frank Morales, at [President@MustangClubofTampa.com](mailto:President@MustangClubofTampa.com) or the phone number listed above. Please give Bill Currie a try and refer your friends!



**IF PURCHASING A VEHICLE, PRESENT THIS VOUCHER BELOW WITH MEMEBERSHIP CARD AT THE TIME OF SALE**

### **MUSTANG CLUB OF TAMPA REFERRAL PROGRAM**

In recognition of the partnership with Bill Currie Ford, Mustang Club

members who purchase a vehicle from Bill Currie Ford will get

\$150 donated back to the Mustang Club

**THIS VOUCHER MUST BE SHOWN AT TIME OF SALE ALONG WITH MEMBERSHIP CARD**

**SALES TEAM & FINANCE TEAM – PLEASE AD THIS VOUCHER TO DEAL PACKET**

**ACCOUNTS PAYABLE – PLEASE MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO THE MUSTANG CLUB OF TAMPA**

**(Please reference Club member/purchaser name for records)**

**General Manager,**

*Sean Sullivan*

# Snapshots

*(Continued from Page 1)* The GT package includes: disc brakes, fog lights, trumpet exhaust tips, upgraded instrument cluster, GT strips, and Chrome Style Steel wheels with white wall tires. The drive train has been professional restored. It has a 4-speed “top loader” and factory 9” 3:89:1 posi-traction rear end.

I purchased this 1965 Ford Mustang GT Convertible K-Code from an Orange County Mustang Club Member, located in California, in 2005. For many years I wanted a black 1965 Mustang GT Fastback from another Club member. Unfortunately, he sold it to another club member called Dave. Dave felt really bad for purchasing the Fastback since he knew how badly I wanted it. To make me feel better, he decided to sell me this 1965 Mustang GT Convertible. I think the purchase helped me recover emotionally.

This Mustang drives great and it’s been a lot of fun to drive to shows, parades, and club events. It has won multiple awards and some “Best of Shows.” It has also been in multiple magazines and on TV. I name all of my cars

and this we call, “Lady in Red.”



*I don't call them New Year's Resolutions. I prefer the term, "Casual promises to myself that I'm under no legal obligation to fulfill."*

*— Ada Sage, Staff Philosopher*

**Reflections ...** Well, we have a new year in front of us and the Staff is back to work, all refreshed after a weeks vacation between Christmas and New Years. They are all now ready to keep us entertained, educated, and informed with all their combined wisdom. This month Rusty started a new feature called, “It Sounded Like a Good Idea at the time ...” Rusty realized that as a senior staff member and having been married for a long, long time, he has a lot of essential wisdom to import to you Mustang Men. Then, Lupe Minute is back with her “Ladies Corner” stories. Poor Lupe recently had some bad luck with her Explorer. Lucky for us, she is willing to share her tribulations. I hope you enjoyed both articles this month. They always make me laugh. I just keep saying to them, “Your stories are safe with us.” Yes, indeed. - *Melinda, Editor*