

The Pegasus Newsletter April 2009



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March 2009 PCMC Minutes

President Ed Nicolaus opened the monthly meeting on Friday March 6th 2009 in the Kent Bowen Scarff Showroom at 7:30 p.m.

Secretary's Report: February 2009 minutes were approved as written.

Treasurer's Report: Margaret Petersen wanted to thank Vice President Heather Messing for organizing and all members who attended our annual banquet last month. The club brought in \$272.00 with raffle ticket sales.

Vice President: Heather Messing reports "banquets over...yeah!" and agrees that it was a success.

Membership: Tom Rowley introduced our 7 guests tonight. They are John & Marilyn Campbell with a '06 GT convertible, William Dyer with a '08 GT, Patrick Michaud ('68,) Sue Nelson who owns a '69 GT convertible and past members Ron & Sue Jones who drive a '99 (35th Anniversary edition).

Tom explained all the requirements to the guests, as far as joining our club. He also went over what we do as a club throughout the year, such as our annual car show, road trips, dinner night out on the 13th. Tom also handed out a new membership list tonight. He also brought the 'company store' where he's selling past car show t-shirts for \$5.00 ea. plus other items.



Birthdays for April

- Charlie McNiven 4-9
- Altha Rainwater Mercier 4-9
- Rob Stout 4-15
- Heather Messing 4-15
- Jim April 4-25
- Mike Johnson 4-30

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Tours & Events: Dave Glidewell reported many events coming up. Check out www.cruizin.com for what's happening all around.

Drag Racing at Pacific Raceways started March 1st Test & Tune Racing starts Sat. April 25th... fun times!

4x4 Swap meet next Sunday.

13th Dinner night out will be at Red Robin in Auburn (by the Supermall) on Friday 13th at 6:30 p.m. March 14th-15th Almost Spring Swap Meet in Puyallup First weekend in April is the Portland Swap Meet Boise's Northwest Motorfest is 4th of July weekend. Henry Winkler from Happy Days will be the celebrity guest. Members usually stay at the Doubletree Inn, but book early as rooms will sell out. Dave is planning on leaving at 6 a.m. on the 3rd (meeting at McDonalds off Hwy 410)

Please be sure to check out our website calendar to view upcoming events.

Website: Skip Echert reported that 'porn was found on our website bulletin board'. A suggestion was having specific members of our club moderate and approve all posts in the future to prevent this from happening again.

Tech Session: Chris Johnson reminded members of a tech session to be held on Sat. March 21st at Burien city Garage in Burien. Time will be 10 a.m. He will be doing brakes on Ric Tucker's '66 coupe and valve stem seals on Dagan's 289. If you need directions either call or email Chris. Chris is looking for suggestions for an April tech session.

Old Business: President Ed Nicolaus discussed the trip to Alabama in April with 4 cars from our club going.

New Business: Ed also reported information he received about a St. Pat's Poker Run to be held on Sunday March 15th. Everyone will be meeting at the Krispy Krème at South Hill Mall in Puyallup, and ending up at the Red Wind Casino. Cost is \$5.00 Ed also printed out registration forms for the Boise show if anyone wants one. He will book 5 rooms and also another 5 near Walla Walla. He plans on taking 2 days to get to Boise. Ed also had an idea for those members whom are not attending the 45th Anniversary trip to Alabama next month, maybe make a contest about what team gets the best mileage, or who has to make the most 'pit stops' or something like that, he'll keep on thinking about it. Maybe the winner would receive a free dinner from Applebees?

Gary Dagan discussed a friend of a friend who happens to be going through a very rough time financially (losing their home) and has to sell off a huge die cast collection. If your interested talk to Gary. Some ideas were maybe the club would buy some and use for door prizes at our annual car show.

Coffee mugs with our club logo (given to members at our banquet last month) can be ordered if we desire.

Past members Ron & Sue Jones attended tonight's meeting and plan on joining again.

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Lotteries: Split the Pot was won buy Ron Jones. Member in Attendance was won by Keith Cahill & Tiffany Dagan whom were not in attendance. Gifts donated by Bowen Scarff were an oil filter won by Mike Morrill and a Hemmings manual won by Gary Dagan.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:17 p.m.

Julie T. Evankovich, Secretary

10 Ways to Keep Your Car Out of the Shop

by Stacey L. Bradford

June 9, 2006

THESE DAYS, CARS are made better than ever before. Drivers of most new models can expect a good 200,000 miles' worth of engine life — as long as they follow the instructions in the owner's manual to the letter.

Sadly, most of us never reach that milestone, because of bad driving habits that take years off the lives of our beloved cars. Even worse, our nasty driving habits can end up costing us thousands in repairs that could have been prevented.

But there's hope. Here are 10 ways you can add longevity to your car and keep it out of the shop.

1. Start It Up Properly

"Most of the wear on an engine happens when you start the car," says Edmunds.com's automotive expert Karl Brauer. "If you can get the starter stuff down, you'll find cars will wear much less over time." How do you do that? Make sure any

extra accessories, such as headlights or climate control, aren't on when you turn the ignition. If you do, you're asking the engine to work harder than necessary right off the bat.

An even more destructive habit: revving the engine. Believe it or not, this won't help warm up the car. In fact, revving can do serious damage to the engine and significantly shorten its life. Engines need oil to run smoothly. But right after you turn over the ignition, the oil is still sitting in the pan. When you floor the gas pedal, you're asking the engine to work overtime without lubricant — putting metal to metal. Wear out this most important drive train component and you can expect to pay \$3,000 to \$5,000 for a new one.

2. Come to a Complete Stop

Ever pull out of a parking spot and pop your car into drive while it's still coasting backward? If the answer is yes, you can kiss your transmission goodbye.

By shifting into drive while the car is still in reverse, you're asking the transmission to do the work of the brakes — and that will wear down your gears, says Edmunds.com's Brauer. Essentially, you're putting several months of wear and tear onto that transmission compared with normal driving, he says. So while a transmission driven properly should last more than 100,000 miles, one owned by an aggressive or impatient driver will give out long before that. Fixing the transmission will run anywhere from \$1,000 and up, while a brand new one sells for at least \$3,000.

And by not braking before shifting gears, you're also wrecking your drive shafts, which propel the wheels forward. If you notice that your front sus

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pension and handling start to feel a little sloppy, it could be a sign of damaged drive shafts, warns David Champion, the director of automobile testing for Consumer Reports. Replacing both can cost \$500.

3. Don't Run the Needle Down to Empty
You may not realize it, but sediment collects at the bottom of the fuel tank over time. You never want to do anything to unleash that dirt into your fuel system. Even the smallest amount could clog or damage parts, says Tony Molla, spokesman for the National Institute for Automotive Service Excellence and a former automotive technician. You can stir up sediment by driving with less than a quarter of a tank of gas. Prolonged abuse could wreck your fuel injector, which costs about \$80 to \$100. You may also need a new fuel filter, which is twice as expensive. And if you're the type who loves to drive on fumes, you could be in for a big surprise. By continually using the filthiest gas in your tank, you could, one day, need a fuel-system flush and cleaning. Expect to pay a startling \$1,000 for this service.

4. Turn Gently
Cutting the steering wheel too far to the right or left — something nearly everyone is guilty of while parallel parking — can also do damage. By turning the wheel to the point where it can move no further, you're putting 50 times more wear and tear on your steering pump than normal, Brauer says. Most people will never need to replace the steering pump; it should last the life of your car. But if you continually put massive stress on it,

prepare to fork over \$300 to \$500 for a new one someday.

5. Check Your Tires

The next time you roll into a gas station, take a minute and check your tire pressure. Too little or too much pressure can cause all sorts of problems. If you drive with too little air, your tires will get quite hot; excessive heat will wear out the tread much faster than normal driving. If you drive with too much air, less rubber will hit the road than necessary. Next thing you know, the outside portion of your tire will be doing all the work and wearing out faster than the inside. And don't fool yourself thinking that your tires are under warranty. That manufacturer will replace them only if one, for example, gets punctured by a nail, says Consumer Reports' Champion. Poor maintenance is your problem. Since proper air pressure is different for every car, check the sticker on the door. Never look at the tire itself for guidance, he says.

Invitation Uptown Car Show

The Pacific Cascade Mustang Club to participate in the 1st Annual Uptown Car Show to be held Saturday May 30th, 2009 from 10:00 AM to 4:00 PM at Uptown Gig Harbor. The car show and 100% of the proceeds are to benefit the Susan G. Komen Foundation to fight breast cancer. Most people have been touched one way or another by this terrible disease, via a spouse, relative, friend or co-worker.

Come and spend the day with us and show off

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your cars, enjoy the music, food, raffles, family, friends and make some new friends, it is all for a very worthy cause. Breakfast and lunch will be available, plus plenty for the wife and kids to do. Raffles will be for registered cars only, plus there will also be a prize for the people's choice.

Please visit our website at www.UptownCarShow.com, we have special rates on hotels on the website. You can also register your car directly on line, just follow the links to register, and like I said all proceeds go directly to the Susan G. Komen Foundation to fight cancer and your donations are tax deductible. Directions to the show can also be found on the website.

We are expecting about 120+ cars, so register early. We hope you and your group can make it, it should be a lot of fun for all involved and all for a great cause. Car staging will begin around 8:00 AM.

Register your car by March 31st, 2009 and receive a FREE T-shirt at the show!!!

You can email me with any questions you might have or call me at (253) 534-9600 to chat.

Thanks for your time and we hope to see you and your fellow club member on the 30th of May.

Sincerely, Anthony Brinz

The Glidewell Report (April Events Calendar)

3-5th Portland Swap Meet.

9-11th Barrett-Jackson Auto Auction- Palm each on SPEED

11th The Cruise to Bama' begins - Drive safe, be safe and have a FUN time.

13th Dinner night - Applebee's in Auburn @ 6:30

24-26th Mild-to-Wild @ The Tacoma Dome
Track Events @ Pacific Raceway:

18-19th SOVERN Defrost Kickoff

24th Drag Racing Test-n-Tune gates open @4pm

25-26th Drag Racing Bracket Race's 1&2

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Membership Qualifications

1. Attend two functions; one of which must be a Membership meeting.
2. Be a currently licensed driver with Insurance.
3. Own a Ford powered vehicle.
4. Have a desire to enjoy companionship and interests of other Mustang and Ford enthusiasts.
5. Pay Annual Dues: \$25 per year per household.

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