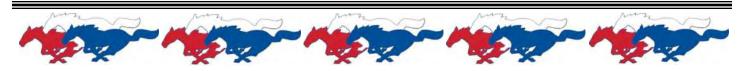


On July 19th ten members from the Golden Hills Mustang Club presented TJ Johnson from the American Cancer Society with a check for \$8,125 raised through the Biggest Little National Car Show! The big check represents the largest donation to a charity in the history of the club. It wouldn't have been possible without the hard work of our members and the generosity of the show participants. Thank you to everyone who made this possible and supported our show!!

From left to right front row: Susan Calvert, TJ Johnson, Robin Paulsell, Paige Paulsell. Back row: Cristy Cordeiro, Dan McCabe, Dennis Von Ting, Brian Evans, Robert Fentress, Cyndy and Gerald Lamphiear. Also present was Dan Cordeiro behind the camera.



#### **CLUB PURPOSE**

The Golden Hills Mustang Club, established in 1982, is a nonprofit organization, the purpose of which is to promote the admiration, ownership, care and maintenance of the Ford Mustang Automobile - regardless of model year.

The club provides a social group for its members whereby they can meet, socialize and maintain a spirit of good fellowship, and participate in activities including the use of their Mustang.

The club serves as a medium for the exchange of ideas, information and parts, and is dedicated to furthering the interest of owners and drivers of the Ford Mustang.

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Hi Everyone,

I hope you are having a wonderful summer and can get past these fuel prices and enjoy some road trips. August looks like an eventful month with a drive to visit a new exhibit (Cars & Coffee) in Concord and the Napa Main Street Reunion coming back after a COVID hiatus. Please remember that we're always up for new adventures and if you have an event that you think our members would enjoy, give me or Dan McCabe a call.

Our monthly General Membership meetings have settled in nicely at the Cordelia Denny's on Pittman Road. There's always room for more attendees, so check your calendars and plan to join us! The raffle that supports our college scholarship program is back in business! Every raffle prize donation is greatly appreciated. As always, the food bank donations are badly needed and go to local families in our county. Again, we appreciate all of your help in allowing our club to "pay it forward."

Regretfully, the club member who thought he could take over the Veterans Liaison position from Bill Davis is unable to make this work out. So- if any member would like to step up into this post, please contact me! I'd love to talk with you! Have a wonderful August!

Sue Calvert



### 2022 IS OVER 1/2 OVER AND A FEW PAYMENTS ARE PAST DUE! (A Big Thank You to those who have already paid!) If you are uncertain if you have paid your dues, please contact me at: membership@goldenhillsmustangclub.com

If you would like to send your check in the mail there is an application on our website, or contact me to have one mailed to you. If you would like to use PayPal there is a link on our website - Click Join Our Club and scroll down to: \*\**pay online for Membership Renewal (\$30 )*\*\* or you can go to your PayPal account and send money to a friend using the email : <u>membership@goldenhillsmustangclub.com</u>

Whether you pay by check or online, please fill out a new application for our records and either mail it to P.O. Box 497, Fairfield, CA 94533-0049 or email it to the above address.

Thank you! Please Stay Safe and hope to see you soon! Norma McCabe





# Cobra Day All Ford Car Show June 4, 2022

by Brian Evans

since 2015 and each one has been bigger and better than the year before, as word has spread about what a great show they put on.

Many (ok...Some) of you may recall that I took the club on a tour to this museum in March of 2015, about six months after it opened. For those of you who didn't go or may not remember at all ... due to CRS disease (Can't Remember...Sh...no Stuff!), the Cobra Experience is a non-profit museum and event center committed to the promotion, conservation, education and preservation of the cars produced by Shelby American. The museum was founded and operated by Drew and Janet Serb and their daughter Emily Lambert. As they like to say, "The cars can't talk, but we can!" They are very down to earth and a wonderful family to summarize, you will enjoy cool cars, a better-than-your-averageshare the cars and memorabilia with the general public. The museum is open the third Sunday of every month and if you visit cars, free museum admission for car owners, and most importheir website at www.cobraexperience.org you will see that there are many other events held throughout the year. This car show is one of their main fundraisers.

At all eight shows that have been held (always the first Saturday in June if you want to plan for 2023), there have been roughly a dozen original CSX 2000 (small block) and CSX 3000 (legendary 427 big block) Cobra's, along with another two-dozen continuation CSX4000 Cobra's (the Las Vegas Shelby American ones produced since the late 1990's) and also all the various Cobra kit cars. I am pretty confident in saying that this is the only venue or show where you will see this many original 50+ year old Cobra's...everything from "drivers" with rock chips all over the front to concours jewels...short of attending a Shelby American Auto Club (SAAC) national summer convention. And it's right here in our backyard in Martinez!

This year's show had at least three GHMC cars entered. I brought the 1968 KR and displayed my newly acquired Carroll Shelby six bottle collector wine set on the trunk, complete with

Saturday, June 4th was the 8th annual Cobra Day All Ford Car picture of a car very, very similar to mine! (Thanks Donnie!). Show at the Cobra Experience. I have attended all eight shows Robin Paulsell and Paige brought two of their cars, the 1964 ½ Indy Pace Car and the 1973 Sporstroof. Gil and Todd Baumgartner also brought one of their vintage 1957 Thunderbirds. There were several other club members who came for the day but didn't display a car. They also introduced "youth judging" a few years back which I think we can all agree is important for the future of car clubs, car shows and the hobby in general! It also combats the notorious "ballot stuffers" who somehow feel good about themselves winning a trophy after voting for their own car 74 times! Congratulations to Robin and Gil who won awards for their cars.

> I hope more GHMC members can attend next year's show. To car-show-catered-lunch/BBQ, beverages, ice cream, beer, more tantly, camaraderie with fellow enthusiasts!







The Golden Hills Mustang Club's annual camping trip was once again held at the beautiful Lake Francis Resort in the "little dot on the map" town of Dobbins, CA on Thursday June 23 to Sunday the  $26^{\text{th}}$ . A new trend we are seeing is more and more of our "repeat offender" campers are wanting to arrive on Wednesday instead of Thursday, and a few even staying through Monday. So our usual three night trip has turned into four nights (or even five nights for those *really* trying to avoid responsibilities at home!) Lake Francis is known for temperatures that usually average mid 80's to low/mid 90's for June, so this year our four-day long weekend fit right in with that.

This year we had 8 RV sites and 5 cabins occupied by Golden Hills Mustang families, down from our usual ~18 families due to five illness cancellations. The usual repeat offenders in RV sites were Dan & Cristy Cordeiro, yours truly, Frank Lopez & Pat Sivigliano, Jerry & Cyndy Lamphiear, with their son's family including the new star grandson, Terry & Ileine Burke, Dennis & Tisha Von Ting and girls, Dan & Norma McCabe, and Charles & Karen Shepherd from Arizona. In the cabins we had Mikal & Kitty Brevig, Sally Wright and her family of 5, Michelle, Austin, and Ryan Bauer, and Sue Calvert hosting her own family reunion with a party of 15. Camping veterans Kirk & Cheryl Stafford, Mike & Tammy Robinette, and Dianne Quick were not able to attend this year and were missed by all.

Most of the usual camp-out traditions continued, like the Saturday main dish, side dish or dessert potluck. To the best of my knowledge, we all lived to tell about it! Another big tradition is our hang-out-at-the-beach time during the day on Thursday, Friday and Saturday. Many of us enjoyed drifting along on our floaties with beers in hand, working on our sunburns! Thanks to the Cordeiros, McCabes, Lamphiears and Von Tings who always help others transport their chairs, floaties & ice chests to the lake and back. And a special shout out to Jerry who let me use his air compressor to inflate my new Princess Unicorn floatie! A popular tradition that returned after a two-year absence was the nightly trip to the ice cream store! I think we were all reminded that a Lake Francis ice cream scoop is the size of a softball!

We also had another very nice flag retirement ceremony during our Saturday evening campfire. Terry Burke directs this each year, and teaches how to properly fold (with help from volunteers) and retire a flag by placing it in the fire. Our ceremony included the Pledge of Allegiance and Frank played "Craps", I mean "Taps" on his harmonica (sorry I was thinkin' about Mikal's big win in Vegas!) Speaking of Mikal, he noticed one of our RV neighbors displaying a military flag and invited them to join our ceremony. They did and were very impressed! Good job Mikal!

A bit of controversy this year centered on an apparent misappropriation of frozen water that happened at the general store on Saturday. When the office found out that I was an accountant and ex-auditor, they asked if I would help conduct a physical count of their ice bag inventory. Turns out their bag quantity on hand was short vs. the total sales per cash register tapes by seven bags of ice! In the retail industry, accountants refer to this as "shrinkage", which is just a polite euphemism for what it really is... larceny! Now some of my camping neighbor's wives say shrinkage is what happens when their husbands swim in the cool Lake Francis waters, and while that may be true, it actually does refer to inventory product "growing legs" and walking out the back door. Or maybe someone paid for one 5 lb. bag of ice but helped themselves to one sleeve (large bag) of 8 individual 5 lb. bags! "Boy, this 5 lb. bag sure feels like 40 lbs. ... I must be getting old!" Jerry and I heard a rumor that the "ice klepto" was from our group, and when I reviewed the store's security surveillance tape, I unfortunately confirmed that it was. I will not name the person, but a clue to their identity may be revealed somewhere in this article. Although I left late Saturday night, on Monday I heard from Detective Icemann from Dobbins PD (I swear that's his name!) that the individual made it right with the store on Sunday and paid up!

Finally, I thought I'd share some comments and feedback I heard about this year's trip:

#### Great time at Lake Francis!

Out of this world Ice Cream Parlor! Only the cleanest cabins found at Lake Francis! Delectable selections of savory food at the Potluck! Driving to Lake Francis was easier than I thought! Awesome time to hang out with Mustang friends! Never will I miss a Lake Francis camping trip! Squirrels were so cute (from one of the younger guests)! Time goes by too fast at Lake Francis! Enjoyable time as always! Always enjoy the flag retirement ceremony! Lake Francis is top-notch! Simply the best way to spend a long weekend! Ice Cream at Lake Francis is one of the five food groups! Candy from the general store is always a treat! Enjoyed this trip even more than prior years!

Thank you for this feedback and thanks to all who attended! It looks like the date for next year's trip will be the same weekend, but we'll start on **Wednesday** June 21 to Sunday June 25.





On Sunday, July 3<sup>rd</sup> we met at the Starbucks in South- convertible, Jerry Williams had his red convertible, and I ampton to caravan to our parade spot. We had 2 groups. had my red 32. The first group was giving rides to dignitaries, and the second group was representing the Golden Hills Mustang Our club is great to see as they always get in the spirit of Club.

It was a perfect evening for a parade, not hot and not too cool... and the streets were lined 5 deep with people ready is always lined with revelers in the holiday spirit!

Our convertibles which were taking the dignitaries received \$75 for providing their cars for the parade. Dan McCabe had his white convertible, Sue with her grabber cie's in Vallejo for some tasty BBQ. At one of the tables blue convertible, Brian Evans in his red Shelby had the near our group was a couple of gentlemen who shared pichonor of giving a ride to the Parade Grand Marshall. Nicole tures with us of their recent driving tour of the States in von Ting drove her first parade with the family's yellow

A couple of entries back was the Golden Hills group. the holiday by decorating their cars. We were well represented by Bill Davis, Kirk & Cheryl Stafford, Larry Tunac, Ron & Liz Normandin (who are always a crowd pleaser to begin celebrating the 4<sup>th</sup>! Benicia has a straight route that with Liz's darling show dog in it's 4<sup>th</sup> of July finest!), Pat Sivigliano & Frank Lopez in Pat's car, and their Grandson Drew driving Frank's black fastback.

> Following the parade a group of us sped over to Gratheir '65 Mustang.





This year's July 4<sup>th</sup> parade was held on... (wait for it...) **July** 4! a Monday this year. This was the third parade the City of Fairfield's Parks & Recreation Department has organized since taking over for the Downtown Merchants Association, which had organized both the July 4<sup>th</sup> and November Veterans Day parades for as many years as I can remember. I'm hoping that we can start to always have the same parade check-in location and always be assigned to the same staging area so there is less drama and chaos to deal with!

This parade has been held for many decades in downtown Fairfield, and always draws a large crowd, I think because of the perennial appearance by the Golden Hills Mustang Club! What do you think the reason is? A few weeks after the parade, I was asked by the parade organizer how many years GHMC has participated in the parade. I polled a few of our "senior" or long-time members and the general consensus was since the early 1980's, so probably since our formation in 1982! I got back to the city with that answer, envisioning awards for our club, cash prizes for the club's parade chairman, maybe a key to the city or a city holiday in our honor, or even a permanent waiver on parade fees would be nice... but I got a "Oh awesome, thanks for your support all these years!"

The weather, while sunny, was a little cooler in the early morning parade hours of 9am to 12 noon, which I think brought out even more people, and certainly helped out some of our older, hotter running classic cars.

We started the day at our usual meeting spot at Solano Mall, over by the Starbucks. I do my best trying to take care of club members' needs for snacks and coffee at premium prices! Everyone arrived in short order and after a few of us blew our last paycheck in the Starbucks it was time to head to the parade staging area. With our cars decorated in our usual patriotic theme, soon it was time for us to take our turn parading our 16 cars down Texas Street. I was asked by Parks & Rec to take the Parade Grand Marshall, Dr. Frances McCullough in my '68 Convertible through the beginning of the parade. She retired from a long career in education, and accomplished a lot in her years as a university professor. This year I didn't have time to circle back around and join the rest of the club.

The emcee did a good job of reading our complete club introduction, as sometimes they trail off or read so quickly it sounds like a disclaimer at the end of a radio commercial. For those who didn't hear it, this was our parade announcement:

"The Golden Hills Mustang Club, established in 1982, is a non-profit charity promoting the ownership and admiration of Ford Mustangs, America's favorite pony car! The Club supports our local Veterans and other charities with food donations, holiday toy drives and other financial assistance, in addition to scholarships for high school students. For over 15 years, the Club also has sent monthly supplies and gifts to our troops deployed overseas. Golden Hills Mustang...the friendliest little club!"

After the parade, most of us enjoyed a nice backyard BBQ and swim party back at Jerry and Cyndy Lamphiear's house, with tri-tip provided by the club and side dish items brought by club members. There was a nice variety of appetizers, side dishes, and desserts to enjoy. The meat was slow cooked to perfection (ie, medium rare!) by Cyndy on their wood pellet Traeger Grill.

Once again, I'd like to thank the club for making a great showing at this parade, supporting our community and celebrating our nation's birthday!









The Rogue Valley Classic Cruisers hosts a Great Car do! We arrived on a Wednesday and came home on Monday; we teamed up with the Napa Valley Cruisers and drove to Grants Pass Oregon to participate in this show. It is held in a city park along the banks of the Rogue River. This is a beautiful setting and with almost 300 entries (pre-76) you will see found a set of cabins that we all fell in love with. Billed as a almost every make & model car or truck. This is one of the best run shows we have attended. The weather was perfect and it was great to see so many local families come out and very accommodating for all our needs. Our's even had a hot enjoy the show. After the show we joined the cruise in downtown Grants Pass!

Pass hosts a week long celebration with sock hops, ice cream socials, show & shines and much much more. Of course, the Hellgate Jet boat ride is always on top of the list of things to

Show called The Fabulous 50's Charity Car Show. This year those 6 days went by very fast! Long time GHMC member Ron Myska moved to Grants Pass about 5 years ago and we always look forward to seeing him and Vicki.

Our normal hotel was booked but NVC Jeanette Nicholson small boutique hotel, Cedar Mountain Suites is an Airbnb in downtown Grants Pass, which was close to the action and dog cooker and popcorn machine to go along with a huge 84" TV and theater seating. As usual we did some sightseeing This show is held on the last Saturday of July but Grants but this year we stayed close to town and enjoyed some of the activities. This show and all the other fun things to do is well worth the time and we hope more will go next year!

Check out more pictures on our website!



# Parofile Month



## Rob Lo's 1967 Coupe

My first car in high school was a 1967 Mustang which my girl friend and I purchased for \$500.00 back in 1978. It was a daily driver back then. Trips to SoCal, Monterey, even to Lake Tahoe with ski rack on top and used snow chains! In 1983 we drove to Reno, NV to get married and had a sign in back of the Mustang "Just Married". Some really cool memories. I stopped driving the Mustang after someone lit my car cover on fire and snapped my antenna. Then it was required to have a smog and would not pass after the last registration was in 1995. I placed it on In-op and would drive it around the block to keep it running. The battery went dead and one of the brakes locked up. It sat there frozen in time. I had bought parts through the years and said I would get it running again. Had many inguiries about our Mustang but never had the heart to sell her. In 2010 my wife of 26 year passed unexpectedly from a brain aneurysm and was in the darkest of times for the past two year and focused on getting my two sons through college and HS plus having a roof over our heads/food on the table. I joined GHMC in 2018 hoping to jump start me on getting her back on the road. Then in 2020 the pandemic hit and this got me going. Every weekend I was at my friend's machine shop working on the Mustang. 10 months later I finally got her running after several hiccups. Then another year in the body shop for painting back to the original color, Britney Blue. Finally, I am able to enjoy her and join the club on some of the outings. I still have some tinkering to do but at least she drives. She is officially registered now with 2022 tags! This is a special tribute to my wife Cora as we always loved our Mustang. It will be passed down to my son Nick to remain in the family. My next project will be my 1968 California special. I'd better hurry up. I am not getting any younger! Thanks GHMC for all the Love and support! By Rob Lo





# **IMPORTANT NOTE ABOUT OUR FOOD DRIVE**

Thank you all for being generous in donating non-perishable food items for GHMC food drive. The food goes to the Saint Vincent de Paul Society at Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church, which distributes it to needy families. The SVdP Society depends on food donations to fill food bags for needy families. When donating food, please be sure to check expiration dates or damaged/opened packages. Unfortunately, those just have to be thrown away. Thank you again, and we look forward to your continuing generosity to share abundance with those less fortunate.

By Pat Sivigliano



** UPCOMING EVENTS **				
	ALL FUTURE EVENTS ARE TENTATIVE			
Aug 13	Cars & Coffee, Mike Querio's Car Barn 9:00 a.m 11:00 a.m. Limited to 25 GHMC cars Contact Laura Mize to sign up:707-287-6787 or lmize64@comcast.net			
Aug 19	Main Street Reunion Show & Shine—5:00pm to 8:30 pm limit 150 cars pre-'76			
Aug 20	Main Street Reunion Napa Downtown Association, 10am to 3pm, pre '76 cars only			
Aug 23	GHMC General Meeting 7:30 p.m. Denny's, 304 Pittman Rd., Cordelia			
Sep 10	Ball Metal Car & Motorcycle Show & School Supply Drive, 8 am, 2400 Huntington Dr, Fairfield, CA			
Sep 17	Sacramento Area Mustang Club's 25th Annual Mustangs & Fords at the Marriott Car Show. 8:00 am, Sac- ramento Marriott Hotel, Hwy 50 & Sunrise Blvd. in Rancho Cordova, CA. See our website for entry form			
Sep 24	Central Valley Fallen Heros Car Show, California 9/11 Memorial, 3500 Never Forget Lane, Clovis, CA, 93612 register online @ https://motosho.com/event/629eb31f92924			
Sep 27	GHMC General Meeting 7:30 p.m. Denny's, 304 Pittman Rd., Cordelia			
Oct 1	45 <sup>th</sup> Annual VMOA Car Show with NORCAL SAAC, Branham High School, San Jose.			
Oct 2	Sunday, October 2 <sup>nd</sup> Gordon Valley Car show			
Oct 14-16	Fri thru Sun, Sacramento International Auto Show, Cal Expo—watch email for details			
Oct 23	GHMC General Meeting 7:30 p.m. Denny's, 304 Pittman Rd., Cordelia			
Oct 2	Stangz Across the Straits XI - Halloween Edition - 10:00 am , East Bay Classics, Crockett			

NOTE: If you sign up to attend a GMHC event but cannot attend, please notify the event chairperson ASAP. If you need contact information, please email: <u>info@goldenhillsmustangclub.com</u>



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PLEASE LET US KNOW IF WE HAVE FORGOTTEN ANYONE!



#### Get Well cards were sent to the following members:

- Bob Fentress who had Covid
- Sim and Ellyn Derby who also contracted Covid.
- A Condolence card was sent to Alma Phillips and her family for the loss of her husband Mike Phillips, Mike was the president of the Napa Valley Cruisers for seven years.
- Please keep our members that have had health issues in your thoughts. They could all use our prayers. If you would like to send them a card, email, or text, please do so. It really means a lot to know that others care.
- Remember if you know of some one in need of SUNSHINE please contact me. You can text or leave me a voicemail, You can also email GHMC Info at <u>info@goldenhillsmustangclub.com</u> for contact information.



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MEETS THE 4TH TUESDAY OF THE MONTH AT:



7:30 p.m. **Denny's Cordelia** 304 Pittman Rd. Cordelia, CA 94534

# **NEXT MEETING** Tuesday, Aug. 23rd

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