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# President's Newsletter

Last month, I was able to join a few club members and drive down to Grand Cane to check out the Back Alley Community Theatre. Our secretary, John Brewer found this place, and suggested we try to make it a club event in lieu of a Halloween party. As it turns out, the title of the play we were going to see was Southern Fried Funeral, a fitting title for Halloween.

Julane and I met up with Rusty and Kay at the Brookshires on Mansfield road and Bert Kouns Industrial loop. Since no one else had emailed me to let me know they were going to meet us, we left about 15 minutes ahead of the scheduled time. Its a good thing we left early, because we got to the theatre about 1:15 or 45 minutes before the show started, which allowed us choice of the best seating in the house. It also gave us time to eat our box lunch we ordered along with our tickets. Shortly after arriving, we met up with John and Dawn Brewer who came from Coushatta. We also ran into long time club member Jim Miller and his wife, who have been patronizing the theatre for the last 4 years. After getting seated, and started eating our lunches, we found out why management recommended getting tickets in advance. By curtain time, the theatre was about 80 percent full. The previous Friday and Saturday night shows were both sold out.

The box lunch was a chicken salad on a big croissant, a bag of Lays Potato chips, and a dessert. The chicken salad croissant was really good, it had nuts and grapes in it, which made it quite enjoyable. The highlight of the meal was the dessert, which we never did figure out what it was. I think it was a macadamia nut Blondie. It was quite sweet, but not overpowering and tasted fantastic. One of the shops in the little strip mall where the theatre was supplied the box lunches. Also available, was canned sodas for a buck, or bottled water. You could get a bag of popcorn, or coffee, both were complementary. The popcorn tasted like it came out of that big machine they have at the movie theatre. I had to get a bag of popcorn to eat during the show, as I love real popcorn from a machine like at the movies.

The theatre itself seemed small, but it could seat 90 people. This is a community theatre, meaning that the players don't get paid for their performance. They are all volunteers. The money made from tickets and concessions is put back into the theatre for upgrades of various things. Over the years, the money has bought cushy chairs, replacing plastic lawn chairs, and the beautiful red velvet stage curtains, to name some of the upgrades that have been done. I think that is what makes it fun to go and see plays there is that you can feel the country hospitality, and see the ambiance. Another part of the country ambiance is that there are no bathrooms in the theatre. Luckily, there is a town park directly across the street from the entrance of the theatre that has bathrooms. You just walk out the way you came in, across the street and about 50 feet across the park to the bathroom. The Ladies had to use the facilities when we first got there, and I did not hear any complaints.

The Play was quite entertaining. The story line is that "Dewey Frye is dead and the rest of his family are left to pick up the pieces. A big hearted comedy about family-southern style-as matriarch Dorothy contends with sudden widowhood, church committee "harpy" Ozella Meeks, Dewey's snake-in-the-grass brother, and two grown daughters reliving their childhood rivalry."

I think everyone enjoyed themselves and the play was well worth the cost of the tickets. There were quite a few funny characters, like Dewey Jr, who was quite eccentric, and childlike, providing random bits of comedy throughout the play. There was an elderly Grandmother, who took everyone literally even when others were sarcastic, believing whatever anyone said no matter how outlandish. It was a situational comedy, based on typical family issues, complete with a food fight that could only happen in the south.

Julane and I had such a great time, we are planning to go in December when the next play being performed is called "The Rented Christmas" It is about a single man that decides to rent a Christmas holiday. The website description is: "John Dale, a middle-aged bachelor and prominent businessman, has a challenging job for Anne Weston, proprietor of the local rent shop. He wants to rent a Christmas, not just with a tree and Christmas carols, but complete with a wife, a family, and all of the happiness for which he has been secretly longing."

It sounds a lot like a Hallmark Channel Movie, and I can see where the comedy will come into play in the description.

All in all, everyone had a great time. I enjoyed the cruise down there, along with the actual activity, since it was something we as a club don't usually do. I hope we can try to plan another trip as a club down there and get some more participation. If you are interested in checking them out, their website is www.backalleygrandcane.com

They have future productions they are putting on, and some background about the theatre and the players.

Thomas Monahan RRCMC

### FROM RUSTY

Hi-Ho neighbors!! It's Thanksgiving month, please give thanks for your blessings everyday. Everyday is a gift! We've been doing a bit of traveling lately, mostly camping off the grid in Arkansas. More camping in the near future ( and one of our sons thought that our new camper would sit after only a few uses. We fooled them bigtime). There haven't really been lots going on carwise, but a reminder, that the Santa Fun Run is coming in December. It's a very fun, worthwhile cause.

Well, we're down to 4 Stangs in our stable today. My '86 project Fox body convert went to a new home. A young couple (mostly the wife) loves the 4-eyes Foxes. They know that it's an involved project, but one that they wanted to take on. I threw in a few extra parts that I had laying around to get them started a bit easier. Looking forward to seeing it on the street in the future.

Wishing everyone a Happy Thanks Giving and also remember that November 11th is Veteran's Day!! Without our vets, we wouldn't enjoy our freedoms that we have today! Keep the Ponies on the Road!! C'ya Rusty RRCMC VP

### Points to Ponder

The last MCA National for this year is in the books. Tina and I made the 2,200 mile round trip in early October. Received our 8<sup>th</sup> Gold award towards our White Grille Medallion. We need two more to finish. Trips to Florence, SC and Buffalo NY next year will give us the 10 we need. Then one last trip with the car to Evans, GA to receive our White Medallion.

For anyone thinking about a trip for a MCA show next year Evans, GA. is the closest event. It is also a Grand National, the event is scheduled over Labor Day weekend.

Happy Thanksgiving, Chris Ponder MCA National Director

### **FROM TOM**

Our Mustang is lucky we love it !! Been working on a garage for it and its one thing after another. First had water coming in. Called a friend who does dirt work. He told his son to come move gravel from around foundation. Ended up with a 2 ft. deep moat. That is being fixed with a 6 in. pipe temporarily till everything dries out. Contacted electrician to run power to garage. Can't pull permits until I have building permit on garage which I was told I didn't need. Wrong again. Now arguing with permit dept. in Shreveport about Parish permit since its already built. I guess I just have to pay more money to get one. Seems like all of the gov't offices have their hand out. Typical. Sooner or later our pony will be in its new home. Updates will follow unless I lose my temper in permit office....lol. Keep the shiny side up! Tom Hughes RRCMC Member at large



#### MCA 2022 National Shows



April 1, 2022 - April 3, 2022 Pee Dee Roundup National Show

Eastern South Carolina Mustang Florence, SC \*\*\*\*\*\*

May 20, 2022 - May 22, 2022 Biggest Little MCA National Show

Golden Hills Mustang Club Suisun City, CA

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July 29, 2022 - July 31, 2022 <u>Nickel City Mustang Roundup – MCA National Show</u> WNY Shelby and Mustang Club

Amherst, NY

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September 2, 2022 - September 4, 2022

Ponies in the Plaza Evans, GA Grand National MCA

<u>Show</u>

Central Savannah River Area Mustang and Ford Club Evans, GA



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### **Hours & Tickets**

### **Show Hours:**

Friday: 5-9 pm Saturday: 10 am - 9 pm Sunday: 10 am - 6 pm

### **Ticket Prices:**

Adults: \$14.00 Children 6-11: \$6.00 Children 5 and under: FREE Advanced <u>DISCOUNT</u> tickets available at O'REILLY AUTO PARTS Tickets available at the box office during show hours





### **Upcoming Car Shows**









### Tom and Elizabeth Brozic

Happy Birthday from your friends at the Red River Classic Mustang Club

November 6<sup>th</sup>: 5:30 RRCMC Meeting VFW Bossier City November 7<sup>th</sup>: Car show at the Louisiana State Fair November 13<sup>th</sup>: Car Show in Carthage Texas November 17th: RRCMC Board Meeting Shane's in Bossier November 20th: Cajun Festival and Parade in Logansport La November 25<sup>th</sup>: Thanksgiving Day November 26<sup>th</sup>: Black Friday December 4<sup>th</sup>: Benton Christmas Parade Benton Louisiana December 4th: RRCMC Christmas Party 5:30 at Sabrina's house December 9th: Christmas Parade in Coushatta Louisiana December 11th: Santa Fun Run

Upcoming Events

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