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Every month I'm supposed to write something here for *Mustang Times*. It's supposed to be about an interesting project, a great idea, or maybe an inspiring thought. At the very least, I think it should be about what you, the MCA member/ membership want to hear about.

But, what exactly is that? I've introduced your National Directors and given contact information for them. I introduced myself, gave some background, and told you how to get in touch with me. I've talked about the Mustang 45th, driving in Atlanta, and last month even challenged you to bring in new members.

Hopefully, the topics have been entertaining, probably not inspirational, but not birdcage liner either. I'm pretty sure Mary Jean would be just a little upset to know MT was covering for little Tweetie! Then again, he may learn to say, "Have you driven a Mustang Lately?"

If there is something on your mind, please let me know. The MCA, the National Directors, and the Executive Directors are here for you. Having a topic near and dear to you might be just the inspiration I need to jog my brain.

The 45th is now history. And history is what I think we made. I wouldn't say everyone went away happy, as nothing is perfect, but for the most part, folks were stunned with the event, the facility, the happenings, and especially, the Mustangs. Personally, even after all the work and running around, I had a great time.

If you were looking for anything Mustang, a t-shirt, hat, jacket, book (How many got autographed copies from John Clor or Jerry Heasley?), a set of wheels, valve covers, or sequential taillights, or maybe you wanted installation of those great Ford Racing parts, it was all there. I commented to someone that if you needed anything from auto parts to underwear, the 45th had you more than covered.

How about the great track-time and track events? Yeah, some fenders got crunched and at least one very nice Mustang got wadded up. But hey, even those owners were doing what they enjoy and enjoying their Mustangs their way. I've got to say Mustangs do indeed make awesome track and racecars. The Mustang Challenge series put on quite a show on Saturday and Sunday. I would mention a real race has NEVER been done before at an MCA event. We were all watching a double-header, points paying portion of that series... cool!

I got to make a few hot laps in a couple of new Shelby offerings. It was sure nice of Team Shelby to offer and I of course had no intention of saying, "No, I couldn't." My wife Nancy got in for a few laps. Even after all the racing I used to do, she had never been around a track with me so after just a few laps, she wanted to give it a try.

If you remember me rattling on about my new 08 GT, you may remember the installation of a Hurst short-throw shifter. I had a rattle in it I could not find, let alone fix. With the FORD and Ford Racing display on hand, they were installing parts right on-site. How cool ... they not only found my problem, but fixed it right there. What a deal!

Oh I could rattle on for as long as any of you might listen and still haven't mentioned the more than 2,300 Mustangs on display, the judging, the museum, the food, the banquet show, the famous people, or, or, or... ok, we'll save that for another article.

I hope you enjoyed the 45th as much as we enjoyed putting it on (really, the 45th team enjoyed seeing so many Mustang fans having a great time). Let me hear your stories ... the good, the bad, and even the ugly. I've heard of a couple getting married along the way, of a certain MCA director getting lost in the desert, and even of some Heavenly intervention (did any of you watch the weather?).

Before I forget, especially considering the current state of economic instability, wasn't awesome to see FORD in full support of our beloved Mustangs? To have them there, to have Allen Mulally, CEO, spend the day with us, and to hear them say how inspiring this celebration was for FORD was simply amazing! Thanks FORD for keeping a 4-year model run with us for 45 years.

OK, so when (and where) is the 50th?

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