October 21, 2017 Minutes

**NEGA Meeting Minutes** 

Announcements were made for upcoming car shows. Emails will be sent for meeting times.

## Maggie Valley/ Fall Pony Roundup

We had a successful show with 202 registered cars. A Toys for Tots donation bucket was added this year at the entrance. Thank you to Eileen Mossbrooks, William Lippman and Gary Dykes for the idea and planning. We raised almost \$800 in the bucket. There was also a record 50/50 of \$357 each for Toys for Tots and the winner. Thanks to new members April Estell and Suzanne Newsome who wrapped cars and sold tickets. This is helpful as we had a disappointing Fall Toys for Tots turnout of 35 cars, last year was 50 cars. The summer Mustangs Unlimited Show that was a free show run by Mustangs Unlimited only has about 31 cars, so attendance is down. There are many other competing shows and event's in the fall. Mustangs Unlimited did donate the proceeds of their show's 50/50 to toys for tots.

The profit on Maggie is yet to be determined and will be completed at the board meeting next month. We will not be advertising on social media or the internet regarding amounts raised for the safety of the people handling the cash. Please honor this request for the security of all club members.

We have been unable to contact Blue Ridge BBQ about why they did not show up. The 4 H club filled in nicely and will likely be our food vendor next year. They will expand selections and it is a great local charity to support. We did not experience the long lines that we have had with the food trucks.

There were still lots of questions about car classes during registration as usual.

The trailer needs new tires and some maintenance that will be completed before spring

There is interest in helping member Jenni Prince run a spring car show at Peachtree Ridge HS. Jenni is the sponsor of the National Honor Society, proceeds from the show will be donated to Angels Among Us a pet rescue which is near and dear to the hearts of members Eileen and Scott Mossbrooks. Since the show is not in our chartered territory our club will not be mentioned in advertising etc. The club will provide the trailer and guidance and help from volunteers from the club. The idea is for the kids to do the planning and work.

## **Toys for Tots Shopping and Meeting Dec 9**

We will meet at Regions Bank parking lot next to QT on highway 53 Oakwood leaving at 8:30 am

We should arrive at Walmart in Cleveland GA at about 9:30 where we will hand out assignments for shopping and amounts to spend.

After shopping we will bring the toys to Jackie Jones Ford in Cleveland for distribution to Toy for Tots. For those who are new, Jackie Jones donates bike and helmets every year as well as our toys. We will have our meeting at Jackie Jones.

We will then travel to Clarksville GA to Hog Wild BBQ for lunch. 575 Grant ST, Clarksville, our reservation is for 1:30pm.

## **After Christmas party**

January 20 at the Sugar Hill Community Center, 1166 Church St, Sugar Hill

Time is 2 pm, if you can come early at 1 pm we can use help to set up tables and chairs etc. We are responsible for clean up so please stay and help.

The club will provide meats and drinks. Please bring a side or desert to share. There is a full kitchen with a convection oven if you need to heat up food.

We will have our gift exchange as usual. Please bring a wrapped gift value no more than \$20 to join in the fun. Couples can bring a gift each if both want to participate. Gifts can be gag gifts if you want. We have some gifts that keep coming back. If you are bringing children that want to participate please bring a child appropriate gift for them to exchange. I can tell you from past experience that some of our gifts are not child appropriate.

## Maggie reservations for next year-

I met with the hotel manager and October is their busiest month but they are still discounting our rate next year. **The rate is \$129 if reserved by July 30,** after July 30 the rate will be the rack rate currently \$209 but expected to be \$229 in 2018. Please reserve early, they do not charge your card until the stay as long as you cancel prior to the date of arrival. You must call the hotel directly for the reduced rate **828-926-9106 code-- NEGA MUSTANGS**