



# Pony Express

## From the President's Desk

By Tom Sipes

Well fellow Mustangers, 2007 is just about ready to go down in the history books. What have we got to show for it? Let's see, the stock market broke the \$1300 level, the price of a barrel of crude is now \$95 plus, the price of gas here in little ole Arkansas is now \$3 plus a gallon and climbing! I'm not going to mention the cost of health care or health insurance, the increase in natural gas and the cost of electricity for our folks in North Little Rock. All these things could make a person get down in the dumps and say what have I got to look forward to next year.

Not me though, I'm a happy man! I have had the privilege of serving a

great bunch of people as the president of the Central Arkansas Mustangers, and next year I will be honored to serve as vice president and 2008 show chairman to boot! I am looking forward to Steve Collins filling the president's role and already he has come up with a few great ideas for club get-togethers and fellowship. I want to encourage all of you to support him and our club by participating in as many activities as you are able to, and to continue to seek new members to add to our group.

Speaking of new members, I want to commend many of those new members who have stepped up and been counted when it came to adding new peo-

ple to our membership roster, serving as needed at our Show n Shines, picnics and cruises. Thanks for making my tenure as president this year such a pleasant job. Also I would like to thank my fellow officers this year, Randall Davis, David Green, Jelaine Davis, John Riegler, Dennis Fason, and Mike Pate, for all their help and guidance. Our club is fortunate to have willing workers such as you, giving of their time and talents. Thank You!

I hope to see each and every member at our Christmas Party on December 8.

Happy Holidays

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## November 8 meeting minutes by Secretary David Green

President Tom Sipes called the 20 members attending at Grady's Pizza, Little Rock to order at 6:57 PM. The September and October meeting minutes were approved as published in the October *Pony Express*. Jelaine Davis gave her Treasurer's report, which was approved. The Christ-

mas Party was discussed (article). Officer nominations and voting took place (article). CAM logo T-shirts were discussed. The minimum order is 20, all must be of the same base color. The will sell for around \$12; more info at Christmas party. Dixie Car Club is doing Toys for Tots

(flyer). MCA rep Dennis Fason announced that MCA has 11,615 total membership. Ford will put a MCA application in every new Mustang. Gordon Jean from Hot Springs Village visited. Meeting adjourned at 7:57 PM.

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### Special points of interest:

- Christmas party Saturday, December 8.
- Regular monthly business meeting Thursday, January 10, 2008 at Grady's Pizza.
- Regular monthly business meeting Thursday, February 7, 2008 at Grady's Pizza.
- 27th Annual Regional Show Sunday, October 12, 2008 Riser Ford, Hot Springs.

## 2007 CAM Christmas Party will be Saturday, December 8 at Roller Corporate Offices, 13701 Chenal Parkway, Little Rock

- Location: Roller Corporate Offices, 13701 Chenal Parkway. From I-430/630, go west on Financial Center Parkway, which turns into Chenal Parkway. You will pass Best Buy on your right and later, Bale Chevrolet/Honda on your left. Turn left on Parkway Place Drive at the light, then another immediate left onto Chenal Parkway (eastbound). Roller will be at your 2:00, just east of Kohl's. We will be in the easternmost building. If you blow the turnoff, simply turn left at Pinnacle Ford and come back east on Chenal Parkway. If you still are lost, call Randall Davis at (501)831-3000.
- Time: Start arriving at 5:00 PM. We are planning to start eating around 5:30 PM.
- Menu: We are catering in Corky's Bar-B-Que with all the fixin's.

Randall and Jelaine Davis have gracefully volunteered to pick it up. Those who wish to help them set up can arrive earlier than 5 PM. **Each member or family attending should bring one 2 or 3 liter soft drink.** As always, no alcohol please.

- Dessert Contest: There will be a first and second place gift certificate awarded for judge's choice in taste and appearance. Mustang or Christmas related themes are encouraged. The outgoing 2007 officers' last official task will be to decide which of the desserts are worthy of an award. They continue to sacrifice for the good of the club.
- Auction: Members are encouraged to bring anything they want to be auctioned off. The more, the merrier. No spending limit. Bring

money. Proceeds go to the Humane Society of Pulaski County with at least a matching contribution from the club. You will recall that they experienced a break-in with theft and vandalism several weeks ago, with losses in the many thousands of dollars. They need our help even more than usual now.

- "Dirty Santa" or "White Elephant" gift exchange: Members who want to participate should bring an appropriate gift. It can be kooky or cool, way out or neat. Around \$10 +/- is the normal price level for these. This is a real fun activity with a lot of laughs. The more that participate, the more fun it will be.

The membership wishes to thank in advance Jelaine and Randall Davis as well as Roller Corporation for allowing us to again use their wonderful room.

**Dues are due. Please either bring to the Christmas party or send your \$24 to 2008 Treasurer Carol Sipes. Use the form, which is the inside back cover, and send your check or money order to her. Thanks for renewing.**



**2008 President Steve Collins has scheduled the following CAM business meeting dates:**

**Thursday, Jan 10 and Thursday, Feb 7. Both will be at Grady's Pizza, 6801 W. 12th St., Little Rock. Eat at 6 PM, meeting at 7 PM.**

## Meet your 2008 Central Arkansas Mustangs Club Officers

As required by the CAM By-Laws, nominations for officers were reopened in each category at the November meeting. No additional nominations from the floor or by proxy were forthcoming. The following candidates were accepted by acclimation from the membership:

President: Steve Collins

Vice President/Show Chairman:  
Tom Sipes (was 2007 President)

Secretary: David Green (**third year in this position**)

Treasurer: Carol Sipes

MCA Director: Brian Oglesby

Editor, *Pony Express*: David Green (**sixth year in this position**)

Historian: Cliff Koonce

Pres-Elect 2009: Ricky Fischer

These officers will be inducted at the Christmas party December 8. They will formally assume office on January 1, 2008.

2007 Treasurer Jelaine Davis is retiring after serving the club for 7 years. We owe her many, many thanks for her years of dedicated service not only as Treasurer but also helping at shows and the last several Christmas parties.