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## FROM THE PRES-

Happy New Year to all EMCC Members and families. I sit here fighting my inner demons and trying to justify the need for any new year's resolutions. These are something I gave up a very long time ago, given up on within days (even hours) for me. So, for me to even think about doing one, well, it is kind of a big deal. What is this one "resolution" I am considering? To drive our Camaro's more this year. Seems oddly simple doesn't it. Yet Kathy and I have struggled to even get them out in recent years. The regular annual Superfest appearance, and maybe two other drives to somewhere. With this promise to myself, and Kathy, I need to enlist your help. Plan a trip for the club. That's right, take it upon yourself to plan a day, two, three, an afternoon, a lunch, a dinner, a simple ride to nowhere even. Then let the club know you are going, invite them and see what happens. Knowing that everyone cannot go every time. Someone can go sometime. It really is that simple. Even if you decide to go that morning, afternoon or evening. Pick up on a club email and send it out. You will never find out until you try. I used to do these several years ago and found it fun. Even when no one attended, I had a plan, a

destination and route to follow that truly was relaxing. Even the times when I was the only participant. I've been asked at the last minute and found those to be the best. Gets you out and about and when you are not in charge (so to speak) what could possibly go wrong? Plenty. Sure, that is the fun. Those of you that have been on almost any club trip know the antics that go on. Bordering on illegal occasionally and certainly entertaining. From Kathy hand flaps to someone else's "Bucksnot". We seem to look at each other a lot and without words say, "what just happened?" If you have never witnessed one of these, you are missing a sensation best shared with friends! And EMCC friends are the best. Get off the couch and make it happen. It will help me with my resolution, and you will get credit for a good time.

With no plan for a January meeting, (as of right now), but could change though. I will update you on a few things going on. Probably the most important is that we are welcoming Sharon back to the board. She has graciously agreed to fill Roxanne's term as Secretary. This takes place immediately and will run through 2025.

Superfest planning is moving along, and progress is being made.

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I have almost finished the planning for the Friday activity and will tell you this much. MIS is out, probably forever because of scheduling conflicts. Seems they would rather have Faster Horses than us. Milan is for sale (again) and they are not planning any "small events" until a more secure future is in place. Waterford has too many restrictions for us to do anything fun. Parade laps around the course at 20 mph is just not fun. After all that (to make sure everyone knows why) we are planning a cruise through the western country roads used for testing new cars on. Most of you know them as the "Motor Trend Roads/Car & Driver Loop". This will be called "Tour d' Superfest". It will be a timed event. Required stops along the way with requirements to fill at each. Plans are for there to be five "winners" and prizes to be awarded at the Saturday evening dinner. The grand prize, while still in the works, will hopefully knock your socks off. This event should cost us nothing as far as funding goes. Unlike past events where we drive for no reason, this should be entertaining and hopefully raise interest in the show. There will be a limit on participants and that should drive interest up as well. As for the rest of the show, it is almost in place save for a few details. A near carbon copy of previous ones with tweaks here and there.

Remember to renew your membership at the new rates. It is now per person and hopefully will ease some of our financial responsibilities with increased membership.

A heart felt Happy New Year to all of you. Stay safe when traveling. Bring 'em back alive and well. And until we can drive together...

**Snook OUT**

## CAMARO MEMORIUM

You are no longer with us, but you are not forgotten!

<b>Tom Hawke</b>	<b>Karen Lewis</b>
<b>Doug Warren</b>	<b>John Glister</b>
<b>John VanOrsdal</b>	<b>Russ Sarns</b>
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<b>Mark Harpootlian</b>	<b>Bill Koski</b>

They are at peace with our Lord.



## EMCC MEETING

For your next EMCC meeting, we're not sure when or where, so watch your email and EMCC website for those details. We hope to see you there!

## EMCC BIRTHDAYS!

Happy Birthday to all of our JANUARY EMCC Birthdays! See the calendar for those names and dates! Hope all your birthdays are great! If we have missed your birthday, we're sorry! Please email your birthday to Sharon!

## MEMBERSHIP NEWS

We had no new members this past month. Dues renewal for 2025 starts now! Per the new dues policy, dues are \$20 per year per person. You can renew at a meeting, or by mail to the club address- 6659 Schaefer Rd - Suite 1199 Dearborn, MI 48126 (include a note with the name(s) of members and your check/money order made out to EMCC) or go to our new website - [www.emcamaro.com](http://www.emcamaro.com) and you can renew and pay online!

**PLEASE RENEW SOON!**

EMCC Membership is currently 83.

**THANKS FOR BEING AN EMCC MEMBER!!**

# EMCC CHARITY FUND

The "Eastern Michigan Camaro Club Community Fund" is open to your donations. **DONATING IS VOLUNTARY!!** And it is tax deductible! We are setup through the Canton Community Foundation. Use their website to donate- [www.cantonfoundation.org](http://www.cantonfoundation.org) Make sure you select **The Eastern Michigan Camaro Club Community Fund** in the pull down menu of where you want your donation to go. Here is another link....

<https://localimpactalliance.org/funds/canton/donor-advised-funds/the-lariche-family-eastern-michigan-caramo-club>

THANKS for your support!!

Many thanks to all of our supporters, especially Champion Chevrolet for allowing us to give so much back to our community. We are always trying to give where it does the most. I am so very proud of our group and what we do.

Thanks, Sally West,  
EMCC Philanthropic Chair



## CAMARO SUPERFEST 2025

July 11-12-13, 2025

Multi-Lakes Conservation Club  
Commerce Township, Michigan, USA!

ANNOUNCING.... our 2025 date for the 34th annual Camaro Superfest! We're all set for dates and location. We have some great ideas for a fun Friday activity. We're looking at other ways to improve our long-standing event. If you have any ideas, please contact an EMCC Board member. Stay tuned for more details as they are confirmed.

**CSF 2025 is only 6 months away!!**

# THE CORNER CAMARO





This month's Corner Camaro goes to EMCC member #407 Jerry Glaza and his 2018 ZL1. (sorry we were wrong on your Camaro year in the last HUGGER) Here is the Camaro's story.....

I've owned a few Camaros over the years (1978, 1979, 1994, 2010) and this 2018 ZL1 is my favorite, (although the 2010 was a great car). The ZL1 10-Speed is stock and will probably stay that way since it's a great "road car" with "adequate" power. I don't drag race or track the car but do enjoy those 650 ponies! One favorite thing about the ZL1 is how well it handles the power. You can drive it like a V6 Impala or a modified muscle car, it just loves either. After getting my 2010 SS in May of 2009 and doing a few bolt-on mods, I drove it until May of 2019. It was a great driving car and we loved taking it on many Tour de Michigan's. And then I got thinking of maybe adding a few horses with a cam, etc. But since I liked the new ZL1, which seemed to be built for its power from the ground up, I started to look for available used ones. Then in May 2019, I saw a 2018 black one hit the market in Jackson, MI. I told my wife I was going to drive out and check it out and see if I fit and really liked a ZL1. My 2010 needed detailing after a trip to Lansing with a lot of bugs hit during the trip and I had no intention of asking its "trade value". No harm in just looking! I drove the 2018 ZL1 with 2,569 miles on the clock and loved it. I traded the 2010 and drove the ZL1 home that day! It's been a great ride ever since. GREAT story and Thanks for being an EMCC member!!

**NEXT MONTH** - member #413 Ken Ross and his 1967 Camaro



# JANUARY 2025

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			<b>1</b>  Jerry Glaza	<b>2</b> Jason Kuhn Jimi Phillips	<b>3</b> Jen Sievert	<b>4</b>
<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b> Bob Kraft	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>
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<b>19</b>	<b>20</b> 	<b>21</b> Lisa Benedict	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b>
<b>26</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>31</b>	

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

*EMCC Official events.....*

**No January EMCC meeting at this time....**

### OTHER EVENTS-

- Jan 10-20.. Detroit Auto Show  
Huntington Place/Cobo Center  
1 Washington Blvd, Detroit
- Jan 18.. Jackson Auto Swap Meet  
Michigan Sport Facility 3055  
Shirley Dr, Jackson, MI 8am-1pm
- Jan 30-Feb 2.. Michigan Intrnatl  
Auto Show DeVos Place  
Grand Rapids, MI 11am-9pm
- Jan 31-Feb 1.. 61st KAARC Winter  
Auto Swap Meet Kalamazoo CO Expo  
Center 2900 Lake St, Kalamazoo  
2pm-6pm Fri 8am-2pm Sat
- Feb 7-8-9.. Chrome & Ice Car Show  
Dort Federal Event Center 3501  
Lapeer Road, Flint 10am-8pm
- Feb 28-March 2.. 72nd Detroit  
Autorama Huntington Place/  
Cobo Center Detroit, MI

### FUTURE EMCC EVENTS-

Next EMCC meeting TBD

**FOR MORE CAR SHOWS AND EVENT LISTINGS,** please go to the

Cruis'in Media website -

<https://cruisnmedia.com/events-calendar/>

**NOTE** - Watch your email for info on attending Autorama and the Fire & Ice shows as an EMCC group of spectators.

## EMCC EVENT NEWS

While there are many events listed on the calendar, there are always a few that are considered "club" events, where we hope more members will try to attend those select events. Look for separate articles on some of these events. For other events, please contact **DON**, our Activities Director. For those events you are interested in, Don will keep track of those and who are interested and send out emails only to people for those events.



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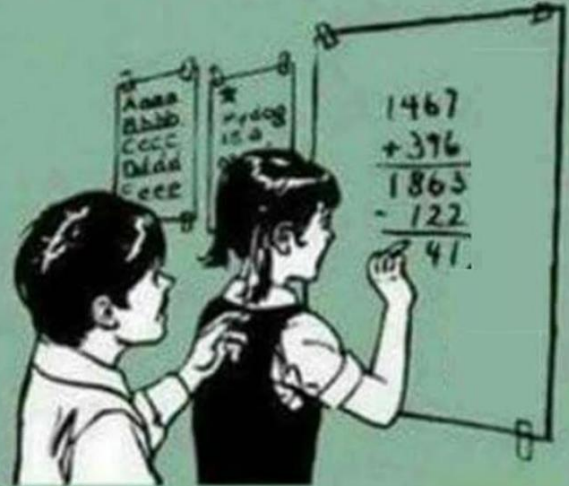
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## EMCC OFFICIAL STUFF

The Eastern Michigan Camaro Club is a registered non-profit club in the State of Michigan, with the purpose of promoting fun and fellowship between its members, other Camaro owners, and promoting the Chevrolet Camaro. **Our meetings are held once a month and are at various dates, locations and times.** Meeting information is in our monthly newsletter and website. The EMCC is sponsored **Champion Chevrolet, Howell, MI.** Dues are \$20 per year per person! If joining after Oct 1, you will be good through the following year. Membership renewals are also \$20 per year per person. Membership and dues are renewed every January. Club web site- [www.emcamaro.com](http://www.emcamaro.com)  
**Club Address-** 6659 Schaefer Rd - Suite 1199 Dearborn, MI 48126

## CAMARO FUNNIES!

**Billy has 17 Camaros!**  
**He just bought 3 more.**  
**What does he have now ?**



**Happiness.**  
**Billy has Happiness.**

**PUN(s) OF THE MONTH:** 1) Where did the polar bear keep his money? In a snowbank. 2) What did one Christmas tree say to another Christmas tree? Lighten up. 3) What does the gingerbread man use to make his bed? Cookie sheets.

**THE LAST WORD(s):** 1) I can't tell the difference between a rose and a dandelion. So, when it came time to fix up my garden, I had no clue which plants to keep and which to remove. That is until my mother gave me this handy tip: "Pull them all up. If it comes back it's a weed." 2) Two friends who are lawyers go to a restaurant and order cold drinks. After ordering cold drinks, both take out sandwiches from their bags and start eating them. Looking at them eat, the waiter comes to their table and tells them that it's not allowed to eat their own sandwiches in the restaurant. Both friends look at each other, smile and exchange their sandwiches.

## EMCC ELECTIONS!

At the start of every year, EMCC holds elections for 3 of it's Board Members. This year, the Vice President, Secretary and Member at Large are up for re-election. As noted, Sharon has volunteered to be Secretary, as Roxanne has declined to run again. Don and Chris are also running for their positions again. **NOMINATIONS** for any of these positions **MUST** be received by Paul no later than January 19, 2025. Email Paul at [emccpres@gmail.com](mailto:emccpres@gmail.com) Elections will take place at the February EMCC meeting.

## EMCC - AUTORAMA

At this time, it is unfortunate to say that efforts to get a club display together, have failed. We had no volunteers to enter their Camaro into Autorama. Acceptance letters have already been sent, so we doubt we could even get in at this point in time. Maybe 2026?

## EMCC WEARABLES

Many members have asked about EMCC shirts, hats, jackets. We don't have a supplier of these items. SO, we suggest you buy what you want/need at any store you wish. Then bring those items to the next EMCC meeting. We'll then send it all to our embroiderer to get them customized with the EMCC logo on it. We can probably get your name stitched on too. The EMCC logo is \$12-15 to be put on. Your name is \$3-5 to be stitched. Logo goes on left chest, names on right.

## EMCC MEETING REPORT

Well... we haven't had a meeting in December, so I have no meeting report to give! Please watch your emails for info on if, when, where a January meeting might take place. We hope to see you at the next EMCC meeting!



## EMCC SWAP AND SELL

Swap and Sell items are FREE to EMCC members/friends. Email items to Barry - [barry76Lt@wowway.com](mailto:barry76Lt@wowway.com)

**FOR SALE - FREE!!** I have an oil pan and a pair of cylinder heads from a 1973 Chevy 350, originally from a base model Corvette, the L48 engine. The heads are high chrome cast alloy iron, Casting No. 3998993, intake valves 1.94, exhaust valves 1.50.

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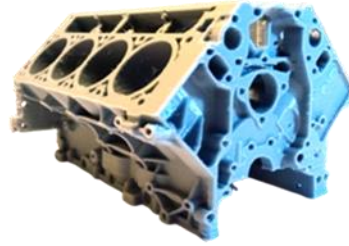
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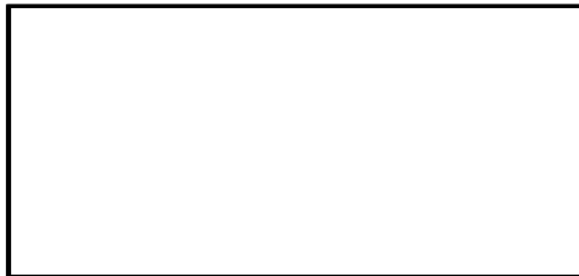


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