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FROM THE PRES-

Ah, February, when a man's thoughts turn to romance. Long drives in the country, the scent of fresh flowers, bright sunny days and long passionate evenings. Yep, time to start thinking of getting your Camaro out for spring. Now, it wouldn't hurt to send a dozen roses or some jewelry to your better half. But save the big expenses for the Camaro. I'm lucky. Cause they are all hers, so any gifting directed to the Camaros, well, that counts as a Valentine surprise. When I go out and get some new headers, boom, Happy Valentine's Day Dear. New rims, Happy Valentine's Day. Fresh tires, boom, just thinking of you dear. Nothing says "I Love You" better than a dozen wiper blades. As I like to say, what could possibly go wrong? So, don't let the cold weather get you down. Plan that big surprise (gift) opening on February 14th, then let the fun begin.

Ok, so I might be just a tad bit optimistic, and the really good weather is a few more weeks away. I guess we will wait and see if that little rodent in Pennsylvania is right or not. Doesn't hurt to plan ahead. I have found that things are still not right after the big pandemic. Some parts are weeks or even months away. Simple oil changes and tire

rotations are easy-peasy for sure. But if you are even thinking of any "major" upgrades, I would get a jump on it and start the ordering now. It comes up fast. Learned that last year when putting a motor in Kathy's Blue Truck. Almost missed the "flower shopping" deadline. That would not have ended well for me. This year the Camaros are all set to go with just some minor detailing to do. That can wait until the temp creeps up there and the sun fakes me into taking one out and doing the cleaning outside. It will be great, sunny and 40 degrees, and Snook out there trying not to get wet (and thusly cold) when washing McDreme.

And speaking of not planning ahead. The club just got a sucker punch from out of the back. Our two-year sponsor Champion Chevrolet has decided not to support us this year. They are redirecting their funds into the resources they had prior to meeting EMCC. It's OK. We thank them for enabling us to give for the time they were our sponsor. No hard feelings and we move on. I am actively searching for another Chevrolet dealer to step in and fill their shoes. All of them are on the table and I have meetings scheduled for next week. A time-consuming task and something we were not counting on.

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Our artwork for Superfest was complete and ready for the show complete with their logo on it. We are extremely lucky to have the artist already complete one without a sponsor and promises to act quickly when we get a new one (sponsor). All good. Other things are still coming together, and we are planning to open registration this month some time. No worries we will get this done in time and this year will be great as usual. If by chance you have any connections at any local Chevrolet dealer, please, by all means, make me aware of that. It certainly will not hurt to have a friendly face to get us "in the door" at least.

Read further in this month's Hugger for Chris' list of shows and stuff we are planning this year. Meeting date, time and venue are also inside as well as on the website. Don't say we didn't warn you. Stay tuned for fun.

Snook OUT

CAMARO MEMORIAM

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

Tom Hawke	Karen Lewis
Doug Warren	John Glister
John VanOrsdal	Russ Sarns
Rich Worcester	Dan Theriault
Vicki Angelosanto	Joan Turon
Louis H LaRiche	John Hancock
Mark Harpootlian	Bill Koski

They are at peace with our Lord.



EMCC BIRTHDAYS!

Happy Birthday to all of our FEBRUARY 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!

EMCC MEETING

For your next EMCC meeting, we're heading a bit west to **AUBREE'S in South Lyon 21775 Pontiac Trail**. The meeting is on **MONDAY, FEB 17**. We've been here before and it was a nice place, good food and service. We'll meet for dinner (if you want) at 6pm with the meeting starting at 7:30pm. Aubree's is located south of downtown South Lyon, south of 9 Mile Rd on the west side of the street. We hope to see you there!

MEMBERSHIP NEWS

We had no new members this past month. Dues renewal for 2025 starts now! 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 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 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>

Many THANKS to all of our supporters 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 #413 Ken Ross and his 1967 Camaro. Here is his and his Camaro's story.....

This month's Corner Camaro was left for dead in Detroit. You could call it a barn find. I was looking for a 1969 Chevelle SS convertible back in 2005-06.

A friend told me about this 1967 Camaro in a garage in Brightmore. The car was covered in 10 years' worth of dust and had rodents living in and under the car along with cob-webs that you could cut with a machete. We made a deal on Woodward cruise morning 2006.

After having all the sheet metal acid dipped with absolutely no rust found, I realized what I had. Researching all the paper work and VIN number I found that the car was built in California where it stayed until 1994 when it was sold to the lady I bought it off of.

Funny side note: after having it acid & primer dipped I brought to the 2007 Camaro Superfest in Ypsi on a flat bed trailer and had it for sale. Everyone thought I was trying to pull a fast one with a

Dynacorn body, with no interested buyers I decided to dive in. This was a 3 year transformation into a ProTouring Restomod, completed in August of 2009 with all the original sheet metal. The engine is an aluminum LS! with a 4L60E automatic transmission and rack a pinion steering system. It has a TCI tubular frame with a four-link rear suspension, 9" Ford 3:71 rear end, adjustable coil overs and disc brakes at each 17" Crager SS wheel. The interior is 2002 Trans Am leather Buckets with original rear seat covered to match, console is from a 97 Trans Am. The paint is House of Kolor Brandywine Candy with a silver underlay.

I wanted something totally different from original without modifying the body, like Old school vs New school and a wolf in sheep's clothing. I am really happy with the outcome, it handles great, its reliable and just plain fun to drive. It's not a trailer queen if you know what I mean!

Let the Good Times Roll.

GREAT story and Thanks for being an EMCC member!!


NEXT MONTH - member #461 Mickey Manworren



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.

FEBRUARY 2025

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
						1 JoAnn Wrobel
2 	3	4	5 Waneita Bovan	6	7 Dale Baird	8
9	10	11	12	13	14 	15
16 Cindy Glaza	17  Donna Jones EMCC MEETING	18 Sandra Rinke	19	20 Chris West	21	22 William Koski
23	24	25	26	27	28	

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

EMCC Official events.....

FEB 17 - EMCC meeting at Aubree's in South Lyon dinner 6pm, mtg 7:30pm

OTHER EVENTS-

Feb 7-8-9.. Chrome & Ice Car Show
Dort Federal Event Center 3501
Lapeer Road, Flint 10am-8pm

Feb 15.. Pints with the Past
1920's night of cars/brews/wine
Gilmore Museum 6865 Hickory Rd
Hickory Corners, MI 7pm-10pm

Feb 28-March 2.. 72nd Detroit
Autorama Huntington Place/
Cobo Center Detroit, MI

March 9.. SAAC-MCR Swap Meet
Gorno Ford 22025 Allen Rd
Woodhaven, MI 8am-1pm

April 13.. Spring Monroe Auto Swap
Meet and Car Show
Monroe County Fairgrounds 3775
S Custer Rd, Monroe, MI 7am-3pm

EVERY Saturday.. Pastainers Cars &
Coffee 8am-10am 33202 Woodward
Woodward, Birmingham, MI

FUTURE EMCC EVENTS-

March 17.. EMCC meeting TBD

April 19-20.. Gingerman Raceway

May 3.. Vanguard Open Hse Car Show

May 3-4.. Grattan Raceway OTD

May 23-24.. Gingerman Raceway OTD

FOR MORE CAR SHOWS AND EVENT

LISTINGS, please go to the
Cruis'in Media website -

[https://cruisnmedia.com/events-
calendar/](https://cruisnmedia.com/events-calendar/)

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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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

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
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CAMARO FUNNIES!



PUN(s) OF THE MONTH: 1) I have a fear of elevators. I'm taking steps to cure myself. 2) To the guy that invented zero, thanks for nothin'. 3) I wonder what kind of doctor Dr. Pepper was..... a fizzician.

THE LAST WORD(s): 1) I'll never forget when it hit me that I was middle-aged. I saw a commercial talking about heartburn, nagging backache and hair loss-then I realized that I was paying attention to it. 2) I saw a poster today that asked, "Have you seen my cat?". So I called the phone number and said that I haven't. I like to help where I can.

EMCC MEETING REPORT

Well... another month with no meeting, so I have no meeting report to give! Our next meeting is Monday, Feb 17 at Aubree's in South Lyon. 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

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.

734-395-8713 Richard Pomerantz
Ann Arbor, MI aarantz@comcast.net



EMCC MISC NEWS

From a co-worker still at GM - I saw this picture that was shared at work. Photo of a 1978 Chevrolet Camaro LT on display at the Hong Kong Classic Car Concours! In the photo submission, Jeremy mentioned, 'American muscle cars are very rare in Asia, so it was cool (and very unusual) to get this shot of a well-cared for Camaro on display in downtown Hong Kong!'



Sent to us by EMCC member Dave Emerling - We didn't get this in time to share in the last HUGGER, but here it is now, still a good read....

7 Camaros to Watch at Mecum's 2025 Kissimmee Sale - Hagerty Media
<https://www.hagerty.com/media/mark-et-trends/hagerty-insider/7-camaros-to-watch-at-kissimmee-2025-sale/>

Another story from Dave....

Metro Detroit escaping gritty, Rust Belt stigma by showcasing swaths of new public art

<https://www.freep.com/story/news/local/michigan/oakland/2024/11/23/detroit-southfield-farmington-public-art/76349221007/>

An excerpt from the article - And 30 miles north, Pontiac has mural riches, too, including a 60-foot rendering of that city's first Black property owner - an ex-slave named Elizabeth Denison Forth - and a cheery paean to a defunct GM brand on the wall of the new Pontiac Transportation Museum.

NOTE - the Camaro in the photo is Dave's!



The Pontiac Transportation Museum's grand opening is July 27 and features a collection of vintage Pontiac cars, military vehicles and other transportation artifacts from Pontiac's history, Thursday, July 18, 2024. Kimberly P. Mitchell, Detroit Free Press

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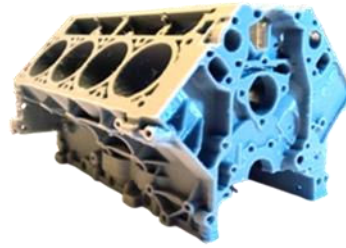
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