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FROM THE PRES-

We did it! And with that feeling of accomplishment, we move forward. While I think we did a great job this last month, I believe we can do better. With our new sponsor on board, and our first actual meeting with them done, let's move towards next year with a renewed invigoration. That showed as we had fourteen Camaros, and even more members show up to support our charity check presentation on July 23rd. Along with the ownership and management of the dealership everyone helped make our Charity Representative feel at ease. The dealership handed out swag in the form of hats and key chains as well as providing fruits and water for us. A huge thank you to all who participated.

With all that said and done, starting this month at the August club meeting, so graciously hosted by the Muphy's, we need to get things done. And by done, I mean chosen and agreed upon. First is our dates and location, second being our theme. So put those thinking caps (or aluminum foil) on and get to work. The board has their thoughts, and you should have yours ready for discussion. At the end of the evening, I want to tell our art department (Jen) to get to work on the design. If we can get this done, we can move on to the save the date cards and shirt choices. Hopefully our sponsor will have their new branding done and we can

incorporate that into our artwork. My goal is to have all the legwork done prior to the end of the year. A peaceful and quite holiday season filled with all the joys and meanings we expect. No talk of getting ready for Camaro Superfest or any outside worries associated with that. Think about it, if we can pull this off, we can beat everyone else to the punch. No worrying about the dates for all those "other" Camaro shows. Planning ours first is the way it was prior to them, and it is the way it should be hence forth.

We all took the balance of July away from the club (except for the great turnout for the check presentation) to enjoy summer and family. I suspect that some of you did partake in a show or two (or three). Kathy and I were no different and enjoyed a few albeit sans Camaro. It was fun to just relax and browse the cars, enjoy the people and taste the food. Yes, doing what we do, look at cars, talk and eat. Please see Don's list of activities for stuff to do this month. And start your planning for my favorites, The Slow Ride (Tour d' Michigan) (at capacity, sorry, contact me to get on the waiting list) and the Chicken Run (still openings) so rsvp sooner than later. Both with new routes and venues to please the Camaro enthusiast in all of us. Still with ice cream involved so don't worry bout a ting!

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Look forward to seeing everyone at the meeting. Let's make it a good one. Special thanks to the Murphy's for so graciously accommodating us, as we can be needy at times.

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
Raleigh Ormerod	

They are at peace with our Lord.

EMCC CHARITY GIVING

The Eastern Michigan Camaro Club had another check presentation! EMCC members met Claire from the Rainbow Connection at Taylor Chevrolet. Taylor Chevrolet/Saline Chevrolet is our new club sponsor and through their generous donation we are able to provide support for worthy local charities. We jointly presented the Rainbow Connection with a check for \$2500 to help in their mission to fulfill wishes for Michigan children battling life-threatening illnesses. If you are looking for a local charity to support, please consider a donation to Rainbow Connection. If you are looking for a new Chevy, please see Monte Perkins and the generous folks at either Taylor Chevrolet or Saline Chevrolet. Sally West

EMCC Philanthropic Chair



MEMBERSHIP NEWS

We had 6 new members this past month. Please welcome Kaye Geiger, Sebastian Horvath, Chris & Pete MeAllister, Robert McCullum and Brian Wright! EMCC Membership is currently 113.

THANKS FOR BEING AN EMCC MEMBER!!

EMCC MEETING

Your next EMCC meeting will be on **Monday, AUGUST 18, 2025!** We'll be meeting at **Deb and Matt Murphy's house 247 Minnesota Dr. Troy, MI 48083** This is just north of 14 Mile Rd and east of I-75. You **MUST RSVP** to Paul - Snookmack@gmail.com so that we get a people count. We'll meet for dinner at 6pm EMCC meeting at 7pm-ish. We hope to see you there!

EMCC SYMPATHIES

The entire EMCC membership wishes to express our deepest sympathies to two EMCC members -

To Kathy & Paul Denski on the passing of Kathy's Mother, Nancy Majeski, on Sunday, July 27 at the age of 93.

To Marc & Nita Bovan on the passing of Marc's mom Patsy Bovan on Monday, July 28.

We wish you and your families the greatest peace, blessings and comfort of our Lord during this time.

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.

THE CORNER CAMARO

This month's Corner Camaro is EMCC member #84 Matt Murphy

In 1969, Chevrolet built 69 ZL1 Camaros. The cars, which sold for around \$7,500, had a 427 aluminum engine rated at a conservative 430 HP. Today these are highly collectible and go for big money.

The car in the foreground of the picture is the third '69 ZL1 built in



Daytona yellow and was bought by Dale Berger Jr. of Berger Chevrolet in Grand Rapids, Michigan. Berger has a reputation over the years of selling high performance Chevy vehicles and muscle car parts. Turns out, the car sat on the dealership showroom floor for about a year before it sold because it was so expensive! (It was reported that this car sold several years back for over a million dollars.) Fast forward to February 9th, 2011 at the Chicago Auto Show when Chevy announces the return of the ZL1 nameplate on the 2012 Camaro after 43 years. It was not a 427, but it did have a formable 6.2L inter-cooled and supercharged LSA motor, magnetic shocks, Brembo brakes on 20" wheels. When Dale's son Matt Berger, who was now running the dealership got wind of this, he made a plea to Chevrolet that the third 2012 ZL1 had to be yellow and it had to be allocated to Berger Chevrolet! As a result of Matt's persistence, GM built the car to that spec and Matt Berger put it in his private collection where it stayed until 2021. Matt had his team at the dealership paint the rear valence to match the Berger Camaro paint scheme as well as Berger badging and floor mats. It became part of our collection in 2021.

Great Story Matt! And a great Camaro in EMCC! Thanks for being an EMCC member!!

NEXT MONTH - member #113 Michael Foster with his 2014 2SS



CAMARO SUPERFEST 2025

July 11-12-13, 2025

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

Once again... CAMARO SUPERFEST is history! We had a good turnout of about 220 Camaros for the weekend. We had good weather, except for that one downpour Saturday afternoon, that didn't last long. Great Saturday night dinner from the Multi-Lakes kitchen! And best, we raised a good amount of money for our future charity efforts!!!

THANK-YOU to all the EMCC members that signed on, attended and helped out during the weekend.
CSF 2026 is only 12 months away!!



THANK-YOU EMCC!!!

My family and I thank EMCC from the bottom of our hearts for making Mark and his car the theme of this year's Superfest. I can't think of a single thing that he would love more than that - except to still be here with us driving that frost green car. The framed photo with signatures is so special and makes me warm and fuzzy every time I walk past it. Insisting that he bring that car back to Michigan from Albany New York was a good decision in so many ways!

Sincerely,

Sharon Harpootlian and family

AUGUST 2025

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
					1	2
3 <i>Lawrence Baranowski</i>	4	5	6	7 <i>Charles "CJ" Hall</i>	8	9
10	11	12	13	14 <i>Dave Canedo Roger North</i>	15	16
17	18 <i>EMCC MEETING</i> <i>Denise McPherson</i>	19	20	21	22	23
24 31	25	26	27	28	29	30

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

EMCC Official events.....

AUG 18... EMCC meeting at Murphy House

in Troy 6pm dinner, 7pm-ish meeting

AUG 11... Gino's Woodward car show

AUG 22-23... WMCC-Berger Show

OTHER EVENTS-

Aug 2.. Goodrich Car Show 10am-3pm

Contact Don Jorgensen for info

Aug 2.. Cars & Coffee at Ford's
Garage Novi 44175 W 12 Mile Rd
9am-11am

Aug 2.. Jack Frost Charity Car
Show Jack Frost Auto Museum
61741 Campground Rd, Washington
9am-3pm

Aug 2.. Milan Carfest
Wilson Memorial Park 89 Wabash
St, Downtown Milan 11am-5pm

Aug 3.. Troy Traffic Jam
The Columbia Center 201 W. Big
Beaver, Troy 10am-3pm

Aug 4-5.. Mid-Ohio Raceway OTD -
Contact Don Jorgensen for info

Aug 9.. Clawson Lions Club Car
Show - Main Street Clawson
Contact Chris West for info

Aug 11.. Ginos Dream Cruise Car
Show - Ginos Restaurant, Keego
Harbor

Aug 16.. Woodward Dream Cruise -
Contact Chris West for info

Aug 22.. EMCC visit to Waldenwood
Canton - Lilley/Cherry Hill Rds

Aug 22-23.. Berger Chevrolet 100th
Anniversary Celebration -
Contact Don Jorgensen for info

Aug 23.. Our Lady of the Lakes
School Car Show Waterford, MI.
See article on page 8

Aug 24.. Hines Drive Cruise
Contact Nick for more info

Aug 30-Sept 1.. Grattan Raceway
Contact Don Jorgensen for info

FUTURE EMCC EVENTS-

Sept 20.. EMCC meeting

Sept 5-6.. NEOCC Fall Classic

Oct 24-26.. EMCC Slo-Ride Cruise

FOR MORE CAR SHOWS AND EVENT

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

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

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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.

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

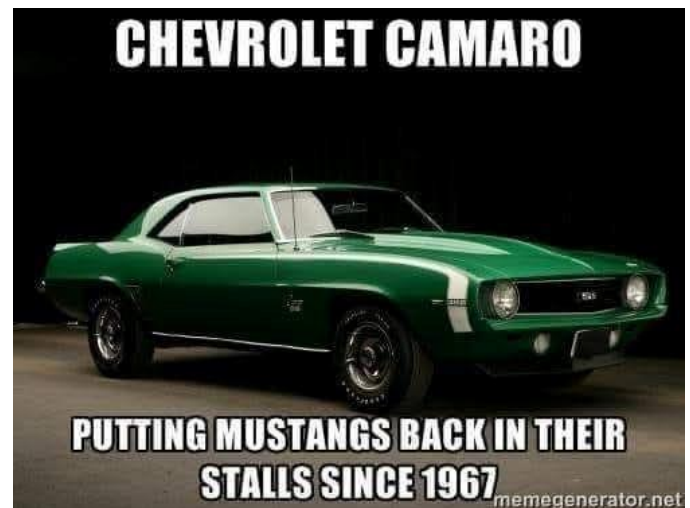
Club Address- 6659 Schaefer Rd -
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CAMARO FUNNIES!

DAD JOKES: 1) I asked my dog what 2 minus 2 was....he said nothing. 2) I just burned two thousand calories. That's the last time I leave brownies in the oven while I take a nap. 3) I'll never again donate to people who collect money for marathons. They just take my money and run.

THE LAST WORD: Three drunk men entered a taxi. The taxi driver knew that they were drunk so he started the engine & turned it off again. Then he said, "We have reached your destination". The 1st man gave him money & the 2nd man said "Thank you". The 3rd man slapped the driver. The driver was shocked thinking the 3rd drunk knew what he did. But then he asked "What was that for?". The 3rd man replied "Control your speed next time, you nearly killed us!"

CAMARO FUNNIES!



EMCC MEETING REPORT

We did not have a July meeting, so I have no meeting report to give. Our next meeting will be on August 18. We hope to see you at the next EMCC meeting!



EMCC ACTIVITIES

Here is a look at some of the activities for this coming summer. EMCC attending events in **BOLD-ITALIC**. We're sure there will be even MORE as we gather information

SEPTEMBER

- **6-7 NEOCC Fall Classic - (Saturday) Summit Racing, Tallmadge OH**
- 27-28 Grattan Raceway OTD - Contact Don Jorgensen for info

OCTOBER

- 11 Great Pumpkin Classic Car Show - (Saturday) @ Livingston County Airport
- **24-26 EMCC Slow Ride Tour**
Contact Paul for info

NOVEMBER

- **21-23 MCACN - (Fri-Sun) Stephens Convention Center, Rosemont IL**

WEEKLY CRUISE-INS

Monday-

Memories in Motion Cruise Nights
Olympic Coney Island
7011 Wayne Rd, Westland 5pm-10pm

Tuesday-

Toys for Tots Car Show- 4:30pm-8pm
Emerald Square in Taylor

Wednesday-

Roam'n Chariots Cruise Night
JustStorage Parking lot
13333 Eureka, Southgate 4pm-8pm
Hell On Wheels Classic Car Nights
VFW 6695 1426 S. Mill St,
Plymouth, MI 4pm - 9pm

Thursday-

Big Boy of Troy's Cruise Nights
W. Maple Rd, Troy, MI 5pm-7:30pm

Friday-

Strykers Bar Cruise Night
38301 Ford Rd, Westland 4pm-8pm

Saturday-

Pasteiners Cars & Coffee 8am-10am
on Woodward, Birmingham, MI
Oval Auto Cruise Nights 6pm-10pm
Big Boy of Livonia 6 Mile Rd
SE MI Hot Rodder Gang Cruise Night
4pm-8pm Leon's Dining Telegraph
Rd in Taylor

Sunday-

Bakers of Milford - every Sunday
beginning May 4th 11am-7pm

Monthly Shows

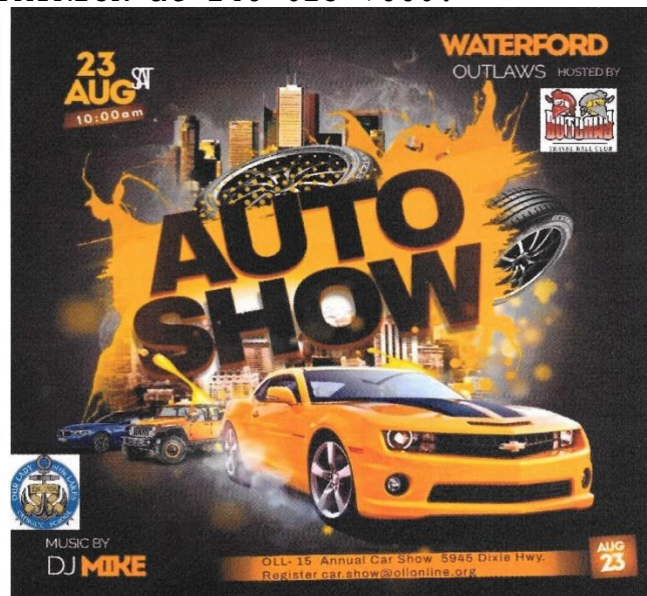
Lake St Cruise - 4th Wednesday,
May thru September - Contact Chris
West for info

LADY OF THE LAKES

On Saturday, Aug 23, Our Lady of the Lakes School will host a Car Show in Waterford, MI. For EMCC members wishing to attend - We would leave Overtyme Grill and Taproom, 4724 Dixie Hwy., Waterford Twp., MI. Meet at 9am and leave by 9:15am. It's a 5 minute drive to the event from there. There is a \$20 donation to support the Athletic Program. Register online at:

<http://forms.gle/as2fAxmNyZXFG1gC6>

It would be spectacular if some EMCC members would come out to this event. If anyone has a question, they can text me, PATRICK at 248-623-7880.



*When: Saturday, August 23, 2025 @ 10am - 2pm

*Where: Our Lady of the Lakes - 5481 Dixie Hwy., Waterford, MI 48329

*Cost: \$0 registration Fee; However, we do ask that you bring a \$20 (cash) tax deductible donation to the school on the day of the car show.

*We will have 50/50 and Raffle Baskets as well as food and music.

*Register On-line: <https://forms.gle/as2fAxmNyZXFG1gC6>

*Questions? Email: car.show@ollonline.org for more information.

EMCC - WALDENWOOD

On Friday, Aug 22, EMCC has been volunteered/requested to show off 4-5 of our Camaros for a senior BBQ. This would last about 2 hours from 1pm-3pm and is at their Lilly & Cherry Hill Rds location. We'll get a free lunch for attending! Please let BARRY know if you can attend! Barry76LT@wowway.com

EMCC SWAP AND SELL

Swap and Sell items are FREE to EMCC members/friends. Email items to Barry - barry76Lt@wowway.com

FOR SALE - new 4th gen rear spoiler (in primer) plus a 3 piece RS rear spoiler set painted in Sebring Silver in great shape with a couple small scuffs in paint. Asking \$125 for spoiler and \$150 for RS 3 piece set or \$250 for all. Paul Trickett 586-556-3338 or Marlin1893@yahoo.com



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 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'm so very proud of our group and what we do. Thanks, Sally West, EMCC Philanthropic Chair

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.

EMCC PICTURES

EMCC Charity check presentation -
Thanks for attending!!



Chris and Dave at the South Lyons Motorfest! Chris won an Award of Excellence!



CSF PICTURES

Some pictures from CAMARO
SUPERFEST 2025!!!



I was very happy to be the EMCC
flag car on Saturday!!

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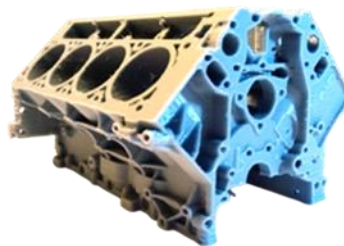
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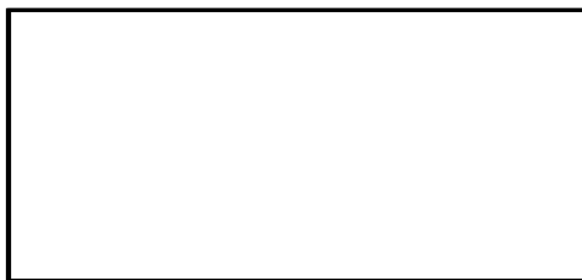
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