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FROM THE PRES-

Hello EMCC Friends, What? October? We better get those Fall drives in. Speaking of drives, what a nice run to NEOCC in Tallmadge Ohio, and thanks to all who participated, EMCC received the award for the most cars to show up. Way to go Club! Thank-you Snook, for your leadership.

Next, it was off to Frankenmuth for the Chicken Run. We filled the room with Chicken Lovers and then off for an Uncle Ray's Ice cream in Fenton. Thanks Kathy for your Leadership.

Two Charitable outings this past month. One at Taylor Chevrolet and the other at our general meeting in South Lyon. Thanks Sally for your Leadership.

Sharon set up a nice outing to The American House Senior Center in Troy to show off our cars to the residents. Thanks Sharon! And Don is putting together the Cider Mill Run on the 25th of October to Parshallville near Fenton, Thanks Don!

Now that sounds like a lot of people doing a lot of work for the Club to participate in a lot of cool outings. So, say thanks when you get a chance. And one more Thanks, to Barry for his work on the HUGGER.

Speaking of people doing stuff, our Board of Directors is working hard to keep the Club active and plan cool things to do and fulfill our Mission to have fun and be generous. Would you like to be a part of that leadership? A few

Members of the Board terms of service is up at the end of this year. Vice President, Secretary and a Member at Large positions are open for Nominations. Our Election will be in January, 2027. Give it some thought please.

In closing, this Club has a lot of good people doing good things. I'm so proud to be a part of leading us into the end of my first year of service and looking forward to our next year of Cool things to do! Remember, Be Well, Be Safe and.... Be Cool. God Bless America!

JD, President, EMCC

MEMBERSHIP NEWS

We had one new member this past month! Please welcome Karen Garbarino! EMCC Membership is currently 130.

THANKS FOR BEING AN EMCC MEMBER!!

EMCC BANK REPORT

Treasures report for September 2026 - Checking Account Balance \$10,500

no outstanding bills to be paid



CAMARO MEMORIUM

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	Bob Kraft
Paul Rebmann	

They are at peace with our Lord.

EMCC CHARITY FUND

EMCC had three great charity donations in September! Check these out.....

EMCC along with their major sponsors Taylor Chevrolet & Saline Chevrolet presented **The Stronger Warrior Foundation** with a check for **\$3000**. The Stronger Warrior Foundation has two main missions - to provide customized care packages to enlisted service members and to do modifications to the homes of disabled veterans to help them live independently. Thank you to The Stronger Warrior Foundation for all they do to help enlisted service people and disabled veterans.



At the September monthly meeting of EMCC, Todd and Nancy from CARES of Farmington Hills dropped by to tell us a little about the CARES organization, how it began, and the services they provide to the community. They are a full-service food pantry and provide additional services on their campus in

Farmington Hills such as Alcoholics Anonymous, Women Infants Children program, and Veterans assistance. EMCC presented **CARES** with a check for **\$2500** which will provide food for 300 families locally. Thanks to CARES of Farmington Hills for everything you do to help feed and take care of people in need.



A few members of EMCC attended a Three Balls Charity Racing event at Grattan Raceway in Belding MI. Besides racing their personal vehicles, Vice President Don and member Jen presented a check for **\$2500** from EMCC to **The Michigan Wounded and Returning Warrior Program** who were also at Grattan. Thank you, Michigan Wounded and Returning Warrior Program for taking care of our veterans. Freedom isn't Free!



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

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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/eastern-michigan-camaro-club>

Feel free to suggest charities we can donate to! 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 good. I'm so very proud of our group and what we do. Thanks, Sally West,

EMCC Philanthropic Chair

EMCC MEETING

Your next EMCC meeting will be on **Monday, October 19** and will be at the **THE BEACH TIKI BAR & BOIL** at **142 E Walled Lake Dr Walled Lake**. If you take 14 Mile Rd west it ends at Walled Lake Rd, turn right and follow it to the Tiki Bar, on your left. They have a good size parking lot. We'll have a room in the back to ourselves! As usual... meet at 6pm for dinner if you wish, 7pm is meeting start. See you soon!

EMCC CHICKEN RUN!

The annual EMCC Chicken Run was a great EMCC event... again!! Despite the weather, we had a great turnout of members and Camaros. We had enough people so that we were able to have our own room for lunch. And of course, we stopped for ice cream on the way home! Thanks Kathy for the planning and thanks if you attended!

EMCC SYMPATHIES

EMCC and it's membership wishes to extend our deepest sympathies to the wife and family of member Paul Rebmann. Paul passed back in March of this year and we're sorry to just learn of his passing.



EMCC MEETING REPORT

We had a very good September meeting at the South Lyon Hotel. The food was good as was the service! We had an attendance of 29 members and 6-8 Camaros.

To start the meeting, we had another charity presentation to CARES, a Farmington Hills food bank. Directors Todd and Nancy were present and Todd told us what CARES is all about.

John then started the EMCC part of the meeting with some general comments and a joke! We gave away some more prizes, donated by sponsor Taylor Chevrolet. Camaro Superfest was briefly mentioned, as planning is on-going. A big announcement was that Kathy Denski has been accepted as the new Member At Large, although she will be up for election in January. John also mentioned the great time at the NEOCC Fall Classic and that we won Club Participation (and showed off the award)!!

Sharon gave a quick Treasurers report, stating we have \$10,500 in the EMCC checking account.

Don reminded us of some October events and reminded everyone to look at the events page on the EMCC website for updates.

Sally also mentioned we have 2 more charity presentations that will be scheduled soon - New Hope Grief Counseling and a local Children's Camp.

We hope to see you at the next EMCC meeting!

EMCC CIDER MILL RUN!

The annual EMCC Cider Mill Run will take place on Sunday, Oct 25th. We'll be returning to historic Parshallville Cider Mill in Fenton. We'll take some nice back roads to get there. We will NOT be parking on the lawn, but in the regular lot(s) which have been paved-improved! Meeting time and place has not yet been determined, so watch your emails for details!!



CAMARO SUPERFEST 2027

July 9-10-11, 2027

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

We have our dates set for 2027!! Yes, the dates show the whole weekend, Friday-Sunday, but as of now, we're still planning for a Friday-Saturday event. We've included the Sunday date, as we hope to incorporate the Multi-Lakes Breakfast into CSF a bit more!

Our big task to get done asap... a theme and graphics for awards & shirts and the approval of the Multi-Lakes contract and it's finer points.

We are open to ideas for a 2027 theme! Send your ideas to the EMCC Board of Directors.

NEOCC FALL CLASSIC

The 32nd annual NEOCC FALL CLASSIC all Camaro show was another great event in September. We had 9 Camaro's join in the drive on Friday and 2 more attend on Saturday for 11 total. That was enough for the Cub Participation award again!! But, as more usual than not.... it rained most of Saturday during the show, but the fun and spirits were not dampened. The show theme was a tribute to Scott Settlemire, retired brand manager of the Camaro. NEOCC raised about \$28,000 for their charities. It was great to see long-time friends that would not be friends, except for the Camaro!



CAMARO

THE CORNER CAMARO

Guess who got a new Camaro? Our EMCC Secretary Jules Vitale-Kuhn just bought a very nice 2015 Camaro convertible! Here's the story on a new EMCC addition....

I have always been a Chevy girl. My love for cars started at a young age, when I set my sights on a 1957 Chevy. Here's a little background about me and Camaro's. I met Jason (my now husband) in 2015. On the day we met in person, he drove his 1994 Camaro Z28 T-Top; which I later took as mine. As my love for Camaros grew, so did our fleet, in 2019 a few months before we were married, we purchased "our" 2015 Camaro SS 1LE. However, I didn't drive this one, because it's a manual and well that's a story for another time. So this ended up being more Jason's Camaro than mine.

At SuperFest 2026, a gentleman approached the registration window, stating that his dad attended SuperFest for years; asking if he could bring his Dad's Camaro up to the show, as he was selling it. Don and Jason were at the registration window and asked what his dad's name was..... turns out it was Bob Kraft, our member who passed away earlier this year. Jason came home that evening talking about what happened. I was half listening and ended up asking "what year is the Camaro.... oh, and it's an automatic.... Wait, was this Bob Kraft's car? I didn't realize he had a newer Camaro; I thought all his Camaro's were 3rd gens. Jason showed me a picture and I was like...Oh it's pretty.....and that was that.

At SuperFest, Jason took me for a cruise on the golf cart, and we stopped to see Bob's car. I checked it out, I thought about it, and we chatted lightly about purchasing it and then moved on. Later that day, when we went to move our Camaros, we saw Bob's son Kyle and his wife Danielle, by Bob's car; so, we went over to chat for a minute. Well, that was a long minute. Jason introduced me to Kyle and Danielle.

I then looked at Kyle and Danielle and said, with tears, "I want to buy your dad's car!" Explaining, I couldn't promise anything, but I would love to have it, and I would take very good care of it. I explained how I wanted an automatic and it's the right year; because Jason and I met in 2015 and we already had one 2015. I shared my most recent memory of Bob, which was the last time I saw him; it was SuperFest a few years prior. Bob was in the passenger seat...of THIS Camaro with his son Kyle. When I saw Bob, he said, "Hi Jules!!" in the true Bob style and I said "why aren't you driving" Kyle said, "OMG, I remember that and said to my dad, who was that?" Kyle said his dad said, "well that was Jules" (as if Kyle should have known who I was). We told Kyle and Daneille, if they ever wanted to buy the car back, they totally could. If ever they just wanted to borrow it for a day, give me a call.

The following Monday, I did my research and called the bank. Then started a group thread with Kyle and Danielle. Now the ball was rolling! "I" was buying a Camaro, but not any Camaro....Bob Krafts Camaro.... It was a lengthy process as it was part of Bob's estate. With much patience, a lot of communication and most of all faith, I left it in God's hands. If it was meant to be, it would be. On August 25, 2025, I closed on the purchase of my 1st Camaro, which was the last item of Bob's estate to be sold. I picked up Bob's Camaro from his son's house that evening. Now, I hadn't sat in the car, nor had I driven it. Yes, you read that correctly, I bought this car on a wing and a prayer so to speak. When we were there, Danielle handed me a set of keys and said "these are the OG keys".... The OG keys have a Mecum tag on them, which is the show Bob was attending before he passed. There are also a few other tags. She handed me another set of keys and said these are the extra keys. We peaked in the trunk, later to find Bob hadn't touched anything

in the trunk apparently. She handed Jason a file of car related papers that Bob had kept over the years (we still haven't sorted through these yet, but I am sure there are some interesting files there). She also explained the Camaro had XM radio but wasn't sure how because she had handled all Bob's finances since his passing and hadn't seen anything for XM in the way of a bill or subscription.... As I was sitting in the car, I was adjusting mirrors and the seat to my liking, ya know getting used to things. I opened the center console and what was there... Bob's funeral card! I pulled the Camaro out of the garage and said goodbye to Danielle, and I would be in touch.

I named my Camaro "Baby", as she is my baby! I took Baby on her 1st maiden voyage with fellow EMCC members to NEOCC! It is very important to me that I add a Jules touch, but nothing too crazy. I was on the hunt for wheels since we had swapped out the factory wheels for the spare set of SS wheels we had. I loved the style but not so much the finish. While we were at NEOCC and talking with Snook, he recommended black chrome wheels, and I just wasn't sure. Later at the show auction, can you guess what we stumbled upon.... you guessed right...midnight black chrome SS wheels! Snook said, "Approach these wheels just like you did with buying the car". So, I did just that, and now Baby is getting new wheels! She got tinted windows, a bra, chin spoiler and a throttle enhancer (because Buckie said I needed it). It has been said I have bonded with Baby and I know Bob is with me always! I feel next season will open some new doors.... stay tuned.

WOW!! Thanks Jules for a great story and Camaro! Thanks for being an EMCC member!

We need MORE Camaros/members to feature! SO.... if you have NOT been featured as the CORNER CAMARO please send us a write-up of your Camaro. Email your picture and story to BARRY at - barry76LT@wowway.com

OCTOBER 2026

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
				1 Carla Long	2	3 Paul Denski John Tutag
4	5	6	7	8	9 Rick Neibert Ken Ross	10
11 Gayle Olson	12 	13 Patrick Allsteadt	14	15	16	17 Mark Walterhouse Linda Grezilk 
18	19 EMCC MEETING	20	21	22 Marc Bovan	23	24
25	26	27	28	29 Ralph Merian	30	31 

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

EMCC Official events.....

OCT 19... EMCC meeting at BEACH TIKI

BAR & BOIL, Walled Lake

6pm dinner – 7pm meeting

OCT 25... EMCC Cider Mill Run

OTHER EVENTS-

Oct 3.. Cars & Coffee Detroit
Catholic Central High School
27225 Wixom Rd, Novi 8am-5pm

Oct 3-4.. American Speed Festival
M1 Concourse 1 Concourse Dr,
Pontiac, MI 8am - 5pm

Oct 4.. John's LakePoint Sub
Classy car Show 12pm - 3pm
Farrand Elementary School. 41400
Greenbriar Ln., Plymouth, MI.

Oct 10.. ECC Cars-Coffee 9am- 12pm
15701 Technology Dr, Northville

Oct 17-18.. Shiny Rust Hot Rod
Spectacular 2026 Vibe Credit
Union Showplace of Novi
THIS IS A TWO DAY "INDOOR" HOT
ROD CAR SHOW EVENT
Saturday Oct 17th - 10am - 6pm
Sunday Oct 18th - 10am - 5pm

Oct 25.. Annual Fall Open House
Packard Proving Grounds 49965
Van Dyke Ave, Shelby Township
1pm - 5pm

Oct 31.. Lingenfelter Cars/Coffee
Lingenfelter Performance
Engineering 47451 Avante Dr,
Wixom 8am - 10am

Oct 31.. Caffeine & Chrome
Gateway Classic Cars 15011 S.
Commerce Dr, Dearborn 9am-12pm

Oct 31.. ECC Cars/Coffee 9am-12pm
ECC Cars and Coffee 15701
Technology Dr, Northville, MI

Nov 14.. ECC Cars/Coffee 9am-12pm
ECC Cars and Coffee 15701
Technology Dr, Northville, MI

FUTURE EMCC EVENTS-

Nov 3 - GO VOTE!!!

Nov 16 - EMCC meeting

Nov 26 - Happy Thanksgiving!!



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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 & 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- 23710 Samoset Trail
Southfield, MI 48033 **(NEW!!)**

CAMARO FUNNIES!

DAD JOKES: 1) I named my dog six miles. That way I can tell people that I walk six miles every day.

2) Did you hear? They're not making twelve inch rulers any longer. 3) Why did the coach go back to the bank? To get his quarterback.

THE LAST WORD(s): 1) "You know you've reached middle age when you're cautioned to slow down by your doctor, instead of by the police." - Joan Rivers 2) "No man goes before his time - unless the boss leaves early." - Groucho Marx 3) "The older you get, the better you get. Unless you're a banana." - Betty White

CAMARO CARtoons!



EMCC - AUTORAMA 2027

Attention!!! It is NOT too early to consider if we want a display at the 2027 Detroit Autorama. The dates are March 5-7, 2027. A EMCC club display involves volunteers to display their Camaro. We have the display stuff... just need volunteer owners to fill out the form and pay the entry fee. Please let a Board member know if you are interested!!

EMCC SWAP AND SELL

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

WANTED - I'm an EMCC member. I'm looking for a 3rd gen radio for my 1985 Camaro. Attached is a picture of my radio.

Thanks Frank Balint
248-904-0884 Fbalint210@gmail.com



FOR SALE - four Hankook Kinergy ST 195/75R14 tires on 14" GM rims used for my 69 Camaro as roll arounds while in storage. The tires have lots of tread and look pretty darn good. I will take \$100 firm for the four, you can't beat that price anywhere. **PLEASE NOTE** - they are not road ready "they are for storage ONLY".

ROBERT at testdriverbob@aol.com



FOR SALE - American Brother Designs Door Sills, SS Logo: 2010-2015 Camaro SS. Brand new. **Price: \$160** I purchased these as an extra set and no longer need them. They typically go for \$225



FOR SALE - Camaro Gen 5 (2010-15) MGP Brake Caliper Covers Standard covers that fit standard brakes. **Price: \$225** Stunning Custom Graphics Designated Finish. Comes with all brackets, instructions. Brand new still in package. These will fit LT, LS and SS without the Brembo brake package. They retail for \$299.



Tom Borg tom@tomborg.com

SPECIAL CHARITY SALE!!!

Donated Camaro 5th gen floor mats, minimum bid \$150 All funds go to the EMCC Charity Fund! Donated by EMCC member Tom Borg - THANKS!!! Contact EMCC Pres. John Danic 313-613-8331 emccpres@gmail.com



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 PHOTOS!

EMCC on the Chicken Run!



EMCC at the FALL CLASSIC in Ohio



EMCC at Troy American House



Don and Chris at the last South Lyon cruise night for 2026



EMCC EVENT NEWS

There are many events listed on the calendar, there are always a few that are considered "club" events, where we hope more members will attend those select events. Look for separate articles on some of these events. **ALSO!! See the new events listing on our EMCC website!!** www.emccamaro.com

For other events, please contact **DON**, our Activities Director. For those events you are interested in, Don will keep track of who is interested and send out emails only to people for those events.

MYSTERY LOCATION

Congratulations to EMCC member **Jeff Lucas**, who was the first to email us a correct answer! The answer was a park west of the BIG MAC bridge in the UP.

We're also looking for more of your pictures! Send your submissions to BARRY -

barry76LT@wowway.com

Here is Photo #2 - It's Barry's 1976 Camaro LT - the StreetMaster. And the question is - **WHAT IS THE LOCATION?** (a second question might be, how was this picture acquired?)



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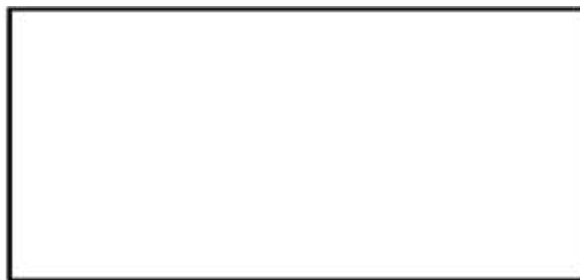


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