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**JANUARY 2021 - HAPPY NEW YEAR!!**

## FROM THE PRES-

Looking back, I probably should not have said "what could possibly go wrong" on January 1st last year. Will not make that mistake again (I hope). That said, the club made it through pretty much in great shape. Gained some new members and got to enjoy at least a couple of great events. We managed to help our charity with a good chunk of change relative to our situation with not having a "real" Superfest. We pulled off a "virtual" Superfest with support from people all over the country and world. And, at least to my knowledge we have a very few members who had to endure the Covid-19. Let's all hope this is in our rearview mirror and look forward to better things this year. I remain cautiously optimistic that we can actually pull off our show this year. Planning is well under way and looks like a great event taking shape. Providing the COVID-19 thing stays away we should have a great pent up demand for Superfest among our followers' and supporters'. Here is hoping that it all goes well.

So on to the business at hand. You should all have gotten your voting instructions, candidates' "speeches" and shorty have the official ballots. Now, I know that

there is only one candidate for each position, but please vote regardless. If this system works the way it is supposed to we might want to think about using it in the years to come and save ourselves from the angst of doing it at the annual January meeting. It would have been nice to have multiple candidates running for multiple offices and had a true test of our procedure, but this will have to do. Maybe next year everyone will want to run for an office. I do want to thank those who choose to run for office and especially thank our past Vice President John for his years of service to the club. Thank You John! I look forward to serving with our new board members and think we will make this club even better as the year progresses. What could go wrong, oops, scratch that!

With that I certainly hope all have a pleasant and peaceful holiday season. Knowing it was different for most of us who really get together with friends and family. I deeply missed our annual Christmas party and all the fun we have at it. Not to mention seeing all your faces live and personal. So keep staying safe and praying for this to end real soon.

Snook OUT

## EMCC JAN MEETING

Our next regular meeting will be on JANUARY 18, 2021 at 7:30pm. The meeting will be via ZOOM and be an online meeting. Zoom is free to download on your computer, tablet or phone. The link to the meeting will be emailed to all EMCC members 2-3 days before the meeting day. We hope you can attend. It's good to "see" and talk with everyone!

## MEMBERSHIP NEWS

We had no new members this past month! EMCC membership for 2020 is now at 93 members! GREAT!! 2021 Membership renewals are now being accepted!! Please send your renewals to EMCC Secretary Sharon Harpootlian 23710 Samoset Tr Southfield, MI 48033-2861 Dues renewal is \$20 You can also pay via paypal at -

[payments@camarosuperfest.com](mailto:payments@camarosuperfest.com)

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

## CAMARO MEMORIUM

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

<i>Tom Hawke</i>	<i>Karen Lewis</i>
<i>Doug Warren</i>	<i>John Glister</i>
<i>John VanOrsdal</i>	<i>Russ Sarns</i>
<i>John Hancock</i>	<i>Joan Turon</i>
<i>Rich Worcester</i>	<i>Dan Theriault</i>
<i>Vicki Angelosanto</i>	

They are at peace with our Lord.

## EMCC MEMBER CAR LIST

**PLEASE** register your Camaro on our web-based database ... log on to-

[www.emcamaro.org/ClubCars/Camaros.asp](http://www.emcamaro.org/ClubCars/Camaros.asp)

If you have questions or problems with the database, email Mark. This isn't mandatory, just for fun! **Please email a picture!**  
[mark@majormicro.com](mailto:mark@majormicro.com)

**EMCC ELECTIONS!!  
PLEASE VOTE!!**

## THE CORNER CAMARO

This months' Corner Camaro is EMCC member Bill Jenkins and his 2011 Camaro RS/SS in Synergy Green! Bill's Camaro has a 6.2L V8 - LS3 with a TR6060 6-spd manual Tremec transmission. He has added a K&N 69 Typhoon CAI, Kooks ceramic coated 1 3/4" x 3" stepped headers, Kooks HF Green Cats, Borla 3" catback exh sys with "X" pipe and 3" sport mufflers, MSD 8.5 mm spark plug wires and SLP 160 degree thermostat. The Camaro also sports Diablo InTune and a Custom synergy green engine cover. Other engine modifications are pending. The interior Color is Black Leather. Great looking Camaro Bill!! Thanks for being an EMCC member!!

## EMCC BYLAWS VOTE!

We have revised bylaws! By a vote of 43-0, the revised by-laws were adopted. Thanks to all who voted!!

## EMCC ELECTIONS

We will be holding EMCC elections in January. With the new by-laws, some positions are elected every other year. This year, the VP, Secretary and Member at Large get elected. The candidates are -

VP - Don Jorgensen  
Sect - Sharon Harpootlian  
M@L - Barry Hensel

ALL of the voting instructions and the candidates campaign addresses will be emailed to the membership in early January. ALL voting will be done via email between Jan 13 and 16 only. **PLEASE VOTE!!!!** The results will be announced during the January EMCC meeting.





CAMARO SUPERFEST 2021 planning is now under way! The dates shown ARE OFFICIAL!! **SAVE THE DATES!!**

The hotels are now open for any reservations and this was recently posted on Facebook! Our HQ hotel is again the Marriott at Eagle Crest - 734-487-2000

Our overflow hotel is again the Fairfield Inn - 734-482-0668

Our Thursday and Friday activities are shaping up. Sponsorship packages are going out as you read this. **A HUGE THANK-YOU to our sponsor Lou LaRiche Chevrolet for being our premier CSF sponsor again!!**

We'll be doing a LIVE auction and dinner for this year. Lots of planning to do on this activity, please stay tuned!

We have hit a snag in our timing for getting activities and sponsors in line and set-up, It's the covid thing again. While we are fairly certain it will not cause us to not hold our event as a regular in-person event, our timing on getting registration open is getting pushed back into February, at this time. We are remaining ever vigilant in our efforts to get these arrangements booked and set as soon as possible! We hope everyone will understand that after such an "interesting" year, it is simply taking longer to make future event arrangements. Thanks!!

BTW... we do have ONE 2020 event t-shirt for sale... it is a womens shirt size medium. Contact Barry if interested in this item! **CSF-2021- our BIG 30th anniversary event is only 7 months away!!**

## EMCC MEETING REPORT

Our December meeting was via ZOOM and conducted online! We had a light turnout, only about 20 members attending. We have room for everyone, so please consider attending in January! Zoom is easy! Paul gave a rundown of the By-Laws vote results and a preview of the EMCC elections. Barry gave a brief CSF report and we're pretty much on track for 2021, but still working on many details yet. Don gave a talk on upcoming activities, which unfortunately are very few this time of year, but he's still looking into something that we might be able to do together. We hope to see you at the NEXT EMCC meeting!

## CHEVY BOTTOMLESS TOY CHEST 2020

Several EMCC members donated to the annual Bottomless Toy Chest that is run by all Chevrolet dealers, including our sponsor Lou LaRiche Chevrolet!! Scott LaRiche was on Fox2 on Monday Jan 4th talking about this drive! THANKS!!

## LaRICHE/EMCC FUND

The "Lou LaRiche Family/Eastern Michigan Camaro Club Community Fund" is always open to your donations. **DONATING IS VOLUNTARY!!** And it is tax deductible! We are set-up through the Canton Community Foundation. Go to their website to donate online.

[www.cantonfoundation.org](http://www.cantonfoundation.org)

Make sure you select the **Lou LaRiche Family/Eastern Michigan Camaro Club Community Fund** in the pull down menu of where you want your donation to go. THANKS for your support!!

## CONGRATULATIONS!

The EMCC membership wishes to say CONGRATULATIONS to member Sally West on her retirement from Ford Motor Co. 35 years!! Please enjoy your new time off!

# JANUARY 2021

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
					<b>1</b>	<b>2</b> Jason Kuhn
<b>3</b> Jen Sievert	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b> Don Gruber Danita Gruber	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b> Scott Bowker	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>
<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b> Chuck England	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b>
<b>17</b>	<b>18</b> <i>EMCC MEETING zoom!</i>	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b>
<b>24</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b> Joe Attard	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b> Tarita Nelms
<b>31</b> Justin Smith						

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

*EMCC Official events.....*

**JAN 18 – EMCC meeting! Online! 7:30pm**

### **OTHER EVENTS-**

FEB 7 - Grooms Restos- Bench  
Racing Open House (Sterling Hts)

### **FUTURE EMCC EVENTS-**

Feb 15 - EMCC Meeting - Online??  
April 18 - Monroe Auto Swap Meet  
April 30-May 2 - Detroit Autorama  
May 20 - Golling Buick GMC Cruise  
Night (Lake Orion)  
May 21 - USMA/KofC Hall Free  
Cruise In (Clawson)

## EMCC BIRTHDAYS!

Happy Birthday to all 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!

## EMCC SWAP AND SELL

Swap and Sell items are FREE to EMCC members and friends. Email items to Barry.



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248-420-6413 [mark@majormicro.com](mailto:mark@majormicro.com)

Social Media - **volunteer needed!**

Camaro Superfest - Barry Hensel

EMCC Women - Denise McPherson 734-502-8802  
[kobos.mcpherson@gmail.com](mailto:kobos.mcpherson@gmail.com)

Parking Director - Tony Rigato

## **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 and other Camaro owners, and promoting the Chevrolet Camaro. Our meetings are on the **THIRD MONDAY** of each month and are held at various locations. Meeting locations are in our monthly newsletter and website. Meetings start at 7:30pm. The EMCC sponsor is **Lou LaRiche Chevrolet, Plymouth, MI.**

Dues are only \$20 per year! Those joining after Oct 1, will be good through the following year.

Membership renewals are also \$20 per year. Membership and dues are renewed every January.

Club web site- [www.emcamaro.org](http://www.emcamaro.org)

**Club Address-**

43642 Lotus DR Canton, MI 48188

## **FROM THE Vice-Pres.....**

So, here I go, providing my last contribution to the Hugger; a truly awesome club newsletter. Barry has always done a great job collecting news items, adding many pictures and stories and he obviously puts so much effort and care into his job. Thank you Mr. Hensel.

With the coming of the new year, new hope exists that we will all be back to some level of normal relative to activities, events, as well as friend and family visits; and, a normal Superfest, which I am so looking forward to. I can't wait to have another great four days of events with all of you and our loyal fans. Please offer as much of your time and effort as possible to make sure we come back strong for our charity and, of course, for our guests. As you know, the weather will be awesome as well because Barry never lets it rain on our parade. A little of pressure here, Barry....LOL.

So let's look forward to the day when we can, again, meet in person, shake hands, hug, and dine and wine together.

Hope to SSSEEYA all real soon, in person.

**PUN(S) OF THE MONTH:** (1) Does the name Pavlov ring a bell? (2) Atheism is a non-prophet organization.

**THE LAST WORD:** A tenant complained to his superintendent, "It's 5 degrees outside and there's no heat in my apartment! You never do a thing around here!" The superintendent responded: "I resent that! Didn't I fix your air conditioner just this last week?"  
**John - SSSEEYA**

## **EMCC SYMPATHIES**

The EMCC membership wishes to express our deepest sympathies to member Joe (White Corvette) Rysztak as his mother passed away in mid-December.

**EMCC ELECTIONS!!  
PLEASE VOTE!!**

## CAMARO FUNNIES!

**Me watching my cammed camaro warm up knowing I just woke up the whole neighborhood at 5am**



## EMCC WEARABLES

If you want a shirt, please contact BARRY!! Again, depending on the size of the order, prices will vary (lower), but here are the base prices....

**polo shirts...** cotton (K500) or moisture wicking (K540)....

men's or ladies... \$27 small-3XL

**T-shirts.... cotton** (5000)....

men's or ladies... \$18 small-3XL

**t-shirts.... moisture wicking**

(42000).... men's or ladies ...

\$22.00 small-3XL

**sweat shirt....** no hoodie, std collar (12000).... \$29 small-3XL

**hats.....** (C112) \$20.00

You can also have your name put on the right side and a second line if you wish too... maybe your car description? Your name is \$5, the extra line is \$3.50. (ex.- Barry 1976 Camaro Type LT)



## STURGIS CAMARO 2021

Found on facebook, the announcement of the 10th annual Sturgis Camaro Rally for 2021!



# EMCC THANKS!!

In December, Jules Vitale-Kuhn had an email sent to the membership asking for help with a project she had at her work. EMCC members came through greatly!! Here's the story...

[email sent to the club] Hello EMCC: As you know, our club partakes in the bottomless toy chest with Lou LaRiche; it has been Ok'd to add another charity this year. This request weighs heavy on my heart.

I work for the Henry Ford Cancer Institute Clinical Trials Department. Each year at Christmas, our department adopts a family in need. Yes there are a lot of organizations and charities like this, however my request comes from a few different places.

First, having been a single mom for many years and endured the struggles of providing Christmas to my kids. Second, is being a grandparent and seeing young parents struggle to provide a Christmas. Third, being in the midst of a Pandemic and dealing with Cancer, let alone it's Christmas.

I received an email today regarding our adopted family. One of my co-workers spoke with the Grandma (she is supporting family member to this single mom and her 3 children), she indicated her grandbabies didn't have a Christmas last year; that is just heart breaking.

Please do not feel obligated. Maybe you already adopted a family, donated to another organization or are imply unable to this year; and that is OK! I understand everyone is dealing with their own COVID-19/Christmas restrictions, however I believe in this clubs ability to pull off things others can't. It is not the amount, yet the action of paying it forward to those less fortunate than us. Not everyone knows what hard times feel like, but those who have been down that road sure do. The request is this, are you able help this family out?

[Thank you email sent to the members who donated] Good Morning EMCC Angels: As you are aware, my department adopted a family in need for Christmas. I reached out to EMCC in hopes of gathering a few additional items for this family in need. To be completely transparent, I knew I would get a response... however, I never dreamed it would be this LARGE! Each of you made a donation, that will brighten this family's Christmas morning. No matter that we are in the midst of a pandemic, the process was seamless. I thank you for this! To bring it to life for you a bit, I have attached a few pictures of what EMCC teamwork looks like.

Thanks to your generosity, this family will celebrate a joyous Christmas, one for their memory books and one they will never forget.

You are all responsible for this family's wonderful Christmas. My cup runneth over. From the bottom of my heart and on behalf of my department, I thank you all!

I wish each and every one of you a joyous, safe and healthy Christmas.  
Much Love & Respect, Jules



From a FIND NEW ROADS magazine... a throw-back Camaro ad! Enjoy!!

GM Let's get it together... buckle up.

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## Night of the Living Camaro

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## **EMCC COVID-19 POLICY**

The Eastern Michigan Camaro Club in its activities strongly urges its members and participants in any official club event to abide by Executive Order 2020-59 concerning wearing of masks and social distancing. Simply stated, you must wear a mask in an enclosed public place and outside if you can't maintain a distance of 6 feet from others. While we are not the mask police and certainly don't want to offend anyone, the Board would not want us to be the cause of anyone getting the virus. This policy will apply to all "official club business and activities". Meetings and club shows, right now, are the only official gatherings we have. We do participate in member arranged gatherings outside the club. Anyplace we meet indoors would require the use of face protection so keep that in mind when attending. All public outdoor places would require social distancing or short of that, wearing a mask. Please respect that we have a number of members that are in the "highly susceptible" group for infection and this helps protect all of us



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