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FROM THE PRES-

Well, this would have been our busiest weekend of the year if not for the changes forced upon us by so many things. Yes, we would be not only celebrating the Fourth of July but in deep at Camaro Superfest. Alas, we can joyfully celebrate our Independence Day with our friends and family this year. And Superfest is still just over a month away. Those who attended the June meeting at the West Fortress not only were treated to a wonderful spread of food and beverage, but also got an earful of news about Superfest. Some good, but mostly uneasy information about our registrations being way down this year. You should know that after the meeting the board met and voted unanimously to push forward with our plans and make Camaro Superfest the best we can. Whatever our final numbers end up being, we are committed to make our show one to remember. All in was the word. We are actively attending every show we can and personally "flyering" each and every Camaro in sight. I've ordered some vinyl window clings that Jen designed (QR Code) (fancy stuff for sure) for the Nationals to put on as many windows that I can. We push forward and are not looking back. Our goal is to cover our expenses (if possible) and

more importantly provide people with an experience that they will want to repeat next year. So, now that the board is in full agreement, we need you (as Uncle Sam might imply) to step up your commitment to CSF. Get some flyers, sign up for work duty, or call any of the board members for suggestions to help. As the "Rosey the Riveters" say "we can do it". It is up to us to make this work. If you have not signed up to attend, please do so. Only you can make Superfest great again. (Smokey Bear, maybe, I don't know?) You know what to do, so let us work together and "get'er done".

Ok, done with the famous (or not) quotes, on to some catch up news. The "EMCC Dragon Slayers" returned triumphantly from our excursion the Great Smokey Mountains. No accidents, delays, or breakdowns. We torched that Dragon at least six times and some of us probably more. Along with other roads to nowhere and a bunch of sightseeing and dining. Not to brag, but Kathy's old 67 Camaro came through with flying colors. And me too. Not even a quart of oil was used. Other than some involvement with the local law enforcement we had a blast. We even made the "Daily Highlights" for Killboy.com.

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I know that trip was not for everyone, but there are plenty of things that Don has on our list that are more local and easier to attend. Get out there and have some fun with your Camaro today, tomorrow, the next day, or whenever. And like member John D. did, call upon us to attend something you want that might not be on our list. All it takes is an ask. You will be surprised with the turnout. Remember "we're all in this together" and "I'm pulling for ya" Snook OUT

EMCC JULY MEETING

The next EMCC membership meeting will be on MONDAY, JULY 18, 2022. Meeting place is set for DALY'S Drive-in 31500 Plymouth Rd, Livonia, MI 48150 We'll be gathering at 6pm with the meeting starting at 7:30pm. The car service is no longer there, so we don't know if we'll do take-out and still sit in the back, even without the canopy shade. Or we may simply eat indoors. It's good to "see" and talk with everyone! We hope you will be attending! See you soon!

CAMARO MEMORIUM

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

Tom Hawke
Doug Warren
John VanOrsdal
Rich Worcester
Vicki Angelosanto
Louis H LaRiche
They are at peace with our Lord.

EMCC BIRTHDAYS!

Happy Birthday to all our JULY 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!

THE CORNER CAMARO

This months' Corner Camaro is EMCC member Linda Beebe-Lawrence and her 2012 "BEE" Camaro RS.

It was fall 2011; I had a bet riding on a new car and I wanted something special. Oct/Nov, I arrived at my Chevy dealership to place a deposit and ensure I would be able to get what I wanted. It had been since 1979 since I last ordered a Camaro! Once there, the dealership instructed me to come back in April 2012 to select options and build my ride.

That April I sat down with Bruce Murphy and we ordered her. Lots had changed since '79. I built a 2012 V6 RS Transformer Edition with the black ground effects package. I also wanted a spare tire (as they were still available back then.) And of course I needed a good stereo, too. So mid-April my order was placed, and I just needed to do the hard part—wait.

About 4 days later I got a call from Bruce. I received good news and bad. "Which do you want to hear first..?" asked Bruce. "Bad news- we can't order these any more. Good news- we found exactly what you want in West Virginia. It will cost you \$800 to trailer it home." So away I signed! One week later, I was in possession of the original second version of the real Transformer Edition Camaro. She's an automatic RS, with black ground effects, and yellow stitching on the black leather interior. She was built in Canada and is 1 of only 1400 produced. I have never seen another just like her. She is signed by AL Oppenhiser and Scott Settlemire on the front. Currently milage is GREAT Camaro Linda! Thanks for being an EMCC member!!

MEMBERSHIP NEWS

We have two new members this past month! Please welcome Greg/Melinda Rancilio and Miranda Rumfelt! EMCC membership for 2022 is now at 105 members!

THANKS FOR BEING AN EMCC MEMBER!!

IN HONOR OF LOUIS "LOU" H. LARICHE



December 12, 1931 - June 9, 2022 Louis H. LaRiche (LaRiccia), age 90 of Northville, Michigan, passed away peacefully June 9, 2022.

Lou was preceded in death by his parents, brothers, and cherished wife Gail whom he remained devoted to until they were recently happily reunited in heaven.

Lou was most proud of his seven children, who with their spouses and offspring survive him: Michele (Paul) Griffeth, Jacqueline Gordon (Doug Stamm), Scott (Dawn)
LaRiche, John LaRiche (Sahar Kakish), Jim (Maureen) LaRiche,
Bob (Tiare) LaRiche, and Suzanne (Mark) Merucci and many grandchildren and great grandchildren.

In 1913, Lou's parents, Michael and Maria LaRiche, immigrated to America from Matrice, Italy (Abruzzo region) where they settled in Cleveland, Ohio to raise their family. Lou, their fourth son was born on December 12, 1931.

Lou attended John Carroll University, where he left with a diploma and more importantly the love of his life and wife of 60 years, Gail. Together they journeyed to Fort Riley, Kansas, where Lou served two years in the US Army before pursuing his youthful passion, the car business!

After working with his father and brothers at the family car dealerships in Cleveland, Lou was inspired to open his first dealership in 1964; a Volkswagen

franchise in Findlay, Ohio. In 1971, he realized his longtime dream to become a Chevrolet dealer when he opened Lou LaRiche Chevrolet in Plymouth, Michigan. He is well known in the region for coining the phrase "Switch to LaRiche". Throughout the years, he also acquired a Toyota-Subaru dealership and a Chevrolet-Cadillac dealership, both in Findlay, Ohio.

Lou was extremely thankful for his many blessings in life. He had a strong and unwavering faith that was nurtured by attending mass at Our Lady of Good Counsel, where he was a member for over 50 years.

Community was important to Lou! He was a Plymouth Rotarian, where he volunteered year after year at the Fall Festival chicken barbeque—even though he absolutely despised chicken! He was also member of Legatus International of Ann Arbor and the Detroit Auto Dealers Association (serving as president of the Detroit Auto Show in 1985). He valued many friendships developed at the Italian American Club of Livonia and Meadowbrook Country Club.

Lou celebrated his Italian heritage reveling in family meals prepared lovingly by Gail. Together, he and Gail, enjoyed a very active social life with their many friends. They loved to travel and play golf together, spending many winters in Siesta Key with family and friends.

In 'Lou' of flowers, please
make memorial donations to:
Angela Hospice of Livonia
https://angelahospice.org
Miracle League of Plymouth
www.miracleleagueofplymouh.com





CAMARO SUPERFEST 2022 is scheduled for August 12th thru August 14th. This year's location is at EMCC's sponsor, Lou LaRiche Chevrolet in Plymouth, MI. Here's your report from Chairman Chris West -

By the time you read this update our Superfest show will only be about a month away. To date there are 125 cars registered. We have cars coming Ohio, Indiana, Illinois, Kentucky, West Virginia, Minnesota, Florida, Ontario and of course Michigan. Gas prices are still high but it's not keeping the dedicated Camaro fanatics away. To make sure our extended Camaro family has a great time we need lots of help and the EMCC family is stepping up. Sign up to help has been strong but there are still a few openings so if you haven't yet volunteered or have time to help a little more please do. See the information in the volunteer status below to see positions needed. In addition to the volunteers that have signed up to help during the event there are a number of people working to tie up final plans so we have the best Superfest possible. Don Jorgensen has plans for Friday's Lapeer Dragway event finalized, the Show's judging details on track and is working with DriveOne, this year's charity, to have them on site during the whole event. Jen Sievert is working with the award company to ensure we provide our participants with great looking recognition for their awesome Camaros. Jen has also provided some great marketing ideas to encourage registration. Barry Hensel has been sending out

Facebook blasts and working contacts to continue to get the Superfest word out. Sally has also been sending out Facebook updates and working with food vendors. As always, Mark has been keeping the Camaro Superfest website updated and tracking registration. And our President, Paul "Snook" Denski, has been keeping up the logistics of the Show at the dealership sound system, vendors, coordination with Lou LaRiche and more. In summary the membership is doing a lot of work to ensure EMCC's 2022 Superfest is a show to be proud of, no matter the size. Camaro Superfest is not only a family friendly fun event, its an event for our EMCC family to have fun working together for a good cause. Thanks to all. If you have any questions contact me, Chris West, at chriswest697197@aol.com

Thank you to all of you who have volunteered for Camaro Superfest positions. We still have a few more positions that need filling: Saturday Parking/Traffic- 4 people Saturday HQ/Reg Table 2-4pm shift - 1 person Sunday Parking/Traffic - 4 people Below is the link and instructions to sign up for Camaro Superfest volunteer positions. We are using Sign Up Genius this year so that you can sign up online, see what positions are full and which still have openings, and see who else is volunteering with you. Go Go Go!!! Click on this link: 1) https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30 E094FADAA2DA46-camaro

Camaro Superfest is BACK!!! We hope you will get registered and be of this great summer Camaro tradition with us!!!

EMCC BARN SHOW

EMCC had a great time at the Barn Show last month! We had 12 Camaros/members attend for the day. Thanks for attending!

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
EASTERN MICHIGAN			. 1	1	1	2
3	4 Susan Emerling	5	6	7	8 Willie Green Jr. Angela Marshal	9
10	11	12	13	14 Thomas Hogan Gloria Kalisieski	15 Sandy Hollingshead	16
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24	25	26	27 Miranda Rumfelt	28 Larry Walker	29	30 Frank Balint
31			•	•		

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

EMCC Official events.....

JULY 18 - EMCC meeting at

JULY 24 – EMCC Christmas in July Party Denski Barn, Plymouth 3pm - ??

OTHER EVENTS-

Thomas Haag

Marge Hensel

July 6-10.. 11th CamaroFest
Bowling Green, KY
July 9.. Westland Historical
Village Auto Festival 8am-4pm
July 9.. Hot Wheels Car Show
Dearborn, MI Wal-Mart 8am-12
July 9... Wanderer's/Penrickton
Ctr For Blind Show, Taylor 11-3
July 10.. Waterford Open Track Day
July 10.. USMA Veterans Show
Clawson KofC 8am-4pm
July 13-17.. Camaro Nationals
Morgantown, PA
July 16.. FMRA Swap/Car Corral
Wayne CO Frgrds 7am-5pm

July 17.. Swap/Cars/Crafts show Packard Prv Grds 9am-3pm July 17.. Bumpers/Bikes/Bands Old Village Plymouth 11am-3pm July 17.. Fort Custer Training Center 1st Annual Car Show Augusta, MI. 49012 10am-2pm July 23-24.. Vintage Racers Waterford Hills July 29-31.. Blue Suede Cruise Summit Motorsports, Norwalk OH 1978 and older only July 30.. Main Street Memories Car Show Port Huron, MI. July 30.. 4th Annual South Lyon Lake St. Cruise-In 7am-6pm July 31.. 2nd UAW-892 Car Show Saline, MI 11am-5pm July 31.. Flat Rock Elks 9th Show Flat Rock Elks lodge 9am-3pm Aug 6.. M1 Chevy/GM/Pontiac M1 Concourse 8:30am-11:30am

FUTURE EMCC EVENTS-

AUG ?? - EMCC Meeting

AUG 12-14 - CAMARO SUPERFEST 2022

AUG 20 - Woodward Dream Cruise AUG 27 - Berger/GM plant shows

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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 sponsor is Lou LaRiche Chevrolet, Plymouth, MI. Dues are only \$20 per year! If joining after Oct 1, you will be good through the following year. Membership renewals are also \$20 per year. Membership and dues are renewed every January. Club web sitewww.emcamaro.org

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Club Address-

CAMARO FUNNIES!



Some puns submitted by EMCC member Dave Emerling - enjoy!....

Dad, are we pyromaniacs? Yes, we arson.

She was only a moonshiner's daughter, but I miss her still.

What do you call a pig with laryngitis? Disgruntled.

Why do bees stay in their hives during winter? Swarm.

Just so everyone is clear, I'm going to put my glasses on.

A commander walks into a bar and orders everyone around.

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 is interested and send out emails only to those people for those events.



EMCC SWAP AND SELL

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

EMCC WEARABLES

If you want a shirt, please contact PAUL/DON!! 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).... 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)

LaRICHE/EMCC FUND

The "Lou LaRiche Family/Eastern Michigan Camaro Club Community Fund" is open to your donations. DONATING IS VOLUNTARY!! And it is tax deductible! We are set-up through the Canton Community Foundation. Use their website to donate- 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. Here is another link.... https://localimpactalliance.org/fu nds/canton/donor-advisedfunds/the-lariche-family-easternmichigan-caramo-club THANKS for your support!!



HOT WHEELS SHOW

The Hot Wheels Legends Tour is

back in our area on Saturday, July

9th from 8am-12 noon at the Walmart in Dearborn (Southfield Fwy and Ford Rd). If you wish to attend, you MUST pre-register your Camaro at this website https://hotwheelslegends.com/ Fill in all the boxes and you will get an email and text of your status. As in the past, you need to be there EARLY!! EMCC members that get registered and accepted will meet at the McDonalds on Telegraph Rd, between Ford Rd and Warren Rd (east side of street) at 6:15am, leaving at 6:30am. That will put us at Walmart by 7am. We must be together to park together! Please let BARRY at 734-649-3056 or barry76Lt@wowway.com know if you enter and get accepted! Thanks!

EMCC MEETING REPORT

Our June meeting was a blast! THANKS Sally & Chris for hosting at your house!! Also a huge THANKS for supplying the great dinner and dessert! It was also VERY well attended, with about 40+ attending for the meeting and 18 Camaros! The weather was great and most drove their Camaros to the meeting! At the meeting we had a Camaro Superfest update from Chris and Don. Don went over the judging process and some up-coming activities. Paul also gave some CSF comments and general things for us to be mindful of. It was really great seeing everyone at the meeting and enjoying each other's company and conversations! We hope to see you at the next EMCC meeting!





EMCC PICTURES!

Here's pictures from some recent events. First, the EMCC June

meeting...







EMCC at the MiFbody Meet & Greet.







EYES ON DESIGN SHOW

The annual EYES ON DESIGN show was a few weeks ago and EMCC member Paul McPherson was invited to show his 1969 COPO clone at the show this year! Over 200 cars in the Racing Heritage theme by special invite. Paul was in the street racing class and won a red ribbon for distinction and style design with the super Camaro. To Paul and his Camaro, CONGRATULATIONS!!





EMCC HOLIDAY PARTY

We're doing a CHRISTMAS IN JULY event!! This will be held at the Denski Barn in Plymouth on Sunday, July 24 at 3pm. It will be everything we normally do- dinner, great conversations, gift exchange and fellowship with EMCC members. Plus, there will be NO CHARGE for dinner!! There will be a limit of 40 people allowed and it will be BYOB. For the gift exchange there is a limit of \$15 per gift. Each person that wants to participate needs to bring a gift. You do not have to participate!! We would prefer no gag gifts. See the flyer in this newsletter!!

MORE EMCC PICTURES!

Here's pictures from the South Lvon cruise-in



EMCC members at the St Ignace show







EMCC at the "Dragon"....



EMCC MEMBER CAR LIST

EMCC 2022 EVENTS

EMCC Activities Director (and VP) Don has this list of events you may wish to attend in 2022....

AUGUST:

Goodrich, MI Car Show 8/6 /
Cars, Show & Shine Fountain
Walk, Novi 8/6 10am-3pm
Troy Traffic Jam Car Show 8/7
(contact Dale Baird for details)

CAMARO SUPER FEST 2022 8/12-14
Fly-In & Cruise In 8/14
Brighton Field Brighton, 11am-3pm

BTTB Road Tour 8/16 - 8/21
Flint Area Back to the Bricks Road
Tour
Woodward Cruise 8/20

Birmingham, MI. (Parking at 13 & Woodward City Park)
Berger Chevy Show 8/26 - 8/28
Grand Rapids, MI. (5 rooms booked)
GM Plant tour/show, Grand Rapids
8/28 (See Tony/Devon for details)

8/28 (See Tony/Devon for details Cruise Hines Hines Park 8/28 All Day / 25years or older cars (see Nick A.)

SEPTEMBER:

Frankenmuth Car Show 9/9 Frankenmuth, MI.

NEOCC Camaro Show 9/10 - 9/11
Tallmadge, OH (5 rooms booked)
Annual Chicken Run to
Frankenmuth, MI. 9/18 / All day
trip (see Snook for details)

Golden Memories Car Show 9/18 Flint Culture Center 10am - 4pm Muscle Car Adventure 9/23 -9/25 Chula Vista, WI

Camaro's at the Corner 9/25 Gilmore Museum

OCTOBER:

Turd de Ohio 10/7 to 10/9 see Snook for details.

NOVEMBER:

MCACN Show 11/25-26 Rosemont, IL (see Snook & Randy for details)







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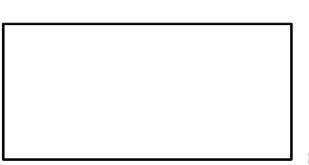




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