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FROM THE PRES-

One year, we've been in this sorry state of affairs for that long. And while planning for this year CSF continues with hopes of actually having one, seemingly the entire world is against us. We will keep the faith and carry on until everyone says we can't. Keep your email venues open and check in for updates that will come as soon as we have them.

On to other news of the day (or month). Looks like we'll have a good turnout if Autorama happens. So far we have four cars participating and I finally get to have some of the fun this time around. When (or if) it happens please plan on attending to help out the club and those who have their cars entered. Should be fun to finally get to see some cars and people although probably from the nose up only.

With the weather starting to turn for the better many of us are thinking towards getting our Camaros out of their winter hibernation and ready for what we hope is a better year of shows and cruising. If you are so inclined we are heading out on the tour d'gettin there and the Tour D' Missouri in late April and there is still time to sign up. Ex-President Randy always shows us a great time and the roads are amazing (at least compared to

ours) along with great friends and venues.

Things are looking up. Stay hopeful. Think positive thoughts and let's make this the best year yet.

Snook OUT

EMCC MARCH MEETING

Our next regular meeting will be on MARCH 15, 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 2021 is now at 92 members, due to some that have not renewed!

THANKS FOR BEING AN EMCC MEMBER!!

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
John Hancock Joan Turon
Rich Worcester Dan Theriault

Vicki Angelosanto

They are at peace with our Lord.

THE CORNER CAMARO

This months' Corner Camaro is EMCC

member Eric Pless from Florida! Eric and Ava moved to Tampa, Florida from our area about 2 years ago. We miss them, but keep in touch on FB! Eric owns a 1967 Camaro SS and here's the story... "Elvira" is a 1967 Camaro SS with all original body (no rust anywhere) painted in late 80's from Nantucket Blue to the dark purple blue today and all original interior painted all black from the original light blue when she was made in Van Nuys, CA on OCT 16, 1967 as an original 396 BBC. Bought in 2017, I'm the 4th owner. When I bought it the original TH400 3-speed was blown and the exhaust and rear end were shot. It had a 4:87, 12 bolt rear-end and I took to down to a 3:73 gear and updated the trans with a 700r4 and a 3000RPM stall torque converter, new axles, drive shaft, 4 wheel slotted and drilled disc brakes, Monroe OEM Shocks and added new 3" Hooker Headers and 2.5" dual exhaust with Flowmaster Super Delta 40 mufflers to restore the roar. I also replaced the 80's American Racing gold rims with Cragar SS's and all the engine components with new parts to make it reliable and refurbished the engine compartment. Lastly, I removed all the interior and replaced the carpets and installed hushmat and Dynamat in the entire interior of the car, installed a new iDidit tilt steering column, all new bulbs and new oil, temp, voltage gages and repainted the original console. All OER parts have been used on the car where possible. Eric has more mods planned, new crate engine and suspension mods! Great looking Camaro Eric!! Thanks for being an EMCC member!!

DAYLIGHT SAVINGS!!

A reminder to SPRING AHEAD on Saturday night!! Move those clocks one hour AHEAD!! And... check those smoke detector batteries!

EMCC MEETING REPORT

Our February 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 March! Zoom is easy! The meeting was a bit focused on CSF and the news that we have secured the two track days, but that other things like covid restrictions are still making plans difficult to get set. We did have two new members attend the meeting, so we got to meet them too. After that, the meeting was adjourned. We hope to see you at the NEXT EMCC meeting!

EMCC AT AUTORAMA

Autorama has been moved to April 30-May 2, 2021, due to covid19. EMCC will have a very nice 4 car display - Don, Butch, Paul and Barry have all entered Camaros in the show. The applications have been sent in. Now... we're looking for set-up, tear-down and during the show helpers! Set-up will be Wednesday or Thursday, April 28-29. Tear-down is Sunday night May 2 at about 9pm. Other help in promoting EMCC and CSF is during regular show hours. Contact BARRY if you are willing to help with this event.

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.

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Camaro Club Community Fund in the
pull down menu of where you want
your donation to go. THANKS for
your support!!



CAMARO SUPERFEST 2021 planning is now under way! The dates shown ARE OFFICIAL!! **SAVE THE DATES!!** The hotels are now open for any reservations. Our HQ hotel is again the Marriott at Eagle Crest - 734-487-2000

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

"Things" are starting to look better, as state restrictions are getting lighter, however, there are still some hurdles that need to be overcome! We recently put out this message on FB pages and our website -

HELLO from CAMARO SUPERFEST 2021! We know we have not said much in the past few months. That's because event arrangements are taking longer, much longer than we had expected. Covid restrictions in Michigan have forced us to look at many different aspects of our event. These are to be sure you and we are all safe and following the rules in our state. And with the rules changing month-to-month... it is very hard to estimate what the rules will be... easier or harder?

We are still VERY much committed to having a in-person event. We just don't know if we can keep our original plans of a 4 day event, or if we will have to plan on something less. We have plans, several of them... and we just have to give it all some time before we can choose the best plan for everyone and execute it. Please... HANG IN THERE!! We are getting much closer to that decision time/point. Stay tuned here and on our website for further announcements.

www.camarosuperfest.com

THANKS for your support and we look forward to seeing you in July

It had been several months since we had posted anything and needed to get some word out. People will understand our situation and we're confident they will still attend!

THANKS EMCC MEMBERS!!!!!! You responded very well to the request for early CSF work list sign-ups. Other than the possible covid test jobs, we are only short 14 spots and are sure that more EMCC members will step forward to help!

Sponsorships are running slow this year. Here is a huge THANK-YOU to these sponsors so far.... **PREMIER SPONSOR** - Lou LaRiche Chevrolet

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We are remaining ever vigilant in our efforts to get our arrangements booked and set as soon as possible!

CSF-2021- our BIG 30th anniversary event is only 5 months away!!





EMCC MISC

THANKS to Kidd Co for the nice note at the start of 2021!! Sorry for taking so long to acknowledge this!

EMCC MEMBER CAR LIST

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

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7 Larry Schramm	8	9	10 Lynne Rebmann	11	12	13 Jerry Glaza Shari Neibert
REMEMBER?	15 EMCC MEETING Mark Girimont	16 Linda Hayhoe	17 Happy ** St. Patrick's Day	18	19	20
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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

EMCC Official events.... MAR 15 - EMCC meeting! Online! 7:30pm

OTHER EVENTS-

show in Taylor.

March 14 - Daylight Savings Time! SPRING ahead!

March 17 - Happy St Patrick's Day
March 20 - IT'S SPRING!!!!!!!

FUTURE EMCC EVENTS-

April 19 - EMCC Meeting - Online??

April 18 - Monroe Auto Swap Meet

April 23-25 - Tour D'Missouri

April 30-May 2 - Detroit Autorama

May 20 - Golling Buick GMC Cruise

Night (Lake Orion)

May 21 - USMA/KofC Hall Free

Cruise In (Clawson)

July 18 - HAAS/USMA Toys For Tots

EMCC BIRTHDAYS!

Happy Birthday to all our MARCH 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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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
Club Address-

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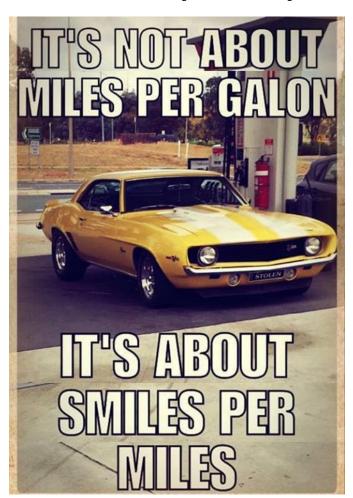
FROM THE Vice-Pres.....

Hello! While March is calm, things really get going for EMCC in April with the Tour D'Missouri and Autorama. Please see the articles on these events elsewhere in this newsletter. I hope you can attend and/or help in these activities. See you soon!

DJ, Vice Pres/Activities Director

CAMARO FUNNIES!

Sorry about the spelling... we didn't create the photo or caption







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)



TOUR D'MISSOURI

The annual Tour D'Missouri is happening on April 23-25. There is also the extra tour to get there and back (an extra day/over-night each way). Here's a reminder from Tour host and EMCC past President Randy Martin - OK guys, just signed contract and returned to Still Waters. THIS is for Friday and Saturday night ONLY in Branson. For those that are coming from out of town, I will send that info this weekend. Still Waters MUST be booked with a deposit within 21 days or it will be released. I have blocked 15 rooms, one bedroom standard lakefront. Very nice! Spent last Saturday night there.

Still Waters Resort...800-777-2320 Group Name....Tour Missouri Cost..129.00/night plus taxes + a 20.00 processing fee Cancellations for full refund MUST be made 15 days before arrival minus a 25.00 fee.

And Paul sent this message out a few days ago- Dear EMCC Members, I am happy to announce the Tour D' Getting There is well on the way to getting final plans. Things being a bit difficult this year with all the restrictions and such not only in Michigan but the four states we will be traveling through. With that said I need to have a definitive count on who is planning on participating either there, back, both or none (just driving straight through). This will enable me to plan for hotel rooms and meals. The meals together being the most challenging. Two different routes are being planned for each way so there should be plenty of different scenery to enjoy. Randy anticipates about 13-14 cars so we should be in good company once we get there.

Anyone who is going to participate in the Tour D' Missouri and wants to take the back roads there and back should contact Snook immediately if not sooner so I can get a handle on what I need to plan. Once I have planned this the field will close so get in now or forever lose this once in a lifetime opportunity. Rely to snookmack@gmail.com by March 14th to be included in our adventure.

Once I have an accurate count I will let only those participants know the hotel reservation process.

As of now I have the following participants:
Kathy/Snook, Dale, Don,
Gloria/Mark, Sharon/Mark,

If you are on the list you are in for both ways unless you email me otherwise. If you are not on the list and what to go you better

email me by the deadline. Regards, Snook

Roxanne/Chuck

EMCC HELPS!

We recently received a request for information on VIN "Vehicle Identification Number" versus the Body Trim Number (Trim Tag). The person asking the question wanted to know if they should match. Turns out they do not match and each one contains different information about the car. The VIN, at least for Camaros made in 1967 - 1971 conveys the following information: Digit 1 identifies the manufacturer, 1 = Chevrolet Digit 2 identifies the Series, 2 =Digit 3 identifies the engine, 3 =6 cylinder, 4 = V8Digits 4 and 5 identify the body type, 37 = sport coupe, 67 =convertible Digit 6 identifies the last digit of the model year, 7 = 1967, 8=1968, 9=1969, 0=1970, 1=1971 Digit 7 identifies the Assembly Plant, L= Van Nuys, CA, N = Norwood, OH Digits 8-12 = sequentialProduction Number, starting at 100001

The Trim Tag, aka Cowl Tag, aka Body Trim Tag contains more detailed information about the car. These links will take you to web pages with more information about the VINs and Trim Tags. http://www.chevy-camaro.com/chevy-camaro-trim-tag-decode-1968.php http://www.camaros.org/numbers.sht ml#VIN.

The trim tag identifies several items also embedded in the VIN - model year, body style, and assembly plant.

In addition it includes the build month and week, so for example 03B - would be a car built in the second week of the third month. It also includes a body number - a number assigned by Fisher Body that does not match the VIN. There is also a code that identifies the interior trim - seat color, type, and material. The last two codes on the tag identify the body paint that was used on the car and the type of

top on the car - i.e. vinyl, convertible.

So, as you can see, both the VIN and Trim Tag convey information about the car as it was manufactured. If you buy a really old car this is one way to dig into its history.



Trim tag photo



VIN tag photo

CAMARO SHOWS IN 2021

Below is a list of Camaro and/or F-body shows that we know about through FB postings. For more info on these events, check FB or try a website for the show or group.

May 15 - NW Ohio Camaro Club Meet & Greet - Clyde, OH

June ??? - MiFBody Meet & Greet Auburn Hills, MI

June 24-26 - Camaro Nationals, Frederick, MD

June 24-27 - Sturgis Camaro Rally, SD

July 1-2-3-4 CAMARO SUPERFEST July 8-10 - Camaro-Fest X,

Bowling Green, KY

July 31 - Camaros on Belle Isle by Motor City CC

August 28 - GM Show at Berger Chevrolet, Grand Rapids, MI (WMCC) Sept. 11 - Camaro Fall Classic, Ohio (NEOCC)

Sept ??? - Camaros at Gilmore

We have not heard if the Ontario Camaro Nationals event has been cancelled. With border crossings still in question, it may be a Canada only event.

USMA SHOW PACKAGE!

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11th SUN K OF C HALL BILLY/ MEMORIAL K OF C HALL 14 1/2 MAIN CLAWSON

31st SAT KIDS N KOPS LK ORION POLICE DOWNTOWN LAKE ORION

AUGUST

8th SUN GROOMS RESTOS CRUISE / SHOW 43555 UTICA RD. STERLING HGTS 14th SAT CLAWSON LIONS DOWN ON MAIN ST. CLAWSON

28th SAT MIRACLE FIELD SHOW LK ORION - SPECIAL NEEDS KIDS/ADULTS 29th SUN K OF C HALL SHOW CLAWSON 14 1/2 MAIN ST FUNDRAISER FOR USMA

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26th SUN USMA GRAND FINALE CAR SHOW K OF C HALL 14 1/2 MAIN CLAWSON

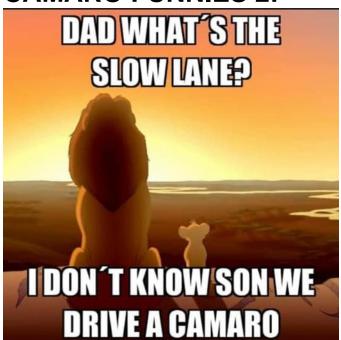
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The Eastern Michigan Camaro Club in its activities strongly urges its members and participants in any official club event to abide by Executive Order 2020-59 concerning wearing of masks and social distancing. Simply stated, you must wear a mask in 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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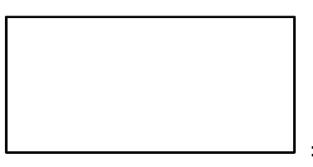




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