

# CAMARO CORNER



Celebrating  
Great American Performance

## April 2012

### The View from the top.

#### April 2012

Wow, its hard to believe its Mid March. Its 85 degrees outside, the grass is green and growing. In fact its grown so much I have to mow already. Who would have ever thought I would be mowing the grass in March. It been such a nice month I'm sure many of you already have your Camaros out of storage, and It will only be a matter of days until I get my Camaro gets out of the garage for the first time this year. I can hardly wait!

#### April WMCC Club Meeting Saturday March 31, 2012

For our April meeting we will be meeting at Midvilla Lanes in Middleville. We will be doing a little bowling, and maybe even visit the Micro Brew pub. This should be a fun time, Can't think of a better way to spend a Saturday afternoon, then with good friends.

**What: WMCC April Meeting**

**Where: Midvilla Lanes**

**4611 N.ARLINGTON  
MIDDLEVILLE MI 49333  
269-795-3640**

**When: March 31, 2012 @ 1:00 PM**

Hope to see all of you and your Camaros!!!

#### May WMCC Club Meeting Sunday May 6, 2012

Our May Club meeting at the **49<sup>th</sup> Annual Mendon Dust Off** car show, held at the Mendon High School parking lot, in Mendon, MI.

Many WMCC members will be staying at the Holiday Inn Express in Three Rivers on Saturday evening (April 30th). (Holiday Inn Express, 269-278-

7766, 1-800-HOLIDAY)

It's important that we arrive at the show early to get good parking places. We plan to leave the Holiday Inn Express in Three Rivers by 7:00am on Sunday morning! Leaving by 7:00am should put us in Mendon, and in our parking spots at the High School before 8:00am. There will be a Pancake Breakfast again, yum! We'll gather together around our cars (or inside the gym, depending on the weather) at around Noon to have our Club business meeting. Be sure to bring your folding chairs!

For those not meeting us at the Holiday Inn Express, the show is located in Mendon, MI in the High School parking lot. Take M-60 east out of Three Rivers to Mendon (about 13 miles), stay on M-60 to Nottowa St. and go left on Nottowa (Wise Motors on corner). Go about 5 blocks and look for the football field on your right. Turn Right on the road that runs next to the field. Follow the signs. You have arrived at the Show. You should plan on being at the High School a little before Noon so you can attend the meeting. If the weather is nice, this is a nice and pretty big car show. One you shouldn't miss. It's a good way to kick off the season.

We have a couple of fun activities planned for Saturday (May 5th), so plan on getting to Three Rivers early.



**Doug Warren, WMCC Founder  
1953-2010  
You will never be forgotten**

## **GVSU Car Show** **Saturday April 14, 2012**

Date: Saturday, April 14, 2012

Time: 11 am - 3 pm, Registrations opens at 10 am

Rain Day: Saturday, April 21, 2012

Location: GVSU Allendale Campus, Parking Lot H

Pre-Registration Opens: Friday, March 23 at 7 pm

Attendance: Free

[www.gvcarshow.com](http://www.gvcarshow.com)

This is one of the first car shows of the season, so come on out!

## **Lane Automotive Car Show** **Saturday May 26, 2012**

Many of us have made the Lane Automotive Car Show an annual event. If you've been there, you already know why, if not, you need to check it out.

And, best of all, it's FREE! You can Preregister at

[www.laneautomotive.com](http://www.laneautomotive.com)

For the last few years Shelley, I & the kids have stayed at the Ramada across the highway from Lane. This hotel is no Longer a Ramada they are now just a private hotel under the water park name Safari Joe's. However they are still open and taking reservations. So Shelley, I and the kids are planning to staying there again. The address for the hotel is 8258 Arnt Blvd Watervliet, MI. Their phone number is 269-463-7946. Staying here has made it much easier to be at McDonalds at 5am to meet with the rest of the group. LOL.

## **GM Heritage Center Museum Visit** **June 1st, 2012**

The Tour will take place from 9am -12noon, Cost is \$10 per person. This is on Friday the day before HRPT starts in Detroit. The GM Heritage center is not open to the general public. It is by appointment only. Please RSVP to me at [wmcamaro@gmail.com](mailto:wmcamaro@gmail.com) or 269-506-0411 or on Mifbody.com in the Meets, cruises and shows forum. It is important that RSVP so we can lets them know how many are coming and staff accordingly.

The GM Heritage Center serves as a showplace for the vehicles of the GM Heritage Collection, and as the home of the Heritage and Media Archive. Located in an 81,000 square foot facility in Sterling Heights, Michigan, the Center has approximately 200 vehicles on display, while the Archive houses 15,000 linear feet of shelving containing significant documents, manuals, brochures, and artifacts

documenting GM's rich history of innovation.

The GM North American Heritage Collection is made up of approximately 600 cars and trucks. Many reflect GM's industry firsts, like the first electric self-starter, used on the 1912 Cadillac, the first production V8 that powered the 1915 Cadillac, and the first air bag, found on 1974 Buick, Cadillac, and Oldsmobile models. Others are technological experiments like the first American gas turbine-powered car, Firebird 1, or the world's first hydrogen fuel cell-powered vehicle, the 1966 Electro-van.

Concept cars and special-interest styling/performance one-offs are part of the mix, along with significant race cars and milestone production vehicles such as the first production 1966 Olds Toronado featuring General Motors' front-wheel drive.

The GM Heritage Collection is ever-changing. New vehicles are constantly being obtained to fully represent GM's product story of the past 100+ years.

## **For Sale** **Dougs Diecast Car Collection**

I have Posted Dougs Diecast car collection Online for sale. There are about 80 cars posted. You can email me what you want and I can bring to a club meeting or you can PayPal and I will ship them.

You can look at what's still available on mifbody.com by following the below link.

<http://www.mifbody.com/vbulletin/showthread.php?44824-FOR-SALE-WMCC-Dougs-Diecast-Collection>



# 2nd Annual **LLWC** Summer Classic Car Show

**Sunday June 24th, 2012**

Light & Life Wesleyan Church  
Three Rivers, MI

Corner of Hoffman & US131  
Across from the UAW hall

**Entry fee \$7.00**

All Makes, Models & Years  
Welcome

Show 12-4 pm Reg. at 11:30am

Hot Dog, Chips & a Drink \$3.00

"Blessing of the Cars" at 2:00 PM



Please feel free to Join Us for Sunday morning worship service  
starting at 9:30 am

This is meant to be a laid back & casual show to promote face-to-face interaction  
with community. Please join us for a fun filled, family friendly afternoon.

For more information Contact:

Pastor Sam Maddox ... 269-273-3228 ... [pastorsamlw@frontier.com](mailto:pastorsamlw@frontier.com)

Or Gary Crippin ... 269-273-5051 ... [gomaro1@live.com](mailto:gomaro1@live.com)

[facebook.com/llw.church](https://www.facebook.com/llw.church)

Light & Life Wesleyan Church 15765 Hoffman Road Three Rivers, MI 49093



## For Sale

### 2001 CAMARO SS

**\* ONLY 15,809 Miles \***

**Super Clean - Excellent Condition**

**Original purchase from Berger Chevrolet**

Custom Gun Metal Gray 30th Anniversary Stripes

18" Crager Wheels

BF Goodrich G-Force Sport 275/35 ZR 18 tires (only 3,000 miles on the wheels and tires)

FLP (Finish Line Performance) Long Tube Headers

Off Road FLP Y-Pipe

Corsa Sport Exhaust with Premium Pro Tips

K&N FIPK Kit

ATI Rattler Harmonic Balancer

Computer was tuned with EFI Live

Lower Control Arm Relocation Brackets

CD player

ABS Brakes

Air

Cruise

T-Tops

Leather (Ebony – dark gray)

Traction Control

Stull Polished Billet Grille

Clear Corner Lights

Auto transmission

Always stored inside,.. (all seasons)

Never driven in the winter.

Asking \$16,000

More pictures available upon request

Any questions

call Greg [616-283-0879](tel:616-283-0879)

or email [peggers2@hotmail.com](mailto:peggers2@hotmail.com)



**2011 COPO Camaro Concept**



## For Sale

### 1985 IROC-Z

I started with a clean low mileage car and replaced most everything.

Here is a partial list from memory.

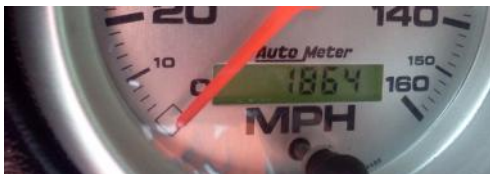
New Aluminum radiator  
New GM crate motor 383, 425 hp,  
New 750 Barry Grant carb  
Aluminum Intake manifold  
Mallory wires and distributor  
SLP headers  
GMMG chambered exhaust  
Tremec HD 5 speed (the good one)  
new aluminum drive shaft  
02 leather seats with power driver  
New Autometer gauges  
The car is a must see with over  
\$25,000 invested.  
The first \$15,000.00 takes it.

For More info Contact

DICK JACQUES

[dickjacques@hotmail.com](mailto:dickjacques@hotmail.com)

616-293-1850



## March WMCC Meeting notes

March 4th, 2012 @ Sams Joint at Gun Lake Middleville, MI

**PRESENT:** Carl and Theresa Lins, Steve O. Gay and Shelly, Ashley and Scottie Crippin Dennis and Ronnie Mykols, Anita Warren, Dave and Angie Kemp, Nick and Christy and Asher Kemp, Alan, Landon and Alan Boyer Jr., Dave and Gay Verberg, Roberta, Kevin and Theo McNamara, Wade Shindoff, Dennis and Bonnie Edwards, James and Carrie Hoffman, Ray Shafer, Marc Bouman, Bob, Kelly and Jordan Donker, Randy Martin, Kenn Swick.

**RONALD MCDONALD HOUSE BRICKS:** Caririe stated they have the logo and he had mentioned to her that Matt Berger is speaking about paying for part of it and we may increase the size. Gary stated that Matt emailed and said he would match half of what we wanted to do as a club. Gary stated he and Matt spoke and they spoke of applying increasing the size to 16 x 16 and stated he wants to make sure Berger Chevrolet next to the clubs brick. Caririe stated she would contact Steve tonight.

**MOVING ANITA:** Gary will send out a couple of dates for the next moving day.

**APRIL 1, 2012 MEETING:** Everyone thought bowling would be great but to have it on a Saturday. Carl is going to call and set up the bowling plan for Saturday afternoon and evening. An email will be sent out to notify everyone.

**MAY MEETING:** The dust off is May 6<sup>th</sup> and the June meeting will be June 26<sup>th</sup> at Lane Automotive. Gary will see if he can arrange road rally.

**JUNE POWER TOUR:** Gary stated he forgot to send the power tour hotel information so he stated it is going to be at the proving grounds and there is a Hampton Inn by the tech center. He stated he has a couple choices the Hampton or a Marriott Courtyard. He stated there is also a Double Tree about 12 miles from the proving grounds.

**TOUR AT GM HERITAGE MUSEUM, JUNE 1, 2012:** Gary brought to everyone's attention as the Michigan F-body has set up a tour and you want to go please let him know.

**FALL COLOR TOUR:** Gary stated John Smith will be hopefully be her next month to talk about the Fall Color Tour.

**VINTAGE SHIRTS:** Gary stated when they moved yesterday they found some vintage WMCC shirts. Gary will get some quotes on getting some of the vintage shirts reprinted.

**DRAWING:** Anita has brought some stuff to give to everyone. The kids drew numbers and the group thanked Anita.

Meeting adjourned



# 2012 Events Calendar

(\*denotes Official WMCC Event)

## WMCC Monthly Membership Meetings:

- \***March 31, 2012** **APRIL WMCC Club Meeting – Midvilla Lanes, Middleville, MI 1pm. See newsletter for Details.**
- \***May 6, 2012** **WMCC Club Meeting – Mendon Dust Off Car Show @ Mendon H.S., Mendon, MI**
- \***May 26, 2012** **WMCC JUNE Club Meeting – 24th Annual Lane Automotive Car Show @ NOON**
- \***Jul 1, 2012** **WMCC Club Meeting – TBA**
- \***Aug 1, 2012** **WMCC Club Meeting – TBA**
- \***Aug 26, 2012** **WMCC SEPT Club Meeting – TBA**
- \***Oct 7, 2012** **WMCC Club Meeting – TBA**
- \***Nov 4, 2012** **WMCC Club Meeting – TBA**
- \***Dec ??, 2012** **WMCC Annual Christmas Party/Club Meeting - TBA**

## All Camaro (& F-Body)/ All Chevrolet Events:

- Apr 13-15, 2012 Super Chevy @ Memphis International Raceway Memphis, TN
- May 24-27, 2012 G16 Fbody Gathering 16 – Atlanta, GA [www.fbodygathering.com](http://www.fbodygathering.com)
- Jun 1-3, 2012 CCFBG 10th Annual Show & Shine @ Fort Erie LeisurePlex – Fort Erie Ont, Canada [www.ccfbg.com](http://www.ccfbg.com)
- \***Jun 9, 2012 8<sup>th</sup> Annual MiFbody Spring Meet & Greet @ Bakers in Milford, MI [www.mifbody.com](http://www.mifbody.com)**
- Jun 9, 2012 Mid-Ohio F-body Gathering @ Mid Ohio Sports Car Course Lexington, OH
- Jun 14-16, 2012 24th Annual Ontario Camaro Nationals, @ Thorold, Ont, Canada [www.ontarioncamaroclub.com](http://www.ontarioncamaroclub.com)
- Jun 22-24, 2012 GM Nationals / Camaros at Carlisle – Carlisle, PA [www.carlisleevents.com](http://www.carlisleevents.com)
- Jun 29, Jul 1, 2012 Sturgis Camaro Rally @ Sturgis SD [www.sturgis-camaro-rally.com](http://www.sturgis-camaro-rally.com)
- Jul 6-8, 2012 21st Annual Camaro Superfest, Riverside Park, Ypsilanti, MI [www.camarosuperfest.com](http://www.camarosuperfest.com)
- Jul 12-15, 2012 Music City Chevy Show, Nashville, TN [www.ecklerscamaro.com](http://www.ecklerscamaro.com)
- Jul 19-22, 2012 Super Chevy Show, Maple Grove Raceway, Reading, PA. [www.superchevy.com](http://www.superchevy.com)
- Jul 27-29, 2012 Grand Am/Nationwide Camaro Corral at Indy – Indianapolis, IN [www.camaro5150.com](http://www.camaro5150.com)
- Aug 2-5, 2012 Camaro5 Feast III – Lucas Oil Raceway – Indianapolis, IN [www.camaro5.com](http://www.camaro5.com)
- Aug 10-12, 2012 BBOMG4(Buyers & Builders Ontraio Meet & Greet) St. Catharines, ON Canada [www.camaroz28.com](http://www.camaroz28.com)
- \***Aug 25, 2012 13<sup>th</sup> Annual Berger Chevrolet All Chevy Show @ Berger 2525 28<sup>th</sup> St. SE, Grand Rapids, MI**
- Sep 8-9, 2012 19th Annual Camaro Fall Classic @ Summit Racing, Tallmadge, OH [www.neocc.org](http://www.neocc.org)
- \***Oct ???, 2012 Annual WMCC Fall Color Tour Weekend**

## Other Automotive Events of Interest:

- Mar 11, 2012 32<sup>nd</sup> Annual Parts Swap Meet @ Norte Dame Stepan Center 8am-2pm
- Mar 18, 2012 100<sup>th</sup> Toledo, OH Collectors Toy Show @ Sylvania Exhibition Center, Toledo OH [www.oldtoylandshows.com](http://www.oldtoylandshows.com)
- Mar 25, 2012 Eastside A's 42<sup>nd</sup> Annual Swap Meet @ Russ Milne Ford Macomb, MI 810-798-8803
- Apr 15, 2012 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Spring Fling carshow@ American Legion Post 179 - 2327 Wilson Ave Grand Rapids, MI
- Apr 22, 2012 36<sup>th</sup> Annual Swap Meet @ Monroe County Fairgrounds, Monroe, MI [www.monroeaautoswapmeet.com](http://www.monroeaautoswapmeet.com)
- Apr 29, 2012 49<sup>th</sup> Annual Swap Meet & Carshow 4H Fairgrounds South Bend, IN [www.pioneerautoassn.com](http://www.pioneerautoassn.com)
- May 3-5, 2012 31<sup>st</sup> Annual Studebaker Indiana Car Show & Swap Meet 4H Fairground, South Bend, IN [www.michiana-chapter-SDC.net](http://www.michiana-chapter-SDC.net)
- \***May 6, 2012 49th Annual Dust Off @ Mendon High School, Mendon, MI 269-273-3535**
- May 12-13, 2012 25<sup>th</sup> Annual Car Show & Swap Meet Branch County Fairgrounds, Coldwater, MI [www.coldwaterswapmeetandcarshow.com](http://www.coldwaterswapmeetandcarshow.com)
- \***May 26, 2012 24th Annual Lane Automotive Car Show (Free!!!!), Watervliet, MI**
- Jun 9, 2012 32<sup>nd</sup> Annual Vicksburg Old Car Festival, Downtown Vicksburg, MI [www.vicksburgoldcarfestival.com](http://www.vicksburgoldcarfestival.com)
- Jun 9, 2012 Plainfield Motor Mile Carshow. Plainfield Ave, Grand Rapids, MI 616-365-7130
- Jun 10, 2012 4th Annual Leila Arboretum @ Leila Arboretum & Gardens, Battle Creek, MI 269-965-8194
- Jun 16, 2012 10<sup>th</sup> Annual Three Riverrrs Car Show, Downtown Three Rivers, MI [www.trchamber.com](http://www.trchamber.com)
- Jun 17, 2012 31<sup>st</sup> Annual Fathers Day Carshow @ Charlton Park, Hastings, MI 269-945-3775
- Jun 23, 2012 Alamo's 2012 Classic in the Park, 8326 West DE Ave, Kalamazoo, MI 49009 269-344-8250
- Jun 23, 2012 9<sup>th</sup> Annual Covered Bridge Car Show, Downtown Centreville, MI 269-651-8938
- \***Jun 24, 2012 2nd Annual Summer Classic Carshow, Light & Life Wesleyan Church 3 Rivers, MI [www.lwclive.com](http://www.lwclive.com)**
- Jun 29, 2012 Downtown Sturgis Cruise-IN, Sturgis, MI 4pm-7pm more info 269-651-5758
- Jun 30, 2012 12<sup>th</sup> Annual Comstock Daze Classic Car Show @ Robert Morris Park, Kalamazoo, MI 269-343-1021
- \***Jul 7, 2012 5th Annual Adam Shafer Memorial Car Show – Lawton High School, Lawton, MI**
- Jul 21, 2012 24<sup>th</sup> Annual Wayland Car Show @ Wayland City Park, Wayland, MI 269-673-3032
- Jul 21, 2012 16<sup>th</sup> Annual Car Show Downtown Paw Paw, MI [www.pawpawchamber.com](http://www.pawpawchamber.com)
- Jul 28, 2012 20<sup>th</sup> Annual Car Capital Celebration Car Show @ Adado Riverfront Park West, Lansing MI [www.reoldsmuseum.org](http://www.reoldsmuseum.org)
- Aug 4, 2012 32<sup>nd</sup> Annual Red Barn Spectacular @ Gilmore Car Museum, Hickory Corners, MI [www.kaarc.org](http://www.kaarc.org)
- Aug 11, 2012 5<sup>th</sup> Annual Benefit Car Show@ Doyle Community Center, Sturgis, MI [www.sturgismi.gov](http://www.sturgismi.gov)
- Aug 12, 2012 12<sup>th</sup> Annual Deanos Pizza Car Show, 1640 m-40 North Allegan, MI 269-686-9009
- Aug 18, 2012 Augusta Village Car Show @ Augusta Village Park, Augusta, MI noon-5pm 269-731-5334
- Sep 7, 2012 11<sup>th</sup> Annual Trendway Benefit Cruise-IN, 13467 Quincy St, Holland, MI 6-9 PM
- Sep 8, 2012 Immanuel Church Benefit Carshow , 325 104<sup>th</sup> Ave, Holland, MI [www.immanuel-church.org](http://www.immanuel-church.org)
- Sep 9, 2012 18<sup>th</sup> Annual Musclicars Plus Car Show @ Gilmore Car Museum, Hickory Corners, MI
- Sep 23, 2012 Bone Yard Rejects Carshow & Swap Meet @ Will County Fairgrounds, Peotone, IL 815-478-4356

## Cruise Nights

Sat – Taco Bell 5560 Beckley Road Battle Creek, MI - Every Week May – Oct 5pm-?? 269-986-2216



### **The Western Michigan Camaro Club**

Is dedicated to the enjoyment, preservation and promotion of the Chevrolet Camaro as the premier four passenger sports car ever. The club was formed in 1975.

### **Meetings**

The WMCC holds monthly membership meetings on the first Sunday of each month. Times and location vary, so see the Newsletter or check the club's web site at [www.wmcamaro.org](http://www.wmcamaro.org) for specific times and locations, or call one of the officers.

### **WMCC Officers**

President: Gary Crippin 269.273.5051  
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Co-Vice President: John Falkenhagen 269.795.7612  
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### **Club Sponsor**

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### **Website**

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

Watch [www.mifbody.com](http://www.mifbody.com) for the latest info on upcoming **WMCC** events.

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Saturday March 31, 2012  
at Midvilla Lanes in Middleville, MI at 1pm  
See Newsletter for details.**

### **Camaro Corner**



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