



May 2013

The View from the Top.

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A few words from our Club Co-VP Carl Lins

At the last event some of the members brought out the cars so Spring is near! It was great to see more members at the last Meeting and we hope to see more members in May for the Meeting and Mendon Dust off Show!

When looking at my summer calendar it appears to be filling up with events all over the place. As every week we hope for warm weather I sometimes wonder how many events we will make and when we will have to force ourselves to stay home and take care of things around the house.

Here are pictures from the last meeting. Thanks Anne for setting this up.

May WMCC Club Meeting Saturday May 4, 2013

For our May Club meeting we have several things planned. Dave Kemp is arranging a Golf outing for the morning then we will have our club meeting at the Holiday Inn Express in Three Rivers, MI After the club meeting Dave has mapped out a nice cruise route that will end at the Essenhuas (www.essenhaus.com) for Dinner were we will enjoy some great Amish cooking.

So here how the day will layout

9am - Meet at the holiday Inn for golfing.

2pm - Meet at the holiday Inn for Club Meeting.

3pm - Depart Holiday Inn for Cruise

4-5pm Arrive at Essenhuas for dinner.

??? – Arrive back at Holiday Inn for Social time & Adult Beverages

This should be a really fun day.

Now the details.....

Our club meeting will be at the Holiday Inn Express @ 2pm. The address for the Holiday Inn Express is 1207 W. Broadway Street Three Rivers, MI 49093 Their Phone Number is 269-278- 7766 or 1-800-HOLIDAY.

Those who plan to Golf NEED to Call or Email Dave

Kemp 269-251-5470 or dkemp@mendonschools.org. Dave needs to know how many people are golfing so he can make the arrangements for Tee times with the course. So please contact him if you plan to golf.

WMCC Club Outing to Mendon Dustoff Sunday May 5, 2013

As we have done for many years our Club will be attending the 50th 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 (May 4th). (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!

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. 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 Golf outing, Club Meeting, Cruise & Dinner planned for Saturday (May 6th), so plan on getting to Three Rivers early..



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

New Members

At the request of Darcey Steven who was a new Member as of last August I am going to start listing all the new member in the newsletter again. I had kind of gotten away from doing it in the last year or two but I think it's a good idea to do. Look for a complete list of all the new members for the last year in next month's newsletter.

June WMCC Meeting & Lane Automotive Car Show Saturday May 25, 2013

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

We will again be meeting at the McDonalds off of Exit 39 on I-94 @ 6am to caravan to the show.

We will be holding our June Club meeting at the Lane show. We will try to gather around the our cars around noon for our meeting.

For the last few years Shelley, I & the kids have stayed at the Safari Joe's (I heard it's now a Fairfield Inn & Suites) across the highway from Lane. 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 6am to meet with the rest of the group.

Power Tour Party! Friday June 7, 2013

Brian and Michelle Malmquist invite all WMCC Power Tour participants to their home for a party on Friday June 7th at 7244 Pharr Mill Road, Harrisburg, NC 28075. Their home is located just 5 miles from the (currently unofficial) Charlotte, NC venue at zMax Dragway. Dinner will be provided and limited lodging is available. Call or email Brian at [847-528-0463](tel:847-528-0463), sunset01ss@yahoo.com for more info or to make a reservation.

We hope to have a huge turnout!

9th Annual Michigan FBody Meet & Greet June 1, 2013

Started in 2005, the Spring Meet & Greet has become not only a tradition for members of the MiFbody.com community, but a tradition for members of the entire Michigan Camaro and Firebird enthusiast community. The show is meant to be a laid back, casual show to promote face-to-face interaction with the Camaro and Firebird community.

What: 9th Annual Michigan FBody Spring Meet & Greet 2013

Date: June 1st, 2013

Time: 8am to 4pm

Location: Bakers of Milford, Milford, MI

Address: 2205 S. Milford Rd, Milford, MI

Registration: Filling out the registration forms the day of the event can be overwhelming! To register for the event - you can register at the link below!

<http://www.mifbody.com/meetgreet/spring/register.php> General Plans for the Meet & Greet: The Meet & Greet, as a tradition, is a casual meet up to hang out and have fun! The event's host website (MiFbody.com) is still growing at an exponential rate, and there's still a lot of names that we know from the community but we don't have a face to place with the name. The Meet & Greet was created in 2005 to put faces to the user names on the site. The whole point is to meet new people, hang out, show off our own cars and check out each other's cars! Over the years, we've grown to include the entire FBody community not only in Michigan but in neighboring states and Canada! Our goal is not directly meant to promote our website - but more to promote the FBody community as a whole and encourage the community to establish friendships with people in the area with the same passion for the cars we own! The Meet & Greet is MiFbody.com's way to try and give back to the community by having a yearly show to look forward to.



Car Show Comstock High School June 29, 2013

Our friend Mark "Bullet" Black is working on a Carshow with Comstock High School. Car Show is Saturday June 29th. Registration Starts at 11am trophies will be awarded at 3pm.

For more information contact Mark "Bullet" Black 269-267-5297 or marksblack@comcast.net

3rd Annual LLWC Summer Classic Car Show Sunday June 30, 2013

This is a car show I am putting on at the church we attend in Three Rivers. This is meant to be a laid back & casual type car show. Its primary purpose is to promote



face-to-face interaction with community. Car Show is open to all makes and years. Hours are 12-4pm, with Registration opening at 11:30. Entry is \$7, we will also have a hotdog lunch available for \$3. A blessing of the cars will take place at 2pm. I hope you all will join us for a fun filled, family friendly afternoon.

Feel free join us for morning worship service starting at 9:30 am. We will have a special service with the Music group the Browns there to perform.

6th Annual Adam Shafer Memorial Car Show, July 6, 2013

The Shafer family is pleased to present the 6TH ANNUAL ADAM SHAFER MEMORIAL CAR SHOW.

Ray and Jeannine Shafer joined the WMCC after they inherited their son's Camaro. Adam passed away at the age of 22 due to injuries he sustained in an accident in February of 2005. Adam graduated from Lawton High School and was the head baseball coach there as well. Each year a scholarship is awarded to a graduating Senior boy that exemplifies Adam's spirit and sportsmanship.

The Car Show will be held July 6th, 2013 at Lawton High School, 68443 29th Street, Lawton, MI 49065, RAIN OR SHINE!

Registration is from 7:30am-1pm: Trophies at 2pm. Trophies go to the top 40 plus Best In Show.

100 % of the proceeds are donated to the Adam Shafer Memorial Scholarship Fund at Lawton High School.

DJ, Door prizes, and Dash Plaques. Fantastic food will be available on site for sale.

Entry Fee: \$ 10.00 per entry

Come join us for food, fun, and fellowship as we remember, honor, and celebrate the memory Adam Shafer.

We look forward to seeing you all there, Ray and Jeannine Shafer

Fall Color Tour Thursday October 10, Friday October 11, Saturday October 12

This past weekend Cheryl and I took advantage of an offer from the Edwards, Dennis and Bonnie, to help do some pre planning for the Fall Color tour. After meeting up on Friday night for some cocktails in the Grayling/Gaylord area we got up Saturday morning and laid out a rout from old US 127 through Atlanta, Onaway, Black Lake, Cheboygan, Levering, Cross Village, Harbor Springs and back we still had time to check out a few Motels to get a base camp.

If you have been in the area between Grayling and Gaylord along old US 127 you know there is a full handful of places to take a vacation, take in the sites, enjoy the lakes and golf courses in the area. But for the veterans of color Tour you know we require certain things, paved parking preferably in front of the room, clean comfortable rooms, reasonably priced, good service, and central location. Add in things like a place to gather around a fire at night or under a roof if the weather is inclement.



Fay's Motel, 989-348-7031, Grayling Mi. Has paved parking, fire pit, clean rooms, rates starting at 58.50 for room with 1 double bed up to 163.90 for a whole trailer house with a large kitchen and living room, (place to gather if the weather is bad) even a room with a Jacuzzi for 120.25

The trailer is already rented (thought we wanted to ensure a place out of the weather) and they only have 14 rooms left so I recommend you reserve early, cancel if you change your mind.

If they fill up there is a back-up motel down the street that was just as good, Fay's just felt better for the group.

Still working on stops and routs and starting point. More to follow in the coming months.

Thanks,
John & Cheryl and Dennis & Bonnie



Membership Dues

This is just a friendly reminder.

Yearly membership dues are due, for most members, in January. If you joined the Club *before* July of 2012, your dues are now due. It's \$30 for a single membership and \$45 for a couple.

Dues may be paid at a club meeting or mailed to the WMCC Membership coordinator Shelley Crippin.

Please make checks payable to:
"Western Michigan Camaro Club".

Mailing address:
WMCC Membership
C/O Shelley Crippin
56138 Wilbur Road
Three Rivers, MI 49093

For Sale 1994 1LE Camaro

This car is 1 of 135 1LE Camaro Z28's made in 1994. Chevrolet partnered with the SCCA to homologate a handful of these cars to compete in SCCA's Showroom Stock Racing Class. The 1LE package includes: engine oil cooler, larger diameter brake rotors, aluminum brake calipers and drive shaft, larger diameter front and rear sway bars, adjustable Koni racing shocks, no power locks, no power windows, no power seats, no fog lights, and no air conditioning to reduce weight. This car is a one-of-a-kind collector with just over 22,000 original miles. This car is a beautiful, unrestored survivor that has always been garaged and has never seen rain, snow, or inclement weather. The car has lived most of its life in Phoenix. It has the original window sticker, build sheet, and tires. Own a piece of racing history! Asking \$14,900. Call Sean at: 480 229-0187 (Phoenix, Arizona)



For Sale

Doug Warrens 1974 Z28 Type LT. As many of you know this is the car that started it all and without it there probably wouldn't have been a Western Michigan Camaro Club. Many of have some very found memorys of this Camaro and its owner. However Anita has made the difficult decision and needs to sell Doug's beloved Z28. This has not been a easy decision for her, but its what must happen.

On to the details...

1974 Z28 Type LT

Stored Winters NEVER driven in snow. Completely rebuilt after spending 20+ years in storage. Car was completely repainted from top to bottom. The underside of this Camaro is cleaner then most cars are on the topside.

Car was Painted by Berger Chevrolet.

The ORIGINAL Black vinyl interior is PERFECT!

Rebuilt L82 350

T56 6 speed transmission

17" "LT-III" ET Wheels wrapped in Bf Goodrich Rubber

QA-1 Coilovers

Global West Sub-frame connectors

Global West Tubular Control Arms

Global West G-Braces

Global West Solid Body Mounts.

All Polyurethane suspension bushings

SSBC Disc Brake all the way around

AND MUCH MUCH MORE. No expense was spared in rebuilding this Camaro.



Asking \$26,500

For more information call Gary @ 269-506-0411



April Meeting Minutes
Western Michigan Camaro Club
April 6, 2013
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Present: Angie and Dave Kemp, Shelley and Gary, Ashley and Scottie Crippin, Kathleen and Don Johnson, Skip Balzeski, Tim Balzeski, Teresa and Carl Lins, Anita Warren, Christy and John Falkenhagen, Alan Jr., Jamie, Landon and Callie Boyer, Mary and Ken Swick, John and Cheryl Smith, Dave and Gay Verberg, Anne Kohler, Bob Donker, Tammy and Gib Loudon, Nick and Asher Kemp, Jan and Al Boyer and Dan Bowers, Dale and Angela Rogers and Dennis and Bonnie Edwards

Club Meeting in May: Hold the meeting at the Three Rivers Holiday Inn on Saturday, May 4, 2013 before the Mendon Dust Off on Sunday. Dave and Angie suggested drive to Essenhuis on Saturday for dinner and possibly go to Friendly's to listen to entertainment for those interested. Angie shared the motel in Mendon would not be ready for Dust Off so everyone should make reservations in Three Rivers.

Mendon Dust Off: The Mendon Dust Off will be on Sunday, May 5, 2013 and the Mendon High School.

Zazzle Trademark Problems: Gary discussed the problems that have occurred with the Bowtie Tie. The group discussed our options. Decision was for us to get something on file that we have permission to use these logo's when getting things made. Gary discussed GM wants us to take Camaro out of the bowtie and then they would probably give their permission to correct this problems. Gary will follow up with GM.

GVSU Car Show: The GVSU car show is next Saturday, April 13, 2013.

T-Shirts: Gary stated he needs to get more t-shirts done. He stated he has someone that would do 1 or 5 if we want. He stated we do need to simplify our design and this would be less expensive. He stated we need large and x-large t-shirts and will try to get this done in the next week or two.

Street Dreams: Fifth gen reversal hood with remote. Carl stated he has information or you can go to sweetdreams by ross. Carl stated it was well put together.

GMH Show: This show is August 8, 2013. John stated they have invited out club.

Berger Show: Gary stated we need to start looking for the feature cars. If you have questions please call Carl or John. Gary shared we were asked by Quaker Steak and Lube to host a car show and they will donate 10% to a charity of our choice for any Camaro that comes in and orders food. The day after the Berger Show he has booked on of these and it will start at 1:00 p.m. Shirts were discussed and sizes and possibly we need to get more large and extra large shirts. Everyone thought we tend to run out of large or extra large shirts. Jan stated trophy house would be interested in doing this drawing. Gary told her to have them see what they can come up with.

Camaro Book: Gary stated he had a couple books if anyone is interested. Gary adjourned the meeting at 1:57 p.m.

2013 Events Calendar

(*denotes Official WMCC Event)

WMCC Monthly Membership Meetings:

- ~~*Jan 6, 2013 January WMCC Meeting ~ Quaker Steak & Lube, Grand Rapids, MI~~
- ~~*Feb 3, 2013 February WMCC Meeting ~ TGI Fridays, Kalamazoo, MI See Newsletter for Details~~
- ~~*Mar 3, 2013 March WMCC Meeting ~ Branns, Caledonia, MI~~
- ~~*Apr 7, 2013 April WMCC Meeting ~ Ionia Bowl 300, Ionia MI see newsletter for details.~~
- *May 4, 2013 May WMCC Meeting ~ Holiday Inn, Three Rivers, MI**
- *May 25, 2013 June WMCC Meeting ~ Lane Automotive Show, Watervliet, MI**
- *Jul 7, 2013 July WMCC Meeting ~ TBD**
- *Aug 4, 2013 August WMCC Meeting ~ TBD**
- *Aug 25, 2013 SEPTEMBER WMCC Meeting ~ TBD**
- *Oct 6, 2013 October WMCC Meeting ~ TBD**
- *Nov 3, 2013 November WMCC Meeting ~ TBD**
- *Dec 7, 2013 WMCC Annual Christmas Party/Club Meeting - TBD**

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

- Jun 1, 2013 9th Annual Michigan FBody Spring Meet & Greet 2013
- Jul 5-7, 2013 Camaro Superfest 2013 Riverside Park, Ypsilanti, MI
- *Aug 23-24, 2013 14th Annual Berger Chevrolet "All Chevy Show" - Grand Rapids, MI**

Other Automotive Events of Interest:

- Apr 13, 2013 9th Annual GVSU Carshow. Lot H Grand Valley State University Allendale Campus 11am-3pm
- Apr 27, 2013 Four Star Muffler Car Show Battle Creek, MI \$10 9am -2pm 269-275-4720 or 269-830-2168
- Mar 17, 2013 Swap Meet Russ Milne Ford Macomb, MI \$3/person 8am- 2pm 810-798-8803 or 586-949-3727
- *May 5, 2013 50th Ann. Dust Off @ Mendon High School, Mendon, MI 269-273-3535**
- May 10, 2013 Car Show Woodveiw Christian Church, Wyoming, MI 5-8pm 616-532-5303
- May 11-12, 2013 26th Ann. Car Show & Swap Meet Coldwater, MI www.coldwaterswapmeetandcarshow.com
- May 19, 2013 Antique & Vintage Motorcycle Swap Meet & Show. St Joesph County Fairgrounds Centreville, MI 269-375-2295
- *May 25, 2013 25th Ann. Lane Automotive Car Show (Free!!!!), Watervliet, MI**
- Jun 8, 2013 33rd Ann. Vicksburg Car Show, Downtown Vicksburg, MI \$14 www.vicksburggoldcarfestival.com
- Jun 8-9, 2013 Machines of Muscle Car, Truck & Motorcycle show Olde World Village Augusta, MI www.Oldeworldvillage.com
- Jun 15, 2013 Three Rivers Car, Truck & Motorcycle Show, Downtown Three Rivers MI \$10 269-278-8193
- Jun 16, 2012 32nd Annual Fathers Day Carshow @ Charlton Park, Hastings, MI 269-945-3775
- Jun 22, 2013 10th Ann. Covered Bridge Classic Car Show, Centreville, MI \$10 www.centrevillecoveredbridgedays.com
- Jun 22, 2013 Car, Truck, Bike & Tractor Show 8326 W. DE Ave Kalamazoo, MI 8am- noon 269-344-8250
- *Jun 30, 2013 3rd Annual Summer Classic Carshow, Light & Life Wesleyan Church 3 Rivers, MI \$7 www.ltwclive.com**
- *Jul 6, 2013 6th Annual Adam Shafer Memorial Car Show – Lawton High School, Lawton, MI**
- Jul 13, 2013 Kindleberger Car Show Parchment, MI 8am-2pm \$15 www.kindleberger.org
- Jul 20, 2013 Iron Brigade Burnout Carshow US12 Speed & Custom New Buffalo, MI \$10 269-231-5234
- Jul 20, 2013 25th Ann Wayland Car & Motorcycle Show, Wayland, MI 9am- Noon \$10 269-673-3032
- Aug 3, 2013 Red Barn Spectacular, Gilmore Car Museum, Hickory Covers, MI \$10/person
- Aug 17, 2013 August Village Car Show Augusta, MI 1-5pm \$15 269-731-5334
- Aug 25, 2013 Hastings Summerfest Car Show Downtown Hastings, MI 8am-5pm \$10 269-248-8789
- Aug 31, 2013 Classic Car Show Lawerance, MI 10am-2pm \$10 269-655-9147
- Sep 6, 2012 11th Annual Trendway Benefit Cruise-IN, 13467 Quincy St, Holland, MI 5-9 PM \$5 616-218-1570
- Sep 8, 2013 Muscle Car Plus Car Show Gilmore Car Museum, Hickory Covers, MI \$15 269-345-2202
- Sep 26-29, 2013 Ducktail Rod & Custom Show Gas City, IN 1972 & Older www.ducktailrun.com

Cruise Nights

Saturday - Dairy Queen Hastings, MI - 2nd Saturday of each month May – Sept 6pm-Dusk



**Don't Miss the Next
WMCC Meeting Saturday May 4 ,2013
at Holiday Inn Express @ 2:00pm
in Three Rivers, MI.
See Newsletter for Details.**

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 for specific times and locations, or call one of the officers.

WMCC Officers

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