



May 2015

The View from the Top.

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It looks like Spring is FINALLY here!!! Get them Camaros out of storage and let the "Car Season" begin.

"Get your motor runnin, Head out on the highway. Looking for adventure, and whatever comes our way"



May WMCC Club Meeting, Sunday May 3rd, 2015

Our May Club meeting at the **52nd 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 2nd). (Holiday Inn Express, 269-278-7766, 1-800-HOLIDAY) 1207 W. Broadway St, Three Rivers, MI 49093

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 11 am 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.

WMCC Dinner Cruise, Saturday May 2nd, 2015

Dave & Angie Kemp have planned a nice cruise for Saturday May 2nd. They tell me the cruise to dinner will take about an hour and the cruise back about the same. The plan is to leave the Holiday Inn in Three Rivers at 4pm.

For those of you that want to meet us for dinner and not do the cruise. Dave and Angie have al-



Doug Warren, WMCC Founder
1953-2010

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ready made reservations for us at Zeke's in Dowagiac we should arrive there about 5pm. The address is 109 S. Front St. Dowagiac, MI 49047. Phone number is 269-782-5070. Its pretty much on the corner of M-51 & M-62. I hope to see you all there.

Anne & Ron got Married

April 25 at 3pm, Anne and Ron got married. Congratulations Anne & Ron!!!



Lane Automotive Car Show Saturday May 23, 2015

Many of us have made the Lane Automotive Car Show in Watervliet, MI 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

11th Annual Michigan FBody Spring Meet & Greet 2015 May 30th, 2015

Started in 2005, the Spring Meet & Greet has become not only a tradition for members of the MiFbody.com website, 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 Camaro and Firebird enthusiasts. Many of us know each other through the various large forums but we do not get a chance to meet in person and check out each other's cars. The Meet & Greet was created to help create new friendships and new bonds.

In 2009, the informal BBQ was amped up into a full fledged car show. We switched locations from being held at local Metro Parks to our new home: Bakers of Milford. Known for their free weekly Sunday cruise-ins, Bakers of Milford was the perfect fit for our show. A great restaurant, clean restrooms, outdoor grill, and an open parking lot: all the makings for a perfect car show!

For 2015, the Michigan FBody staff are happy to announce that we will again be supporting another charity! This year's charity will be Turning Point - a local charity from Mt. Clemens, Michigan, which offer services to end domestic violence and sexual abuse. **We ask for a minimum \$10 donation for anyone who wishes to have their vehicle judged. Donations can be made during the pre-registration process or at the event.** We plan to have multiple ways to donate towards the Turning Point charity while at our event, so bring your wallets and let's support a great charity!

What: 11th Annual Michigan FBody Spring Meet & Greet 2015

Date: May 30th, 2015

Time: 9am to 2pm Location: Bakers of Milford, Milford, Michigan

Address: 2205 S. Milford Rd, Milford, Michigan

Food and beverages will be available through the Bakers Restaurant. They have a full sit-in restaurant available and will also be grilling hot dogs and hamburgers for those of us who don't want to do a full sit-down meal. You're welcome to bring your own food if you so choose, but having eaten at Bakers before I can tell you they have EXCELLENT food.

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](http://www.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](http://www.mifbody.com)'s way to try and give back to the community by having a yearly show to look forward to.

The meet will be considered finished directly after the short Awards ceremony. Please make arrangements on your own if you plan to cruise to Woodward after the Meet & Greet

Fall Color Tour Update

The hotel for for Thursday October 8-9 will be the Maple Lane Resort in Empire, MI Phone 231-334-3413. www.maplelaneresort.com . On Saturday October 10th we will be moving to Cadillac, John is still working on finding us a hotel there.

Ray & Erin would really like to have the whole WMCC Color Tour group to their lake house for a party the afternoon/evening of the color tour. The Saturday would work better for them, but we could do Friday if that's the only way it works for the group. They would provide all the food. Smoked Pork, Smoked Turkey and all the fixins. The group just needs to bring whatever they want to drink (beer lol). Hopefully we can work this out, they are really excited about it.

If you want to check it out ahead of time they are on Sapphire Lake and the address is;
1656 S. Sapphire Ave. Lake City, Mi. 49651

However most GPS and map services don't find it exactly for some odd reason. They are about 3 miles west of Lake City. If you look up the address. Find Sapphire Ave and they are between 2nd and 3rd street. The house is on the lake side of the street and the garage is on the other side of the street. If the weather is bad they can still host it in the garage plus house.

Advanced Tech Tailors 2016 Camaro Driving Experience

April 20, 2015

New technologies in the 2016 Chevrolet Camaro will enable drivers to tailor the car to the moment, whether it's heading to work, touring the Pacific Coast Highway or lapping a road course.

"We wanted to build on the flexibility of the current Camaro ZL1, which is great for grand touring, commuting, the drag strip and track days," said Aaron Link, Camaro lead development engineer. "The new Camaro will be even more adaptable, with up to eight vehicle attributes adjusted to fit a driver's preference."

As a result, the all-new Camaro will set the technological benchmark for the segment.

Most of the features can be changed via the new Drive Mode Selector, which includes Snow/Ice, Tour, Sport and – on SS models – Track settings. Calibrations for throttle progression, steering, stability control and more are optimized for each setting.

For the first time the Camaro SS will be available with Magnetic Ride Control, previously available only on the Camaro ZL1. The active damping system offers three preset programs – Tour, Sport and Track – that adjust the ride and handling balance. From there, it reads road and driver inputs at 1,000 times per second, and automatically adjusts the dampers for optimal performance.

Additionally, there is an enhanced dual-mode exhaust system. New electronically controlled valves can bypass the mufflers under spirited acceleration, delivering improved performance and greater sound levels. It also offers personalization options, from a "stealth" mode to a more aggressive "track" mode.

Chevrolet will introduce the all-new, 2016 Camaro on Saturday, May 16, during a special public event at Detroit's Belle Isle Park.

Menards Show and Shine April 29th, 2015

the Super Chevy Show and Mega Mopar Action events are coming back to US 131 Motorsports Park in Martin, MI on May 17 and May 29-31, respectively. To kick off the events we are having a Hot Rod Show & Shine at the Menards store in Wyoming, MI. Last year's event drew over 60 cars. We invite you to share this with your club members and join us to show off your car and meet some of the other car enthusiasts in the area. We will be holding drawings for prizes throughout the event.

WHAT: HOT ROD SHOW & SHINE

WHEN: WED, APRIL 29, 2015 6-8pm

WHERE: MENARDS – WYOMING, MI

Call Dan @ [816-246-8866](tel:816-246-8866) if you have any questions. We look forward to seeing you out there again this year! Dan Philyaw

From Jim Smith/GMMG Registry

Seeing as I'm flying in & renting a car on June 25th I really could use some local help before I arrive.

If you have anything to bring & set up it is appreciated.

Your ideas please..... This will be the first attempt by the GMMG Registry & I know we will learn a lot for future events.

Tent to keep sun off

Chairs

Water

GMMG large sign or banner? - Frank said he would bring his Berger Banner. OK, Frank?

Rope or bungees to secure things.

Bring anything GMMG related including Sign Boards for your cars.

I could use a hand throughout the event at the table registering, counting votes & manning the table.

GMMG's will be able to park together. Not sure where – we will know when we arrive.

Please let me know if you can bring anything to help out.

I will be handing out our own little GMMG Registration envelope, misc. information, ballot to vote for your Top 5 GMMG's & maybe a dash plaques.

I will bring along a few GMMG shirts, hats, license plates, GMMG Window Stickers but will be limited for baggage on the plane.

I'm working on a TOP 5 Plaque for the **TOP 5**

GMMG's voted on by the owners.

When does everyone think we should hand out our own awards?

I was thinking..... Ballots in Friday by 1 p.m. & do awards around 2 or 2:30??? Your thoughts???

I will also have a few GMMG Registry announcements. Hopefully we can have Bud, Scott Settlementire & Matt Berger around for this about 2 or 2:30 Friday???

If you can provide anything or help with something, please let me know. This is hard to do 1200 miles away.

Please give some thought for future GMMG Gatherings – maybe a yearly event? @ Berger Show? – Chicago Muscle Car Show around Thanksgiving? – Power Tour? Where else?

<http://camaronationals.org/>

Please pass along & share – we need more GMMG's (only about 14 so far)

Thanks,

Jim Smith
1925 120th Street
Balsam Lake, WI 54810
[\(715\) 529-0898](tel:715-529-0898)



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 2014, 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 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



*JOIN US
IN CELEBRATING
WESTERN MICHIGAN CAMARO CLUB'S
40TH ANNIVERSARY*

*FAMILY FUN TO BE ENJOYED BY ALL ON JULY 25, 2015
AT THE HOME OF CHERYL AND JOHN SMITH*

*Address: 23500 22 Mile Road
Sand Lake, MI 49343*

Time: 1:30 – Until ?

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Western Michigan Camaro Club

April 11, 2015

Present: Dave and Angie, Nick, Christie, Asher and Milo, Wade and Linda Miner, Christi and John Falkenhagen, Jeannette and Ray Shafer, Shelley and Gary Crippin, Scottie and Ashley, John Smith and James Smith, Jason Klosster, and Kevin and Roberta and Leo McNamara.

Discuss Meet and Greet for New WMCC Members: Carl will report at next meeting. Bonnie shared that Linda and Wade are here from Ohio.

Member Comments Regarding Last Months Event: Everyone had nice meeting.

40th Anniversary Party Update: John stated he needs to know how much meat he will need to buy. Gary to get an RSVP out and get a food list out so we can get everyone all set up.

Follow up on golf outing: John stated he is working on getting our golf outing set up.

Berger All GM Show – Update: Sign – up worksheet for show duties: Gary said he would talk about this at the next meeting. Flyers will be done next week and we hope to get these out. Things are progressing along. We will need to get our flyers out quickly.

Hot Rod Power Tour: Jim Smith would like to share a room with someone so please give him a call.

Follow-up on Greenbush Brewery/Vendors: Not available for the show as they have another engagement.

GMMG Reunion Update: Jim stated he has only six cars registered so please have everyone coming get registered. Possibly next year Jim is talking about having the GMMG reunion at the Berger Show. He also stated he has the last couple lowering springs available for purchase.

Menards Show in Wyoming: Gary stated he got an email stating Super C heavy show is coming back to the 131 Motorsports Park. Another car show on April 29th at Menards. Gary will email out the flyer.

Mendon Dust Off: Angie stated they found a good restaurant in Dowagiac if anyone is interested. Gary stated he would be talking with the hotel about a discount rate at the Holiday Inn. Sunday morning we will need to get up and head over to Mendon early to get a place.

April 25, 2015: Ron and Anne are getting married and are hosting a party at their house. Please RSVP if you are planning on coming. Bring a dish to pass.

Fall Color Tour Planning Cruise to Search Locations: Ray Cochran has said he would like to host a party at Lake City on Saturday. John stated possibly he would like everyone to come on Friday and Saturday. Group needs to bring whatever they want to drink. He sent directions. John said he would work on this. John stated he, Cheryl, Dennis and Bonnie would be going up to finalize hotels at the end of the month.

May Coldwater Car Show on Mother's Day Weekend: Gary reminded everyone about this show. Dennis mentioned they always have a big swap meet and lots of vendors at this show.

July 4th Car Show in Schoolcraft: Jason shared details for this car show.

Lane Car Show: Memorial Day weekend.

May 29th thru May 30: Super Chevy Show: Gary stated this is the same weekend as the F-Body Meet and Greet. Gary stated the road getting into Bakers is being redone. Nick stated we should go on Sunday to the Super Chevy if planning to get judged as tallies from Saturday are not counted.

Meeting Dates: Christi inquired now it is summer are we going to work on getting that back to Sundays. Gary discussed that they are trying to alter the days to be convenient for everyone.

June Meeting: Hot Rod Power Tour starts week on June 6th. Gary asked everyone to think about going and bring it back at next meeting. Angie suggested doing an ice cream cruise in June.

July Meeting: Bonnie shared that Dennis is having a graduation party for her on July 11th at 5:00 p.m. at their home and we could do meeting around 4:00 before the event. She shared they would be having food, fun and friends gathering with a camp fire in the evening. Please RSVP if you are planning to attend so they can plan for food at (517) 765-9929..

Meeting Adjourned

2015 Events Calendar

(*denotes Official WMCC Event)

WMCC Monthly Membership Meetings:

*May 3, 2015 WMCC Club Meeting - Mendon Dust-Off, Mendon HS Mendon, MI

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

*May 30, 2015 11th Annual MiFbody Meet & Greet, Bakers of Milford, Milford, Michigan

*Jun 26-27, 2015 17th Annual Camaro Nationals/GMMG Reunion, Fairgrounds, Fredrick, MD

Jun 26-28, 2015 Carlisle GM Nationals car show in Carlisle, PA

Jun 12-14, 2015 2015 Camaro Nationals, Holiday Inn Hotel & Suites, 2525 Wycroft Rd, Oakville, ON, Canada

Jul 3-5, 2015 24th Annual Camaro Superfest, Riverside Park, Ypsilanti, MI

*Jul 25, 2015 WMCC 40th Anniversary Party, Sand Lake, MI

*Aug 21-22, 2015 16th Annual Berger Chevrolet All GM Show, Grand Rapids, MI

Other Automotive Events of Interest:

Feb 5-8, 2015 Michigan International Auto Show, Devos Place Grand Rapids, MI

Feb 7-8, 2015 KAARC 52nd Annual Winter Swap Meet @ Kalamazoo Fair Grounds

Feb 14-22, 2015 Chicago Auto Show – McCormick Place, Chicago, IL

Apr 18, 2015 56th Ann Spring Swap Meet - Auto City Speedway Clio, MI www.autocityspeedway.com

Apr 26, 2015 Swap Meet & Car Show– St.Joesph County Fairgrounds South Bend, IN www.pioneerautoassn.com

Mar 7-9, 2015 Detroit Autorama, COBO Hall, Detroit, MI 8am-2pm

Mar 22, 2015 45th Annual Swap Meet - Russ Milne Ford Macomb, MI

*May 3, 2015 48th Annual Mendon Dust-Off, Mendon HS Mendon, MI

May 8, 2015 4th Annual Cruise-In Carshow Woodview Christian Church Wyoming, MI 5-8 pm www.woodview.cc

May 9-10, 2015 28th Annual Coldwater Swap Meet & Carshow Coldwater, MI www.coldwaterswapmeetandcarshow.com

Jun 5, 2015 Cruise In for kids Burn Camp Salem Township Park Burnips, MI 6-9pm (corner of 30th st. & 142nd Ave.)

Jun 6-13, 2015 2015 Hot Rod Power Tour - <https://www.raceit.com/Register/?event=30034>

Jun 13, 2015 St. Joesph County Fair Summer Kick Off Cruise. Centreville, MI www.centrevillefair.com

Jun 13, 2015 35th Annual Vicksburg Carshow Mainstreet Vickburg, MI www.vicksburggoldcarfestival.com

Jun 20, 2015 Three Rivers Car, Truck & Motorcycle Show - Three Rivers, MI www.trchamber.com

Jun 21, 2015 34th Annual Fathers Day Carshow Charlton Park, Hastings, MI 1990 & Older 269-945-3775

Jun 26, 2015 Sturgis Fest Car Cruise IN - Downtown Sturgis, MI 4-9pm

Jun 27, 2015 Alamos Classics in the Park - 8326 West DE Ave. Kalamazoo, MI 269-488-2160

*Jun 28, 2015 LLWC Carshow, Light & Life Church, Three Rivers MI

Jul 18, 2015 19th Annual Paw Paw Days Carshow - Paw Paw, MI www.pawpawchamber.org

Jul 25, 2015 Car Capital Auto Show - Downtown Lansing, MI at Capital Building tasteofdowntown.org

Aug 1, 2015 35th Annual Red Barns Spectacular, Gilmore Car Museum, Hickory Corners, MI

Aug 9, 2015 15th Annual Deano's Pizza & Ice Cream Car Show, Allegan MI, Noon –5pm

Aug 15, 2015 Woodward Dream Cruise – metro-Detroit area

Aug 15, 2015 Augusta Village Dar Show - Augusta Village Park Augusta, MI 269-731-5334

*Aug 21-22, 2015 28th Street Metro Cruise, Grandville, Wyoming, Grand Rapids, Kentwood, MI

Sep 6-7, 2015 11th Annual Cars For Cancer - Mercy Health Lakes Village, 6291 S. Harvey St Muskegon, MI

Sep 11, 2015 14th Annual Treadway Cruise In Benefit 5-9pm 13467 Quincy St. Holland, MI

Sep 13, 2015 Muscle Cars PLUS Show & Swap Meet - Gilmore Car Museum, Hickory Corners, MI

Nov 1, 2015 Monroe Fall Auto Swap Meet - Monroe County Fairgrounds Monroe, MI www.monroeautoswapmeet.com

Please send all event dates and details to

**wmcamaro@gmail.com so we can get them included in the
calendar. Thanks!!!**



**Don't miss the next WMCC Meeting at
Mendon Dust-Off Carshow,
in Mendon, 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 weekend 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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