



July 2025

The View from the Top.

WMCC July Get-together /Meeting July 3-6, 2025

Hi everyone, we will be hosting the July Camaro meeting at our house. The dates are July 3rd- ending on July 7th. We have room for a couple RV's if you want to bring them.

We already have 5 couples staying in the house. If you want to come and hang out for the weekend, there are several hotels in Birch Run, (15 minutes from us) or Frankenmuth, (20 minutes away).

The club meeting will be Sunday July 6th at 12:00 noon. We will be supplying brats and hot dogs. If you want to bring a dish to pass, or desert, you are welcome to. We do live on a dirt road, so...bring a camaro if you are ok with washing your car. Hope to see you. Address is 10125 Oak Road Millington. If you cannot Make it, have a happy and safe Forth of July, God



bless America , and those who sacrifice their lives for our freedom.

Hope to see you all soon. Gib and Tammy Loudon.

Coming SOON WMCC Web Store

Very Soon WMCC Will have its very own web store. We have partnered with a Local business that does screen printing & embroidery. They are going to set us up a Web store where you will be able to purchase WMCC T-shirts (both Men's &



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

Women's in multiple colors) sweat shirts (full zip & Hoodies in multiple colors), Long sleeve T's, Polos, bags, blankets, hats, Can Koozies, etc. Website should be up in a couple of weeks.

I have it setup that site will be open for 4 weeks twice a year. After this 1st initial run, it will be open May & November (so you can receive your stuff before Christmas).

Orders will be produced and shipped after the store closes. This allows then to batch produce and gave us the best pricing.

Here is an example of the site they have done for Kalamazoo Camaro. <https://kalamazooamaros.itemorder.com/shop/category/100560/>

Our web store will be similar, I have picked out some different things and a little higher quality tshirt. If there is anything you would like to see in the webstore please let me know ASAP.

August WMCC Meeting August 2, 2025

The August Meeting will be at the home of Dennis and Bonnie Edwards. The date will be Saturday August 2, Club Meeting at 2 pm .

The Edwards Address is 7150 11 Mile Rd, Burlington, MI 49029.

Please bring your lawn chairs, a dish to pass and BYOB. Come enjoy food, friendship and fun. Campfire to follow.

For those wanting to stay please bring your campers or tents.

Please RSVP to (269) 967-1295

Berger ALL –GM Show 2025

Berger Chevrolet's All GM Show in 2025 will be our FINAL car show.

With this being the final year for the show we are looking for cars that were sold NEW at Berger Chevrolet to be feature cars.

If you have a car or truck that was sold new at Berger Chevrolet and would like to be considered for a feature car, Please email me a couple of pictures, details about the car and your contact info. wmcamaro@gmail.com. Don't hesitate we have already filled 36 of the 40 feature car spots.

September WMCC Club Meeting, Sunday, August 22, 2025

Yes, the *September* WMCC monthly will be in August. We will have many out of town members staying in Grand Rapids for the Final Berger show this year and this will be our only opportunity for another Club photo out in front of the dealership (since the lot will already be cleared for the show the day before).

So, we will meet in the front parking lot of Berger at 10am on Sunday morning for our Club group photo. Setting this photo up can be a fairly laborious task, so to make this go as quickly as possible, we are asking everyone to be on time and attentive as we arrange all the cars in a layout that will look good in the photo. This date change will also free up the upcoming holiday weekend for our members to do family activities over the Labor Day weekend.

After the photo shoot, we will probably head somewhere for lunch and the official club meeting.

2025 WMCC Fall Color Tour Update October 9-12, 2025

2025 WMCC Fall Color Tour will once again be departing from the Meijer Store Parking Lot in Cedar Springs on Thursday October 9th at 9 am. The route north to Mackinaw City and the Clearwater Motel. Which we will use as base for the weekend. Will take on some familiar roads and roads we have not traversed as a group before. we will be stopping at the Hideaway Bar located at 11224 Starvation Lake RD. Mancelona MI. 49659. for lunch then continuing the trip up on more back roads.

Friday we will be taking the long way to Harbor Springs for our usual Friday city tour and shopping event. There is a public parking lot on

the water front and we will be eating lunch at Pierson's Grille and Spirits located at 103 State St. Harbor Springs MI. 49740

Saturday. I'm looking for suggestions and we can discuss them at the next 5 meetings to get it figured out.

We will be staying at the Clearwater Lakeshore motel. <https://www.clearwatermackinaw.com/>

When you make your reservation let them know you are with WMCC, they are going to try and keep are rooms close together. Also please note this motel is 2 stories, there is no elevator. So if stairs are a problem please make sure to request a ground floor room. As of today Room Price is \$130 a night and up depending on room style.

CLEARWATER LAKESHORE MOTEL

11380 U.S. HWY 23, Mackinaw City, MI, 49701
231-436-7800,
frontdesk@clearwatermackinaw.com

Thankx to all that are interested in going. Once again it will be the people that make it a great time. Thanks, Cheryl and John. contacted Reavie telling him there was no such them as a "CERV 4 Project."

WMCC Christmas Party December 6, 2025

I know the party is 6 months away but we have exciting news. We have secured a location for our 2025 Christmas Party!!!

Party will be at Candlewood Suites Grand Rapids Airport 5401 28th Street Court Southeast, Grand Rapids, MI on Dec 6th, 2025

I have secured us a block of rooms at the hotel. Room block expires on Nov. 22, so you will want to book before then.

Special Room rates are \$79 (*normally \$129*) for king Suite & \$84 (*normally \$139*) for 2 Queen Suite. Link below will take you to the reservation website with the block rate. We were given a discounted rental rate on the Party Room for booking hotel rooms. So Please use the links or Code below when booking rooms.

you can also call and use code "WMC" Front Desk: [1-616-940-8100](tel:1-616-940-8100)

[WMCC Christmas Party](#)

<https://www.ihg.com/redirect?path=asearch&brandCode=CW&localeCode=en®ionCode=1&hotelCode=grres&checkInDate=06&checkInMonthYear=112025&checkOutDate=07&checkOutMonthYear=112025&rateCode=6CBARC&PMID=99801505&GPC=WMC&cn=no&adjustMonth=false&showApp=true&monthIndex=00>

The Final Show



Berger's 2025 All GM Show

August 22 - 23



When and Where

AUGUST 22, 2025 | 9AM - 4PM
Track Day at US 131 Motorsports Park

AUGUST 22, 2025 | 7PM - 10PM
Pre-Show Party at Berger Chevrolet

AUGUST 23, 2025 | 8AM - 4PM
All GM Show at Berger Chevrolet

Vehicle Info

GM Vehicles Only | \$20 Vehicle Entry Fee
Same Day Registration | Free for All Spectators

The Final Show Details

Classic GM Vehicles, Berger Family Vehicle Collection, Food Trucks, Berger History Mural, Over 50 Awards, Vehicle Portraits, DYNO, Feature Cars, GMMG Reunion, and MORE!



2525 28th St SE
Grand Rapids, MI 49512
bergerchevy.com/all-gm-show



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All Events are FREE for Spectators!

Friday, August 22, 2025

TRACK DAY at US 131 Motorsports Park | 9AM - 4PM

- Race your own GM vehicle: \$20 fee, 100 racer limit
- Racers must be 18+ wearing long pants & closed toe shoes
- Same day registration open 9AM - 1PM

PRE-SHOW PARTY at Berger Chevrolet | 7PM - 10PM

- Food truck: Lovie's
- Live music by local band The Night Caps

Saturday, August 23, 2025

ALL GM SHOW at Berger Chevrolet | 8AM - 4PM

- \$20 vehicle entry fee
- Same day registration open 8AM - 12PM
- FREE t-shirt & exclusive hat for first 400 entries
- Food trucks: Lovie's, Olly's Donuts, Two Bones BBQ

LEARN MORE



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QUESTIONS?

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Candlewood Suites Grand Rapids Airport

Each of our spacious suites includes a fully equipped kitchen with a full-size refrigerator, stovetop, microwave, dishwasher, and a cozy dining area—offering all the comforts of home while you're away. Guests enjoy a wide range of complimentary amenities, including:

- Free Wi-Fi
- Free parking
- Free guest laundry
- 24-hour business center
- Lending Locker with board games, sports equipment, and more
- Indoor swimming pool
- Outdoor patio with grilling area
- Basketball and volleyball courts
- Complimentary airport shuttle (available from 4:00 AM to 12:00 AM)

Our hotel is conveniently located just 10 minutes from Downtown Grand Rapids, providing easy access to the city's top attractions. We're also pet-friendly, with a \$12.50 per day cleaning convenience fee.

We will have to Discuss food options at the next couple of meetings.

WMCC Caribbean Cruise **Feb 14-22, 2026**

Hi All,

Below is the link to the cruise we have been talking about at the meetings. There are currently 20+ WMCC members booked on this cruise.

Day 1: Miami

Day 2 & 3: Fun Day at Sea

Day 4: Aruba

Day 5: Bonaire

Day 6: Curaçao

Day 7 & 8: Fun Day at Sea

Day 9: Miami

Arrives at 8:00 AM

We look forward to seeing more of you join us!

<https://www.carnival.com/itinerary/8-day-southern-caribbean-cruise/miami/horizon/8-days/cze/?itinportcode=mia&military=N&pastGuest=Y&senior=N&numGuests=2&evsel=&hideSailingEvents=true&locality=1¤cy=USD&sailDate=02142026&roomType=IS>

Berger Chevrolet *(Copied From Facebook)*

We're halfway through our centennial year! Can you believe it!? In this month's history lesson, we'll be featuring Berger in the 1970s. Similar to our last history lesson, the 70s saw many hurdles, changes, and successes. The year 1970 started out strong with the biggest order in Berger's history of 293 cars! Also during that time, Dale Berger Sr. was elected President of the Michigan Automobile Dealers Association and won the "Time Magazine Quality Dealer" award.

In 1972, William H. Berger II sadly passed away. During his lifetime, Bill grew his dealership from an old blacksmith's shop to a state-of-the-art 5-acre facility, and he witnessed his business become nationally recognized. His greatest legacy of all, though, was his loving and successful family.

The following year, Berger's Body Shop and Service Department were expanded, and the 1973 Oil Embargo hit the country. Expensive gas prices caused the high-performance, low-mileage trend of the last decade to screech to a halt. As a result, Berger's High Performance Parts Department closed to focus on wholesale parts business growth.

In 1975, the family business had a new addition. Dale Jr.'s son, Matt, started working at the dealership at the age of 15, the same age that his father started working at Berger. That same year, Berger became the fourth dealer nationally to receive the "Chevrolet Service Supremacy" award after satisfying stringent requirements. Two years later, Dale Berger Sr. retired from the business, and Dale Jr. succeeded his father. As the decade came to a close, the oil embargo ended, and fuel prices leveled out. Combined with the resulting truck and CB radio craze, Berger Chevrolet saw record sales volume in 1978 and '79. The boom in sales led to another expansion with the purchase of 3.2 acres west of the main facility for a much larger used car center. By the end of the 1970s, sales were hitting 3,000 new and used vehicles per year, and Berger Chevy had grown to 100 employees strong.

Head to our website to read our full 100 years of history!

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Berger Chevrolet

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

WMCC Officers

President: Gary Crippin 269.506.0411
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Website

www.wmcamaro.org

Facebook

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/westernmichigancamaroclub/>

Watch www.mifbody.com for the latest info on upcoming **WMCC** events.

**Don't miss the
 Next WMCC Meeting
 Sunday July 6, 2025 In Millington, MI
 See newsletter for details**

Camaro Corner



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 Three Rivers, MI 49093**