



CHEVY CHATTER

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LMR Vintage Chevrolet Club founded in 1965

Tour will make this road trip a summer to remember



It took the Stockhausen family 40 years to complete the mill restoration.



The Bellevue Gothic Mill is located on the bank of the Battle Creek River in Bellevue, Michigan.

The Bellevue Gothic Mill is a Michigan Historic Site. The mill was built in 1854 by Horatio Hall for the local farmers to grind their grain into flour.

By 1888, the three ton waterwheel was replaced with steel roller mills and horsepower turbines to increase efficiency. The mill was closed for business in 1958. It remained abandoned for twenty years.

In 1977, William and Carol Jean Stockhausen bought the crumbling mill from the city of Bellevue for \$3,000.

Although the exterior was mostly completed by the timeline the city of Bellevue gave the Stockhausens, the major restoration inside took over 30 years to complete.

The mill is 45 feet long, 35 feet wide, with 19 foot walls of fieldstone that are three feet thick. The timbers are 14 by 14 inches.

LMR Dust-Off Tour Motel Reservation

Motel Reservation: Dust-Off Tour
 Motel: America's Best Value Inn
 Date: May 19, 2018
 Address: 828 East Shepard St.
 Charlotte, MI 48813
 Reservation No: 517-543-8288
One week cancellation notice before event for refund

Single with queen: \$65/night
 Double two queens: \$70/night
\$10 deposit required in advance

Prices based on club members mentioning they are with the Lower Michigan Region Vintage Chevrolet Club of America.

LMR Dust-Off Tour Registration May 19-20, 2018

VCCA Member No. _____
 Last Name: _____
 Names of those attending: _____

Sunday Lunch:
Pizza: cheese only _____
with pepperoni _____
Tossed salad with dressing
bread sticks
coffee, water

Cost Per Person: \$10.00
 Total: \$ _____
Make checks payable to LMR-VCCA

Phone No. _____
 Email: _____

Vehicle Make: _____
 Vehicle Year: _____
 Model: _____ Color: _____

Emergency Contact Name: _____
 Emergency Contact Number: _____

Send to: James Schott
 11604 East Newburg Rd.
 Durand, MI 48429
Registration Due by May 16, 2018

May 20, 2018

First LMR membership meeting of the year to be held Bellevue Gothic Mill, Bellevue, Michigan, at 1 p.m. April meeting was cancelled due to ice storm, remember?

June 24, 2018

Second membership meeting of the year will be held 1 p.m. at the Crossroads Village and Huckleberry Railroad in Genesee County. Location to be announced.



from the driver's seat . . .

Brian Granger, LMR director

FELLOW CLUB MEMBERS

I think spring is here, but don't quote me!

Cruising season, car shows and swap meets already have started here in Michigan. Now that y'all have gotten your vehicles tuned, polished and ready to roll, I'll see ya on the roads.

May 19 and 20 is the Dust Off Tour to the Charlotte area. The driving is all on paved secondary roads. There will be a club meeting at the Bellevue Gothic Mill, Sunday, May 20, at 1 p.m. If you have any questions beforehand, call or email James Schott or myself.

On June 23 and 24, the club will meet at Crossroads Village and Huckleberry Railroad in Genesee County for the 46th Annual Sloan Museum Auto Fair. Our club parking area has not been determined as yet. We will be having a club meeting Sunday, 1 p.m. in the village. The location will be announced later.

The updated proposal of club by-laws are in the final stages. Since no changes have been made in over twenty years, Pat Mehl and Phyllis Rickabus, with some help from me, have worked for months to bring the by-laws into this century.

While cruising this season in your precious and marvelous antique, remember to promote the club for new members. My brother Bruce and I always carry applications, old *G & D's* and club newsletters, so if you need any, give one of us a holler! Let's make this club grow.

Drive safely and have a fun summer.

2018 Lower Michigan Region Vintage Chevrolet Club of America Officers

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2894 Island Point Drive, Metamora MI 48455

The purpose of the VCCA is to promote interest in the preservation and restoration of vintage Chevrolet manufactured vehicles 25 years old or older. Ownership of a vintage Chevrolet vehicle is not a prerequisite for membership. Lower Michigan Region dues are \$20 per year. To become a member, an applicant must be a National VCCA member in good standing. Yearly national dues are \$40.

May Dust-Off Tour Itinerary May 19-20

Day One: Meet at Wendy's, Durand, MI 9 a.m. 8581 East Lansing Rd. near exit 118 M71.

- Leave Wendy's on M71, cross over to I69 to Bennington Road.
- **Turn left onto Bennington Rd through Vernon MI through farmland to Bancroft Rd.**
- Turn left at Bancroft Road, drive one block, turn right onto Bennington Rd. Continue for 15 miles past State Road and M52 to Meridian Road.
- **Turn right (north) at Meridian Rd., continue 6 miles to light at M21, Ovid, MI.**
- Turn left (west), follow M21 or Bluewater Hwy 34 miles to Dexter St., Ionia MI.
- **Turn left (south) at North Dexter St. (Rite Aid Drugs at SE Corner). Dexter becomes M66 and continue south on M66 for 27.1 miles to Nashville.**
- Cross over the Thornapple River in Nashville. Across the street from Marathon Station is the Good Times Pizza (501 N. Main Street). Meet there around 11 a.m. to stop, eat & stretch.
- **ALTERNATE ROUTE from above directions: Take I69 to I96 West to Ionia Exit 67 and continue on M66 South toward Battle Creek. Nashville is north of Battle Creek on M66. Wait for us taking the scenic route.**
- After leaving Good Times Pizza, go south on Main St. to Fuller St. (M79).
- **Turn right at Fuller/M79, continue west 7.2 miles to Charlton Park Road.**
- Turn right onto Charleton Park Rd. and right again into Charleton Park Village. Use north gate.
- **We suggest giving donations to the parks as the hosts are volunteers.**
- Upon leaving Charleton Park, turn left, then south on Charleton Park Rd. to Lawrence Rd. (M79).
- **Turn left (east onto Lawrence Rd./ M79 to M66.**
- Turn left (north) at M66 for 100 ft. and then right to M79 at blinking light intersection M66/79.
- **Take M79 /Lawrence Rd. (east) to Charlotte.**
- Drive on Lawrence Road north/M79 to Cochran Ave. in Charlotte, and turn south onto Cochran Ave. to East Shepard St/ Upland.
- **Turn left (east) onto Shepard St./Upland to America's Best Value Inn, 828 East Shepard in Charlotte, which is near Meijer's Store. The phone number is 517-543-8288. Check in for the night. Evening Meal is at Eaton Place, 218 Cochran Ave., 517-543-6630. Turn west from east Shepard St. to Cochran St. Turn north or right on Cochran St. (M50) to Shell Station located on West Seminary St. . Turn left (west), go 100 ft, park on right side behind Eaton Place.**

DAY TWO: Leave America's Best Value Inn around 9 a.m. Turn on west Shepard/ Upland St. to Battle Creek Road.

- **Turn left onto Battle Creek Road to Bellevue, 11.3 miles away.**
- **In Bellevue, Battle Creek road turns into Capital Ave. Continue to Adams St.**
- Turn right (north) onto Adams St. at Citgo Station.
- **Drive two blocks to Bellevue Gothic Mill, which is located on the right.**
- A stop at Bellevue Gothic Mill is planned with tour and video presentation by owner Phill Stockhausen, restorer of the mill.
- **We can use his dining facilities for lunch and meeting.**
- The director of the Bellevue Chamber of Commerce suggested we also visit the Mastadon display for upclose view of exhibits and photo shots.
- **Leave the Bellevue Gothic Mill on Tanners Alley (west) to Main Street.**
- Turn left (south) at Main St. to 123 Main St. to see Beautiful Things Antique & Art and Grandma's Attic for long arm quilting and 100's of quilt patterns IF OPEN.

If you have any thoughts or suggestions please email Assistant Director James Schott (phone 989-288-6852) or Director Brian Granger (phone 810-348-5198).

LMR Upcoming Events

Save the Date!

5/19-20/2018: Dust-Off Tour. Overnight at Best Value Inn, Charlotte, MI. LMR Meeting May 20, 1 p.m. at Bellevue Mill.

6/8-13/2018: Back to the Bricks Mighty Mac & Back Promo Tour.

6/23-24/2018: Sloan Museum Auto Fair at Crossroads Village. LMR Meeting June 24, 1 pm.

7/8-13/2018: 55th Central Meet in Peterborough, Ontario.

8/4/2018: Gilmore Car Museum Red Barn Spectacular, Hickory Corners.

8/18/2018: Summer Picnic at Back to the Bricks, Flint, MI.

9/16/2018: Sloan Museum-Golden Memories Show and nomination of officers 1 p.m. Location TBA.

10/8-13/2018: Hershey, PA International Car Show & Swap Meet.

10/16-21/2018: Fall Tour. Itinerary to be announced.

10/21/2018: Board meeting at 1 p.m. and membership meeting at 2 p.m. Election of officers to take place at Layton Corners.

11/3/2018: Annual Membership Banquet at Brick Street Bar & Grill, 12-4 p.m., Grand Blanc, MI. Social hour at noon; dinner at 1 p.m.

Autos, Parts & Services

LMR Chevrolet Club members may place personal ads free of charge; professional businesses \$5

Mike McFarland
(810)790-1812



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NOTICE:

Sloan Museum Auto Fair Vehicle Registration Form **must be signed** and sent in ASAP. See attached 2018 flyer in this issue.

Corvette Engine Build Experience returns in 2018

reprinted from Hemmings Motor News, December 20, 2017, written by Kurt Ernst

In March 2015, Chevrolet's Performance Build Center in Bowling Green, Kentucky, reintroduced the Engine build Experience for buyers of seventh-generation Corvette's Z06 model . . . in January 2018 the Engine Build Experience returned for 2019 Corvette Z06 buyers, adding the option for buyers of the 2019 Corvette ZR1 in February. Priced at \$5,000, the Engine Build Experience gives those ordering the specified Corvette models the ability to assemble the car's supercharged V-8 --a 650 horsepower LT4 for the Z06 or a 750 horsepower LT5 for the ZR1, under the supervision and guidance of an experienced Chevrolet engine assembly technician. Coordinated through the National Corvette Museum, which acts as a concierge and coordinator for the program, the Engine Build Experience begins early in the morning, with introductions and a Continental breakfast at 5:45 a.m.

Following a safety briefing and photo session, the actual build process runs from 6:30 a.m. to 1:30p.m., interrupted by a 45 minute lunch beginning at 11 a.m. At the end of the assembly process, the engine is "cold tested" with the customer present before being sent to be mated with the buyer's Corvette chassis. The Performance Build Center also holds a completion ceremony for the Engine Build Experience participant, and takeaways include a poster of the buyer assembling the engine, images of the build shot by a professional photographer, a piston trophy with the customer's name and the date of the build, and a model-specific polo shirt and ball cap. The completed engine also receives a personalized plaque identifying the engine builder.

Ordering for 2019 Corvette Z06 models, including the Engine Build Experience Option, began November 30, while ordering for 2019 Corvette ZR1 was expected to begin on January 25, 2018...Museum Delivery remains available for Corvette Stingray and Grand Sport models as well.

**SARANAC, MI 48881
PO BOX 353
CHEVY CHATTER**



JUNE 23 & 24, 2018
at Crossroads Village & Huckleberry Railroad
2018 VEHICLE REGISTRATION

ALL MOTORIZED VEHICLES WELCOME

Please One Vehicle per Form – Form May Be Copied

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____ Phone (Best number to be reached at during Fair) _____

CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____ E-MAIL _____

(Confirmation by e-mail only)

VEHICLE YEAR _____ MAKE _____ MODEL _____

| Fees In Advance (Must be postmarked by June 15, 2018) | | Fees Day of Show | |
|---|-----------------------|--------------------|------------------|
| Non Judged Vehicle | \$15.00 each \$ _____ | Non Judged Vehicle | \$20.00 \$ _____ |
| Judged Vehicle | \$20.00 each \$ _____ | Judged Vehicle | \$25.00 \$ _____ |

For 2018 we will have awards for the Best GM-original, Best GM-modified, Best Ford-original, Best Ford-modified, Best Mopar-original, Best Mopar-modified, Best RatRod, Best Truck, Best Lowrider, Best Foreign, Best Orphan, Best Youth owned, Best Woman Presented, Best Paint, Best Interior, Best Engine, Best Millennium (2000 or newer), 3 Military Awards, and our TOP 25. In addition, there will be awards for One Fine Ride (Judges Choice), the Best of Show Original-Restored, the Best of Show Original, the Best of Show Modified, and the Executive Directors award for Best of Show. **Only Judged vehicles are eligible for awards.**

Please check if your vehicle is one of the following:

Vehicle is a Low Rider _____ Vehicle is a Rat Rod _____ Female Presented _____
 Age of owner under 26 _____ Vehicle is a Truck _____
 Vehicle is an Orphan Brand _____ Vehicle has been modified _____

OWNER is a VETERAN of our Armed Forces _____ BRANCH _____

Register your car, bring a friend for two days, saves \$13 off regular gate admission.

By registering my vehicle at the 2018 Sloan Museum Auto Fair, I agree to the following. I accept & assume all responsibility for any injury to me, my agents, employees, or my property for any reason relating to the 2018 Sloan Museum Auto Fair. I expressly release the Flint Cultural Center Corporation, Genesee County, and Genesee County Parks and Recreation Commission and all associated groups from liability for such loss or injury and that I have vehicle liability insurance to cover an incident. I understand that information from the registration form and any photos or other media forms obtained of my vehicle may be used by the Flint Cultural Center Corporation, Genesee County, and Genesee County Parks and Recreation Commission or any of its entities for publicity purposes. I also agree that any and all forms of media obtained at the show may not be used for any commercial purposes without written permission from the Flint Cultural Center Corporation, Genesee County, and Genesee County Parks and Recreation Commission.

SIGNATURE _____ DATE _____

Form must be signed for all registrations. Vehicles that do not have a signed form will not be allowed on the show grounds.

Questions? Please contact Linda e-mail: lwalters@richind.com or 810-348-8741. Please do not call after 8:00 p.m. EST

Make checks payable to **SLOAN MUSEUM AUTO FAIR**. PLEASE DO NOT MAIL CASH.

Mail Form To: Sloan Museum Auto Fair, 1221 E. Kearsley Street, Flint, MI 48503.

Register online at SloanAutoFair.com. ****NOTE: there is a fee of \$2 for registering online.**

YOUR REGISTRATION FEE HELPS THE SLOAN MUSEUM MAINTAIN, PURCHASE AND RESTORE VEHICLES. THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT

For additional information about the Sloan Museum Auto Fair or to register online please visit: SloanAutoFair.com.

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Check # _____ Amount \$ _____ Date Processed _____