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LMR Vintage Chevrolet Club founded in 1965

## LMR participates in Back to the Bricks event

The Lower Michigan Region VCCA again converged on West 2nd Street during the Back to the Bricks Car Show, August 18, in downtown Flint, Michigan. My twin brother Brian and I arrived about 5 a.m. to hold our "reserved" parking area.

At 6 a.m., the barricades were opened and soon Saginaw Street was filled with vehicles from 38 different car clubs

stretching from the court house on 5th and Saginaw Streets four blocks past the Durant Hotel. Also, all the side streets soon were filled with vehicles and people. There was a display of Buicks at the sight of Factory #1, where lectures were given about the history of Factory #1.

The show had sponsors from General Motors as well as local Chevrolet and (continued on page 3)

Flint's auto customizer Carl Casper in his 1951 Chevy Empress was a show stopper during Back to the Bricks event.

Special guest was actor Butch Patrick who played Eddie Munster with the Munster Koach, and Dragula, Grandpa's car on TV.





Thousands of people enjoyed viewing all the vintage cars on display.

### Revised LMR By-Laws proposal to be presented at next club meeting

At the September 16, 2018, meeting, which will be held at Flint's Sloan Museum, a motion to request a vote of the By-Laws Revision will be presented.

The By-Laws Committee, which consists of Brian Granger, Phyllis Rickabus, and Pat Mehl, has been working rigorously to update our 20 plus year old document to better reflect our current demographics, clear up confusing language and adhere to current VCCA National By-Laws and Policies.

Your full cooperation in our voting process is necessary! We need a majority vote of ALL members of the club in order to accept revision.

If the motion is accepted, all members will receive a copy of the proposed revision as well as a ballot for each member eligible to vote in the mail. It will come as a pre-stamped postcard which can easily be filled out and returned. Remember that a ballot NOT RETURNED counts as a NO vote on the proposal.

If you have no concerns with the proposal, please vote YES.

### **S**eptember 16, 2018

Membership meeting to be held on Sunday, September 16, at 1 p.m. at Sloan Museum in Flint during the Golden Memories Car Show. Nominations for 2019 officers will take place. Voting on proposed By-Laws will be by ballot during the meeting.

#### **September 19, 2018**

Fall Mothball Tour Reservations for those who need to stay at the Port Huron Comfort Inn the night before the 9 a.m. tour start on Saturday, October 20, 2018, must be made by September 19, 2018. See page 3 for details.



# from the driver's seat Brian Granger, LMR director

#### FELLOW CLUB MEMBERS,

Last month, on Saturday, August 18, I found many club members sitting along 2nd Street during the Back to the Bricks event in Flint. It was nice seeing and visiting with some old friends who have been absent for a while. Verle and Sharon Wetherwax and Andy and Melissa West and family were enjoying the festivities.

Although the prior week was a little wet, Saturday was quite nice. For many in the crowd walking the street, Bruce and I handed out many copies of past issues of the Generator & Distributor, which were brought to the event by Tim. Fortunately, my car was back in the garage before the rains came. All in all, it was a great day. West 2nd Street is reserved for us again to park during the 2019 Back to the Bricks event. So if you are inclined, come join us in Flint.

Can you believe it . . . September is here! You know what that means? On September 16, club members will be heading to the Sloan Museum for the Golden Memories Show and the regular monthly meeting, which will start at 1 p.m., in the back classroom. Please remember to wear your badge. Two very important items will be discussed; the first one will be the opening of 2019 Officer Nominations, and the second, Proposed By-Law Changes. My brother Bruce, Andy West and Tim Reinke already have been working this summer asking members to volunteer for officer posts. Please be sure to attend. See you at Sloan in a couple of weeks.

**Bill Anderson** 1932 Four Door Sedan

In this issue. car photos by Bruce Granger





Phyllis & Dave Rickbus 1956 BelAir

No photo available for Verle & Sharon Wetherwax

#### 2018 Lower Michigan Region Vintage Chevrolet Club of America Officers

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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.

### **Back to the Bricks**

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Buick dealerships. Present was special guest Butch Patrick, the actor who played Eddy Munster, with the Munster Koach and Dragula, which was Grandpa's car. Another guest was Flint's own auto customizer Carl Casper and his first car, a 1951 Chevrolet "Empress."

Brian and I talked to many Chevrolet owners about our LMR club and we were surprised to find that many of these Chevrolet owners were happy to hear that such a club existed. We also met many Chevy owners who already belonged to the national VCCA.

If you would like to see more pictures, go to www.BacktotheBricks.org or check out Google images; Back to the Bricks. This is not just a one day event; there is a Promo tour around the state, local events, and even a movie night at the local drive-in.

Quite a few LMR members attended the Saturday event: Bob Sovis - 1939 Town Sedan; Brian Granger - 1965 Corvair; Bruce Granger - 1971 Chevelle; Bill Anderson - 1932 four door sedan; Verle & Sharon Wetherwax -1967 Chevelle; Andy & Melissa West with children Vanessa and Audrey -1967 Camero; Clarence Straus - 1976 Corvette; Jim Carpenter - 1948 Coupe; Dave & Phyllis Rickabus - 1956 BelAir; Tim & Pat Mehl with grandsons Jakob and Jordan - 1984 Monte Carlo SS Coupe, Andy & Becca Mehl with children Hanna and Regan Mehl - 1984 Monte Carlo SS Coupe, and Jim Schott who did not display a vintage Chevy.



Brian Granger & 1965 Corvair



Bob Sovis & 1939 Town Sedan



Andy West & family & 1967 Camero



Bruce Granger & 1971 Chevelle



Jim Carpenter & 1948 Coupe



Tim & Andy Mehl & 1984 Monte Carlo SS Coupe



Clarence Straus & 1976 Corvette

### **Mothball Tour** plans changed to one day event

The Fall Tour begins at 9 a.m. on Saturday, October 20, 2018, from the Port Huron Comfort Inn located at 1700 Yeager Street.

A fifty minute tour of the private collection of Terry and Rita Earnest begins at 9:10 a.m. This collection of vehicles includes the 1912 Havers Touring Car, a 6 cylinder with a 55 horsepower engine, produced in Port Huron from 1910-1914.

This vehicle on display won the 30th Meadowbrook Concours d'Elegance Blue Ribbon and the Lion Award F Class - 1900-1915 in 2008.

After a 45 minute drive south to Algonac Clay Maritime Museum, the home of Chris Craft boats, a one hour tour of the facility and a LMR Board of Directors meeting followed by a LMR membership meeting will take place.

At 2 p.m., the tour will travel back north to St. Clair for a sit down meal at 3 p.m. with prices ranging from \$11.95 -\$23 at the Voyager Restaurant.

#### **Mothball Tour Reservations**

Friday Night, October 19, 2018 Comfort Inn

1700 Yeager St., Port Huron 48060 phone: 810-982-5500 discounted rate: \$89.99 if you say

LMRVCCA to reservationist

#### RESERVATIONS MUST BE MADE **BY SEPTEMBER 19**

All rooms on ground floor, Continental breakfast.

(Cracker Barrel & Bob Evans nearby)

#### Tour Cost: \$10 per person

Check or money order to Lower Michigan Region VCCA Send to: Mike McFarland

3334 Range Road Port Huron, MI 48060

Deadline: October 1, 2018 Questions? 810-790-1812 4 CHEVY CHATTER · September 2018

# Autos, Parts & Services

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



Collector Car Sales 3334 Range Road Port Huron, MI 48060

●1928 Chevrolet 4 door touring car (Pheaton). Good paint & tires. New top side curtains & interior. Great car for the VCCA 4 cylinder tours. Originally restored by the late Glenn Honeyman in Ohio. Asking \$18,500.

●1931 Chevrolet Pheaton, older restoration with nice paint, interior, chrome. New running board mats & trim, 5 new hubcaps, Eagle radiator cap, top will be replaced next month so available in July. This is a rare car since only 852 produced. Asking \$35,000 or may trade for?

●1949 Chevrolet Deluxe Convertible, fully restored show car. Must see. Asking \$40,000.

•1952 Chevrolet 2 door deluxe, new paint, interior, chrome tires, etc. Power glide split manifold. Great for local shows or VCCA 6 cylinder tours. Asking \$19,000.

₱1955 210 2 door hardtop 6 cylinder, green/white restored to show car standards. Asking \$35,000.

¶1957 Chevrolet Bel Air 2 door hardtop, black with black & silver interior. Nice driver. Asking \$38,000.

Questions? Call Mike McFarland 810-790-1812



In Memory of Yvonne Stewart Davenport

1934-2018

Cleaning out the garage of parts you no longer need? Have the urge to sell one of your antique vehicles? As a LMR member, you can list your personal ad **free of charge** here! Contact Barb Sparks under the listing of *Chevy Chatter* in the officer section on the bottom of page 2.

NOTE: Norma Clark, wife of the late Lou Clark passed away on September 1 in Florida. Her burial will be in Michigan.

Yvonne Davenport of Brighton MI peacefully passed away on Wednesday, August 29, 2018.

She was born, September 7, 1934, in Nesco, NJ to Robert P. and Mary Alice Steward. On June 13, 1951, she married Walter Davenport, who preceded her in death in 2014.

Mrs. Davenport was a homemaker and enjoyed traveling with her husband

to antique car shows and taking trips in their plane all over the U.S.

Surviving are daughters Geraldine Treder of Brighton and Wendy (Mark) Whalen of Fenton, three grandchildren and seven great grandchildren.

An informal visitation is planned at the Keehn Funeral Home in Brighton, MI, on Saturday, September 8, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.Cremation has taken place.

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