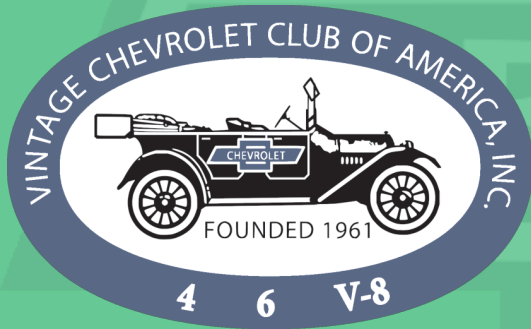


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## CHATTER



### Lower Michigan Region

## 2021 LMR Dustoff Tour

by Pat Mehl

Well! after months of lockdown and waiting for vaccines, the LMR started the 2021 car season with a wonderful dustoff tour, organized by Bill and Sue Anderson.

Starting at the Junction of Hope Restaurant in Layton Corners, a delicious lunch was had by most of the crowd. Our thanks to the restaurant for doing their best to serve this fun-loving group with only two waitresses for the whole restaurant! Attending the outing along with our hosts were: Brian Granger, Bruce Granger, Clarence Straus, Dennis and Bonnie Reinke, Robin Reinke, Sharon and Verle Weatherwax, Bob Sovis, Tim and Pat Mehl, Andy and Bekka, Jakob and Hanna Mehl, Rod and Denice Thomas, Dave and Phyllis Rickabus. Prior to heading out on the tour, Brian Granger did his usual wonderful, funny emceeing of a white elephant auction. The highest bid went out for a 43<sup>rd</sup> scale 1957 Chevy, won by Verle Wetherwax. The proceeds help keep the LMR treasury healthy. The weirdest item went to Brian Granger – a bottle of blinker fluid!



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## Important Announcements!

The **Sloan Autofair** is Father's Day weekend (June 19 & 20) this year and being held at Crossroads Village once again. Pre-registration is REQUIRED. A registration form can be found in May's edition of the Chevy Chatter or at [www.sloanautofair.com](http://www.sloanautofair.com)

The **2021 VCCA Central Meet** will be held in Lima OH on July 30 to July 31. Register soon! Registraion forms can be found in April's edition of the Chevy Chatter or on the VCCA website.

# 2021 LMR PICK-NIC

Where: Lapeer Township Hall  
When: July 18<sup>TH</sup> 2021 1 PM

The LMR VCCA Picnic will be inside the Lapeer Township Hall at a cost of \$10 per person. Please bring a dish to pass. Fried Chicken will be provided. Also bring items for the “white elephant sale.” Checks can be mailed to Bruce Granger: 1690 East Newark Rd, Lapeer MI, 48446 by July 10<sup>th</sup>.

Directions to Hall: I-69 to Exit 155 (M24/Lapeer Rd). Head south on M24. Do a Michigan left onto Newark Rd by driving past Newark rd, make a U-turn and turning right onto Newark Rd. Turn Left (North) onto Morris rd. Drive over I-69. The Hall will be on your left.

A small tour in planned starting at 9:30am starting at the Meijer of Lapeer. Meet in the east parking lot across from the Meijer Gas Station.

Directions to Meijer: I-69 to Exit 155 (M24/Lapeer Rd). Head north on M24. At the 3<sup>rd</sup> stop light turn left (west) onto West St.

Hotel Suggestions for anyone wanting to arrive on the 17<sup>th</sup>:

Best Western, 770 West St. Lapeer MI, 48446

(810) 667-9444 – Across the street from Meijer

Holiday Inn Express, 927 Demille, Lapeer MI, 48446

(810) 245-7700 – 2 Blocks east of Meijer

For Questions, Call Bruce Granger; (810) 441-3157



## 2021 LMR Dustoff Tour (continued from pg. 1)

Heading west on M-57 from Layton Corners, we were instructed by our hosts to keep an eye out for and record answers to some clues about sights along the way. Our first stop yielded answers to the first couple of questions. Bill introduced us to Chet and Fay, owners of a lovely, quaint, and kitschy homestead, that included several automobile-related yard items, and a garage full of cars, motorcycles, hubcaps, tools, and other memorabilia. 12-year old Jakob Mehl was bound and determined to get his folks to pitch in for a 4-wheeler, but alas Chet had already sold it.

From there we meandered on to Chesaning, where eagle-eyed navigators and their drivers and riders did their best to spot more items on our scavenger list. The longest answer in Chesaning was the name of the lumber company – anyone recall it?



On from there, we headed a bit north, and then east, enjoying the beautiful 70-degree, sunny day (hopefully the first of many to come), and the sights and sounds of the countryside. Our tour landed us in Birch Run, and once we all reconvened, we compared notes – looks like most of us were pretty successful – and just shared some of that wonderful comradery that the LMR is famous for.

It was a short tour, but a lovely, relaxed day with friends!

## From the Driver's Seat



I hope everyone is enjoying their spring so far. My wife, Lizz and I have been hard at work planting our gardens and thus have not had much time to work on my 1931 Chevy. I have started painting engine parts and hopefully in the July newsletter will share some pictures. If anyone else has a project they are working on please send some pictures to ChevyChatterMi@gmail.com or bring them to a club event to share.

I was very excited for the get-together in Layton Corners and very saddened then I threw out my back and was unable to make it. It sounds like it was a great time, Pat Mehl put together a nice recap. Now that touring/show season is in full swing I look forward to seeing most of you a lot. I have already sent in my registration for the Sloan Auto Fair and the Central Meet. Have you?

## Calendar

- 6/4-6/9: Back to the Bricks Promo Tour  
 6/19-6/20: Sloan AutoFair @ Crossroads Village  
 7/11: Picnic  
 7/30-7/31: Central Meet Lima, OH  
 8/1: Gilmore Museum GM/Chevy show  
 8/7: Red Barn Spectacular  
 8/21: Back to the Bricks (tentative)  
 8/21: Woodward Dream Cruise  
 9/19: Golden memories  
 10/16: Mothball and Meeting (elections)  
 11/6: Banquet, Owosso  
 (All dates are tentative pending Covid Restrictions)

### Happy Anniversary!

Cecil & Mary Jo Klock  
June 8, 1967

Jim & Jo Carpenter  
June 18, 1955

Norbert & Nancy Kollin  
June 18, 1960

Clarence & Marie Strauss

### New Members!

Carole & Jay Amick

Harvey Hammond  
(recruited by Darrell Hammond)

Welcome Aboard!

### Happy Birthday!

- 3 Bill Tylka  
 5 Mike McCarty, Cecil Klock Jr.  
 8 Melissa West  
 11 Carl Latora  
 13 Phyllis Rickabus  
 14 Michael Kelly, Tim Reinke  
 17 Michael Lauth  
 20 Andy Mehl  
 23 Mary Galbraith  
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