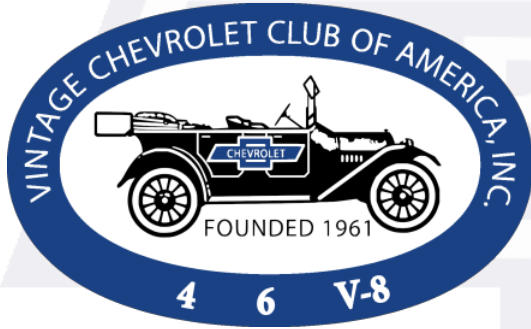


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Lower Michigan Region

2021 Annual Awards Banquet

story by Tim Reinke

Our activities year ended on November 6th with our Annual Awards Banquet at the Comstock Inn in Owosso. The event was not as well attended as in years past, but we did have 25 members there. The food was Swiss Steak and Baked Cod with Potatoes, Green beans, salad and apple pie with vanilla ice cream.



Once our meal was completed, we were treated to a synopsis of the renovations that have been happening at the Sloan Museum over the past couple of years. The talk was given by Todd Slisher, the Executive Director of Sloan Museum and Longway Planetarium. His talk included a slideshow with lots of pictures of the building as it currently stands. Most of the actual construction is completed, and the moving-in of exhibits will start very soon. According to the Sloan Museum website, the museum will reopen sometime in July, but the exact date was shared with those that attended the banquet, but I am not permitted to print it, so you really missed out.

This year, along with our usual awards, the participants in the dust-off tour received special gift baskets for successfully completing the scavenger hunt courtesy of Sue and Bill Anderson.

Special Thanks goes out to Brian Granger for setting up the banquet, the staff of the Comstock Inn for being great hosts, and most importantly to Todd Slisher for being our special guest. ➡



Sloan Museum Donations

The following members have made donations to The Sloan Museum either on their own or through our paver donation. The Sloan Museum has been an important part of the club's history and the club is thankful for your donations!

- Bob & Diane Sovis (Donated their 1939 Sedan)
- Pinky & Joyce Randall
- Bruce, Mary & Brian Granger
- Ken and Quy Beaver
- Jim and Jo Carpenter
- Stu and Mary Galbraith
- Bob and Lois Gardner
- Ole and Marie Hagen
- Michael Kelly
- Tim and Pat Mehl
- Tim and Lizz Reinke
- Harry Snider and Kristie Ferguson
- Clarence and Marie Straus
- William and Jo Tykla
- Mark and Wendy Whalen



*If you have made a donation to Sloan Museum this year, either through the LMR paver or on your own, please let Tim Reinke know (989) 513-5129 or trreinke@gmail.com so you can be recognized in a future newsletter.

*If you would like to make a donation to the LMR Paver at Sloan Museum, please contact Pat Mehl (jakobs.grama@gmail.com) or (269) 217-1253

Banquet Photos

(courtesy of Brian & Bruce Granger)



Lower Michigan Region, VCCA 2022 Calendar

VCCA events are left-justified. Non-VCCA events are indented.

January

January 15/16th: Detroit Swap Meet, Suburban Showplace, Novi MI

January 30th: Script A Swap Meet, McDonald Cadillac, Saginaw MI

February

February 5/6th: KAARC Winter Swap Meet, Kalamazoo County Expo Center, Kalamazoo MI

February 11-13th: B2B Chrome and Ice, Dort Federal Credit Union Event Center, Flint MI

March

March 4-6th: Autorama, TCF Center, Detroit MI

March 20th: Eastside A's Swap Meet, Russ Milne Ford, Macomb MI

April

April 10th: Monroe Swap & Sell, Monroe County Fairgrounds, Monroe MI

April 24th: Spring Meeting - Junction of Hope, Layton Corners - 1pm Board Meeting/2pm General Membership Meeting

April 30th: VMCCA Fowlerville Swap Meet, Fowlerville Fairgrounds, Fowlerville MI

May

May 5/6th: Coldwater Swap Meet, Branch County Fairgrounds, Coldwater MI

May 21st 2022: Dustoff Tour

May 22nd: B2B Dust 'em Off Car Show, Dort Federal Credit Union Event Center, Flint MI

June

June 3-8th: B2B Promo Tour, Statewide in Michigan

June 25th/26th 2022: Sloan AutoFair - Flint Cultural Center - 1pm General Membership Meeting in the Sloan Museum

July

July 17th 2022: LMR Picnic

July 29th/30th 2022: VCCA Central Meet – Cincinnati OH

July 31st – August 5th 2022: VCCA 60th Anniversary Meet – Bowling Green, Ky

August

August 6th: KAARC Red Barn Spectacular, Glimore Car Museum, Hickory Corners MI

August 20th 2022: Back to the Brick – Saginaw St., Flint MI

August 20th: Woodward Dreamcruise, Woodward Avenue, Metro-Detroit MI

September

September 18th 2022: Golden Memories – Flint Cultural Center – 1pm General Membership Meeting in the Sloan Museum

October

October 15th 2022: Mothball Tour

November

November 5th 2022: Banquet

Note: All dates are tentative and subject to change

From Behind the Steering Wheel

-Brian Granger

They say, "Three time's a charm!" I'll try to do my best. The year is almost over and the club has done a lot this year. We started out the year with the Dust Off, Picnic, Fall

Tour, Parade Float Tour and Banquet. We saw many never seen before collections thanks to Bill Anderson. Many also attended Sloan Auto Fair, BttB, and Golden Memories. If you know an interesting place or collection the club might like to tour, contact Bill or myself with the information.

Most, if not all, of the Snowbirds have headed South. To you, I say: "Stay warm and safe!" Be sure to let the club know of any special events that happen so they can be reported in the Newsletter until we see you again. (send pictures, too)

Tim asked me awhile ago to write a piece about my Corvair (I did) for the Chevy Chatter. I would like you to do the same. Doesn't have to be long. If you have more than one vehicle - choose one. Please write how you found it, what you did to it, how long you've had it, etc. Not everyone in the club knows the story/history of each and every vehicle in the club.

The next meeting will be at Junction of Hope on April 24th. Hope to see you there. Maybe we can have another White Elephant Sale or a guest speaker. Let me know your thoughts. We have almost five months to plan.

MERRY CHRISTMAS AND HAPPY NEW YEAR !

Happy Anniversary!

Larry & Melissa Lauria
December 11, 1999

Mike & Barb Sparks
December 17, 1982

Bill & Joann Tylka
December 22, 1979

Richard & Jeanette Beach
December 28, 1976

Happy Birthday!

- 4 Michael Buller
- 6 Rod Thomas
- 7 Scott Taylor
- 9 Andy West
- 26 Joann Tylka
- 29 Brian Granger
- 29 Bruce Granger
- 31 Wayne Jackson

Membership renewal: If you have not yet renewed your membership for 2022, please do so by December 31st 2021, even if there has been no change to your contact or car information. A renewal form has been included in this newsletter.

If you wish to renew online by check or credit card, go to <https://lmrvcca.org/membership/>

Sloan Museum Donation

The board of Directors has approved a \$420 donation to Sloan Museum. This donation entitles the club to a walkway paver in front of the renovated museum. If you are willing and able to assist the club in recouperating some of this expense, please contact Pat Mehl (Jakobs.grama@gmail.com). The paver will have a Bow-Tie on it with the wording "VCCA, Lower Michigan".

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The purpose of the VCCA is to promote interest in the preservation and restoration of vintage Chevrolet manufactured vehicles and GMC manufactured trucks. Ownership of a vintage Chevrolet or GMC is not a prerequisite for membership. LMR region dues are \$20 per year. To become a member, an applicant must be a National VCCA member in good standing. National dues are \$40 yearly.



LOWER MICHIGAN REGION

VINTAGE CHEVROLET CLUB OF AMERICA, INC.

APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP and/or MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL

The purpose of the VCCA is to promote interest in the preservation and restoration of vintage Chevrolet and GMC-manufactured vehicles twenty-five or more years old. Ownership of a vintage Chevrolet/GMC is not a prerequisite for membership.

In accordance with ORGANIZATION BY-LAWS, each applicant **must be a NATIONAL VCCA MEMBER in good standing** in order to become a REGION MEMBER. Yearly VCCA dues are \$40.00. LMR Dues are \$20/yr. To Join VCCA, go to www.vcca.org or fill out an application. LMR membership on the web: www.lmrcca.org/membership

Your National VCCA # _____ National expiration date _____

(Regional dues are accepted pending receipt of National VCCA member & expiration date)

Region renewal is due by mid-January. All region members will receive a monthly newsletter, January - December.

For 2022 we are sponsoring a commemorative brick at the entrance to the Sloan Museum in Flint. If you may make a donation toward that effort at time of renewal.

Member 1 _____ Member 2 _____

Birthdays (mo/da) Mbr 1 _____ Mbr 2 _____ **Anniv mo/da/yr** _____

Summer Address _____ Dates of Res _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Winter Address _____ Dates of Res _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone: (____) _____ Mobile: (____) _____

Email 1 : _____ Email 2 : _____

LIST VINTAGE CHEVROLETS OWNED (if any--attach list if needed)

<u>Year</u>	<u>Model</u>	<u>Body Style</u>	<u># Cylinders</u>	<u>Condition</u>

Membership Year: ___2022: \$20.00 ___2022 & 2023: \$40.00

Commemorative LMR Brick at Sloan Museum ___\$5 ___\$10 ___\$20 ___Other: _____

Return completed form with dues to:

LMR VCCA Membership
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