



President's Message

October Suprise...Fall?

How we got here, Fall, October, the 10th month of the year is beyond me. It went by like a ZO6 going by a Mustang.

I would like to thank everyone who joined in on our September cruises. There were many and you can read about them in our EMCC gazette along with whats happening during October.



I want to thank my team for getting a jump on the many events coming in the next few months our Christmas Party, we have a date! and location! An Election committee is in place, please reach out to the board if you would like to run for any office. We have also secured a new location for our anniversary Party, Lake Pearl! Lots of things going on, so don't miss the next meeting.

I look forward to members getting out and enjoying October events. Cooler fall weather means great top off or down cruising, out in the fresh air. But, please be careful, leaves will start to fall and could make the roads slippery, and at the end of the month little future Corvette owners will be out trick or treating.

Please drive safely and have fun.

As always I'm "gdtogo" ... Steve Wilson



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WOODWARD DREAM CRUISE WEEK

PART TWO

Story and Photos by Keith E. Jacobson

THE LIGENFELTER COLLECTION



Just when you thought it couldn't get any better... the next event was a visit to the [Ligenfelter Collection](#). A description from their web site gives a good summary:

"What started out as five cars packed into a modest three-car garage has since grown into a beautiful collection of more than 150 unique cars in a 40,000 square foot space. It has been an amazing and exciting transformation."

"While the collection currently is not open to the public, it is available for corporate and charity events, silent and live auctions, and car-club specialty showings."

Driving into their facility we were greeted by two ZR1s parked out front, cars driven by Ken and Kristen Ligenfelter. That was a hint of what was waiting inside. All the cars were beautiful covering the spectrum from a very low mileage Chevette, to one-of-a kinds, and exotics.

A car-loving photographer's dream. So much to see and photograph. There are many outstanding cars making it hard to pick a few to show off. Exotics, muscle cars, and so much more. Here are a few that caught my eye, especially some really amazing Corvettes.



1953 SUPERCHARGED CORVETTE

One of two built, Only one known to exist today-#24 of the original 300 1953 Corvettes

Built by McCulloch Motors to propose making the Corvette a true competitor to the Thunderbird 235 CI inline supercharged "Blue Flame" 6 cylinder 117 Horsepower 0-60 in 9 Seconds The air filter was moved to fit the supercharger unit, and included new ductwork



1991 CALLAWAY SPEEDSTER

#9 OF 12 BUILT
5.7 Liter Twin Turbocharged Pushrod V8

450 Horsepower
0-60 In 4.4 Seconds
190 MPH Top Speed
Original MSRP of \$186,685 in 1991



1981 GREENWOOD CORVETTE GTO



**ONLY 2 STREETABLE
GTO'S WERE BUILT
OUT OF A TOTAL OF 43
CARS FROM 1975-82.
1 OF 1 THAT WAS BUILT WITH
4 SPEED MANUAL TRANSMISSION
ORIGINAL BALANCED AND
BLUEPRINTED L82
350 CI/450 HP TURBO ENGINE**

1996 GULDSTRAND GS90 NASSAU ROADSTER

**#2 OF 9 BUILT
5.7 LITER SUPERCHARGED L11 PUSHROD V8
420 HORSEPOWER
HAND CRAFTED CARBON FIBER BODY ON STEEL CHASSIS
DESIGN PAYS HOMAGE TO THE 1963 CORVETTE GRAND SPORT RACERS**



I have to give a big shout out to Kristen Ligenfelter who kindly had two of Ligenfelter's detailers give my car a quick cleanup, in their detailing area, during our visit. I am always impressed by the willingness of people in the Corvette community to reach out and help one another.

I hope to have the opportunity to visit this outstanding collection again.



PRATT & MILLER

Story & Photos by Keith E. Jacobson

Continuing on the tour of amazing places we had an invite to visit Pratt & Miller. For those few who do not know who [Pratt & Miller](#) is this description from their web site describes one of their activities:



Corvette Racing

"Conceived, designed, constructed, developed, and campaigned by Pratt & Miller Engineering, the Corvette race cars that carry the banner of Corvette Racing have dominated Grand Touring racing in the U.S. and abroad. The close working relationship between Pratt & Miller, the production Corvette group, Chevrolet Racing, and GM Powertrain produced a performance icon that's recognized around the world.

Pratt & Miller has faced – and defeated – formidable opponents in this quest, going head-to-head with factory-supported teams representing Ferrari, Porsche, BMW, Aston Martin, and Lotus. Corvette Racing's record, with well over 100 race wins and 8 24-Hours of Le Mans victories, is a testament to Pratt & Miller's experience, expertise, and commitment to excellence."

At Pratt & Miller we were very lucky to be taken on a guided tour of the facility by [Gary Pratt](#) who started the business with his partner Jim Miller. In the lobby filled with all kinds of memorabilia we were told "take all the pictures you want in the lobby but when you go through that door no pictures until you come out through that door."



As we walked through the facility we passed a large wall that looked like it was made out of some kind of canvas. Gary pointed to the wall and said "a few feet away from you on the other side of the wall is the C8 race car ... that's all I can say."

We moved on to the Corvette race car area where there were three large Corvette Racing team transporters...one with a race car loaded, one race car on the floor, where their photographer took a group photo, and in the corner, under a tarp, what I understood to be the Corvette race car that crashed at Le Mans. There were also a few other special Corvettes scattered about.



It was really special getting a behind-the-scenes look at this outstanding facility...a place where very few make it behind the closed doors.

THE SENIOR DREAM CRUISE

Story & Photos by Keith E. Jacobson

When it's Dream Cruise week the car culture people come alive in Michigan. There are events in many locations. I was out shopping when a friend called and said "There is a nearby car show if you are interested." Loving all cool cars I hightailed it over to the location and saw some really interesting cars.

The event is best described by this excerpt from the web site of the folks running the event... [Jewish Senior Life](#) "A beautiful summer day, classic cars, and older adults who have special memories of their vintage automobiles come together to create a unique and very special event at the annual Jewish Senior Life Senior Dream Cruise. Cars are a part of the life-blood of most Detroiters, and for the residents of the communities of Jewish Senior Life, classic cars bring back memories of cruising Woodward, first dates and a time gone-by. Each year, more than 70 cars spanning every decade, cruise the Jewish Community Campus in West Bloomfield, where residents, family members and the community can enjoy the



festivities and party atmosphere. Held just a few days before the Woodward Dream Cruise, the Senior Dream Cruise provides an opportunity for those older adults living on campus, and who may be mobility-impaired, with a chance to enjoy the classic cars and reminisce about their days of cruising down Woodward behind the wheel of some of the very same models they will enjoy in this trip down Memory Lane."





LOVE ME TENDER

Story and Photos by Keith E. Jacobson

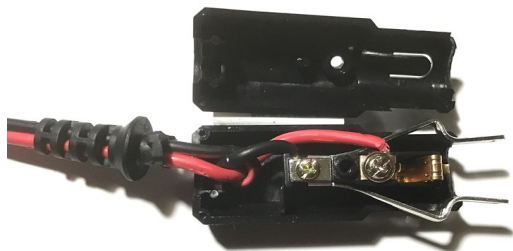
This time of year when I walk around singing "[Love Me Tender](#)" it has a very different meaning from when Elvis was singing it ... doesn't sound as good either.



A few weeks ago I did a stupid and drove out of my garage with the tender still plugged into the car and broke off the tip. Doing research, it turned out that CTEK is the manufacturer. I Emailed their tech support and they told me to buy the [CTEK comfort connect cigarette plug](#), take out the screw on both units and just transfer the wires. No soldering ... easy peasy. Ten dollar easy fix if



you ever need it...I hope you don't.



Now, I put a traffic cone in front of my car so I don't make that mistake again.

SOMERSET AUTO SHOW

Story and Photos by Keith E. Jacobson



On Saturday, September 21, the Somerset Auto Show was once again held at Pierce Beach Bluffs in Somerset, MA overlooking the Taunton River. There were food trucks from Mad House Grill and Ice Cream provided by D&M Ice Cream. There was also music by Steve Puccio and the Hot Potatoes. Beer and wine was sold by the American Legion. There was also a US Air Force Recruiter setup in a popup tent on the side.



It was a warm and sunny day with a light breeze making it comfortable. With EEE in the area there was some talk of mosquitoes but shorts and short-sleeved shirts seemed to indicate that worrying was minimal.



I enjoy going to shows in different areas because there is a diversity of cars. I don't think I saw any cars there that I have seen at other shows. An easy ride...just don't forget to bring a chair and a few people brought popup tents to provide a nice shaded area.



JUDY'S ANNUAL COOK OUT

Story by "SMOKEN" Mal Smith

Photo by Dennis Collins

The weather on Saturday, August 24, was great for a backyard gathering and a perfect day for the sharing of delicious food. There were quite a few members who gathered at Judy's home in Bellingham for great conversation and all sorts of goodies. I personally love pot luck gatherings where I get to sample everyone's specialty. Yum! Need I say there was a LOT of food and drink.

We were fortunate to have with us new members Bob and his wife, Mary Helen, and prospective new members Louie Accette and his wife. These types of functions are the best for new members to get to know some of us "oldies" and it helps to become more familiar with the awesome members of EMCC.

Thanks to Judy for sponsoring this event again this year and thanks to all who attended and shared in the fun.

I apologize for not having any pictures to add to this article. Oh! The one picture attached might explain why!!!!

(Editor's note...The editor, that would be me, was having a strong reaction to a SHINGREX/shingles vaccination shot from the day before. Me not taking pictures should not have stopped others from taking pictures at this or any other event all photos are always welcome. Just sayin').



IS THIS ONE OF THOSE MAKO SHARK CORVETTES?



Silver Bullet at Twin Rivers

Story by "SMOKEN" Mal Smith

Gerry's groupies were at it again.....

As many of you know, our webmaster, Gerry Criscenzo, is the bass guitarist in the band, Silver Bullet, which is a Bob Seger tribute band. If you like Bob Seger, you will love Silver Bullet.

On Tuesday, September 9th, Gerry again performed with the band at Twin Rivers. Many of the EMCC members attended the event. The next time they are playing in the area, you just might want to join the EMCC groupies.

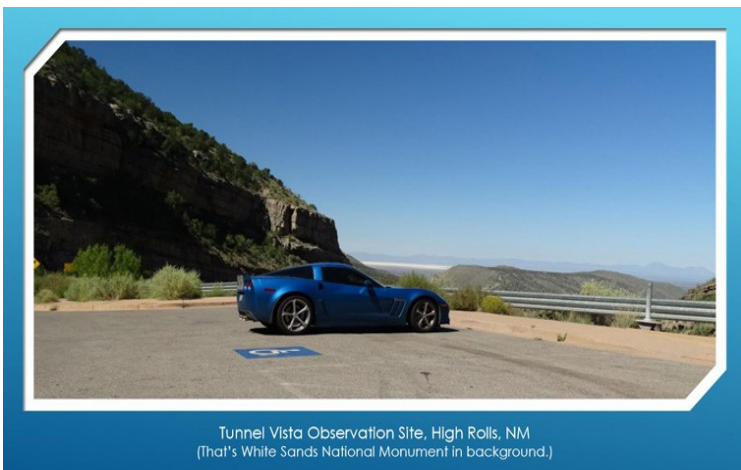
Great job, Gerry. It was a great fun.



ON THE GO WITH ROOSTER !!!

Photos by Les "Rooster" Brown

Our long distance member was nice enough to share some photos from his recent travels in New Mexico.





NEWS FROM THE NATIONAL CORVETTE MUSEUM

The Best of Both Worlds: R8C Delivery and Stingray High-Wing Spoiler



September 19, 2019

For the 2020 Stingray, the high-wing spoiler carries the “LPO” designation and is not available with (R8C) Corvette Museum Delivery. Unlike the 2019 ZR1 high wings, which attach using factory installed mounting plates and a simple bolt-on procedure, the 2020 Stingray high-wing spoiler installation is more complex and requires the removal of the rear fascia and drilling.

While the high-wing spoiler is not available with R8C, there is a workaround for those who want the best of both worlds. Your purchasing dealer can place a separate order for the accessory spoiler and have it installed at the dealership following Museum Delivery. Additionally, the high-wing spoiler utilizes the same holes as the factory installed Z51 spoiler for those who opt for that option as well.

“This protocol is not new for our R8C Delivery customers,” said Shane Webb, Delivery Department Manager. “It was the same protocol for the C7 Stingray, but there was less of an interest in the high wing back then versus the interest today. We hope those who want the high wing will still consider picking their Corvette up at the Museum. We’re ready to roll out the red carpet!”

OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

Joel Baker ~ 2

Bob Gaulin ~ 2

Jim Lee ~ 11

Joe O' Connor, Jr. ~ 6

Mike Panasuik ~ 14

Bob Taglienti ~ 4

Rick Wile ~ 25

EMCC Membership

As of September 2019 we have 78 paid members, 2 associate, and 3 honorary

Next Business Meeting

Monday – October 7th at 7:00 PM

at Conrad's, 905 Main Street, Walpole

Come early at 6:00 to enjoy dinner & schmoozing

**“WHERE YOU COME FOR THE CARS ...
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**Eastern Mass Corvette Club is a non-profit social club
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LAST LAUGHS

Watch out for this



IT'S NOT OVER UNTIL THE FAT LADY SINGS...

The darkness is coming earlier each day, and when I go out in the morning, frequently a sweatshirt or light jacket is in order. So while the fat lady isn't singing quite yet...she is warming up in the wings. It has been a GREAT season so far and there are still quite a few activities to go. Get out and enjoy the days ahead.



The highlight of my cruising season was my trip to Michigan. With all that I have already reported, there is one installment to go, read about it next month. The big event itself the WOODWARD DREAM CRUISE. The big event is always on the third Saturday in August. A great guy and major Corvette enthusiast, Larry Courtney, organizes Corvette specific events starting on the Wednesday prior. Larry runs a number of events in the Corvette and car community to support charities.



Thanks go out to our president Steve Wilson for his comments-that's how the gazette gets started each month. Mal for reporting on Judy's cookout and `Twin Rivers. Dennis Collins for that great picture of me. Les "Rooster" Brown for sharing his New Mexico vacation pictures. All the Michigan people who made my trip great, with a special shout-out to Larry Courtney and Kristen Ligenfelter. My BFF Susan who proofread the gazette and provided great suggestions.

Drive safely and "SEE YOU ON THE ROAD" ... "KAMERAKEITH"

