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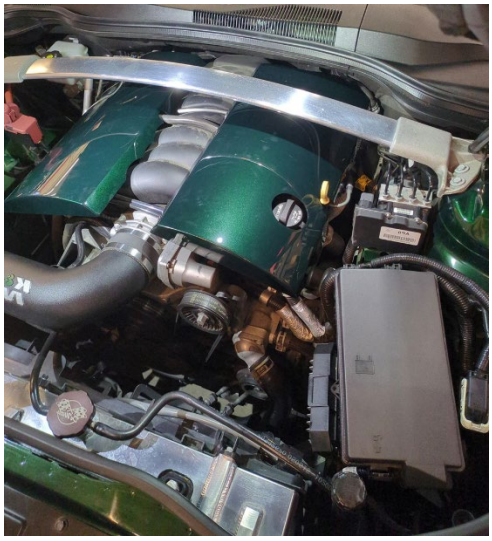
A Note from our President

Greetings as we move into the new year, I hope all of you are staying warm and dry this month and taking time out to prepare your Camaros for the 2026 season.
I recently had Green Flash in the body shop to fix the front splitter that took damage in a parking garage during my annual vacation to Seaside Oregon.
I went right when I should have gone left and splitter took damage on a curb with an awful scrapping noise. So, this past December, I had it repaired and with keeping a positive note I upgraded the engine cover to sleek new design and had its color matched with the body color of Emerald Green Metallic. Attached are some pictures.

Doesn't the splitter just look great!



Doesn't that new engine cover look sweet!

Thank you,

Brian Stanley
2025 President PNWCC

Annual PNWCC Christmas Party

Thank You to Larry and Barbara DeCamp for hosting our annual party at their home once again this year. We had over 20 members in attendance. It was great getting caught up with people we haven't seen in a while. It is always great to get together with everyone during the holiday season.
The Club supplied the main course, and everyone brought a side dish to share. There was a very spirited gift exchange where several gifts were "stolen" several times.
Club President Brian Stanley said a few words and Thanked a few members for their contributions throughout the year.
Thank you's went out to; Tim Loewen for all his hard work with the All Camaro Show, Gary and Natalie Schaefer as well as Gary's brother Robert for their work at the All Camaro Show, Larry and Barbara DeCamp for hosting the Christmas Party and their work at the All Camaro Show, John and Karen Niedermayer for arranging the Camaro's in the Cellar in Yakima each year, Jason and Erica Barrios for putting together a club bowling event at Secoma Lanes.
I would like to thank everyone for attending the Christmas party and everyone who helped make the All Camaro Show such a success, organizers and participants. I would like to encourage anyone with an idea for a club activity to put your idea into action and put together a club activity around it.

Will GM Reveal A New Chevy Camaro In 2026?

By **George Barta**

When GM ended production of the sixth-generation Chevy Camaro after the 2024 model year, it did not deliver a eulogy. Instead, Global Chevrolet Vice President Scott Bell framed it as an intermission: “While we are not announcing an immediate successor today, rest assured, this is not the end of Camaro’s story.” That statement continues fueling speculation and hope among enthusiasts. Now, several concrete developments suggest General Motors may prepare a seventh-generation reveal for 2026, leveraging a perfect storm of platform availability, manufacturing logic, and sustained brand investment.

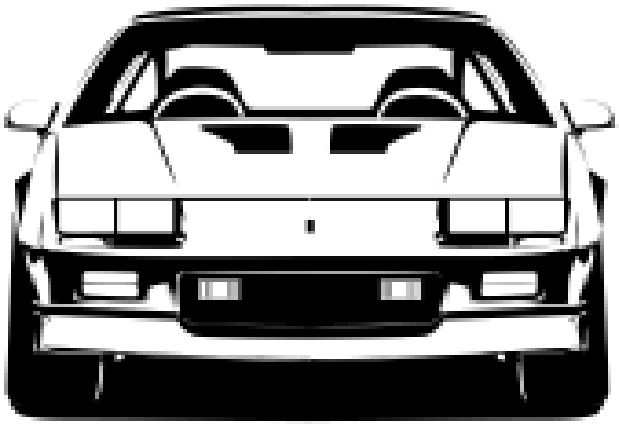
The most compelling evidence sits on the factory floor. GM confirmed a next-generation Cadillac CT5, reporting it will use a revised Alpha 2-2 architecture. This rear-drive platform is the direct descendant of the world-class Alpha architecture that underpinned the brilliant sixth-gen Camaro. The CT5's home, the Lansing Grand River plant, remains the sole North American facility equipped to produce Alpha-based vehicles.

Building a new Camaro on the same Alpha 2-2 platform alongside the CT5 presents a compelling business case, maximizing plant utilization and sharing development costs. An earlier proposal for a next-gen Chevy Camaro, which internal sources say was "blown apart" by management for missing business targets, specifically involved this very strategy of using the Alpha 2 platform. Its revival now seems more plausible.

Beyond the factory, GM actively stokes the Camaro's flames. The automaker just unveiled an updated Camaro ZL1 body for the 2026 NASCAR Cup Series, proving its commitment to racing the nameplate. Furthermore, eagle-eyed observers spotted intriguing design studies in the background of GM Design's social media posts; one showing a low-slung, muscular coupe with clear Camaro proportions and lighting signatures. These are not acts for a deceased icon; they are the careful cultivation of a living brand.

However, significant hurdles remain. That earlier, failed proposal proves that a solid business case, meeting strict volume and profitability targets, remains the ultimate gatekeeper. The market for sports coupes continues to contract. GM President Mark Reuss has acknowledged the ongoing study of a next-gen Chevy Camaro, but the company has not greenlit a program.

Intentional or not, GM has set the table for a 2026 reveal: a ready-made platform, an idling production line, an actively raced brand, and tantalizing design cues. Whether GM management decides to assemble them into a new American muscle car will be the defining decision for the Camaro's next chapter.



Bowtie People

Birthdays

Dr. Sue Sykes	1/12	Nicolas Lidstrom	2/13
Barabara DeCamp	1/23	Larry DeCamp	2/25
Rick Jones	1/24	Karen Niedermayer	2/29
Chuck Kelstrom	1/25	Gary Marshall	3/2
Ken Nylin	1/29	Lynda Kelstrom	3/3
Carrol Weaver	1/30	Julia Weaver	3/3
Ted Chetnik	2/4	Andrew Hill	3/10
Anika Lidstrom	2/5	Bill Sanford	3/18

Anniversaries

Marc and Cindee Goodwin	1/22
Ted and Karrie Chetnik	2/13
Dean and Susan Crippe	3/11
Patrick and Terrie Kranjcevich	3/15
Lynne and Cliff Samuels	3/31

2026 Pacific NW Camaro Club Activities

February

2/14	8:00am	Puyallup Early Bird Swap Meet, Puyallup, WA

March

3/14	10:30am	Tech Session at Griot's Garage, Tacoma, WA

April

4/11	2:30pm	PNWCC Club Meeting, TBD
4/18	8:00am	Car Club Challenge, Bremerton Raceway, Bremerton, WA

May

5/9	8:00am	Car Club Challenge, Bremerton Raceway, Bremerton, WA
5/29	4:00pm	Car Club Challenge, Pacific Raceway, Kent, WA

June

6/6	8:00am	Car Club Challenge, Bremerton Raceway, Bremerton, WA
6/7	9:00am	Firebird – Camaro Show, Burgermaster, Issaquah, WA
6/12	4:00pm	Car Club Challenge, Pacific Raceway, Kent, WA
6/20	8:00am	Car Club Challenge, Bremerton Raceway, Bremerton, WA
6/26	4:00pm	Car Club Meeting, Binford Field of Dreams, Kent, WA

July

7/4	8:00am	Car Club Challenge, Bremerton Raceway, Bremerton, WA
7/10	4:00pm	Car Club Challenge, Pacific Raceway, Kent, WA

If there is anything you would like to see as a Club Activity, please don't hesitate to get in touch with either Brian Stanley or myself and we can add it to our list.

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ANNIVERSAY (mm/dd):_____

CAMARO	YEAR	MODEL	TYPE	ENGINE	TRANS	COLOR
#1						
#2						
#3						

OTHER INFO/REMARKS:_____

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