



GMCMI

GMC MOTORHOMES INTERNATIONAL

2016 Fall Convention | Richland County Fairgrounds | Mansfield, Ohio

WEDNESDAY | SEPTEMBER 28 | PRE-CONVENTION

1:00 pm – 5:00 pm Early GMCMI Arrival & Registration
6:30 pm Professional Bingo | Doors open 5:00 pm

THURSDAY | SEPTEMBER 29 | PRE-CONVENTION

7:30 am – 8:45 am Morning Coffee and Donuts
9:00 am – 5:00 pm Early GMCMI Arrival & Registration
7:30 pm – 8:00 pm Ice Cream Social

FRIDAY | SEPTEMBER 30

7:30 am – 8:45 am Morning Coffee and Donuts
9:00 am – 4:00 pm GMCMI Arrival & Registration
1:00 pm Choir Practice for Sunday Worship Service
1:00 pm – 2:00 pm *Early Bird Tech Session* – Alex Ferrara
Aligning & Adjusting the GMC's Steering Column
The GMC cannot be made to steer correctly unless its steering components are correctly adjusted from the steering wheel all the way to the road wheels. Alex will show how to align and adjust everything down to the pitman arm.
3:15 pm – 4:15 pm **First Timers Meeting** – *All Members Welcome*
4:30 pm – 5:00 pm **Craft Coordinators' Meeting**
5:15 pm – 6:15 pm **Welcome Meeting**
6:30 pm – **Catered Meal**

SATURDAY | OCTOBER 1

7:30 am – 8:45 am **Coffee Hour** – Donuts, Waffles, Bagels, English Muffins, Oatmeal, Juice & Fruit
7:30 am **Let's Get Moving!** – Wear your comfy shoes and bring your dog or smartphone. Maybe we'll find a Geocache, or even a Pokemon.
7:30 am – 8:45 am **Book Exchange**

8:00 am – 9:00 am **Cast Call for "Roaring 20s Murder Mystery Dinner"**
Interested in being a gangster, flapper, police, etc.? Come and check out the fun we are planning.

9:00 am **Announcements/Daily Drawings** – must be present to win

9:15 am – 9:45 am **GMCMI Vendor Introductions**

9:45 am – 10:00 am **GMC Motorhome Mentor Program Assignments** – Ken Henderson

10:15 am – 11:45 pm **Tech Session** – Fred Hudspeth
Maintaining the GMC Motorhome – Owner Experiences and Recommendations
The objective of this session, an interactive exchange, is to allow owners to share their experience in the care and maintenance of the GMC Motorhome.

10:15 am – 11:45 pm **Non-Tech Session**
"Let's Get Acquainted, Ladies"
A gathering of ladies to introduce themselves and share GMC adventures. Please do come.

12:00 pm **Chili Cookoff!**

1:45 pm – 2:45 pm **Tech Session** – Tom Pryor
"Keeping Your Kool"
The objective of this session is to introduce how we can update our coaches with EVC electronic Viscous clutch technology. Materials from Hayden Automotive, American Cooling Systems and Flowkooler Water Pumps will be presented and interpreted.

1:45 pm – 3:45 pm Join us for a fun session of craft projects, cards, socializing and so much more! Come and see how easy it is to make a blanket. Blankets will be donated to a local charity in Mansfield.

3:00 pm – 3:45 pm **Mini Tech Session**
Radiators! – Jim Buchanan

4:00 pm – 5:00 pm **Tech Session** – Bill Kooistra
Time for a facelift? Modernizing the GMC bathroom
I will walk you through my experience of installing a new oak countertop, porcelain sink and toilet, glass tiles (YES, tiles) residential plumbing fixtures and accessories, AND more...Our bathrooms CAN be spectacular! *Men and Women are encouraged to attend.*

6:00 pm – **GMC Great Lakers Get-Together**

7:30 pm **Ice Cream Social**



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7:30 pm	Breakfast Omelet Prep with Ken Frey – bring knife and cutting board
7:30 pm	Karoke in the Park – Michael and Sondra Thompson
SUNDAY APRIL 10	
7:30 am – 8:45 am	Coffee Hour – Donuts, Waffles, Bagels, English Muffins, Oatmeal, Juice & Fruit
7:30 am	Let's Get Moving! – Wear your comfy shoes and bring your dog or smartphone. Maybe we'll find a Geocache, or even a Pokemon.
7:30 am – 8:45 am	Omelets to Order – Ken Frey & Friends
7:30 am – 8:45 am	Book Exchange
8:30 am	Announcements/Daily Drawings – must be present to win
9:00 am – 10:00 am	Worship Service – "Free to Be"
10:15 am – 12:00 pm	Tech Session – Dick Serreyn & Dale Ropp Rear Suspension
10:30 am – 11:45 am	Non-Tech Session – Mary Colie Cooking Class The objective of this session is to prepare two simple meals which require only one or two burners (or a microwave oven). Recipes and sample tastings of five different dishes will be given to attendees. Come hungry! Feel free to share your own simple cooking ideas with other attendees as well.
1:15 pm – 2:45 pm	GMC Parts Exchange, Craft & Flea Market
3:00 pm – 5:00 pm	Open House Tour #1 This tour has been publicized for the public as well.
6:00 pm	GMC Heritage Cruisers Get-Together
6:00 pm	GMC Midwest Classics Cruisers Get-Together
MONDAY OCTOBER 3	
7:30 am – 8:45 am	Coffee Hour – Donuts, Waffles, Bagels, English Muffins, Oatmeal, Juice & Fruit
7:30 am	Let's Get Moving! – Wear your comfy shoes and bring your dog or smartphone. Maybe we'll find a Geocache, or even a Pokemon.
7:30 am – 8:45 am	Book Exchange
7:30 am – 8:45 am	PINEBLOCK DERBY WEIGH-IN!
8:00 am – 9:00 am	"Roaring 20's Murder Mystery" Rehearsal
9:00 am	Announcements/Daily Drawings – must be present to win

9:15 am – 10:15 am	Tech Session – Kerry Pinkerton (moderator) (F/A) Making Life Easier in My GMC Motorhome A group discussion of things YOU have done to make life easier in the GMC MotorHome. Men and Women are encouraged to attend and share all those little things you've discovered that make the most out of living in our beloved GMCs. – <i>Men and Women are encouraged to attend.</i>
10:30 am – 12:00 am	Tech Session – Ken Frey Remove & Replace Engine Assembly The object of this session is to provide information as to what is involved with an engine replacement. Lots of details, pictures, handouts.
10:30 pm	Building Closed for Ladies Luncheon Set-up
1:15 pm – 2:15 pm	Aligning Your Vintage Headlights – Richard Waters The objective of this session is provide an overview of headlights, discuss possible GMC headlight upgrades and the various methods used to aim them properly. This session will be followed by a session on the fairgrounds parking lot where we will aim GMC's motorhome headlights using vintage headlight aiming equipment. Please see the bulletin board to sign up.
2:30 pm – 3:45 pm	Tech Session – Randy VanWinkle "What's Up" with Electronic Fuel Injection – including FiTech
1:30 pm	"Ms GMC Party" Ladies Social – hosted by the Great Lakers Ladies Join in the fun! There will be ham roll appetizers, fresh fruit mix, gluten free crackers & cheese, as well as other goodies. Come to the party and claim your Tiara. Hope to see you there!
4:00 pm – 5:00 pm	Tech Session – Richard Waters Aligning Your Vintage Headlights GMC headlight aiming will be conducted on the grounds by appointment. Please see bulletin board to sign up.
4:00 pm – 5:00 pm	Non-Tech Session – Mike & Billie Kelley Fan the Flame <i>Men and Women are encouraged to attend.</i>
6:00 pm	GMC Eastern States Get-Together
7:30 pm – 8:00 pm	Ice Cream Social
8:15 pm	PineBlock Derby Races



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TUESDAY | OCTOBER 4 | ROARING 20s!

- 7:30 am – 8:45 am **Coffee Hour** – Donuts, Waffles, Bagels, English Muffins, Oatmeal, Juice & Fruit
- 7:30 am **Let's Get Moving!** – Wear your comfy shoes and bring your dog or smartphone. Maybe we'll find a Geocache, or even a Pokemon.
- 7:30 am – 8:45 am **Book Exchange**
- 8:00 am – 9:00 am **"Roaring 20's Murder Mystery" Cast Review**
- 8:30 am **Announcements/Daily Drawings** – must be present to win
- 9:00 am – 10:15 am **Non-Tech Session** – Stan & Eileen Edwards – Moderators
Can You Hear Me Now? – *Men and Women are encouraged to attend.*
- 10:30 am – 12:00 pm **Tech Session** – Dave Lenzi
Brakes – part one of two sessions
The objective of this session is to acquaint you with the brake booster, master cylinder and combination valve on your coach. Items that will be addressed: common problems of low brake pedal, excessive pedal effort and vacuum leaks. A test stand will be utilized to show the function/malfunction of parts, and will be displayed real time on a video screen so all can see.
- 10:30 am – 11:30 pm **Non-Tech Session** – Diane Dugger
Strength and Balance Exercise
Balance is important for everyday activities. Strengthening your muscles is essential for keeping bones and muscles healthy. Specially designed Balance and Strength session. Come and watch or better yet, come and participate.
- 12:00 pm **Spaghetti Lunch** – Ken Frey & Friends
- 1:00 pm – 2:00 pm **Tech Session** – Jim Kanomata
How to Make Bearings and Knuckles Last 80,000 Miles
Hands-on demonstration.
- 1:00 pm – 2:00 pm **Non-Tech Session** – Jane Hasek & Friends
"Tips for Healthy Living"
- 2:15 pm – 3:15 pm **Tech Session** – Larry Whisler
Tire Pressure Monitor Systems
Presentation of different systems available in the market.
- 2:15 pm – 3:15 pm **Non-Tech Session**
To be announced
- 3:30 pm – 4:30 pm **Tech Session** – Tom & Marilyn Phipps
You and Your Blinds
Explore the inner workings of your United Shade pleated blinds. See how they are assembled and learn to restring one. Hands on demonstration.

- 4:45 pm – 5:45 pm **GMCMI Regional Member Meetings** – Check bulletin board for building assignment.
- 6:30 pm – **Murder Mystery Dinner!**
Roaring 20's Attire welcomed – but not required. (catered meal)

WEDNESDAY | OCTOBER 5

- 7:30 am – 8:45 am **Coffee Hour** – Donuts, Waffles, Bagels, English Muffins, Oatmeal, Juice & Fruit
- 7:30 am **Let's Get Moving!** – Wear your comfy shoes and bring your dog or smartphone. Maybe we'll find a Geocache, or even a Pokemon.
- 7:30 am – 8:45 am **Book Exchange**
- 8:30 am **Announcements/Daily Drawings** – must be present to win
- 9:00 am – 10:15 am **Non-Tech Session**
Smart Phones – *Men and Women are encouraged to attend.*
The objective of this session is to bring together smartphone users to share knowledge of smart phone functions.
- 10:30 am – 12:00 pm **Tech Session** – Dave Lenzi
Brakes – part two of two sessions
The objective of this session is to acquaint you with the brake booster, master cylinder and combination valve on your coach. Items that will be addressed: common problems of low brake pedal, excessive pedal effort and vacuum leaks. A test stand will be utilized to show the function/malfunction of parts, and will be displayed real time on a video screen so all can see.
- 10:30 am – 12:00 pm **Non-Tech Session**
Bookworms & Their Diet – (suggestions for books to read)
- 1:00 pm – 2:30 pm **Mini Tech Session Series**
1:00 pm | **Latest in Electrical** – Bill Hubert
1:45 pm | **Torsion Bar Repair** – Dale Frahm
- 1:00 pm – 2:30 pm **Non-Tech Session** – Jane Ropp
Sequel to "Who Gets Grandma's Tea Pot"
- 3:00 pm **Membership Meeting, GMCMI Pineblock Derby Awards and the GMCMI Raffle**
(meal to follow GMCMI Raffle)
- 5:30 pm – 6:15 pm **Vendor Meeting**
- 6:30 pm – 7:30 pm **GMCMI Board Meeting**
- 11:00 am **THURSDAY | SEPTEMBER 6**
Campground Checkout – *Thank you for coming and safe travels!*