

# PowerMI Drive

## Electric Vehicle e-Newsletter

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### EVs: The Power of Change

Welcome to our e-Newsletter, where we keep you updated on all the latest electric vehicle (EV) news, trends and breakthroughs while celebrating you – our EV partners and drivers!

In this issue, we're brewing up coffee from the energy in an EV battery and we take a trip to Boyne Mountain Resort where you can charge your EV while you stay and play. We also give Tesla owners some advice on why and how to use DC Fast Charger adapters, and we meet an EV driver who used home solar panels as gateway technology to make a case for switching to an EV.



#### Tap Your EV Battery

Did you know you can tap into your EV's battery to power electrical devices and appliances – for fun or in case of emergency? Be the ultimate tailgater or use your EV as a backup power source if the power goes out. No need to pull out that gas generator.

[Learn How](#)

### EV Station Host | Boyne Mountain

Starting in the late 1940s with a ski run, a used single chairlift and a warming hut, Boyne Mountain was founded and now includes winter sports, an indoor waterpark, lodging, dining, golf, zipline adventures and a host of outdoor sports for all seasons.

And while you're playing or staying, you can recharge your EV while you recharge your soul.



[Read About Boyne](#)



#### Sidebar: Beyond Superchargers

Did you know any Tesla can get a charge from a non-Tesla DC Fast Charger? It does require an adapter, but we talk about why and how you might want to get one if you're a Tesla owner.

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### EV Driver Profile | Ryan Pringnitz

Once EV drivers get their vehicle, they start getting more conscious about their energy use and where it comes from. That often leads to sourcing clean energy – like solar power. Ryan Pringnitz installed solar panels first and saw his generation credits grow.

He then realized driving an EV was a good way to maximize the potential of his solar panels and found himself surprised at his renewed love for driving.



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### #ElectrifyYourCooking

*Did you know electric and induction cooktops and ranges are so good and efficient, you may not miss your gas appliance?*

Consumer Reports found that induction offers superior performance in addition to no gas emissions at the burner. Check out this article to learn more: [Induction Cooktops and Ranges Are So Good You May Not Miss Gas - Consumer Reports](#)



Our clean energy transformation ensures you can take an active role in becoming a force of change for Michigan. Want to do even more?

Consider participating in one of our **Peak Power Savers® programs** or visit [ConsumersEnergy.com/change](#) to learn about more ways you can help leave the planet a better place than you found it.

### Share the EV Love!

Since most charging takes place at home, the Consumers Energy PowerMIDrive program offers EV drivers a **\$500 rebate** for installing a qualified Level 2 charger and up to **\$120 in incentives**. It also comes with [electric rates](#) that encourage EV drivers to charge their vehicle between 11 p.m. and 6 a.m. to get the most savings on their electric bill, maximize the benefits of EV ownership and optimize demand on the energy grid.

Getting more electric vehicles on the road promotes reduced carbon emissions – which we all can feel good about.

#### Know someone who is interested in EVs?

We're here to help. Our website at [ConsumersEnergy.com/ev](#) is a one-stop-shop to help them get started if they have questions.

*Or consider sharing our e-Newsletter with a friend (or two or three).*

### Have an EV question, story or want to be featured as our next EV driver or station host?

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