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Bob Rosecrans, Editor



THE PRESIDENT SEZ

**Ty Ozgen
President**

It was a long hot July this year full of exciting events to participate in and boy did I

participate. You see, I had been a bachelor for most of the month due to the fact that my wife and three kids were on vacation overseas. In my single days I would pretty much participate in all the activities the club had since I really had no other commitments besides work. Then I get married in September 2000 and now have three beautiful kids and my commitments have changed a bit. I know what you are thinking...three kids in less than six years...you have been busy! Anyway, I had all this free time in July to do the things I wanted to that I did not know where to start. My dear wife did not want me to get too bored with *nothing to do* so she appropriately gave me a "Honey Do list" or should I say "Honey Do book" to go through. I'll get right on that dear.

The first weekend after they left, we had our Cruisin' Z USA 2006 car show at the Volo Auto Museum and what a great day that was. The weather was perfect and the location was a car lover's paradise with all those collectible cars for sale up there. We had a great turnout, especially with the first and fourth generation Z's. The judges did an excellent job. I want to thank Jeff Pleiter for all the effort he put into organizing the event. It went without a hitch. It was personally neat to park my Black and Gold 10th Anniversary 280ZX next to Jeff's Black and Red one.

The next weekend, I was at Road America in Wisconsin for the Vintage Races. This is a must see event for me. I enjoy watching those older racecars go around the track, and also enjoy walking through the pit areas. It is such a great event and boy was it crowded with race fans. Unfortunately the Z Zone is no more. Apparently there has not been a lot of Z's up there in the last few years for these events and they

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took down our signs etc. and now that area is open to everyone to park in. I did see our friend Larry Emmons from Emmons Coachworks. If you recall he closed down his store in Villa Park and moved to Virginia where he now conducts all his business through mail order and the internet. He is very pleased with his move and is doing well.

The weekend after that was our Summer Fling to Wisconsin hosted by Tom and Pat Miller. What a perfect day that was. We toured some of the back roads up there as well as going to a few interesting locations including an individuals business where he produces and sells metal sculptures and designs, and a car museum in Hartford where they used to build the Kissel automobile. An interesting thing occurred up there as we were leaving a restaurant after lunch. In the parking lot was a Black and Gold 10th Anniversary that just happened to be there at the same time. The car had only 10k miles on it and was sporting the original Goodyear Wingfoot tires. We were able to track down the owner and he came outside to talk to us. Apparently he has a used car business and had bought the Z from his brother. He is selling it but I will be honest with you, it wasn't in the best condition. It had unfortunately sustained a lot of hail damage on the hood, fenders, and top and apparently had spent some time outside since it had some rust on the fenders and a lot of sun damage on the interior but it is still a low mileage collectible Z. If you are interested in it, let me know and I will get you his name. We finished the evening by going to Tom and Pat's home for dinner outside on his lovely deck. Thank you very much for showing us a wonderful time!

The weekend after that was a free weekend but unfortunately I was on call for work so I did not get a lot done but I was invited to Glenn and Tracy's Johnson's' home for a home cooked meal and what a feast it was. Apparently they felt sorry for me since I was so lonely without the family. They must have also sensed that I was loosing weight. Believe it or not, I lost about seven pounds while they were gone. Not to say I was depressed and wouldn't eat but I just did not make those big meals that my wife would make. I would just kind of make a smaller meal and nibble here and there. Thank you for a nice dinner. You see, a person can make some nice friends with this Z Club.

Oh yeah and as far as the "Honey Do book", I misplaced it.

On a different note, we are once again looking for a newsletter editor for the club. Pete had put together our newsletter for the last couple times but stated that he recently got engaged (congratulations!) and no longer has the time to put together our newsletter. I was sorry to hear he could not do it anymore but I was more sorry that you, the Windy City Z Club members, did not get your newsletter. Bob Rosecrans has once again come through in the clutch and will temporarily work on it until we find a replacement...hint..hint. I apologize for any inconvenience but hopefully we can make it up to you with some great activities as we wind down the year.

Ty



Jeff Pleiter
V P Admin. & Membership

It was June the last time the Club issued a newsletter. Unfortunately the new newsletter editor was not able to continue after that. Since

then we had a number of great events, because we were able to continue contact with our members via email notice. The newsletter is back on a periodic basis while we continue to search for someone to pick up as full time editor. Upcoming events include the October Fest at Autobahn Country Club and the November Club Birthday Party. Bob will fill you in on the details. This newsletter includes photos from some of our events. Enjoy. A big thank you to the Volo Auto Museum for hosing our annual car show. Thanks also to Dale Sitek for setting up our Fall Fling at the Delafield Car Show. It was cool, so it kept many members away, although the rain held off for the car show and only hampered us on the drive up and

back. Three die hard Chicago members made the trip and met Dale and two other Wisconsin members. Despite the cool weather we all had a great time. A hello to new member Todd Troutman who showed up with his 1973 240Z that you can see in some of the picture



Bob Rosecrans
Vice President for
Activities

Ty and Jeff have already discussed the great activities we have had this year. I want to especially thank Tom and Pat Miller for the summer tour in the Kettle Moraine Valley and the hospitality they afford the members at their home. Unfortunately the weather was poor but the Fall Fling hosted by Dale Sitek in Delafield, WI was terrific. Dale and Karen Sitek opened their home for the WCZC members with food and friendship. The cars bring us together but the fellowship among the members is fantastic. If you have not attended an event recently, come out to one and you'll see what I mean.

We're getting to the end of the driving season but we still have some great events coming up. On Saturday, October 7th we planning to meet in the Portillo's parking lot on Route 83 just north of St.Charles Road at 6:00 pm and we'll caravan to Pilot Pete's in Schaumburg for dinner. Pilot Pete's is a casual dining restaurant with a wide variety on the menu. The restaurant sits next to the runways at Schaumburg Airport. If you'd like to meet us at Pilot Pete's, the restaurant at 7:00 pm, it is located at 905 W Irving Park Road, Schaumburg, IL, 847-891-5100. You need to call or email me to make a reservation by October 1st.

Octoberfest hosted by Continental Nissan is being held at the Autobahn Country Club on Sunday, October 22nd. For those who attended last can tell you , it was the highlight of 2005. Don't miss this event!! See the separate flier for details.

On November 4th we have our Birthday Party, details to follow.

Yes, you heard correctly, I'm back doing the newsletter!! It's not my life's work, so if you have any interest in editing Team Z let me know and we can discuss it.

Bob <rosez@wowway.com>

WCZC Calendar of Events

General Z Meeting	Saturday, October 7 th . Caravan to Pilot Pets'
Octoberfest	October 22 nd , Autobahn Country Club
Birthday Party	November 4 th

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