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It is just amazing how you gather a bunch of friends who have a passion for Z cars, add to it a picture perfect summer day, mix in a full tank of gas and throw in some nice roads and of course some food and viola...you get a day like no other. Our trip to northern Indiana was truly a memorable day. You can take a look at the pictures on our website but it really does not do it justice. I was looking forward to it since its conception since I knew Carl and Judy Kush had put together a prior cruise which also was a memorable event. Some of us met at the Bolingbrook Promenade, and then headed down I-355 to I-80 eastbound. Jeff hooked up with us where I-294 joins in and then we picked up Bob and Patty Bienick at the Lincoln Oasis. From there we headed into Indiana, getting together with the rest of the Z Crew in Chesterton. After a quick lunch we took off in two large groups through the back roads of Northern Indiana. It was amazing how each group split up at times at then passed each other going in opposite directions. Really coooool!!! We toured the Barker Mansion; built by railroad industrialist John Barker, toured some more the back roads, and then converged at Washington Park near Lake Michigan for a photo op, finally ending up at Swingbelly's Restaurant for dinner. Carl and Judy, thank you for all your efforts but also to Tom and Sharon Keene for their efforts as well. You know, this just could turn out to be an annual WCZC ritual.

Speaking of rituals, another favorite is getting together at the Rolling Meadows Cruise night. This is by far one if the biggest and nicest ones in the area. You can check them out at www.rmcarclub.com/. They event is located at the corner of Kirchoff Rd. and Meadow Dr. in Rolling Meadows. Our club will try to head out there this Friday, October 2nd since it was

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rained out last week. Since this event is so popular, we can only reserve a spot until 6 PM. Please let me know if you want us to hold a spot for you at tm212@aol.com. Bring a lawn chair. It is really a nice casual event. Let's show off our Z's to the community of other car enthusiasts.

Jay Weinberger has invited our club for an Oktoberfest Z Car Show and Shine on Saturday, October 10th from noon to 3 PM at Continental Nissan, 5750 S. LaGrange Rd. in Countryside. This is not a judged show so you do not have to get the Z all spiffed up but you can if you like. I am sure Jay will have some new 370Z's there for us to drool over as well as other Nissan products. Please let me know if you plan to go so I can give him a head count.

One more event to put on your calendar is our annual WCZC Birthday Party. It has been set for Saturday, November 14th. We will be celebrating our 35th year, making us one of the oldest Z clubs in the country. We will have registration forms available in the near future so keep an eye out for it. I believe the current officers have expressed interest in remaining (right guys?) but we will always welcome newcomers to the ballot. Two positions that remain open are the Secretary and Vice President of Activities so please let me know if you have any interest. Jeff and I have been filling in for those positions in the interim.

By the way, I have decided on my next family car. My wife's SUV is getting up there in miles and I want her to drive something that is roomy, reliable, but also 4 wheel drive. Also when I drive it, I want to have some fun with it. So take a peak at it...the GTR wagon....



Pretty cool, heh! Do you think Jay will have one at the Oktoberfest Show for me to test drive?

- Ty

Jeff Pleiter, V.P. Admin. & Membership



Why is this newsletter late? My fault - James has been waiting for my article patiently, but I have not been able to get around it until now - too many things going on. The drive to Indiana was great fun as always. I took the NISMO out on the trip and it was great to be able to get it on the road. I am always amazed at how great a car it is. Often my son comes along, but this time my daughter Amanda wanted to go. It was nice to be able to get together with her for some Dad and daughter time. We used to have "Amanda Day" on a regular basis after my son C.J. was born so she could have some time with

each parent without him around. But now that she is 17, it seldom happens between her job and being out with friends etc. Everyone was asking her when she would drive the Z, but I have not taught her to drive stick yet, and anyway both Zs are on a Hagerty insurance policy and she is not currently insured on the Zs. It's expensive enough to insure her on a 1996 Bonneville – I would hate to see how much it would cost to insure her on the NISMO. So the Fall Fling trip was a great opportunity to get to spend some time with her.

Membership is at 78 now. New members in September include Connor Martin (1987 300ZX) and David and Barbro Jarrell (1974.5 260Z 2+2 – also Indy Z Club members). Dave and Barb and their Z can be seen in the Fall Fling photos.

Officer elections are coming up with the November birthday party. If anyone is interested in getting more involved as an officer, either secretary/membership person or V.P. of Administration is available. I am acting as both membership and V.P. of Admin right now, but if anyone is interested, I will pass the torch for either or both position. If no one steps up, I am willing to continue on as is, but it is always good for the club to get new perspective into the officer positions.

- Jeff



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Windy City Z Upcoming Events Calendar

Date & Event	Venue	Contact & Info
Oct 2 nd – Rolling Meadows Cruise	Rolling Meadows http://www.rmcarclub.com/	Ty Ozgen tmo212@aol.com
Oct 10 th – Oktoberfest	Continental Nissan	See above
Nov 14 th – WCZC Birthday Party	TBD	See above

A warm welcome to our newest members, welcome aboard and we hope to see you at an event soon!
 Conner Martin – 1987 300ZX David & Barbro Jarrell – 1974.5 260Z 2+2



Barker Mansion



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Carl Kush



*Indiana Cruise
September 12th, 2009*



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