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Another Cruisin Z USA Car show is now in the past and once again it turned out to be a success. Thank you to all who attended and for those who did not, where were you? If you missed it, please check out our website for some great pictures. We did not have as many Z's as last year but the quality of Z's was nevertheless fantastic. For the second year in a row, we had the event at the Bolingbrook Promenade. They have been very accommodating to us and our event. The location gave people the opportunity to shop around at the stores and get a bite to eat at one of the many eateries. The sun was out but also a few clouds to break up the heat; the rain held out until well after the show.

I brought my 1980 280ZX Tenth Anniversary this year. I did get a chance to wash it this year followed by a good coat of Zymol wax. If it gets washed once a season there must be something special going on, otherwise it just gets a dusting with Meguiars Quik Detailer spray. It just doesn't get much exposure to the elements but rather to the bikes and yard equipment in the garage. I even took the sheepskins off to treat the leather seats. It was looking good!! Every entrant got a goody bag (thank you Mequiars) which pretty much covered the \$5 cost for those who preregistered. The trophies were presented and it was pretty much a wrap. A group of us stayed afterwards to have dinner and boy was I starving. Once again I did not get a chance to talk to everyone at the show nor check out the Z's as much as I would have liked so I do apologize. The judges had a difficult job to do but they came through as always. Here is the list of trophy winners:

- 1<sup>st</sup> Gen Stock 1<sup>st</sup> Place: Bill Opperman 1971 240Z
- 1<sup>st</sup> Gen Stock 2<sup>nd</sup> Place: Barb Targonski 1972 240Z
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1980 280ZX Tenth Anniversary
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Gen Stock 2<sup>nd</sup> Place: TyOzgen  
1980 280ZX Tenth Anniversary
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Gen Mod. 1<sup>st</sup> Place: Glenn Johnson  
1979 280ZX 2+2
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Gen Stock 1<sup>st</sup> Place: Rich Kalashian  
1984 300ZX Turbo
- 4<sup>th</sup> Gen Mod. 1<sup>st</sup> Place: Tony Antiprek  
1990 300ZX TT
- 4<sup>th</sup> Gen Mod. 2<sup>nd</sup> Place: John Song  
1993 300ZX Convertible
- 5<sup>th</sup> Gen Stock 1<sup>st</sup> Place: Tom & Angie Pace  
2007 350Z
- 5<sup>th</sup> Gen Mod. 1<sup>st</sup> Place: Carl & Judy Kush  
2007 350Z Roadster
- 5<sup>th</sup> Gen Mod. 2<sup>nd</sup> Place: Ben Johnson  
2005 350Z Roadster
- 6<sup>th</sup> Gen Stock 1<sup>st</sup> Place: Kim Seib 2009 370Z
- 6<sup>th</sup> Gen Stock 2<sup>nd</sup> Place: Dave & Barbra Jarrell  
2009 370Z
- Peoples Choice: John Song 1993 300ZX
- Best Survivor: Ty Ozgen 1980 280ZX
- Best of Show: Kim Seib 2009 370Z

Congratulations to all the winners. Speaking of winners, guess which club has been given the honor of hosting next years Midwest Z Heritagefest? Yep, we have! We did it in 2008 and it was very successful and by popular demand we were asked to do it again. We had Z club members from Ohio, Indiana, Michigan and Wisconsin come down that year. The date has not been

set yet as we have to wait to see when next years National Convention is held. I promise to let everyone know as soon as we do.

If you were not able to attend the car show this year, all is not lost. We are having our annual WCZC picnic on Sunday, August 8th at Meyer Woods, 2500 Oldfield Rd. in Darien. It is from noon to 5 PM and is free to all WCZC members and their immediate family. Once again we will have it catered by Buona Beef with beef sandwiches and salad. Please bring a side dish to share and your own favorite nonalcoholic beverage. Please RSVP to me at [tm0212@aol.com](mailto:tm0212@aol.com) with a head count so I can order enough sandwiches.

Keep Sunday, the 22<sup>nd</sup> of August open as I am organizing a drive out to Fair Oaks Farm in Northwest Indiana. This an operating dairy farm which gives tours of the farm from live calf births to milk and cheese production. I will have more details soon as far as the time, etc, but expect to leave by late morning and be back by late afternoon.

**Stay cool,**

~ Ty

**Jeff Pleiter  
V.P. Admin. & Membership  
I-Passes and iPods**



First, I want to thank Ty for putting on a great car show event again at the Bolingbrook Promenade. The weather was fine, and the breeze and overcast kept us from getting too hot. For the first time in a long time, I did not judge cars, so I was able to enjoy the day and the cars. I beat out Ty again in the 2<sup>nd</sup> generation stock category with our dueling 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary cars. If he ever gets around to cleaning up his engine bay a little more, he might beat me next time. LOL.

So, on the trip down to the show, I kept an eye on the little blue lights for the tolls at the entrance ramps. I had become suspicious that the battery in my I-Pass was dead. There had been articles in the newspaper that a lot of the I-Passes that had been put in service near the beginning of the I-Pass system were now failing. My normal commute includes only one open road toll, so that I don't normally pass through a plaza where I can see if the light turns on, but on other side trips it seemed like sometimes it worked and sometimes it didn't, and I was not sure if it was the I-Pass or if some of their bulbs were dead. None of the lights lit up on this trip and I could see they did work for the cars in front of me. I work near the tollway headquarters, so I ran over there one morning and they confirmed it was dead. Tolls were still ultimately being charged to my

account because they can match your plate # from the photos of an unpaid toll. It was quick and easy to swap the I-Pass for a new one at the service center. So check your I-Pass online or by going through a plaza to see if it is time to replace yours.

I had not felt any need to join the iPod contingent yet. CDs were working just fine for me and I had a 6-disc changer until I sold my 300ZX. However, my daily driver Mini has only a 1 disc player and the previous owner had installed an iPod connection. So once my daughter upgraded to an iPod touch she passed her old 4 gig Nano on to me. If figured I could load my CDs onto it and use it to get more music without having to constantly change CDs. She taught me how to do that, and right now it has 50 songs on it using the Apple lossless encoding and still room for more. It works pretty good and I got to thinking: How can I get this to work in my 280ZX? The stock radio/cassette player does not work well. Not sure if it is the head unit or perhaps the rotating toggle switch that allows you to direct the sound to the various speakers. I've got to find someone who knows how to fix these old Z radios. The FM converters and cassette converters for the iPod therefore wouldn't work. After looking around the house a bit, I found an old power inverter that plugs into the cigarette lighter. The connection of the inverter within the lighter is a little finicky, and needed to be positioned just so to work. But now that I had power, I bought a Klipsh iGroove SXT small ipod player/speakers. I put it all in the car today and it fits nicely in that space between the back of the center console and the hatch area in the 280ZX. It also has a little remote so I can control the volume. I took a little test drive and it seems to work pretty good. Now I have some tunes for the drive up to Road America for the Vintage races. I was going to include a picture, but after taking the camera from the air conditioning into the 90 degree heat the camera was covered with condensation. I'll have to include the picture next newsletter.

Next time will also include a report from the National Convention in Nashville. Looks like a huge turnout and a lot of fun is expected.

~ Jeff



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## *Windy City Z Upcoming Events Calendar*

<b>Date &amp; Event</b>	<b>Venue</b>	<b>Contact &amp; Info</b>
July 17 – Road America	Elkhart Lake, WI	<a href="mailto:tmo212@aol.com">tmo212@aol.com</a>
July 28-Aug 1 – National Z Car Convention	Nashville, TN	<a href="http://www.zcon2010.com">www.zcon2010.com</a>
Aug 8 – Fall Picnic	Myers Woods, Darien	<a href="mailto:tmo212@aol.com">tmo212@aol.com</a>
Oct 22-24 – Fall Colors of Indiana	Indiana	<a href="mailto:bobbienick@comcast.net">bobbienick@comcast.net</a>
Nov 6 – WCZC Birthday Party	Seven Bridges GC, Woodridge	<a href="mailto:tmo212@aol.com">tmo212@aol.com</a>



## *WCZC Cruisin' Z Show Bolingbrook July 11, 2010*

Photos by Carl Kush





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