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I can't believe that it's already mid-October. The leaves are starting to change and the sun definitely is not spending as much time with us during the day. That does not mean that there is nothing to do though, we still have things going on with the club. But you are right, the driving days are getting less and less. As I write this article, I am at a tennis club watching my kids take tennis lessons. Not too exciting but that is life. As I reflect back on the year, we had some great activities. If I were to pick a favorite, I would have to say it the Midwest Z Heritagefest in

Brown County, IN. It was just a nice weekend getaway. I cannot think of a greater way to celebrate the year than with our annual WCZC Birthday party. As you probably already know, it is set for Saturday, November 2nd. This year we will be going to the Home Run Inn pizza in Addison. We tried to keep the cost reasonable so more members can attend. I hope you like pizza. The

registration information you received should be returned to me so I can give them a head count. As in years past, this event is low key. You do not even have to bring a Z. We will try to gather up some door and raffle prizes but we will welcome any thing you have to donate, whether it be a Z related item or not. We have had books to body lotions to gift certificates in the past. We will also be listening to our current officers' state of the union speeches. I was hopeful that the present slate will remain with us but unfortunately Jeff has decided to step down this year. He has done a



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great job with our activities again and I do appreciate his efforts. All of the officers' responsibilities are important and we all do this as a hobby. If there is anyone out there interested in the Vice President of Activities position, please let us know. You will not be left to do it all by yourself as we all do chip in to help. We do have our usual events but try to get new things to spice it up.

Speaking of events, we had a great turnout for the annual Oktoberfest Z Car show at Continental Nissan earlier this month. Thanks again to Jay Weinberger and his staff for hosting this event. They are always are very supportive of our club. There was plenty of food and a great assortment of Z's to view. I even got my chance to sit inside a Roadster again in the showroom. I know what you are all thinking..."Just buy

one already Ty". I would love to have one but it just doesn't make sense to buy another Z at this time. You may ask "Life is too short though so what are you waiting for?" I really don't know. Anyway, the weather was interesting that day. It was like a hot humid summer day. It was overcast and there was a chance for rain but it held out until the event was over. That worked out great as I did not have to wash the 300ZX when I got home. I pulled into the garage and within a half hour, it was raining. Great timing I might add!!

I have to mention an interesting car I drove last week. No, it was not technically a test drive but I guess it could have been. I do have a non Z car, aka 1988 BMW 635. I have had this since 1994 and it is another one of those cars that I will have till death do us part. Anyway, I brought it to the dealer to get the coolant and brake fluid flushed. They gave me a 2014 5 series BMW with 600 miles on it as a loaner. I had it most of the day. Smooth car and all but it certainly did not drive like the BMW's of the past. I swear it could have been a Lexus. Anyway, it had an interesting feature to save gas. It was a "stop start" setup that was new to me. After it would warm up, if I were to come to a light and stop, the engine would stop. All the lights, radio and AC were still on but it would feel like it just died. As soon as you let off the brake pedal, you could hear the starter restart the car in a split second and away you would go. I seemed a bit unusual to get used and to be honest, I am not sure if I really would by a car with that feature. Imagine if it did not start as quickly as it did and it kept on cranking during the starts. Kind of embarrassing I would imagine. It saves gas but at the expense of the starter. Also one wonders if it wears the engine faster as a result of all those starts. I guess it is not a cold start though. Hmmm. Time will tell.

Also, our club has just paid for the 4<sup>th</sup> edition of the new Z Car Club Magazine. It should be out soon but I have the first 3. We are getting 25 of these issues and they are a first come first serve basis. I did get the 1<sup>st</sup> Edition out at the Cruisin Z USA car show but also plan to bring them to the birthday party. Hope to see you all soon.

~ Ty



**Jeff Pleiter, V.P of Activities**

The September 28 Wine Tasting and Dinner turned into a date night wine tasting and dinner with myself and Allie, and Mike and Kirsten Higashikawa. The weather was beautiful and we took the 280ZX. Because there were only four of us, we chose to sit at a picnic table outside for the wine tastings as they brought out our 5 different wines for us to try. Following that we went down the road to the Ram Restaurant and had a nice dinner with more good conversation.

The weather threatened, but held off for the Continental Nissan Octoberfest. At least just long enough for me to get home. We had a good turnout for this again. Thanks again to Jay, Mike, and the rest of the dealership for hosting us again this year. There were a couple of Nismo Jukes there that looked pretty good. I hear that a hotter Juke Nismo RS version may

be coming out in a year. Something for me to keep an eye on as a daily/winter driver.

Oct 12: Fall Fling Drive – Poker Run. Postponed until fall of 2014 due to rain.

November 2 WCZC Birthday Party Date at Home Run Inn Pizza in Addison. See the flyer in the newsletter and Ty's article for more information, as well as the evite sent out.

November Drive? Date to be determined. If I see a forecast for good weather, may throw together another drive. Maybe just meet and drive around the forest preserves like we did a few years ago for the "Urban Oasis". Keep an eye on your email for an evite.

Dates and info are subject to change as details get finalized. As always, we are open to event ideas. Email me at [villazx10@comcast.net](mailto:villazx10@comcast.net).

~ Jeff



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**WCZC photo  
 calendar**

The Windy City Z Club may put together another calendar for 2014 if there is enough interest. If you desire to have your Z on this calendar, please send me a picture at [tmo212@aol.com](mailto:tmo212@aol.com) I need 12 to make it work. Cars that were on the previous calendar will not be used unless space provides. As far as the cost I suspect it would be from 15-20 dollars. So look through your archives and let me know.

# WCZC club directory

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The Windy City Z Club is contemplating putting together a directory in PDF form with all the members' names. It may contain other information such as your address, phone or email address, and possibly photos you submit. This will only be available to members. At the present time, it is available only to the officers. We will be discussing it at the WCZC Birthday Party. If you are not interested in having your name on the list, please let me know.

## Boutique



WCZC patch - \$3/ea  
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Contact Ty at [tmo212@aol.com](mailto:tmo212@aol.com) to purchase

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If you have photos, articles or Nissan news of interest that you'd like to contribute to the WCZC newsletter, please submit them to [wczc.editor@gmail.com](mailto:wczc.editor@gmail.com) by the 10<sup>th</sup> of the month.

## Windy City Z Upcoming Events Calendar

Date & Event	Venue	Contact Info
October 12 Fall Fling – Poker Run	Rescheduled to Fall 2014	Carl Kush
November 2 WCZC Birthday party	Home Run Inn Pizza	Ty Ozgen - <a href="mailto:tmo212@aol.com">tmo212@aol.com</a>
November Fall Drive	TBD – possible event	Jeff Pleiter - <a href="mailto:villazx10@comcast.net">villazx10@comcast.net</a>



## WCZC B-day Party 2003

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*Octoberfest  
Continental Nissan  
Oct 5, 2013*

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# Windy City Z Club



38<sup>th</sup>

## Anniversary

**Saturday, Nov. 2<sup>th</sup>, 2013**

**6:30pm – 10:30pm**

### Home Run Inn Pizza

**1480 West Lake St**

**Addison, IL 60101**

**(630) 775-9696**

*DoorPrizes!*  
*Slide Show!*  
*Officer Elections!*  
*Good Times!*

Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

There will be a cash bar.

\$15 per plate for members and one guest

\$25 per plate for nonmembers

Kindly RSVP by October 30<sup>th</sup>.

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