

WCZC News

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Upcoming Events

March 3rd

President's Dinner

Livia, Elmhurst

April 7th

General Meeting

TBD

June 13

Midwest Z Heritage

Cuyahoga Fall, OH

See full schedule on page 3 for more details

The President Sees Z

Jeff Pleiter, President



As we start a new year for the club, we patiently wait for winter to end. The polar vortex has come and gone, but as I write this it is in the 20s and snowing lightly. I am also watching the Daytona 500, which I consider the first milestone on the way to Spring. The sun is now setting close to 5:30 pm and the average temperature is supposed to be rising. Our Chicago climate means there are six more weeks of winter no matter what the groundhog says. However, planning is now in full swing for WCZC events, as well as other regional and national Z events. See the listing below and keep your eye on Evites and our website.

You may have seen Carlos Ghosn in the news for being arrested and fired by Nissan for misconduct related to significantly under reporting his salary and compensation to the government and Nissan for eight years. It seems odd that he could get away for it for so long, and there have been rumors that internal politics played into it coming out at this time. Reorganization of their management is in process and Nissan has revised their 2019 forecast downward. How does this affect a possible Z redesign? I can speculate on two possibilities. The first is that any potential new Z could be delayed or reduced in scope while Nissan focuses on their internal problems. The second is that with the 50th anniversary of the Z in 2020, they could make a new Z program and rollout part of a renaissance of Nissan along with their emphasis on technology and electrification - Nissan Intelligent Mobility. Nissan Leaf e+. Nissan IMs concept. Time will tell.

Activities News:

The first WCZC event of the year was a WCZC General Meeting and lunch, with a white elephant gift exchange at Manny's Ale House on February

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Notes

Thanks to Continental Nissan, for once again providing tickets to the Chicago Auto Show!



81 ZX on Maui

Photo by Jim K.

The President Sez

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2nd. We also showed pictures from 2018 events on their big screen TV. There were nine members who had a nice lunch and exchanged small gifts including cleaning supplies, 350Z license plate holder, Haynes manual, Dodge Viper model, books, and a ceramic white elephant.

Club members attended the Chicago Auto Show on February 11 courtesy of tickets provided by Continental Nissan. I was unable to attend due to work commitments. They did show a Nismo Z this year.

March 3rd at 5pm, our next event will be a President's Dinner at Livia Italian Eatery, 116 Schiller Street in downtown Elmhurst, IL. There is a nearby parking garage. Weather will probably be a little iffy for Zs yet.

April 7th at 5 pm is date for WCZC general meeting. Location TBD.

May - TBD.

June - Midwest Z Heritage 2019- June 13-15 hosted by the Cleveland Z Club. Registration is now open for the event and the host hotel which is the Sheraton Suites in Cuyahoga Falls, Ohio. www.midwestzheritage.com. Events include brewery outing, drives, car shows, karting, and dinner/awards/raffle. Car Show will be at Summit Racing. More events are in the planning stage.

July -International Z Car Convention 2019 July 16-21 in Branson, Missouri hosted by the Ozarks Z Club and combined with the Branson Z Fest. Hilton Hotel Branson. Registration is now open for the event and the hotel. www.zcon.org. Early bird pricing ends 2/28. The ZCON Branson Announcement video can be found on vimeo.com. Note both car shows will be in air-conditioned halls.

August 25 - Geneva Concours d'Elegance. We are looking into getting registered as a club for the car club

Z Events

Chicago Auto Show Photos by Walt K.



Z Store

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WCZC 2019 Schedule of Events

For more information, contact Jeff Pleiter, unless noted otherwise.

Date	Time	Event	Location	Contact and Details	WCZC Event
March 3rd	5PM	President's Dinner	Livia Resturant Elmhurst, IL	See Evite	Yes
April		General Meeting	TBD	Evite to follow	Yes
June 13-15		Midwest Z Heritage Fest	Cuyahoga Falls, Ohio	See Evite See Z Heritage Web-	Yes
July 16-21		ZCon	Branson, Mo	See Evite See ZCon website	Yes
August 25		Concours d'Elegance	Geneva, IL	Evite to follow	Yes



Z Events

White Elephant Lunch Photos by Jeff P.





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280ZX _____

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\$25.00 for one Associate year*

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WINDY CITY Z CLUB

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