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Upcoming Events

June 2nd

Midwest Z Heritage Planning

Chateau Pleiter

June 13th

Midwest Z Heritage

Cuyahoga Fall, OH

July 16th

Zcon

Branson, Mo

August 25th

Concours d'Elegance

Geneva, IL

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The President Sees

Jeff Pleiter, President



A group of WCZC members attended the May 11th Turtle Wax Tech Session at their corporate headquarters in Addison IL. I was out of town, so the following information was provided by Ty Ozgen

What a great event we had at the Turtle Wax Corporate Campus in Addison. Even the gloomy weather could not keep our members from attending that day. Many thanks to Mike Schultz and his staff, Rod Laviste and Fred Joseph, for taking time that Saturday to be our hosts. This was our third time visiting with Turtle Wax and I always come out with a lot more knowledge about car care that when I first got there.

As usual we all gathered around to enjoy complimentary coffee and donuts which certainly helped warm our bodies. Afterwards we convened at the classroom for a presentation of their new products as well as a question /answer session. We not only were learning from them but they were learning from us about how we use car care products. During the discussion we were all given a "Spray and Wipe Interior detailer" to examine and then they asked us to open the container. Pretty simple it would seem. This container had dry wipes in one compartment and the spray bottle in another. It is a clever idea so that the wipes don't dry out during storage. They watched as we opened the container and we all did quite well with the exception of one member (Bill Opperman) who literally destroyed the device somehow. We all had a good laugh but somehow he is able to maintain his 240Z and 370Z in mint condition. Mike and his staff are very knowledgeable people about the Turtle Wax line and other car care brands as well.

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Notes

Please contact Jeff and attend the June 2 kick-off meeting, if you are interested in helping plan the 2020 Midwest Z Heritage, which is being hosted by WCZC.



The President Sez

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They gave us their honest opinion about their competitors and the pros and cons of each. Did you know China is a huge market for Turtle Wax? When the session was done, we were all given several Turtle Wax car care product to use at home. Thank you so much!!

We then moved to the car wash bay, to get hands on experience with their products. I was very impressed with their "Scratch Repair and Renew" product. They demonstrated it on a sample of black painted sheet metal. It really worked well in removing scratches with minimal effort!! Then they asked for a volunteer to demonstrate their new Turtle Wax ICE Seal n Shine product. Mike Higashikawa brought over his silver 350Z. It was hand washed and dried by them, wheels and all. They then sprayed this new product onto his Z. I went on quite easily and was wiped with a microfiber towel. Then they simulated several car washes to check the how well the product lasted and beaded. It really kept on beading after several washes and no they did not light his hood on fire to further check its durability.

I was so impressed with the Seal n Shine product that I really wanted to give it a try on one of my cars. The only question was which one. When I got home, I saw that my son's Sentra was outside so it became the "sacrificial lamb". I washed it in the drizzling rain and pulled it into the garage to dry it off. Then away I went spraying the product as they described. I did one section at a time. It really was very easy to use and I wiped it off with microfiber towel just like they described. There was really no residue left behind and the paint did feel slick afterwards. It truly did leave a nice clean shine on it. I did not test the beading at that time but by the next morning it had rained on it and boy was it beading. Pretty impressive. I'm sold. It's not a cleaner wax so I think I'd still use a cleaner product at first, especially after the winter to get the grime off the pain. Thank you so much Mike Schultz, for all your efforts and thanks to Ty, for arranging this event.

I (Jeff) was back in town for the May 18 drive and tour of the Farnsworth House. With the weather being as rainy as it has been, and a busy home and work life this Spring, this was the first time that I was able to get a Z out of the garage and drive it this year. Due to a self-inflicted error for the first part of the drive (leaving my wife's phone and the I-Pass at home), and getting separated from the group at a traffic light, I can't really comment on the drive that Jim Koolish had planned. (editor's note, it was great) So I ended up following the Waze navigation

app and taking a more direct route, which did include a few nice rural roads. The Farnsworth house was pretty cool. It was interesting to hear the story of the owners and architect and see the effort and detail that went into the design of the house. You can see in Jim's pictures that the house is a glass and steel box surrounding a center core. The center core holds all the utilities within and the only closed off rooms in the core are the mechanical room and the bathrooms. The kitchen, living and sleeping areas are all in the open space around the core. Pretty exposed living, although it is surrounded by woods, and there are window shades were added that can be drawn. The house used to be isolated, but the main intrusion into the serenity now is busy road that was moved and expanded near the west side of the property. Unfortunately, you can hear the constant flow of traffic. A few Z cars headed home after the house tour due to the threat of storms and the possibility of hail, but the rest of us motored on to the Bull Moose Bar and Grill in nearby Sandwich IL. Their food includes typical bar and grill food but has a few extras and is above average in the quality of the food. The storm rained over us while we were in the restaurant, and the hail stayed away, so the cars ended up only a bit wet for the drive home.

June 2nd. This is short notice, so tentative for now. We are hosting the 2020 Midwest Z Heritage Fest and I want to host a meeting to start planning and designate a committee, at my house. Meet at 4 pm for the planning kick-off, with dinner about 5:30. Let's make it a potluck and weather permitting the grill will be fired up for burgers etc. W. I already have a few names of people interested in helping out. Let me know if you would like to attend the meeting. The 2020 ZCON looks to be in September of that year, so we would be looking for dates in Spring/Summer. I am looking for suggestions, as to a somewhat scenic and appropriate place to hold the car show.

June 8 Central Illinois Z Enthusiasts are having a show at Green Nissan in Springfield Illinois. I will be in East Peoria that day, so right now I am planning attend if the weather looks good.

June 8 is also a Cars and Track Day at Autobahn Country Club. Sign up through their website. If there is a group of WCZC members who want to go, let me know and I will connect you or send out an Evite.

June 13-15 Midwest Z Heritage 2019 hosted by the Cleveland Z Club. Registration is 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. I will be leaving on Thursday morning. If you want to caravan together to the event, plan on meeting at the Lincoln Oasis and leaving there by 9:30 am. Please contact me and let

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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
June 2	4:00PM	2020 Midwest Z Heritage Planning kick-off	Chateau Pleiter Villa Park, IL	See Evite	Yes
June 13-15		Midwest Z Heritage Fest	Cuyahoga Falls, Ohio	See Evite See Z Heritage Website	Yes
July 16-21		ZCon	Branson, Mo	See Evite See ZCon website	Yes
August 25		Concours d'Elegance	Geneva, IL	Evite to follow	Yes



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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 is over. The ZCON Branson Announcement video can be found on vimeo.com. Note both car shows will be in air-conditioned halls. I am not going to ZCON this year, so if those are going want to drive together, let me know and I will put the info in the next newsletter.

August 25 - Geneva Concours d'Elegance. We have registered as a club for the car club area. More info to come.

Other events under consideration: Holding our Cruizin' Z car show, cruise nights, trip to Galena or Lake Geneva, Cars that Time forgot show in Delavan WI on July 14, Historic Races at Road America, drive to Monroe / New Glarus area and brewery. Iron Gate International Auto Show June 23. Chicago Wheels tech session.

If you are interested on attending any of the above or have an idea for another event let me know, especially if you are willing to take the lead on the event.

Ron and Linda Osborne are looking to sell their 2006 Z Roadster Touring Convertible/Black with automatic transmission with manual mode.

Second owner: Bought Z when it had 1,067 miles on odometer. Current miles: 15,350, asking: \$15,175.

Ron can be reached at 630-393-0266



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