

# WCZC News

Newsletter of the Windy City Z Club

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## Upcoming Events

**July 12, 2026**

*Annual Picnic*

*Warrenville IL*

**July 18, 2026**

*Vintage Races*

*Road America*

**August 23, 2026**

*Geneva Concours*

*Geneva, IL*

**September 20, 2026**

*Cantigny Show*

*Wheaton, IL*

**September 21–26, 2026**

*ZCon*

*Phoenix, AZ*

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## The President Se<sup>Z</sup>

**Ty Ozgen, President**

Hip hip hooray! Our nice weather is finally here. Are you enjoying it? Are you driving your Z? Are you coming to our events? If not, you're missing the point of having the car and being part of our club. I think we are off to a fantastic start!!!

Our first driving event of the year took place on May 2<sup>nd</sup>, as we drove part of Route 66 through several communities. This famous road is celebrating its 100th anniversary, and our club took part in the Red Carpet Corridor event celebrating the route. Several small towns along this route were having get-togethers and festivities to commemorate the anniversary that particular weekend. We gathered together at the Dunkin' Donuts in Bolingbrook. It was a cool morning, but the sun was warm.

We started out heading toward Wilmington. At this first stop, they had a large craft fair full of memorabilia as well as food and snacks. We walked around for about 45 minutes and then gathered back together to drive to our next destination, Gardner. In this town, they had a car show, an Elvis impersonator, a jail that was built in 1906, and also a lot of knick-knacks for sale. After spending time there, we drove down to Dixon where we had lunch at the Old Family Restaurant along Route 66. This place was packed full of other car enthusiasts doing the same thing we were doing, enjoying the beautiful day with their cars and friends. This is what the car culture is all about!! Sometimes life gets very monotonous with the same routine, and an event this certainly breaks that trend.

After lunch, we went to Odell. At this town, we toured an old gas station sitting along the Route 66 Drive. At the station, they had a sign indicating the price of gasoline at 27 7/10 cents per gallon. Not

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## Notes

Be sure to register for the Geneva show and indicate that you are part of the club. We will have dedicated parking behind the Courthouse.



## The President Sez

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exactly sure what timeframe this was, but my earliest recollection is when I first started driving in the mid-1970s and gas was around \$.50 a gallon. As we were gathered around our cars, a group of gentlemen from the Mustang club came over to talk to us. One gentleman was quite impressed with our Z's, specifically Fred's 280ZX. Of course, Fred was very cordial and proudly showed his car to this person. Fred's car being a show winner at the national convention, showed very well especially when he popped the hood. Thanks Fred for showing the Z!! The Mustang owner expressed interest in purchasing an older Z, at some point in the near future.

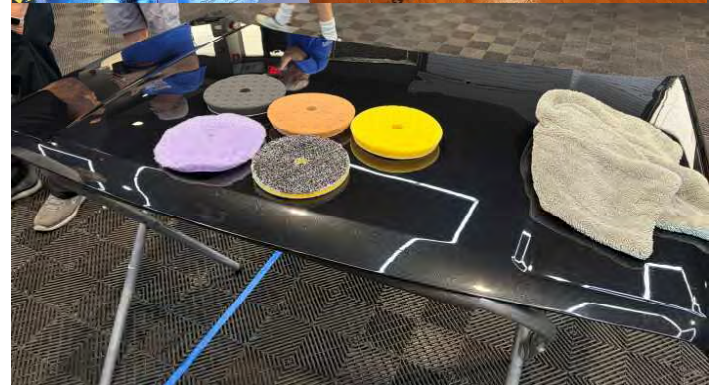
Our final stop from there was in Pontiac. Once again, we toured the city on foot going to various sites, including the Pontiac Museum. I had never been to this museum and it certainly was a lot of fun just walking through looking at the old Pontiac vehicles they had on display as well as other memorabilia. My favorite car there was a 1970 Pontiac Firebird Formula with 433 original miles. What a beautiful timepiece it was. The people there were quite friendly and very enthusiastic about their museum. This was our final destination, as it was now mid afternoon and we all started the trek back home along the interstate. What a beautiful day it was. Many thanks to Bob and Marlene Rosecrans for setting this up for us. Our next event was the Turtle Wax tech session. This is always a club favorite, and it had been a few years since we were last here. Again, just an absolutely beautiful day and the parking lot was full of Z cars. What a great site it was! Thank you to everybody who brought their cars out, as the hosts at Turtle Wax enjoyed looking at the cars. We gathered together in a classroom setting for a short video presentation about Turtle Wax and their research and development team. Afterwards, there was a presentation and discussion about some of their products that will be coming out in the near future. It's interesting how they described how these products came to be, through research and testing. It's not just wax, it's a science!!

We then moved into the demonstration area where they demonstrated some of the new products. They scratched a hood that was on display and used their products to bring out the shine and eliminate the scratch marks. Very cool to watch them do this. At the end of the event, everybody went home with goodie bags of products to use on our cars. I am already a fan of their products and use them for all of my cars, from the exterior to the interior.

Thank you Turtle Wax!

This past Saturday, June 13th, we met at Calibre Coffee, in the Arboretum of South Barrington, for a Cars And Coffee event. There were a significant number of Z's, including people who are not members of the Club. Hopefully they will join. In addition to the Z's there were a number of other cars including Mustangs, Porsches, and a 1971 Oldsmobile Tornado in mint original condition. Thanks, Pat Sylvester, for arranging this event.

The next event is the July Annual Picnic, at Blackwell Forest Preserve in Warrenville.



## WCZC 2026 Schedule of Events

| Date               | Time | Event             | Location                           | Contact and Details | WCZC Event |
|--------------------|------|-------------------|------------------------------------|---------------------|------------|
| July 12, 2026      |      | Annual Picnic     | Blackwell North<br>Warrenville, IL | Evite has been sent | Yes        |
| July 18, 2026      |      | Road America      |                                    | Evite has been sent | Yes        |
| August 23, 2026    |      | Geneva Concours   | Geneva, IL                         | Evite to follow     | Yes        |
| September 20, 2026 |      | Cantigny Car Show | Wheaton, IL                        | Evite to follow     | Yes        |
| September 21, 2026 |      | ZCon              | Phoenix, AZ                        | ZCon.org            |            |
| November 2026      |      | Club B-day Party  |                                    | Evite to follow     | Yes        |
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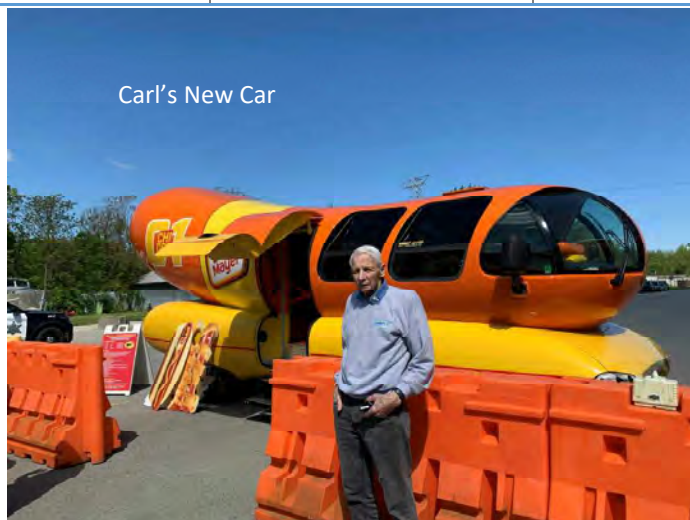
License Plate Frame

\$3 ea. or 2 for \$5



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Carl's New Car



## WCZC Activities

Tech Session—Turtle Wax Photos by Jim K & Ty O.



## WCZC Activities

Route 66 Red Carpet Photos by Jim K, Ty O., Carl K., Fred G.



## WCZC Activities

Calibre Coffee Photos by Jim K





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# MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Date: \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Dual Member's Name \_\_\_\_\_

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Occupation \_\_\_\_\_ Birthday (Mo/Day) \_\_\_\_\_ Shirt Size \_\_\_\_\_ Dual Member's Birthday \_\_\_\_\_ Shirt Size \_\_\_\_\_

e-mail address (please print): \_\_\_\_\_  
 Your e-mail address is important because we send the WCZC newsletter and club notifications via e-mail.  
 Please remember to keep us updated if your e-mail address changes.

Type of Zs Owned (Please indicate year and quantity):  
 240Z \_\_\_\_\_ 300ZX \_\_\_\_\_  
 260Z \_\_\_\_\_ 350Z \_\_\_\_\_  
 280Z \_\_\_\_\_ 370Z \_\_\_\_\_  
 280ZX \_\_\_\_\_ NISSAN Z \_\_\_\_\_

How did you hear about our club? \_\_\_\_\_

**Membership \$30.00 1-year or \$50.00 2-years. New memberships due at time of joining. Renewals due January 1st of every year**

**I AM INTERESTED IN THE FOLLOWING:**

- Autocrossing
- Trips-Touring
- Rallying
- Car Restoration
- Road Racing
- Social Events
- Tech Seminars
- Hosting a club event
- Customizing
- Committee Volunteer
- Club Representative
- Leadership Role

*If you have any questions concerning these categories, please call one of the Club Officers listed above.*

Please make your check payable to the Windy City Z Club and mail it with this application to:  
 WINDY CITY Z CLUB

27447 S. Wildwood Drive, Monee, IL 60449

Your membership packet will be sent to you by return mail within two to four weeks

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