



The Monthly Planet

Just Around The Corner!

Adopt-A-Highway 2009

April 18, 2009, 10:00 a.m.

Our first Adopt-A-Highway (AAH) cleanup for 2009 will be held on Saturday, April 18th starting at 10 AM. Our cleanup site is a very urban area with lots of traffic on Livingston Avenue and Alum Creek Drive. It is also an area that tends to collect a lot of trash, which is why it is high on the priority list for the City of Columbus. Safety will be the highest priority because of the traffic volume in the area. The areas we will be cleaning will be grassy and could also be wet or muddy, so dress accordingly. Sturdy shoes and appropriate outerwear are a must. The City of Columbus provides us with gloves, Safety Vests, "Litter Grabbers", and garbage bags.

Directions to the AAH Cleanup Site

Coming from West on I-70, take Exit 103B, (Alum Creek Dr / Livingston Ave). Turn right on Alum Creek Drive northbound.

Turn right into parking area (red "P" on map) or turn right into McDonalds, drive to the rear, turn left and then second left to parking area, "P"



Coming from East on I-70, take Exit 103B, (Livingston Ave). Turn left onto Livingston Avenue. Go to stop light and turn left onto Alum Creek Drive (Southbound). Make an immediate left turn into parking area (red "P" on map).

Our parking area is on the North side of the white building with the circular red which is just North of McDonalds (red "M" on the map).



The picture below shows CarClub members preparing to start the cleanup last April. The weather was cool and dry, after a night of light rain showers.



Saturn of Columbus has again agreed to pay for lunch for the volunteers after the clean up. There are several suitable restaurants about 1 mile north of the AAH area in Bexley. Also, since this is the first AAH cleanup of the year, participants will earn two (2) activity points toward Active Member Status.

We encourage all CarClub members to come and participate. Remember, the more members that participate, the less each member has to cleanup! Join us on April 18th at 10 AM.

Wildflower Wander

April 26, 2009, 1:45 p.m.

Sharon Woods Metro Park

6911 S. Cleveland Avenue
Westerville, OH

Our April event will be a “Wildflower Wander” Hike on Sunday, April 26th at 2:00 p.m. at Sharon Woods State Park in Westerville. This will be both an on and off the trail hike.

Sharon Woods is located on Cleveland Avenue, across from St. Ann’s Hospital. We will meet inside the park at 1:45 and leave with the group at 2:00. Plan to come a little early because the parking is limited and it fills up quickly.

These hikes are always fun, and educational, as often a naturalist or two joins us and helps us see what we might miss. I know last year’s was a wonderful way to see plants I’d only read about. Bring your camera and your family!

Afterwards, we’ll all head out to a nearby restaurant for a light dinner or just some desert.

Make Your Pick!!

May and June

Because this is **YOUR** club, we are letting you decide what you would like your event to be for May and June. You can either call the Hotline and give your selection, come to the April meeting and vote, or leave a message on the Yahoo group.

The May event would be May 23rd, with a meeting time and place determined by on the selected event. The options are as follows:

1. **Rolling Ridge Ranch:** The kids love it, and so do the big kids! It is in Millersburg, which is in Amish country, and we would ride in a horse-drawn wagon around the farm through the fields looking at, and

feeding, the animals. The wagon driver will tell us more about the different animals and there are lots of opportunities to take “up close and personal” pictures. It is wheelchair accessible. The cost is \$13.95 for adults and \$8.95 for seniors and children. If we have 15 or more the cost is \$7.95/person. For more information, visit www.visitrollingridge.com.

2. **Old Fashioned Ice Cream Festival in Utica:** There will be music, arts, crafts, family friendly entertainment, games for all ages and, of course, lots of ice cream to enjoy. For more information, visit www.uticaoldfashionedicecreamfestival.com. Although they don’t have their 2009 schedule completed yet, you can look at the 2008 schedule and get some idea as to what might be going on.

For June, your choices include whatever isn’t chosen for May, or:

1. **Lost in Egypt exhibit at COSI.** There was such a great turnout for the Egyptian Treasures exhibit at the Art Museum, perhaps there’s interest in the follow up exhibit at COSI! The cost is \$12.50 adults, \$10.50 60+, and \$7.50 2-12. Check out www.cosi.org for more details.
2. **Tecumseh!** This is a professionally produced outdoor drama in Chillicothe. It’s suitable for most members of the family, although we would not recommend it for younger children. Visit www.tecumsehdrama.com for more details.

At the April meeting, we will be voting for both May and June. In May, we will vote for July, and so on. Suggestions are always welcome, and don’t worry if there’s more than one thing you’re interested in. Events that are not selected will be on the ballot again!

Note that Bingo remains cancelled until further notice.

We look forward to seeing you at a meeting or event soon.

Becky Harrass, Events Chair



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The VUE from the VERY Top!

Saturn owners have never been shy about sharing their thoughts regarding our brand. So when I wrote to you a couple of weeks ago to tell about the potential changes at Saturn, I knew that I would get a strong response.

Your e-mails and phone calls showed that many of you share our enthusiasm for the idea that Saturn might return to its roots as an independent company. The thoughtful comments were a clear reminder of one of the things that has always made Saturn special. We have great retailers and vehicles, but it is the loyalty of Saturn owners that has always set us apart from other brands.

A few owners expressed concern regarding Saturn's warranty and potential service needs going forward. Be assured, there is absolutely no change in the new vehicle warranty for any Saturn vehicles. Saturn has always been a brand you can trust, and your vehicle's Saturn warranty is absolutely safe and sound, now and well into the future. The quality of our products is the bedrock of our business. GM has been in business for 100 years and is planning to be in business for the next 100 years and beyond. GM and Saturn have always taken care of our customers and stood behind our products — and we will continue to do so.

Many of you also asked, "What can I do to help Saturn?" That's easy. You can proudly promote Saturn's fresh lineup of award-winning, fuel-efficient vehicles—most of which lead their class in highway fuel economy. Also, convey your passion for the brand by sharing with your friends and families the great service you've received from your Saturn retailer. By becoming an advocate, you possess tremendous power in helping us spread the word that Saturn is a brand people can trust.

Finally, please know Saturn remains committed to continuing to do what we do best—delivering outstanding customer service. And rest assured we are working diligently to try to secure a viable plan for Saturn's future. Saturn made history when it launched as a Different Kind of Car Company and revolutionized the car-buying and ownership experience. So, it's no wonder then that Saturn would face today's economic challenges head-on. It's in the face of adversity that remarkable innovations are born. It's time to make history once again.

I'll be sending you updates as needed, and you can also visit ImSaturn.com to get all the latest Saturn-related information. Thank you for your continued support.

Sincerely,

Jill Lajdziak
General Manager, Saturn

Charity Updates



Thanks to everyone who donated to the American Red Cross this quarter! With your help, we presented a check for \$150 to further their efforts in the Central Ohio Area. We'll have their literature available at the next few meetings, if you missed hearing about all the good work they do in Central Ohio.

Our Charity Partner for the Second Quarter is the Arthritis Foundation. Stay tuned for more information about becoming involved with their July car show!

News and Notes

Welcome to spring in Ohio! Time to open all the windows (pop the top on your SKY or just open your sunroof) and let in the fresh air! And believe me my car needs that (so does my house, but that's another story). As it gets warmer our activities move outside. Look for Becky's article to find out what's going on, and we hope to see you soon!

Speaking of what's new and going on, there is a new program this year. In this newsletter you will find a list of possibilities for up-coming events. **YOU** get to vote, either at the meeting each month, by email, or by calling the hotline with your vote for the next event. So, look for the options, and get the info, and vote! My thanks to Rick Haller and Becky Harrass for their hard work in putting this project together.

Don't forget that, if you refer six (6) people who become members between March and September, you will receive a free one-year membership to the CarClub! Simply write your name on their member form, and our Membership Officer will track your referrals. Your free year will be added on to your current membership!

THE CARCLUB NEEDS YOU!

The Club needs a Vice President. To ensure a seamless transition from year to year, each year we ask for a member to be Vice-President, then becoming President the next year. We know Saturn will continue to exist after this year and we certainly want the CarClub to continue. So, if you have been a member for over 1 year, you can fill this important position and keep the club going. Please contact an officer if you can fill this position. You will not be required to be at every meeting or event in this position, or as President as these can be shared duties. On behalf of Peggy Williams, our President, I thank you for your support.

Steve Whitman

Champions

C Saturn's Rebirth "date" is getting closer! The NOW current Due Date is the middle of April. We are all eagerly
O awaiting the Grand Announcement. In my opinion, this will be the Greatest News since Saturn was first announced
R in the 1980's.

N At the Retail level we have the BEST of both worlds. Our current line-up is the Best ever. Once the Birth of the
E New Saturn takes place we will see a product that will enhance our current product line and take it to the NEXT
R Level.

Most of you should have received the Saturn Flyer by now. You can see the dedication and support that Saturn has both internally (Saturn Corp) and externally (the Retail Facilities and employees). What can you do? Come in and Test Drive our Great Product Line and see for yourself how far we have come. Tell your friends, family and neighbors about YOUR experiences. Remember we still have the referral program which entitles you to a \$75.00 Certificate for any service, merchandise, parts and Vehicle purchases, PLUS the chance to win the \$2,500 Cruise.

Saturn customers have always been the backbone of Saturn and Saturn CarClub members have been the MOST loyal customers.

Now is the best time to purchase a Saturn. Saturn of Columbus has ample inventory to meet your needs. Stop by and visit your Sales Consultant or if you don't currently have one, see me at Saturn/West.

I SAY! I SAY! I SAY! Saturn!!!!

Al Clapsaddle

<http://www.saturnwest-alclapsaddle.com>

Central Ohio Saturn CarClub Activities Calendar

Date	Meeting / Event	Location	Time
April 9 th	Regular Meeting	Saturn West	7:00 p.m.
April 18 th	Adopt-A-Highway	Livingston/Alum Creek	10:00 a.m.
April 26 th	Wildflower Wander	Sharon Woods Metro Park	1:45 p.m.
May 14 th	Regular Meeting	Saturn North	7:00 pm.
May 23 rd	Member-Selected Event!	Remember to Vote!!	TBD
June 11 th	Regular Meeting	Saturn SouthEast	7:00 p.m.
July 9 th	Regular Meeting/Picnic	TBD	6:30 p.m.
August 15 th	Woodward Dream Cruise	Detroit, MI	All Day
August 22 nd	Cruise the 'Ville 2009	Whetstone Park, Clintonville	All Day

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CarClub Hotline

Need information about the Central Ohio Saturn CarClub meetings or activities?

**Call our hotline
(614) 470-3517**

An officer will call you back, usually within 24 hours. If you don't hear from anyone within that time, please call back and leave a second message. Occasionally a message is hard to understand or gets deleted unintentionally.

CarClub Websites

<http://www.centohiocarclub.com/>
<http://autos.groups.yahoo.com/group/centohiosaturncarclub>

Cruise The 'Ville 2009

We received an e-mail from the Clintonville Chamber of Commerce letting us know that their 2009 Cruise the 'Ville would be at Whetstone Park on August 22nd. Since there may be folks who would enjoy going to the Woodward Dream Cruise in Detroit, but can't make that trip, this could be an option for you! Their website is www.cruisetheville.com. If there's enough interest, this could be an alternative August event. Let us know what you think!



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