



CarClub



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Words from the President

November Meetings

The **final Saturday meeting** of the year was held on November 8th at 10:00 a.m. at Saturn/West. Saturday meetings are scheduled for those unable to make it to the regular meetings on second Thursdays. Members who have attended Saturday meetings have indicated that they are very useful to find out what has been going on and what is being planned for the CarClub. President Elect Lowell Lutman has indicated that he plans to continue to hold Saturday meetings (see the “Words from the President Elect” article for more information on what Lowell is planning for next year).

The **November regular meeting** was held on the 13th at Saturn/North. The meeting started at 6:30 p.m. with the mini-event, which was a Fall Festival Supper. The supper included vegetable soup, chicken vegetable soup, chili, bread, crackers, hot and cold apple cider, and homemade pumpkin and apple pies. It was a great feast! Thanks to the Events committee for providing all of the wonderful food.

Following the meal, the normal business meeting was conducted. Under old business, a second collection was taken for the **Humane Society of Delaware County**. The first collection was taken at the October meeting. This activity was undertaken in response to the talk given to the CarClub by June Carter at the August meeting. A total of \$76.11 was collected and sent to the Humane Society of Delaware County in the name of the Central Ohio Saturn CarClub. A big Saturn CarClub “Thank You!” to all who contributed to this worthy cause.

Election of Officers for 2004 was conducted under new business. When nominations closed, the ballot listed candidates for each office except for Secretary. A discussion was held on how best to proceed without a nomination for Secretary. As his final action as outgoing Vice President, Lowell Lutman indicated that he would

work on getting an interim/permanent Secretary. Elections were held to fill the remaining offices, which resulted in the following team of officers who will assist President Lutman in the coming year:

Vice President:	Becky Harrass
Treasurer:	Peggy Williams
Events:	John Williams & Jim Harrass
Membership:	Jim Harrass
Newsletter:	Mike Steve
Safety/Historian:	Cheryl Lutman

Looking Ahead

The Central Ohio Saturn CarClub **Holiday Party** will be held on the 6th of December at the Northern Shelter at Highbanks Metro Park. We still need more **2004 picture calendars** to be given to the residents at Villa Angela during our Caroling on December 11th. If you have any 2004 picture calendars that you would like to donate, please bring them to the Holiday Party on December 6th. See the events article for more details.

December 11th will be our **annual Caroling meeting**, which will again be held at Villa Angela Care Center, 5700 Karl Road (just South of SR 161).

Don't forget our **monthly Bingo at Villa Angela Care Center** on December 18th at 7:00 p.m.

Keeping in Touch

No new members have joined the CarClub since the last newsletter. As a reminder to all CarClub members, attend just six meetings and/or events within a year and you will be considered an “Active” member and receive a 15% discount from Saturn of Columbus!

The New CarClub Board would like to hear from you as to what you would like to do. There are many ways to do

this. You can talk to any Board member, call the CarClub Voicemail Hotline at 614-470-3517, send an e-mail to the CarClub at Saturn@centohiocarclub.com, or submit a suggestion in writing to the suggestion box at any of the regular CarClub meetings.

We hope each one of you will make the effort to attend as many CarClub events as possible and to let us know what you would like to do as a CarClub.

Remember that you are the CarClub!

Jim

AND NOW A WORD FROM THE PRESIDENT ELECT ...

Since I didn't have a "platform" to run on when you elected me, I thought I would take a moment to share with everyone what I see happening this year. Some things will continue ... the regular monthly meetings will be on the **second Thursday of the month** at 7:00 p.m., plus we will have **four Saturday meetings**, so please check the voicemail, web site or the newsletter for dates, times and locations. Our ongoing community service projects will be bingo at Villa Angela on the **third Thursday of each month** and **Adopt-A-Highway** in the warmer months. Our **annual trip to Spring Hill** will be planned for the late summer or early fall, and let's hope we can be there on a sunny day this year! We will be part of the **Columbus Auto Show** helping Saturn of Columbus staff the Saturn display as well as **Saturn Day at the Columbus Zoo**. We hope to also help our retailer in other ways.

New items for this year include up to four events scheduled on Sundays and a **car rally** in the summer or fall. We will also be working with four local charities during 2004.

I hope to meet you at an event or meeting. Remember that you are the club, so please let myself or one of the other officers know if there's something specific you would like to see happen. I wish you a safe and fun filled holiday season and will **see you January 8, 2004** at Saturn South East for the first meeting of the year!

Lowell

CARCLUB EVENTS

Still in the Rearview Mirror

BINGO was held on November 20th at Villa Angela. 32 residents were in attendance with 8 CarClub members. Plan to attend the **next BINGO on December 18th at 7:00 p.m.** Villa Angela is located at 5700 Karl Road.

On **Nov. 15th** nine CarClub members left the Cracker Barrel on Stringtown Road at 9:00 a.m. heading south on I-71 toward the **Newport Aquarium**. After arriving safely in Newport and parking the Saturns in the parking garage, the group posed in front on the Aquarium prior to entering the facility.



The Newport Aquarium is a very exciting exhibit and it is a very worthwhile trip, especially for children. The way the aquarium is arranged, you feel like you are actually walking through the water with the fish, as the next picture of two sharks swimming over your head shows.



Other items of note at the aquarium include a “glass bridge” over an alligator pit, a large “art gallery” of jellyfish tanks, and the penguin habitat at the end of the tour. There are plenty of places for picture-taking also.

After the aquarium visit, several CarClub members ate a late lunch at a restaurant located in the shopping mall next to the aquarium, and some members were also enticed to stop at the Outlet Mall on I-71 on the way home.



Just Ahead Around the Curve

December 6th will be the **Holiday Party** at the Highbanks Metro Park (Northern Shelter). This is the schedule for this traditional activity:

10:00 a.m. – Noon. We will decorate the building to give it a festive Holiday feeling. Feel free to join in and help get the decorations up.

Noon – 4:00 p.m. Holiday party including food, fun, games, and door prizes. We are asking for a donation of \$2.00 from each person the help defray the cost of the shelter. Also bring your favorite covered dish to share and a gift to be given to a resident of Villa Angela at Bingo.

Very Important Note: Please call Becky Harrass at 457-5945 if you plan to attend. The Events

Committee needs to have **an accurate count of how many are coming** to order and prepare the meat that will be provided. Also Please let Becky or Peggy know if you would like to help decorate before or takedown after the party.

December 11th will be the **Caroling** meeting at Villa Angela at 7:00 p.m. There will be some folks going out to eat after caroling. Everyone is welcome to join us.

December 20th will be the **Columbus Zoo “Wildlights 2003”** outing. For those wanting to eat at the Zoo, meet at 5:30 p.m. at the food pavilion. Those not wanting to eat can meet at the food pavilion at 6:00 p.m.

Suggestions for other activities are always welcome, please talk with any CarClub Officer, John Williams or Jim Harrass, or call the hotline (614-470-3517).

Pictures from the 2003 Tour of the Saturn Plant



Entry to the Visitor Center



Main Floor of the Visitor Center



The Banner in the Picture Above, Right: Welcome Saturn Car Club of Central Ohio

Central Ohio Saturn CarClub Items on Display:
Water Bottle, Flag, Membership Card.

Pictures furnished by Ruth Albert.



Central Ohio Saturn CarClub Activities Calendar

Date	Meeting / Event	Location	Time
6-Dec-03	Decorate for Holiday Party	Highbanks Northern Shelter	10 a.m. - 12 Noon
6-Dec-03	Holiday Party	Highbanks Northern Shelter	12 Noon – 4 p.m.
11-Dec-03	Monthly Meeting / Caroling	Villa Angela	7:00 p.m.
18-Dec-03	Bingo	Villa Angela	7:00 p.m.
20-Dec-03	Columbus Zoo Lights	Columbus Zoo Food Pavilion	6:00 p.m.
8-Jan-2004	Monthly Meeting	Saturn / Southeast	7:00 p.m.
15-Jan-2004	Bingo	Villa Angela	7:00 p.m.
12-Feb-2004	Monthly Meeting	Saturn / West	7:00 p.m.
19-Feb-2004	Bingo	Villa Angela	7:00 p.m.

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If you have ANY problem with the above E-mail addresses, please let us know by calling our Hotline at (614) 470-3517.

CarClub Hotline

Need information about the Central Ohio CarClub meetings or activities?

**Call our hotline at
(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.

Newsletter: If you would wish to submit an article for this newsletter or have any suggestions pertaining to this newsletter, please mail them to the address listed on the table of contents page or e-mail them to the Newsletter editor at:
centohioeditor@mail.saturnfans.com



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