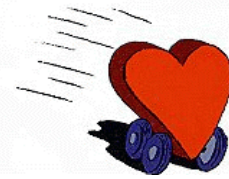




CarClub



The Monthly Planet

Central Ohio Saturn CarClub-Chapter 4

February 2003

Words from the President

The January meeting held at Saturn/West was well attended and everyone had their fill of great food prepared by Dianne Peterson and Mary Carter. Our thanks to them and to all who attended. It is rumored that they are planning to prepare more food for the February meeting, which will be held at Saturn/North on February 13th. Look for more information about this, and the part that you can play, later in this newsletter.

Saturn is again sponsoring National Donor Day with the Red Cross on Saturday the 15th of February at Saturn/West, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. See the National Donor Day article for more details.

For those members who cannot make it to the regular meetings on the second Thursday of the month, the CarClub will be conducting a Saturday meeting once each quarter. The Saturday meeting for this quarter will be held on February 15th at 10 a.m. at Saturn/West. Join us for the meeting and then stop by the Red Cross Bloodmobile and donate some blood!

The events people have been busy working on the schedule of events for 2003. Join us on February 22nd at Camp Lazarus to see how maple syrup is made. The CarClub also plans to participate in the start of the Ohio Bicentennial celebration on March 1st. Mark your calendars! Details can be found in the events section.

The Columbus International Auto Show will be held on March 15th through the 23rd. The CarClub is again asked to provide Saturn "owner" support of the Saturn display. See the CarClub Champion's article for further details.

Early planning has begun on the annual CarClub trek to the Saturn Plant at Spring Hill TN. One of the first tasks is to determine the date. If you would like to participate and you have a preference as to when you would like to go and/or when you know you cannot go, please let the events people know! They will be setting the date soon.

To help you to get to know the officers who are leading the CarClub this year, each newsletter will have a short

"biography" of one of the current officers. Later in this newsletter you will find information about our new Vice President, Lowell Lutman.

Don't forget to mark your calendars and plan to support Bingo the third Thursday of each month at Villa Angela and Adopt-A-Highway beginning in April.

As the new CarClub Board plans the activities for 2003, we would like your input 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 Voice Mail 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, you are the CarClub!

Jim

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS:

Mrs. John Barnard of Upper Arlington
Jean Caudill of Columbus
Deborah Edwards of Grove City
Janie Smith of Westerville

2003 CarClub Officers

President	Jim Harrass
Vice President	Lowell Lutman
Secretary	Virginia Russell
Treasurer	Peggy Williams
Events	Dianne Peterson/Gary Coolidge
Membership	Becky Harrass
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Membership Memo

As most of you read in the last newsletter, this is a year of change for the Saturn CarClub. See Al Clapsaddle's article for some background on these changes. We now have new membership cards ready. Some of you received your card at the January meeting. Those who didn't will either receive your card with this newsletter or if you receive your newsletter by email, you will receive your card through a separate mailing.

As you will note, those of you who have met the criteria have 15% discount printed on your card. Those who haven't will have 5% discount on your card.

What is required to receive the 15% discount? From July 1st to June 30th you must have earned six points. Points are obtained by attending qualifying events, either meetings or activities. The April Adopt-A-Highway counts as two points and all other qualifying meetings and activities count as one point. There are some activities that the CarClub participates in that the participants do not receive points.

We would like to invite everyone to come and join us at activities more often than six times a year! If I see you at Saturn/North on February 13th you will have earned another point!

Becky

The CarClub is Changing

You have received information about changes recently concerning the CarClub. We would like to take some time to explain the events that have occurred over the last couple of years that led up to these changes.

Initially the National Saturn CarClub administered our memberships and the benefits, we received as Chapters and members. But this caused some delays in membership kits. Each CarClub Chapter had items that did not fall under the "National" umbrella. When this happened, approval had to be obtained and because of the layers involved, items would be delayed.

Each CarClub, working with the National CarClub, discussed ways to speed things up. It was agreed that each Chapter would best serve its members, by accepting responsibility. Once the decision to move forward was finalized, the National CarClub, distributed the information to the Chapters.

Working with our business partner, Saturn of Columbus, we now control what we need and what we would like to do locally. Our CarClub Champion, Al Clapsaddle, is our interface with Saturn Corporation and Saturn of Columbus.

All of you will be receiving a NEW CarClub membership card. Please check for any mistakes and let our Membership Chair, Becky Harrass, know if there are any problems. Becky

can be reached through our Hotline at (614) 470-3517.

If you have any ideas or suggestions, please call and let us know. We can not fix or improve, if we do not know about a problem or situation.

We would like to take this time to Thank the National CarClub, for ALL of its support.

Al
CarClub Champion

EVENTS

We are off to a great start. Our first event was a late lunch and movie, Saturday, January 18th. Twelve members and two guests attended. On Tuesday the 28th we tried something new. Our first weekday, middle of the day event at the Riffe Gallery where three of us took in Quilts Galore.

Saturday, February 1st, nine members visited the Ohio Historical Society. Ohio Originals, Kilroy was Here: The 1940's Revisited, and A Stitch in Time: 200 years of Ohio Quilts were among the exhibits visited

Thursday, February 13th, 7 pm
General Meeting, Saturn North.

Attention All Culinary Artists:
At our next meeting on February 13th at Saturn North we are having ham and bean soup. MMMMMMMMMM

Question you ask: What do we need to go with the soup?
Answer: Cornbread!!!!!!

Bring your favorite homemade cornbread with recipe and become eligible for a Saturn prize.

What could be better?

Good fellowship? Good eating? Free drinks? All that and prizes, this is too good to be true. Have I died and gone to Saturn heaven?

See you at 7:00PM at Saturn North

Thursday, February 20th, 7 pm
What: Bingo
Where: Villa Angela Care Center,
5700 Karl Road, Columbus, OH

This starts the third year of our Bingo here at Villa Angela. Thanks to all Club Members who have made the first two years such a success. Without your support, this community service wouldn't have gotten off the ground. It is gratifying that so many are willing to commit to a project and keep it going. Thanks to everyone who has given from your hearts. Your time,

gifts, monies, and your support to our Club for being able to bring a fun filled evening to a lot of residents.

Although the night was frigid, car club members were welcomed with a warm reception! We had 46 residents and 8 members who were able to attend.

John and Peggy Williams, Carl and Virginia Russell, Jim and Becky Harrass, Gary Coolidge, Pete Peterson and Carla Clubb.

Peggy

Saturday, February 22nd

Maple Syrup Festival, Camp Lazarus. Due to parking limitations we will meet in the Meijer parking lot on Rt 23 at 10:30 (leaving at 10:45). Learn how maple syrup is made. Pancakes and the syrup among other foods available all day. All you can eat for just a few \$\$\$\$. Just up the CarClub's alley. Other events include: Indian dancing, black smithing & branding irons and a pioneer area.

Saturday, March 1st, 10 am (meet 9:30 am Saturn SE, leave 10 am), Statehood Day, Chillicothe. We will meet at Saturn Southeast at 9:30 am (leaving at 10 am.) Our first stop will be Adena, home of Thomas Worthington. From there we will head downtown where many events celebrating Ohio's statehood will be held beginning at 12:30. These will include the joint session of Ohio's General Assembly (not open to the public but televised at various sites), the dedication and ringing of the Ross County Bicentennial Bell, First Day Issue of Ohio's Statehood postage stamp and First Capital Village (a re-enactment of a 1803 village.) Admission to most if not all events is free.

Problems with events? Ideas? Let Dianne know at dpeters1@eudoramail.com or PO Box 302, Marion, OH 43301-0302

Dianne Peterson & Gary Coolidge, Events

Meet the Vice President - Lowell Lutman

I was asked to introduce myself, Hi, I'm Lowell! It's nice to meet you and welcome to a new year of CarClub events and fun!

Now I know that you are dying to ask me some questions so I will answer them for you:

I'm 6' 9" tall and no, I did not play basketball, football or wrestle in high school or college. As far as I know the weather is the same up here as down there. And . . . the most important answer . . . Yes, I do drive a Saturn, it's a blue/black SL with a five speed.

I have been a part of the CarClub since the first meeting at Saturn North, o' so many years ago. Ask John to bring the book of photographs because I am in two of the early ones. I have been an official member of the club since 1996. I was the Historian / Safety officer for the past two years.

I was born in Southern Ohio and have lived all over the bottom of the state: west - Xenia, east - Athens, south - South Point and north - Columbus.

Cheryl and I have been married for 13 years and live on the north side of Columbus. We met at The Ohio State University through one of our friends.

In addition to my duties as vice president, both Cheryl and I are on the committee for WOSU-TV's Auction 34! And I enjoy reading and music and have quite a collection of books and LP's!

ADOPT-A-HIGHWAY

We begin our 8th year on this community service on Saturday April 12th. Mark this date on your calendar. More details in the April newsletter.

NEWSLETTER

CUT IT OUT!!!! So that our members do not miss a single event or meeting, it is suggested by the editor that you save the calendar. However, it not advisable to attach it to your steering wheel or rear view mirror. Pick a common location like the refrigerator door and then you will be able to see what the club has planned. Yes, I give you permission to cut up the newsletter, but if you really desire you could save the entire issue.

DEADLINE FOR THE MARCH ISSUE: Articles should be submitted on or before the 20th of February. Any articles received after the 20th will be included on a as time and space allows.

Contact Arthur Peterson at arthur.peterson@eudoramail.com or PO Box 302 Marion, OH 43301-0302. Thanks

National Donor Day

On Saturday February 15th, from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., the Central Ohio Saturn CarClub will be assisting Saturn of Columbus, Saturn Corporation, and the Red Cross, for the sixth Annual National Donor Day, at Saturn/W est.

We need four volunteers to work 9:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. and four more to work 1:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. The duties for the volunteers include:

- Registering the potential donors

- Distributing and collecting donor forms
- Providing refreshments to the donors
- Assisting the donors after they donate

We also encourage everyone who can to donate blood. Donating blood will count one point toward your Active Member status.

Call the Hotline to volunteer or to schedule a time to donate.

2003 Columbus International Autoshow

This year's AutoShow will start on March 15th and run through March 23rd.

We need 50 volunteers. We are accepting names NOW. You can call our CarClub Champion, Al Clapsaddle, at 771-9700 or register at our CarClub meeting, on February 13th at Saturn/North. *If you call the Hotline, your request will not be accepted.* We need to control requests and you MUST follow the directions to be selected.

Each volunteer will receive money for parking and admittance to the AutoShow. Volunteers will also receive a year's pass to the Columbus Zoo. Note: There are some restrictions, which will be

explained at the CarClub meeting in February.

This event allows you time to get to know our NEW Saturn products a little better. You can also see them up close.

The information packages for the workers will be passed out at the regular monthly CarClub meeting on March 13th at Saturn/Southeast. If you have ANY questions regarding the Columbus AutoShow, please contact Al Clapsaddle at 771-9700.

Central Ohio Saturn CarClub Connections...

Hotline: (614) 470-3517(voice mail)

Information about the CarClub and our activities. Monitored several times a week.

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Website: <http://www.centohiocarclub.com>

Saturn/North: (614) 436-2001

Saturn/West: (614) 771-9700

Saturn/Southeast: (614) 759-1100

CarClub Champion Al Clapsaddle

Central Ohio Saturn CarClub Upcoming Meetings and Events

(check current and future newsletters for more info)

February 13, Thursday	7:00 pm	CarClub Meeting, North
February 15, Saturday	10:00 am	CarClub Saturday Meeting, West
February 15, Saturday	10:00 am	National Donor Day, West
February 20, Thursday	7:00 pm	Bingo, Villa Angela
February 22, Saturday	11:00 am	Maple Syrup Festival, Camp Lazarus
March 1, Saturday	10:00 am	Statehood Day
March 13, Thursday	7:00 pm	CarClub Meeting, South East
March 15 th - 23 ^d	????	Columbus International Auto Show
March 20, Thursday	7:00 pm	Bingo, Villa Angela