



# CarClub



## The Monthly Planet

Central Ohio Saturn CarClub — Chapter 4

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### *Words from the President*

Hi everyone. It was great to see so many of you at the January meeting. Thanks to all of those attending our first meeting of the year.

As we discussed in the meeting, we will continue with our charity collections at each meeting. Then, at the end of the quarter we will donate all of the money collected to the selected charity. The charity for this quarter will be the **Capital Area Humane Society**.

If you would like to suggest a charity for the CarClub to support in future quarters, please leave a message on the CarClub Voicemail, 614-470-3517, or talk with any CarClub officer.

Our first event of the New Year is over, and everyone had a safe trip and an enjoyable time in Detroit and at the Auto Show. More details about the trip, including pictures, are provided later in the newsletter.

Information on our February 11<sup>th</sup> trip to the Wondrous World of Chocolate at the **Franklin Park Conservatory** was included in the January newsletter. Additional information can be found in this month's Events Article, along with details about the March event, a cruise-in to the **Quaker Steak and Lube** followed by a movie on Sunday, March 19<sup>th</sup>.

Peggy and Lois are making plans for this year's events at this time. They have some good ideas for events, but would like to have **your suggestions** on what you would like to see the CarClub do this year. Again, leave a message on the CarClub Voicemail, 614-470-3517, talk with Peggy or Lois, or any CarClub officer. We want to know what activities you would like the CarClub to do this year.

The CarClub will again be participating with Saturn of Columbus and the Red Cross for **National Donor Day**.

It will be held on February 11<sup>th</sup> at Saturn/West from 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 pm. See the article our Champion, Al Clapsaddle, wrote about how you can help. You will receive a point toward active membership for donating blood or by helping the CarClub sign in donors. **Please let us know if you are interested in volunteering to sign donors in and what hours you will be available to work.** Since this is the same day as our visit to the Franklin Park Conservatory, we really need some volunteers to help out. If you work the sign in table and donate blood, you can earn two points toward active member status!



CarClub members heard about the final plans for the trip to the Detroit Auto Show at the January meeting.

Our next monthly meeting will be held on February 9<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. at **Saturn/North**. Remember Bingo at **Villa Angela** on February 16<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m.

I look forward to seeing you at a future meeting or event.

*John*

# People Watching at the Detroit Auto Show

The Detroit Auto Show at Cobo Hall is not only a great place to check out all the new cars, it's a great place to people watch. You can see everything from the couple with the matching outfits (right down to the **fur jackets**), to the woman wearing **gaucho pants** with **gold ankle boots** (a fashion that was quite the rage in the 1970's) to the Volvo associates wearing **teal suits** with **white shoes**, to **aging rockers** checking out the Saturn Sky. That's right, while listening to the Carlson Marketing person talk about the Sky, I noticed a man in a very well-tailored suit. He was all the more noticeable because the guy he was with was wearing a ball cap and cargo pants. It took me a minute, but I finally identified him. **It was Rod Stewart!** He was in town to perform at the charity benefit concert the organizers host before the event opens to the public. And, apparently, he couldn't get enough of the Sky! I overheard him tell the guy he was with that he really wanted to check out the interior. They went over to look at the Pontiac Solstice, since that car wasn't roped off and you could sit in it. Unfortunately, there wasn't a picture, so you'll have to take my word for it, but what a great sight to see!



Would Rod Stewart mind if we called this car Maggie May?

Plus, we also checked out all the cars on display, including the Saturn Sky, the Aura and the new Greenline VUE. Saturn seems to have some very innovative vehicles coming on the market. If you get a chance, check them out!

*You should know that you can drive ...*

Auto show pictures furnished by Steve Whitman.



Soon we'll be seeing a new kind of Vue in Columbus.

While in Detroit, we also checked out the Renaissance Center (GM's corporate HQ), rode the People Mover around downtown, visited Greektown and checked out a couple of outlet malls. Canada is a short drive away, and we wanted to go over, but you have to have a birth certificate or passport to get back in the states, so we weren't able to go. And, of course, Al took us to one of his favorite Coney places for a snack before we came home.

We have lots of great ideas for things to see and do in Detroit, and hope to plan another excursion next year!



The Sky dashboard.



The Saturn Aura is scheduled to arrive this summer.

# CarClub Events

Get ready for some enjoyable events brought to you by your Event co-chairs, Peggy and Lois!

**For February, remember the 11<sup>th</sup> at 11:00 am.** Here's your chance to celebrate Valentine's Day a little early and join the Car Club for the Chocolate Tree Exhibition at the Franklin Park Conservatory. "This imaginative exhibition takes you inside the exciting world of chocolate making – from the roots of the tree to the candy factory. Take an interactive journey through a 20-foot flower dome, a 20-foot cacao pod, and a rainforest with cacao trees that bring life to the history, process, and use of chocolate around the world. The exhibition ends at a life-size chocolate factory that involves you in the entire process of chocolate production. This exciting, enlightening exhibition evokes a sense of wonder for all ages." ([http://www.fpconservatory.org/exhb\\_chocotree.htm](http://www.fpconservatory.org/exhb_chocotree.htm)). You even get to sample some chocolate at the end of the tour.

So bring your family and friends and join us at the Franklin Park Conservatory at 11:00 a.m. on Saturday February 11. Immediately following the tour, we will go together to lunch at a nearby restaurant.

## ADMISSION TO CONSERVATORY

\$6.50 for adults

\$5.00 for seniors and students

\$3.50 for children 2-12

Conservatory Members, children under 2 FREE

\* All exhibitions are included in the general admission price.

**Saturn National Donor Day** also is scheduled for Saturday February 11 at Saturn West, 3880 Fishinger Blvd. Please call (614) 771-9700 for more information. The Saturn National Donor Day is aimed at raising awareness and encouraging blood, marrow, organ and tissue donations. Saturn needs our help – please consider volunteering to help at the welcome table to register people AND to donate blood. February is typically a slow time for blood donations and the American Red Cross really needs your help to provide the supply of blood necessary. Although 60 percent of Americans are eligible to give blood, only 5 percent donate. So improve that statistic by donating your blood!

The entrance to the Franklin Park Conservatory is on East Broad Street. On 670, take the Fifth Avenue exit, head west to Nelson Road, turn south and proceed to Broad Street. Head west again, and then left into the park grounds. From I-70 East, take the Main Street exit ramp to Alum Creek Drive, at the light at Main Street turn left, at the light at Nelson Road turn right, then left on Broad Street. From I-70 West, take the Livingston Avenue exit, which puts you on Alum Creek Drive. Head north to Main Street, and follow the directions from there.



**ADDRESS:** 1777 East Broad Street, Columbus, Ohio 43203-2040

**Rev up your engines!** Mark your calendars now for our March event, which is scheduled for **March 19 at 2:00 p.m.** Join us at Quaker Steak and Lube (America's #1 motorsports-themed family restaurant), located across from the Polaris Fashion Place Mall at 8500 Lyra Drive. Quaker Steak and Lube "serves over 30 million wings annually, has 16 bottled sauces for retail sale, has won the title of "Best Wings USA," and has over 100 local, national, and international awards for their sauce recipes. "The Lube" is still rescuing muscle cars, vintage cars,

*... most of the way in your Saturn.*  
trucks and a vast selection of custom and antique motorcycles, giving them good homes hanging from the walls and ceilings in each restaurant."

After we eat, the plan is to go to the Rave Motion Picture Theaters at 1071 Gemini Place (behind Polaris Fashion Place Mall) – hopefully we can all decide on a movie we would like to see! Come join the fun.

The website at <http://www.lubewings.com> gives these directions to Quaker Steak and Lube:

**From 71 North:**

From 71 N take Exit 121 (Polaris Parkway), turn left. The second light is Lyra Drive. Turn Left on Lyra. We are directly behind the Marathon Station.

**From 71 S:**

From 71 S take Exit 121 (Polaris Parkway), turn right. The second light is Lyra Drive. Turn Left on Lyra. We are directly behind the Marathon Station.



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## February Events

**February 9** – Meeting at **Saturn North** at 7:00 p.m.

**February 11** – Trip to Chocolate Tree at **Franklin Park Conservatory** at 11:00 a.m.



**February 11** – Saturn National Donor Day at **Saturn West**, 3880 Fishinger Blvd.

**February 16** – Bingo at **Villa Angela** at 7:00 p.m.



## March Events

**March 9** – Meeting at **Saturn Southeast** at 7:00 pm

**March 16** – Bingo at **Villa Angela** at 7:00 p.m.

**March 19** – Lunch at **Quaker Steak and Lube** at 2:00 p.m.

*Peggy and Lois*

<p><b>SATURN/NORTH</b>                  8600 North High Street                  Worthington  <b>436-2001</b>                  1-800-878-8500</p>	
<p><b>SATURN/WEST</b>                  3880 Fishinger Boulevard                  Hilliard  <b>771-9700</b>                  1-800-783-8700</p>	
<p><b>SATURN/SOUTHEAST</b>                  Hamilton Road and Route 33                  Columbus  <b>759-1100</b>                  1-877-594-0500</p>	

# National Donor Day at Saturn/West

On Saturday February 11th , from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., our CarClub will be assisting Saturn of Columbus and Saturn Corp., for the **ninth Annual National Donor Day**, at Saturn/West.

We need 3 to 4 volunteers for each shift and as many who can to donate blood. The volunteers will work either 9:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. or 1:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.

The duties for the volunteers will be:

- Registering the potential donors
- Distributing and collecting donor forms
- Providing refreshments
- Assisting the donors after they donate.

Volunteering will count toward your Active Member status. **Both volunteering and donating will count as an activity and earn one point each.** What a quick way to achieve or maintain active member status.

Saturn of Columbus has been VERY supportive of our CarClub over the last 10 years. **Let's make this Donor Day the Best ever.**

This past year we have had several CarClub members who underwent serious operations, where Blood was needed. Let's give back and say thank-you to both the Red Cross and Saturn of Columbus, our Sponsor.

Appointments start at 10:00 a.m. and run every 15 minutes. The last appointment is at 3:45 p.m.



To register to donate, please call **1-800-GIVE-LIFE**. Tell them you want to donate at the Drive on **February 11th at Saturn/West.**

Unfortunately, some time slots may show filled, but from experience we have had in previous years, some do not show up. You can also walk-in. Everything will be done to accommodate you and accept your donation.

Below are the ten reasons why a person should consider donating Blood:

1. You will get **FREE** Juice and Cookies
2. You will **weigh less** – one pint less when you leave than when you came in
3. It's **easy and convenient** – it only takes about an hour and you can make the donation at Saturn/West (may coincide with maintenance on your Saturn)
4. It's something **you can spare** – most people have Blood to spare... yet, there is still not enough to go around
5. Nobody can ask you to do heavy lifting as long as you have the bandage on. You can wear it for as long as you like. It's your **badge of honor**.
6. You will walk a little taller afterwards – you will **feel good about yourself**.
7. You will be helping to **ensure that blood is there when you or someone close to you may need it**. Most people don't think they'll ever need blood, but many do.
8. It's something you can do on **equal footing with the rich and famous** – blood is something money can't buy. Only something one person can give to another.
9. You will **be someone's hero** – you may give a newborn, a child, a mother or a father, a brother, or a sister another chance at life. In fact, you may help save up to three lives with just one donation.
10. It's the **right thing to do**.

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## Central Ohio Saturn CarClub Activities Calendar

Date	Meeting / Event	Location	Time
February 9	Meeting	Saturn North	7:00 p.m.
February 11	Chocolate Tree Exhibition	Franklin Park Conservatory	11:00 a.m.
February 16	Bingo	Villa Angela	7:00 p.m.
March 9	Meeting	Saturn Southeast	7:00 p.m.
March 16	Bingo	Villa Angela	7:00 p.m.
March 19	Lunch and a Movie	Quaker Steak and Lube / Polaris	2:00 p.m.

### 2006 CarClub Officers

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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:

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Suggestions for activities are always welcome, please talk with any CarClub Officer, but especially Peggy Williams and Lois Szudy (Events Officers), or leave a message on the CarClub hotline (614-470-3517).



Members heard about the community service initiatives at the January meeting.



A Buckeye Championship fan with our CarClub Champion.



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