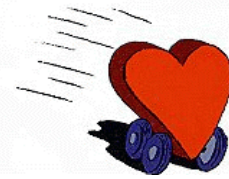




CarClub



The Monthly Planet

Central Ohio Saturn CarClub-Chapter 4

January 2003

WORDS FROM THE PRESIDENT

The new Board of Officers of the Central Ohio Saturn CarClub (the eighth Board of Officers since the CarClub was officially incorporated on July 11th 1996) would like to welcome you all to 2003, the year of the 100th anniversary of powered flight. We hope you all had a very happy and safe holiday time, and are looking forward to a great year, personally, and with the CarClub.

We would like to thank the outgoing Board for all of their hard work in making 2002 a great year for the CarClub. 2003 is shaping up to be a year of great changes for our CarClub. First of all, the National Saturn CarClub has disbanded. This means that many of the services and support that they provided are going to have to be provided by our local CarClub or not be provided at all.

The CarClub Board is taking this as a special challenge and great opportunity to improve the way the CarClub is administrated. This will include looking at our budget and how we handle insurance, incorporation fees, dues, etc. More details will be provided as they are developed by the Board. This also means that our local CarClub will have a lot more control over such things as membership, including membership cards. We plan to have new membership cards out to all of the members in January.

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 President, Jim Harrass.

Some upcoming events to mark on your calendar to support are the Saturn Blood Donor Day on

Saturday, February 15th at Saturn/West and the Columbus Auto Show, 15-23 March. The CarClub will again be asked to provide Saturn “owner” support of the Saturn display. Don’t forget to support Bingo the third Thursday of each month at Villa Angela and Adopt-A-Highway beginning in April.

As the new CarClub Board puts together the activities for 2003, we 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 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.

Jim

2003 CarClub Officers

President	Jim Harrass
Vice President	Lowell Lutman
Secretary	Virginia Russell
Treasurer	Peggy Williams
Events	Dianne Peterson/Gary Coolidge
Membership	Becky Harrass
Safety/Historian	John Williams
Newsletter	Pete Peterson

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WELCOME NEW MEMBERS:

We have no new members for this month. It must be because of the Holiday's. However, if you are a new member and your name has not yet appeared please be assured that it eventually will. It is a long process from the time you join and I receive your name.

MEET THE PRESIDENT-

JIM HARRASS

The new President of the Central Ohio Saturn Car Club has been a member of the Saturn Car Club since November 1995 and is a charter member of the Central Ohio Saturn Car Club.

Jim and his wife, Becky, have been married 40 years and live in Upper Arlington. They have three grown children who also live in the Columbus area. Jim works as a Computer Programmer at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, a commute of 65 miles each way. He puts a lot of miles on his 1999 Saturn SL2 commuting to and from work! Since September 11, 2001, Jim has been tasked to work on the Air Force Material Command Battle Staff during the hours of 0000-0800 each Monday through Friday.

Jim was born and raised in Wisconsin. He earned his Bachelor of Science degree at Case Institute of Technology in Cleveland, Ohio, and was commissioned in the Air Force through the AFROTC program. He also met Becky during his freshman year at Case. He earned a Master of Science degree at the Ohio State University after spending six years on active duty in the Air Force in Texas. He served 20 years with the Ohio Air National Guard at Springfield, Ohio as a pilot and retired with the rank of Lieutenant Colonel.

In addition to the Saturn Car Club, Jim's hobbies include personal computers,

Amateur Radio(N8BCS), golf, traveling, watching Ohio State Football games, and trying to keep up with his three dogs(two Siberian Huskies and a German Shepard).

Last summer, Jim and Becky bought a red 2002 Saturn Vue which is customized with Ohio State logos and seat covers. It is just the vehicle to take to those OSU tailgate parties!

EVENTS

Friday, December 6th

WILDLIGHTS at the Columbus Zoo

It was a cold evening but you can see by the long list of names of members the cold didn't faze them. However, we had no takers to ride the ferris wheel. The following members walked the walk and perhaps one or two of us talked to the animals. Luanna & Robert Leadbetter, Becky & Jim Harrass, Penny & Darin Hill, Mary & Phil Carter, Ruth Albert, Virginia Russell, Dwight Shumway, Peggy & John Williams, and Dianne & Pete Peterson.

EVENTS for 2003

We are just in the planning stages of events for 2003 so watch future newsletters, call the hotline or check for sign up sheets at the monthly meeting. We hope to have an event for planned by the January 9th meeting.

We want to hear your ideas for events. You can see us at meetings or assure that we will receive your ideas in a timely manner send to Dianne Peterson, PO Box 302, Marion, OH 43301 - 0302 or dpeters1@eudoramail.com.

BINGO

When: Thursday, January 16, 7:00 pm
Where: Villa Angela Care Center,
5700 Karl Road, Columbus, OH

We held our last Bingo event for the year 2002. Yes, they let us back in even though we had gone caroling at Villa Angela a week earlier.

A total of 25 residents played bingo and the following car club members participated. Gary Coolidge, Luanna & Bob Leadbetter, Virginia Russell, Ruth Ann Branoff, Michael Ellis, Jim Harrass, Peggy & John Williams, Pete Peterson, Carla Clubb, and special guest Janie Smith. Thanks folks for doing your good deed for others.

NEWSLETTER

The deadline for having articles submitted for publication in the Monthly Planet will be the 20TH OF EACH MONTH. Any articles submitted after that date will be done on a first come basis and also as space and editor's time allows. You can submit through my e-mail address to: arthur.peterson@eudoramail.com or my mailing address at: PO Box 302 Marion Oh 43301-0302

Thanks

FYI

On Saturday January 4th great minds and not so great bodies or it could be the other way will meet at the new President's house. The purpose of this meeting is to map out an agenda and ideas on how the club will operate in the year 2003. We are now a truly local club with us and the Saturn retailers, since the demise of the National Car Club.

This year's board will also have three new board members that have never served before. They are Gary Coolidge, Virginia Russell, and Dianne Peterson.

Due to the fact that this newsletter is going out before any planning of events, our event calendar is bare. Please join us at the next regular meeting January 9th at Saturn West or stay in touch with the hotline; to find out what is planned.

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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First Class

Central Ohio Saturn CarClub Upcoming Meetings and Events

(check future newsletters for more info)

January 9, Thursday	7:00pm	Car Club Meeting, West
January 16, Thursday	7:00pm	Bingo, Villa Angela
February 13, Thursday	7:00pm	Car Club Meeting, North