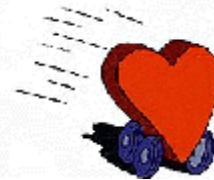




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The Sky's The Limit

Can you believe 2007 is half way over? As I write this, the summer heat is in full swing! It's time to turn on the AC, pop the sunroof or take the top down on your SKY, if you have one.

Thanks to everyone who came out for our first Adopt-A-Highway of the year. Eleven members took about an hour and 15 minutes to pick up our stretch of highway. It's gotten even more built up, but we still found quite a lot of trash to pick up. At the end, we found a sign post that had been knocked down, the quarter panel from a car, and lots of pieces of reflectors. Someone had a bad day out that way! Hopefully, however, no one got hurt.

I hope everyone who came out to the **Washboard Festival** had a good time. If nothing else, the homemade ice cream was a real treat! Plus we heard some great bands, and shopped the street fair. There was also an amazing quilt show going on and they were doing a "viewer's choice" award. It was hard to pick my top three, but I was finally able to narrow the field and make my choice. We also found out about several **barns** down in Adams County that are **painted with quilt patterns**. There's a driving tour you can take to visit these barns. I think our Events team will be planning a driving trip to see a few of them, maybe in the fall when the leaves begin to turn.

I also want to thank everyone who donated either books or cash to our 2nd Quarter Charity Partner, **Feed The Mind**. We had a great presentation at our meeting, and I learned quite a bit about how food pantries work in Columbus. They are always looking for non-perishable food items, toiletries, plastic or paper grocery bags, and other items. If you have some of those in your house that you're not using, I hope you'll consider donating to them. And don't forget your books!

Our 3rd Quarter Charity Partner is the **American Red Cross**. Saturn of Columbus always adopts a local charity for their Zoo Day, and the CarClub always adopts the same one. We will be collecting funds to go to local relief efforts, and check elsewhere in the newsletter for more information about **winning a lease on an Aura for donating blood!**

Our upcoming events include a trip to the **Piatt Castles**. This is yet another place I've always wanted to go and never got around to. We plan a Sunday afternoon excursion, so I hope folks will join us. **Our August meeting will be a family picnic at Highbanks Metro Park**. We have our usual shelter, so I hope you will come and bring your family for a fun evening.

And don't forget our **big Detroit trip in August**. Plans are underway, and we're in talks with Saturn Corporation to see what they will do for us. We are definitely planning trips to the Detroit Zoo and the Henry Ford Museum/Greenfield Village. We'll be staying at the LaQuinta Inn in Warren, MI. For details on reservations, please see the Lois and Sharon's article.

We've got a lot coming up, so I hope everyone in the Club will find something they want to do and join us. I look forward to seeing you at a meeting or event soon. Remember, we're always looking for ideas and suggestions, so please call the Hotline, send us an e-mail, or talk to us at a meeting or event. **Remember, you're not just IN the Club, you ARE the Club!**

Cheryl

July Events

Thursday July 19 at 7:00 p.m. – Bingo at Villa Angela

Play Bingo and with the residents at the Villa Angela Care Center (5700 Karl Rd. between Morse Rd. and 161). What a great way to make this a special time for the residents by having Car Club members come and visit with them. If you can't come and play, please consider donating prizes and/or money to buy them – contact Peggy Williams for more information, or simply bring items to a meeting or event and we will see that it gets to Peggy.



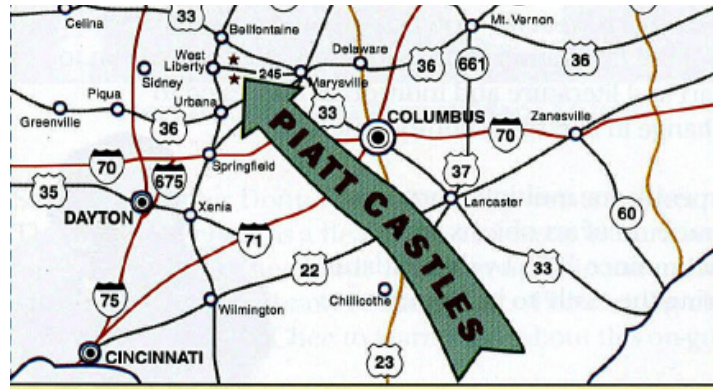
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Sunday July 22 – Day Trip to Piatt Castles, West Liberty, OH

Take a journey through historical artifacts, photographs, and exhibits at both the Mac-A-Cheek and Mac-O-Chee Castles.

The cost is \$16 for adults and \$10 for students. Admissions are discounted for Seniors (65+) or AAA members (and up to five immediate family members). For more information about the castles, go to their website: http://www.piattcastles.org/getting_here.htm

We will be meeting in Dublin, OH at the Kroger Plaza on Frantz Rd. & 161. (Get off 270 onto Route 161 and head toward Dublin) at 1:00 p.m. Depending on the time it takes to tour the castles, a group may also decide to have dinner together before heading home.



Directions from Columbus:

- From I-270 take Exit 17B,
- To Route 33 West for 28 miles
- To Route 287 West for 13 miles
- At the intersection of 287 and 245
- * Mac-O-Chee Castle is on the right.
- Straight through the intersection, 3/4 mile
- Turn left onto Twp. Road 47
- *Mac-A-Cheek Castle is on the left

Coming Events

Saturday, August 4 – Adopt-A-Highway Community Service

See separate article on this change in date. See pictures (no before, just after) too.

Thursday August 9 – Picnic at Highbanks Metro Park, Northern Shelter

Instead of meeting at Saturn North for our August meeting, we will be having a family picnic at Highbanks Northern Shelter. We have the shelter reserved from 5:00 – 10:00 p.m. and will eat around 6:30 pm, so come as early as you can and stay as long as you want. All are welcome, so please feel free to bring guests!

The CarClub will be providing the meat, buns, and condiments. The cost for attending is \$1.00 per person, which helps defray the cost of the shelter and the meat. Please bring your own table service, and something to share. We ask that if your last name begins with these letters that you bring:

- A – K Beverages (non-alcoholic please) and the appropriate type of cups to drink your beverage
- L – R Salad or Veggie
- S – Z Desserts

This is a not to be missed event! Our picnics are always so much fun and it's a great way to get to know your fellow members and their families.

August 13 – 19 – Visit to Detroit, MI and the Woodward Dream Cruise

Come with us to Detroit, Michigan during the week of August 13th to visit area attractions in Detroit and enjoy the Woodward Dream Cruise (a very special car show) on Saturday August 18. The participants will decide where we go and what we do – so help us design a memorable trip! Plans include a return visit to Greenfield Village, probably on Friday, August 17th, a visit to the Detroit Zoo, possible trips to historic homes and gardens in the area, and a boat ride on the Detroit River. Last year, Saturn arranged some special events for us, and we're seeing if they will do anything for us this year. If you can come for any part of the week, please let us know when you will arrive and depart so we can make sure we include you in the fun, and keep you updated on the plans!

“The 11th Annual Woodward Dream Cruise®, presented by EATON, celebrates the heydays of the Fifties and Sixties when Woodward Avenue was the heart and soul of American cruising in the city that put America on wheels. The 16-mile stretch of historic roadway through the nine communities of Berkley, Birmingham, Bloomfield Hills, Bloomfield Township, Ferndale, Huntington Woods, Pleasant Ridge, Pontiac and Royal Oak features an amazing array of classics, hot rods and custom cars. The Dream Cruise focuses on family fun and food with special events, live music and children's activities.”
<http://www.woodwarddreamcruise.com/index.html>

September 9 – Saturn Day at the Zoo

Visit the Zoo on Sunday September 9th where you can participate in all the fun events and enjoy a free lunch. Stop by the Car Club booth and sign in to receive your membership point. We will be having a membership drive at the Zoo, so encourage your friends to come and join our club! And don't forget the referral rewards program for having a friend sign up!

We are still trying to decide on events for October and November. Some suggestions have been a train trip and/or a driving tour around southern Ohio where barns have been painted with quilt squares. Other ideas are welcome! We look forward to seeing you at these events!

Lois & Sharon

Background on the Woodward Dream Cruise

What: The annual Woodward Dream Cruise is a classic car event that has quickly become famous for the nostalgia of cruisin' the strip back in the 50's and 60's. In fact, it is the world's largest one-day celebration of car culture, attracts more than 1 million visitors and more than 40,000 muscle cars, street rods, custom, collector and special interest vehicles. The Dream Cruise is as popular for classic car owners and drivers as it is for the spectators who line the streets from dawn until dusk.

When: Officially, Saturday August 19, 2006 from dawn to dusk. Unofficially, the Cruise starts at 6:30 p.m. on Friday August 18, 2006 and many special activities in the host cities can be enjoyed at this time as well.

Where: Woodward Avenue in Oakland County from the Michigan State Fairgrounds on 8 Mile Road up to the Phoenix Center in Pontiac and back down again, the strip is 16 miles long each way. The host cities are Ferndale, Huntington Woods, Pleasant Ridge, Berkley, Royal Oak, Birmingham, Bloomfield Hills, Bloomfield Township, and Pontiac.

Cost: Driving in and viewing the event and most entertainment are offered free of charge.

Parking: Spots along Woodward are rented out by the business owners for a fee. Alternatively, you can park at either end of the strip – at the fairgrounds or the Phoenix center – and take the SMART bus line up to any of the cities hosting the event, free of charge.

Lodging: At the La Quinta, 30900 Van Dyke Ave., Warren, MI. 48093 — (586) 574-0550 — we have a block of rooms reserved under the name 'Central Ohio Saturn Club.' The block is reserved from Monday, August 13 to Sunday, August 19. The rates are \$65.00 plus tax for a double and \$68.00 plus tax for king - with discount (AARP, AAA or Sam's Club) \$58.50 and \$63.00. You can reserve one day to the entire week!

Saturday, August 4 – Adopt-A-Highway Rescheduled



These ten CarClub members (and the photographer/Cat in the Hat) pitched in and earned two points for the first Adopt-A-Highway service. It was a great day to pose next to a Sky!



We were pleased to see the sign is back up that recognizes the CarClub's long-standing commitment with a gold star.

Please note that the next Adopt-A-Highway service is scheduled for **August 4**. You can help us keep our Gold Star and earn one activity point by participating. We meet in the lot on the east side of Max and Erma's at 9:30 a.m., get vests, gloves, grabbers, and trash bags from Jim Harrass, and tackle the trash and litter that accumulates at either side of Broad Street. With many hands, it will soon look like the picture above once again.

Give blood this summer and possibly win a lease on a 2007 Saturn AURA

The American Red Cross and Saturn of Columbus have teamed to recruit blood donors this summer in the "Summer blood DRIVE with Saturn!"



A visit to a blood drive this summer could mean driving off in style in your own Saturn vehicle. Simply give blood at any participating American Red Cross Central Ohio Region blood drive from June through August, and you can register to win a six-month free lease on a 2007 Saturn AURA, named the 2007 North American Car of the Year.

The Red Cross struggles to maintain a strong blood inventory during the summer months. This period, nicknamed "trauma season," is marked by fewer people donating blood, and at the same time an increase in the demand for blood to treat trauma patients. In addition to accident victims, other patients such as those undergoing various surgeries or treatment for cancer and blood disorders need blood to survive.

"In preparation for the possibility of a summer blood shortage, our hope is that the chance to drive off in a 2007 Saturn AURA at the end of the summer will entice current donors and new donors to schedule an appointment to give blood during the summer months," said Rodney Wilson, spokesperson for American Red Cross Central Ohio Blood Services Region.

Not only will all presenting donors have the chance to win the Saturn AURA lease, they can also receive a free \$25 gas card from Saturn when they test drive any Saturn vehicle at one of the Saturn of Columbus locations after going to donate blood. "By donating, not only will you have the opportunity to help save a life and prevent blood shortages this summer, but you might also be filling up your gas tank for free and driving away in a new car!" said Wilson.

On any given day the blood supply is fragile, often with only a few days' supply of most of the eight blood types. Summer is an exceptionally difficult time to collect enough blood to meet the needs of local patients. Each day, the Central Ohio Region needs 650 volunteer blood donors to meet the needs of local patients at 56 medical facilities. While all blood types are needed, there is a greater need for type O-negative – the universal red cell generally safe for transfusion to patients of any type and typically used to treat trauma victims.

"Too often, people wait to donate until it is someone they know who needs blood," Wilson said, "but it's the blood on the shelves that saves lives today."

Donating blood only takes about one hour and can help save up to three lives. Blood donors must be at least 17 years of age, weigh a minimum of 110 pounds and be in general good health. Every presenting donor at participating drives will be issued an entry ticket for the "Summer Blood DRIVE with Saturn." The winner will be drawn at the end of the promotion at a special Saturn Day at the Columbus Zoo & Aquarium on Sept. 9, and notified. Make your appointment today!

PS - Remember that Your Central Ohio Saturn CarClub will be adding a 6-month membership for the winner!

Central Ohio Saturn CarClub Activities Calendar

Date	Meeting / Event	Location	Time
July 12	Regular CarClub Meeting	Saturn West	7:00 p.m.
July 19	Bingo	Villa Angela	7:00 p.m.
July 22	Trip to Piatt Castles	West Liberty	1:00 p.m.
August 4	Adopt-A-Highway followed by lunch at Reynoldsburg Max & Erma's	Assemble at Max & Erma's, 8050 East Broad Street	9:30 a.m. to about noon
August 9	CarClub Picnic	Highbanks Metro Park Northern Shelter	6:00 p.m.
August 13 - 19	Woodward Dream Cruise and Other Attractions	Detroit	All Day Events
August 23	Bingo	Villa Angela	7:00 p.m.
September 9	Saturn Day at the Zoo	Columbus Zoo	All Day Event
September 13	Regular CarClub Meeting	Saturn Southeast	7:00 p.m.
September 20	Bingo	Villa Angela	7:00 p.m.

No reading between the lines for clues. Ruth has given all the clues you are going to get on the first scavenger hunt of the year. The new one for this second half starts now. She says one good thing about the second half is that it can be guessed without having to drive by the site.

"Not city, not state, but _____."

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CarClub Hotline

Need information about the Central Ohio CarClub meetings or activities?

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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 Website

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

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 Lois Szudy and Sharon Leonard (Events Officers), or leave a message on the CarClub hotline (614-470-3517).



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