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Just Around The Corner!

To Live Forever: Egyptian Treasures from the Brooklyn Museum

March 21, 2009, 2:00 p.m.

Columbus Museum of Art

480 E Broad St
Columbus, OH 43215
(614) 221-6801

Life after death was one of the primary cultural beliefs through thousands of years of Egyptian civilization. The ancient Egyptians regarded death as an enemy who could be defeated through luck and proper preparation. *To Live Forever* draws on important ancient Egyptian monuments of beauty and significance from the superb collection of the Brooklyn Museum to illustrate Egyptian strategies for defeating death and living forever. This exhibition showcases some 109 works, including a mummy, statuary, coffins, jewelry, and vessels, of the Egyptian artistic tradition. It tells the story of mummification, the funeral procession and rituals, the contents of the tomb, the final judgment, and the idealized afterlife. See funeral accessories that were used to defeat death and achieve success in the afterlife.

We will meet at the front door of the museum at 2:00 PM as a group. Once you have met with us, you are free to go on your own way. We will decide when to meet after touring the various exhibits, and possibly go get something to eat.

Exhibition Admission

- Adults \$10
- Seniors (60 and above) \$8
- Students (18 and above with valid student ID) \$8
- K-12 (6-17 years) \$5
- Children (5 and younger) Free
- Parking is FREE
- Members get in FREE

Adopt-A-Highway 2009

April 18, 2009, 10:00 a.m.

Our first Adopt-A-Highway (AAH) cleanup for 2009 is Saturday, April 18th starting at 10 AM. We are again cleaning the area around Livingston Avenue and Alum Creek Drive at I-70.

The meeting place is on the left side of the picture above, between the white building with the red circular roof and Livingston Avenue. More details about the cleanup area will be included in the April Newsletter, including a map to the cleanup site.



As has been the custom at our AAH events, we will again go out to lunch after the cleanup. Also, since this is the first AAH event of the year, participants will earn two (2) activity points toward Active Member Status.

We encourage everyone to mark your calendars and plan to come out and help the cleanup effort. Remember, the more people that participate, the less each has to cleanup! Join us on April 18th at 10 AM.

Wildflower Wander

April 26, 2009, 1:45 p.m.

Sharon Woods Metro Park

6911 S. Cleveland Avenue
Westerville, OH

Our April event will be a “Wildflower Wander” Hike on Sunday, April 26th at 2:00 p.m. at Sharon Woods State Park in Westerville. This will be both an on and off the trail hike.

Sharon Woods is located on Cleveland Avenue, across from St. Ann’s Hospital. We will meet inside the park at 1:45 and leave with the group at 2:00. Plan to come a little early because the parking is limited and it fills up quickly.

These hikes are always fun, and educational, as often a naturalist or two joins us and helps us see what we might miss. I know last year’s was a wonderful way to see plants I’d only read about. Bring your camera and your family!

We will either plan a cookout after the hike or go find a restaurant. Watch for further details in the April newsletter.

Bingo Update

Back in 2001, John and Peggy Williams asked the CarClub if they would be interested in helping with a Bingo Night at Villa Angela Care Facility. The club was very much in favor of this worthwhile project. Peggy and John were faithfully there every month, making the arrangements, setting up tables, getting folks from their room, and supervising to make sure everything went smoothly.

Unfortunately, due to Peggy’s illness, she and John have been unable to give bingo the time and attention it deserves. Both Villa Angela and the residents there would love to see it continue, but for it to do so, John and Peggy **must** have help. If you’re able to help out - getting prizes, helping to set up the room or help the residents - please let us know! Without help, we will not be able to continue this worthwhile project. **Bingo is cancelled for March, and we will continue to keep you posted on when it will return.**

Our thanks and appreciation goes out to Peggy and John for their years of dedication and faithful service to this project.

Come to the March meeting, and help us select the May event! We hope to see you at one of our events soon!

Becky Harrass, Events Coordinator

News and Notes

Please be aware that all Oil Change coupons are expired. Please also note that the \$25 gift certificates from last year will expire June 30th. While we know in the past the expiration dates have not always been adhered to, they will be going forward. Please pay attention to the date(s) on your certificates and use them accordingly.

Want to earn a free year membership? You can, and it’s easy! Between March and September, simply refer six (6) people who become members of the CarClub. Once they’ve paid their dues, we’ll reward you with a free membership! Simply write your name on the membership form. Need some forms? Call the Hotline, or pick them up at our next meeting,

Welcome to our new members! We hope to see you at a meeting or event soon!

The VUE from the VERY Top!

February 19, 2009

From our very beginning, Saturn has always sought a better way. We pioneered no-hassle, no-haggle shopping, built dent-resistant cars, set a new benchmark for customer service and forged a unique relationship with our retailers, workers and customers. From the beginning, Saturn was launched as a "Different Kind of Car Company."

Well, here we go again.

You may have read that General Motors delivered a plan to the U.S. government that outlined the corporation's plan for long-term viability. In that plan, GM stated that Saturn would work with its retailers to investigate options for the future of the Saturn Brand. We said that all ideas were on the table and we meant it.

Today, we confirmed that Saturn and GM would further investigate one of those options: a spin-off of an independent Saturn Distribution Corporation.

The Saturn Distribution Corporation already exists as an indirect subsidiary of GM. It's the entity with which our retailers currently have their franchise agreement. An independent Saturn would still have its great retailers, and it would continue to source current products from GM through 2011. If successful, SDC at that point would source products from other manufacturers.

The goal—from a product perspective—would be to find future vehicles that match the Saturn Brand: fuel-efficient, safe, reliable and affordable. From a retailing perspective, we would build on our core strength of unmatched customer service. The same hassle-free experience that is a hallmark of the brand could be taken to even higher levels.

While this process proceeds, we will continue to do what we have always done best: sell great vehicles and take care of our customers. We have a fresh portfolio of award-winning, fuel-efficient vehicles and a network of retailers that is second to none. And our new vehicles are still backed by a 100,000-mile/5-year (whichever comes first) Transferable Powertrain Limited Warranty. When you add Roadside Assistance and Courtesy Transportation programs, we believe it is the industry's best overall coverage. It is coverage that GM and Saturn will continue to firmly stand behind, and GM will support the continued availability of Saturn parts and service as needed.

This is an exciting time at the Saturn Brand, and I have to confess, it feels a bit like it did back in the 1980s when the original Saturn project was being developed. As loyal Saturn owners and enthusiasts, I know you support this brand, and you can believe we are working toward a vibrant future. Difficult times sometimes yield the most innovative solutions, and those who are willing to take on the challenge will emerge victorious. Stay tuned.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Jill Lajdziak". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Jill Lajdziak
General Manager, Saturn



Where in the Universe Is Your Saturn????

From member Bill Smith.
He went cruising on the Pacific Coast Highway back in October, 2007. What a great place to be, and what a great shot to get us all ready for summer!

Thanks to our Volunteers!

Thanks to everyone who helped out with the Blood Drive at Saturn/West. Pictured are: Steve Whitman, Jim Harrass, John Hank, Barb Nissley, Cheryl McBride and Becky Harrass. Thanks also to everyone who came out and donated!



CHAMPIONS

C Welcome to the Rebirth of Saturn!
O Yes, the news in the papers seems to indicate that Saturn is going away. Well, this is the furthest from the truth.
R For those of you who have been Saturn owners for many years, you remember the birth of Saturn. The slogan was;
N “A Different kind of Car, A Different kind of Company.” Saturn is getting a chance to get back to its roots.
E Currently, Saturn will be a part of GM through the 2011 model year. This means it will be here until at least June,
R 2012. Warranties would be handled by ANY GM Company after 2012, if needed.

My view of the Saturn Future will be a company that is more responsive and better focused on its customers. If all goes as planned, Saturn will talk to the various Car Companies and they will build the cars that Saturn wants, to “Saturn’s Specifications.” We will again have the vehicles that are unique to Saturn. I believe the NEW Saturn will be one that makes people say; “That’s a Saturn?!”

In conclusion, now is the best time to purchase a Saturn. Saturn of Columbus has ample inventory to meet your needs. Stop by and visit your Sales Consultant or if you don’t currently have one, see me at Saturn/West.

I SAY! I SAY! I SAY! Saturn!!!!

Al Clapsaddle

<http://www.saturnwest-alclapsaddle.com>

Central Ohio Saturn CarClub Activities Calendar

Date	Meeting / Event	Location	Time
March 12 th	Regular Meeting	Saturn SouthEast	7:00 p.m.
March 21 st	To Live Forever: <i>Egyptian Treasures from the Brooklyn Museum</i>	Columbus Museum of Art	2:00 p.m.
April 9 th	Regular Meeting	Saturn West	7:00 p.m.
April 18 th	Adopt-A-Highway	Livingston/Alum Creek	10:00 a.m.
April 26 th	Wildflower Wander	Sharon Woods Metro Park	1:45 p.m.
May 14 th	Regular Meeting	Saturn North	7:00 pm.
June 11 th	Regular Meeting	Saturn SouthEast	7:00 p.m.
August 15 th	Woodward Dream Cruise	Detroit, MI	All Day

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CarClub Hotline

Need information about the Central Ohio Saturn CarClub meetings or activities?

**Call our hotline
(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.

CarClub Websites

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

<http://autos.groups.yahoo.com/group/centohiosaturncarclub>

Charity Partners

Our Charity Partner for this quarter is the American Red Cross. We are passing the hat at meetings, or you can also mail us a check to include in what we will present to them at our March meeting. Candace Hines from the Red Cross will be with us to share more about the Red Cross, and how you can help. We hope to see as many of you there as can make it!

Our 2nd Quarter charity partner will be the Arthritis Foundation. Look for more details in the coming months, as we are trying to partner with them and join them during a cruise-in in July!



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