



# CarClub



## The Monthly Planet

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### *Words from the President*

**Wow.** It's October already and we're coming up on Halloween; before we know it, Thanksgiving and Christmas will be here and this year will be over. I just heard that there are 90 some shopping days till Christmas, that's scarier than Halloween.

As this year winds down it's time to **start thinking about our officers for next year.** All offices are open except President, which will be filled by this year's Vice-President, Cheryl Lutman. Nominations for offices will be in October at our meeting on the 12th at Saturn West and the election will be at Saturn North during our November meeting on the 9th. If you would like to be a part of running the Club next year or know of someone that would be interested, please come out and put in a nomination.

For everyone who wasn't able to attend our September meeting, when we recapped our trip to Detroit, I would like to talk about the trip here. Our group was small, but very enthusiastic. Everybody enjoyed all the activities we attended.

Saturn provided us with many interesting events during our stay, starting with the Friday night we arrived. Saturn arranged for us to attend a party as part of the **Woodward Dream Cruise.** This was an appreciation party for GM employees and other VIP guest presented by the Detroit Area Saturn retailers. The party was right in the heart of the Dream Cruise, with food, drink, and a band playing music from the 50's and 60's. Elvis even showed up before the night was over.

On Saturday when we returned to the Dream Cruise it was rainy and overcast, but we still enjoyed walking around and looking at the many great cars in the cruise. The GM display of concept cars from the Heritage Center was impressive.

On Tuesday Saturn invited us downtown to the Renaissance Center for a tour of the OnStar command center, a tour or the Renaissance Center and a meeting

with a product planner from GM. The OnStar command center monitors all the OnStar call centers and any activities across the county that could affect the calls coming into these centers.

The Renaissance Center is made up of four 39-floor towers that house the **GM World Headquarters** and one 72-floor hotel with a restaurant on the top floor. The view of the Detroit River, downtown Detroit, and all the suburbs and into Canada was very impressive. The product planner provided information on the new products from Saturn including the Aura, Outlook, Greenline Vue and Redline Sky.

While in the area we also visited the Walter P. Chrysler Museum, Greenfield Village, Henry Ford Museum and Belle Isle.

We are planning to return to Detroit next August to attend the Woodward Dream Cruise again. We are also planning to attend the Detroit International Auto Show in January.

Some exciting events that are coming up before the end of the year include a trip to Amish county, a train ride, and the Christmas light display at the Zoo. Also, we are planning for our annual Christmas party at Saturn Southeast in December. The events articles will have more information on these events as they are finalized.

Please note that Bingo at Villa Angela in November will be held the first Thursday on November 2nd. This is for November only; we will return to our normal third Thursday in December. I think I have run on for long enough for this article, but before I close I would like to thank Saturn of Columbus for another great Saturn Day at the Zoo.

Hope to see you at a future meeting or event.

*John*

# Saturn Day at the Zoo Photos



Jack Hanna signed autographs for a crowd of admirers in front of the stage.



Nobody in the front row wanted anything to do with this critter. People in the back row felt pretty much the same.



One of several raffles that were held during the day.



Saturn's Outlook prototype also put in an appearance.



# CarClub Events

## Detroit Trip

Detroit was great fun August 18th – 23rd. We had a small group, but everyone enjoyed the trip. Friday night we were invited to a VIP Party for GM employees. There was plenty to eat and drink, a “Sky” to have our picture taken in front of, and a high platform to view all the cars in the Woodward Cruise.



We visited the Chrysler Museum and GM arranged a tour of the Renaissance Center and the OnStar Command Center. Both were extremely interesting.

Our President for 2007, Cheryl Lutman, has decided to go again next year during the Woodward Cruise, which is always on the **third Saturday of August**. Please mark your calendar now! Next year we are planning to go earlier in the week to take in more of the exciting events of Cruise Week and come home on Sunday or Monday. Cheryl’s Events Committee will have more details next year, but it is already on the calendar.

## September Events

We had a great time on our Saturday, September 16th, trip to the **Shamrock Winery**. Nineteen members and guests drove to Waldo to see the grape vines and learn about wine making. After the tour we all sampled six different wines produced at the vineyard. Then came the fun of deciding which we liked and how many bottles we were going to buy. Next, we visited the **G&R Tavern** in Waldo to enjoy their famous Fried Baloney Sandwich. Well, almost all of us. Some opted for a different menu item.

We want to thank Sharon Leonard for contacting the Shamrock Winery and the G&R Tavern and all of her work in setting up the tour and lunch reservations.

**Sunday, September 10<sup>th</sup>, Saturn Day at the Zoo.** The CarClub helped Jim Harrass empty out his garage by selling tons of T-shirts and CarClub merchandise at discount prices! Becky says he’ll just get more stuff.



It was a marvelous day, with Jack Hanna and friends introducing the crowd to some of their favorite creatures, and with new Saturns on display. Below, Al studies the specs on Vue Green Line. Becky examined the Outlook prototype (look for her in the pictures on page 2).



A big welcome to Debra Cox, a new owner who joined the CarClub at the zoo and came to the September meeting.

**September 14 Meeting.** The CarClub welcomed a new member, Brian, as well as Debra. Members got an update on the events planned through the end of this year. In case you missed it, the CarClub members who went on the trip to Detroit were very well received by Saturn and GM, and are planning to go back. Jim Harrass covered the point system that goes toward active membership.

## ***October Events***

**Saturday, October 14<sup>th</sup> —Amish Country Trip.** We leave the New Albany Bob Evans Restaurant at 9:00 a.m. (Route 161 and New Albany Road). If you plan to have breakfast, allow enough time to eat so as to be ready to leave at 9:00 a.m. That means order before 8:10 a.m.!

**October 21, Adopt-A-Highway** — the last one of the year! Our commitment to this community service activity has earned the Saturn CarClub a Gold Star.

## ***Looking Ahead to the New Year***

November 11th we will be taking a train ride on the Buckeye Railroad in Hebron Ohio. Their tentative departure time is 12 noon. The cost is \$10 per person. After the train ride, we will go for a late lunch at Clark's Restaurant where they serve family style and are famous for their fried chicken.

December 2nd – Zoo lights at the Columbus Zoo. Meet at 7:00 p.m. at the Food Court.

December 14th – Holiday Party (Potluck) in place of the monthly meeting at Saturn/Southeast. The CarClub will provide the meat and drinks.

The January 2007 event will be the Detroit Auto Show on Martin Luther King Day – Monday, January 15th. We will leave the Friday before and come home on Monday night or Tuesday. For those who went to Detroit in August, we are planning to go to the Henry Ford Museum on Saturday or Sunday (your tickets are still good). The members who have gone in past years have always had a good time. They say the show is VERY LARGE with lots of cars and interesting things to see and do. Plan to attend!

*Peggy & Lois*

## ***More Day at the Zoo Photos***



By the way, the CarClub made a donation of \$450.00 to Charity Newsies at the Zoo. Thanks to all the members who participated in this community service event this quarter.

## ***CarClub Officers Wanted: Enthusiasm Necessary!***

**President:** The President, as the chief executive officer of the Saturn CarClub, provides active management of the CarClub. The President presides over the General meetings of the CarClub, meetings of the Board of Officers, and sees that all orders and resolutions are carried out. The President may perform other duties that may be prescribed from time to time by the CarClub Board of Officers. The President also acts as the liaison between the CarClub members and the Sponsoring Retailer's Champion.

**Vice President:** The Vice President acts under the direction of the President and, in the absence or disability of the President, performs the duties and exercise the powers of the President. The Vice President may also perform other duties and exercise other powers that may be prescribed by the Board of Officers. Vice Presidents are chosen as the "heir apparent" to the President, providing for an orderly transition and continuity from one year to the next.

**Secretary:** The secretary keeps, or causes to be kept, the minutes of the meetings of the Board of Officers, committees, and General Membership. The Secretary also performs other duties that may be prescribed by the President or the Board of Officers. The person chosen must love details as well as be a good note taker.

**Treasurer:** The Treasurer acts under the direction of, and is accountable to, the Board of Officers. The Treasurer must keep accurate accounts of receipts and disbursements and oversee the disbursement of the funds of the CarClub. He or she provides an account of all transactions by the CarClub and of the financial condition of the CarClub to the President and the Board of Officers at its regular meetings, at general membership meetings, or when the Board of Officers so requires. The Treasurer deposits, or cause to be deposited, all moneys and other property in the name of the CarClub in depositories designated by the Board of Officers.

**Events Chair(s):** The person(s) responsible for planning and making sure the special events happen. Knowledge of interesting, informative, and fun participation opportunities in the area helps greatly. Participation in past CarClub activities also provides first-hand knowledge of what types of events the CarClub members are most interested in. This office may be held by more than one person as co-chairs. In the past, several husband-wife teams have served as events co-chairs.

**Historian / Safety Officer:** The person who keeps track of CarClub meetings and events, saves mementos, and perhaps keeps a scrapbook -- maybe even a video scrapbook. This person also works closely with the Events Chair(s) to make certain all events and activities are planned and carried out in a safe and responsible manner.

**Membership:** The person who keeps all information on our local CarClub members up to date. Provides new members a "welcome" letter and membership card. Provides the newsletter editor with the mailing and e-mailing lists for the CarClub newsletter distribution. Tracks members' participation toward "active member" status.

**Newsletter Editor:** The person who serves as the CarClub Chapter "Crier" by getting the word out to our local members and retailers and other Chapters through publication of the monthly CarClub Newsletter. Edits and assembles articles submitted for publication by CarClub Officers and members for conformance with CarClub and Saturn Corporation policies and direction. Distributes the newsletter by regular mail, e-mail, and hand carrying to the Saturn Retailers.

**In conclusion:** The Saturn CarClub of Central Ohio needs people who are enthusiastic and willing to put in that extra effort to try to improve the CarClub and make it a fun organization that people want to participate in. It is required that officers be active members who have shown their willingness to support CarClub activities in the past and have experienced the various activities of the CarClub first-hand by being a member for at least one year by the time they take office.

At the November meeting, election of officers will be held. The President for 2007 will be the Vice President for 2006, Cheryl Lutman. Nominations will be accepted at the October meeting and at the November meeting prior to the election. If you are interested in serving as an officer, you may nominate yourself. Plan to attend the November meeting on the 10<sup>th</sup> at Saturn/North and help select the officers who will lead the CarClub in 2007!

### OFFICER NOMINATIONS

Vice President:

Secretary:

Treasurer:

Events:

Safety/Historian

Membership:

Newsletter Editor:

## ***New CarClub Decal***



## ***Win a SKY Umbrella!***

When it rains and is all gray and dreary out, do you sometimes wish you could have your own personal patch of blue sky? Well, now you can! When the CarClub was in Detroit, Saturn Corporation gave us SKY umbrellas. These large, black umbrellas feature wooden handles with the SKY logo laser etched into them but, more importantly, the inside is printed with a blue sky and white, fluffy clouds!

We will be selling chances at the next three meetings with the drawing at the December meeting. Chances are \$1.00 each, with 50 cents going to the charity for the quarter, and the rest going to the Club. We'll have an umbrella at the next meetings so everyone can take a look!

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## ***Congratulations, Cheryl!***



At the September meeting, CarClub members congratulated Cheryl Lutman on passing the CFP (Certified Financial Planner) exam. The picture above was taken by Jim Harrass just as CarClub President John Williams was about to call Cheryl to come front and center to receive a card signed by the members.

## Central Ohio Saturn CarClub Activities Calendar

Date	Meeting / Event	Location	Time
October 12	Meeting	Saturn West	7:00 p.m.
October 14	Trip to Amish Country	Bob Evans at Route 161 and New Albany Road	Depart at 9:00 a.m.
October 19	Bingo	Villa Angela	7:00 p.m.
October 21	Adopt-A-Highway	The lot east of Max & Erma's on East Broad Street	9:30 a.m.
November 2	Bingo	Villa Angela	7:00 p.m.
November 9	Meeting	Saturn North	7:00 p.m.
November 11	Buckeye Railroad Trip / Dawes Arboretum	Caravan location TBD	Train departs at 12:00 noon
December 2	Wildlights	Columbus Zoo	6:00 p.m.
December 14	Meeting / Holiday Potluck	Saturn Southeast	7:00 p.m.
December 21	Bingo	Villa Angela	7:00 p.m.
January 11	Meeting	Saturn West	7:00 p.m.
January 15	Detroit Auto Show	TBD	TBD

### 2006 CarClub Officers

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### 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:

[centohioeditor@mail.saturnfans.com](mailto:centohioeditor@mail.saturnfans.com)

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).



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