

THE MONTHLY PLANET

CENTRAL OHIO SATURN CARCLUB
CHAPTER 4



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In light of recent events, we've asked our Champion, Al Clapsaddle to update us. He will also be at our October 8th meeting at Saturn West to talk about what's going on.

It was announced on September 30th that the Penske Bid for Saturn has failed. As of this moment, we do **NOT** know the details. What does this mean for **US**? Well, we will be around as Saturn until October 31, 2010. The supply of Saturns that we currently have is **ALL** that we will be selling. GM will **NOT** build 2010 vehicles for us.

The reversal came as a shock to **ALL** involved. The signing of the papers to close the deal were scheduled for October 1st. Jill Lajdziak and Roger Penske were visibly shaken when the news came. Does this mean Saturn is finished? **NO!** Until they close the doors next October, we are and will be Saturn. Remember there were many suitors that wanted to merge with Saturn. That has **NOT** changed and in my opinion Roger Penske still may work his plan, just with a different supplier.

What can each of us do in the meantime? Continue to show the world why we are "different" and why we care about this entity that is known as Saturn.

When **ANY** news is released, I will post it on my web site, I will also pass the information on to our CarClub Newsletter Editor and our

Membership Officer to distribute.. If you're not on the e-mail list and would like to be, please let us know!

Please check my web site—<http://www.saturnwest-alclapsaddle.com>—for all the information concerning new programs and incentives. It has been my pleasure to serve you as CarClub Champion since August 2001. I hope to be with you in this position for many years to come.

A BIG "Thank You" to all the members who turned out for the nineteenth, "Saturn Day at the Zoo". Over 7,000 Saturn Owners and their families attended this yearly event

I will be glad to help you. If you have **ANY** questions, please call me at (614) 771-9700 and leave a message, if I am busy.

Remember, we still have the referral program which entitles you to a \$75.00 Certificate for any service, merchandise, parts and Vehicle purchase. **PLUS** the chance to win the \$2,500 Cruise. If you are a "Raving Fan" the rewards are huge!

Saturn customers have always been the backbone of Saturn and the Saturn CarClub members, have been the **M O S T** loyal customers.

New car purchases will get a Tax break from the President. Ask for details!

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

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Just Around The Corner!



Our Events Are Happening!!!

OCTOBER

October 10th, 10:00 a.m. Adopt-An-Area

October 10th is our Last Adopt-An-Area (AAA) cleanup of 2009. We will meet at 10:00 AM at the Livingston/Alum Creek intersection.

Our cleanup should only take about an hour and a half and then we'll head over to The Rusty Bucket for lunch. Our thanks, as always, to Saturn of Columbus for providing the lunch! The areas we will be cleaning will be grassy and could also be wet or muddy, so dress accordingly. Sturdy shoes and appropriate outerwear are a must. The City of Columbus provides us with gloves, safety vests, "litter grabbers", and garbage bags. Some people bring 5-gallon buckets to put the litter in. If you have one, bring it along.

Directions to the AAA Cleanup Site: Coming from West on I-70, take Exit 103B, (Alum Creek Dr / Livingston Ave). Turn right on Alum Creek Drive northbound. Turn right into parking area (red "P" on map) or turn right into McDonalds, drive to the rear, turn left and then second left to parking area, "P". Coming from East on I-70, take Exit 103B, (Livingston Ave). Turn left on to Livingston Avenue. Go to stop light and turn left onto Alum Creek Drive (Southbound). Make an immediate left turn into parking area (red "P" on map). Our parking area is on the North side of the white building with the circular red roof, which is just North of McDonalds (red "M" on the map). Please join us to help Keep Columbus Beautiful!



October 15th, 7:00 p.m. Bingo at Villa Angela

Come and be a part of the fun that the residents enjoy when playing Bingo. You don't need to do anything other than enjoy those coming to play.

October 17th, 2:00 p.m. Fall Fun Days at Circle S Farms 9015 London Groveport Rd. Grove City, OH 43123

THIS IS A CHANGE FROM THE CHIHULY EXHIBIT VISIT THAT WAS ANNOUNCED LAST MONTH.

It was decided that the weather would still be nice enough to have an outside activity in October, so we are moving our Chihuly exhibit tour to November.

We will meet at Cracker Barrel on Stringtown Rd. at I-71 at 1:30 p.m. or meet at Circle S Farms at 2:00 p.m.

At Circle S Farms you can ride a hayride wagon to the pumpkin field. Then, search the field to find your perfect pumpkin to take home. The straw-filled barn with slides is a sure favorite for the kids. Corn and sunflower mazes, a bale cave, and farm animals also add to the fun on the farm. Don't forget to visit the petting zoo, take pictures in Fodder Lane and shop for that perfect fall decoration!

Your trip to Circle S Farms is completed by tasting delicious seasonal favorites made at the farm. Their bakery has donuts, cookies, turnovers and other treats fresh from the oven. Apple cider, hot chocolate and coffee are served daily.

General Admission:

\$8.00 per person (children under 2 free)

\$3.00 per pumpkin, if you choose to get one.

Bring the whole family for an afternoon of fall fun. When we're done, if there's interest, we'll stop somewhere on the way back for a bowl of hot soup.

NOVEMBER

November 12th, 7:00 p.m. CarClub Officer Elections Saturn/North

This is election month for the CarClub. If you have been a member of the CarClub for a year, please consider running for an office. The CarClub cannot continue without officers, and we sure would like to have some new faces!

November Bingo at Villa Angela

Date will be announced next month. Due to holiday activities at Villa Angela, the date may need to change.

November 15th, 2:00 p.m. Chihuly Exhibit Franklin Park Conservatory

The exhibition of Dale Chihuly's glass artwork at Franklin Park Conservatory in 2003 and 2004 drew a record number of visitors and made a lasting impression on all that viewed it. Installations of Chihuly's vibrant

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work were placed throughout the Conservatory, among the plant collections. In the summer of 2004, The Friends of the Conservatory - a private, nonprofit group - purchased most of the pieces included in that exhibition for Franklin Park Conservatory. It is the largest collection owned by a conservatory or botanical garden.

The full collection represented by thousands of individually blown glass elements is now on view, along with new work by this world-renowned artist in an exhibition titled "Chihuly Reimagined." While a few installations will be familiar to visitors who experienced Chihuly at the Conservatory in 2003 and 2004, most are presented in new locations or different configurations. Three new installations from Chihuly Studio are included in the exhibition. From August 15 through January 3, 2010, a working hot shop will give visitors an up close opportunity to see glass being made.

Franklin Park Conservatory is located two miles east of downtown Columbus and is a premier horticultural and educational institution showcasing exotic plant collections.

ADMISSION:

\$10 for adults

\$8 for seniors and students with valid ID

\$5 for children 3-17

FREE Members and children under 3

We will plan to meet at the Conservatory at 2:00 PM on Sunday, November 15th, tour the exhibit and then get something to eat. Plan to join us!

DECEMBER

December 5th, 6:30 p.m.
Wildlight Wonderland
The Columbus Zoo

Come join us as we celebrate the start of the holidays with our annual trip to The Columbus Zoo for Wildlight Wonderland. We will meet at the food court at 6:30 PM for those who wish to eat, and begin our walk enjoying the many lights around 7:00 PM. Every year it gets better and better. There are cookies to decorate, visits with Santa, a light show, and singers strolling throughout the zoo. If you do join us, remember to dress for the weather!

December 12th, 6:30 p.m.
Holiday Potluck
Saturn/North

This will be at Saturn **NORTH** this year. Many of you have said you would love to come to the Holiday Potluck, but don't want to drive all the way out to SouthEast, especially in the winter weather. Well, we heard you, and are moving the Potluck to Saturn/North. More details will be coming soon, but we hope you can join us!

We hope you will join the Club for these events. If you have any ideas on other events, please let us know. This is your CarClub!

Becky Harrass, Events

Where In The Universe Is Your Saturn??

Member Bill Smith's adventures out west continue. Here's his infamous yellow sky (yes, the license plate is "YELRSKY") at the Leopold Vista on route 180 south of Glenwood New Mexico back in September.



The VUE From The Top

WOW! Some big changes in the last few days. We don't yet know what this means for the Saturn of Columbus or the CarClub, but events are planned through the end of the year, and nothing's being cancelled. Be at our October meeting at Saturn West to hear the latest. I, for one, find it hard to believe this is truly the end of Saturn.

Thanks to all those of you who made it to Saturn Day at the Zoo! We also were thrilled to see our President at the event presenting our check to the Red Cross. We were so happy to see you there Peggy, and John too! We all hope Peggy gets to come home real soon.

There are many things to get done yet. Be sure to get you car checked for winter. Look at tire wear, replacing your wiper blades and locating your ice scraper. (Where is mine? I didn't sell it in the yard sale did I?) Consider using winter grade washer fluid and start putting it in now. And don't forget to change those furnace filters at home.

The Club also has regular fall items to deal with. This month is nominations for Officers for next year and voting will take place in November. At this point, it is our intent to proceed as though we will be here next year. So Please, now more than ever, we need you! If you have been a member for over one year, consider filling one of these important positions. Believe me, it's fun. If you cannot make it to the meeting to get your name on the ballot, contact a current officer or call the hot line. There's even a ballot enclosed with this newsletter to make it easy for you.

See you at the meeting,

Steve Whitman

Officer Job Descriptions

All positions, with the exception of Vice President, just require a one year commitment. Attendance at all meetings and/or events is not mandatory. Many things can be handled via e-mail. Some positions do require computer literacy, or experience with certain programs, and those are noted. The only requirements to serve are that you must have been a member for at least one year, and must be current on all membership dues. Nominations are at the October 8th meeting, with elections on November 12th.

President: Provide leadership for the year. Serve as primary liaison with Saturn of Columbus. Assign special projects as needed.

Vice President: Assists the President. Maintains the voicemail system. Becomes President in the following year, and therefore requires a two year commitment.

Secretary: Take notes at all board and membership meetings. Retain all the official records of the CarClub. Many people prefer to use Microsoft Word to prepare the notes, but handwritten is fine.

Treasurer: Keep our books, make our deposits and pay our bills. Primary contact for our bank, First Choice Credit Union. Although the records are currently on Quicken, you can do the records with paper and pencil.

Membership: Keep all the membership records. Send out renewal notices, welcome letters, membership cards and assist in the preparation of the newsletter. Must have familiarity with Microsoft Word and Excel.

Newsletter Editor: Prepare the newsletter each month. It is currently in Microsoft Publisher, although you can use Microsoft Word, if you prefer. Obviously, computer skills are required.

Events: This is just what it says. Plan our monthly events and activities. This position works best if a couple or a group of friends serve together. If you're interested, but don't want to do this one alone, please let us know. Odds are, someone else has already said the same thing!

Safety/Historian: You will keep our archives. This is a great job if you enjoy scrap booking. Put your talents to work for the Club!

Saturn Day at The Columbus Zoo



What a gorgeous day to enjoy the Zoo, and a concert by the John Schwab Band!



President Peggy Williams and her husband, John, present our donation to the American Red Cross



Working the CarClub Booth



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President	Peggy Williams	centohiopresident@mail.saturnfans.com	<p><i>Need information about the Central Ohio Saturn CarClub meetings or activities?</i></p> <p>Call our hotline (614) 470-3517</p> <p>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.</p>
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<p>CarClub Websites</p> <p>http://www.centohiocarclub.com/ http://autos.groups.yahoo.com/group/centohiosaturncarclub</p>			

Central Ohio Saturn CarClub Activities Calendar

Date	Meeting / Event	Location	Time
October 8	Meeting Officer Nominations	Saturn/West	7:00 p.m.
October 10	Adopt-An-Area	Livingston and Alum Creek	10:00 a.m.
October 15	Bingo	Villa Angela Care Center 5700 Karl Road	7:00 p.m.
October 17	Fall Fun Days	Circle S Farms Grove City	2:00 p.m.
November 12	Meeting 2010 Officer Elections	Saturn/North	7:00 p.m.
November 15	Chihuly Reimagined	Franklin Park Conservatory	2:00 p.m.
November	Bingo	Date To Be Announced	7:00 p.m.
December 5	Wildlight Wonderland	The Columbus Zoo	6:30 p.m.
December 10	Meeting/Christmas Party	Saturn North	6:30 p.m.
December	Bingo	Date To Be Announced	7:00 p.m.

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2010 Officer Nomination Form

Write the name and telephone number of the member you are nominating for any or all of the positions. Job descriptions are included on Page 4 of the Newsletter. Your CarClub will contact the member and confirm their interest in the position. All nominations are anonymous, and you can nominate yourself! Return the form to us via e-mail or via regular mail. Forms must be in by November 1st.

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