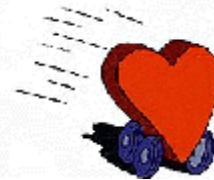




# CarClub



## The Monthly Planet

Central Ohio Saturn CarClub — Chapter 4

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### Words from the President

#### Welcome New Member

Hello Central Ohio Saturn CarClub members and welcome to **Phil Pietrosanti**, the one new member who joined the CarClub since the last newsletter. We invite you (as well as all of our members) to attend some of our meetings and/or events. Remember, attend just six meetings and/or events within a year and you will be considered an “Active” member and receive a 15% discount from Saturn of Columbus.

#### August Meeting and Events

The August meeting was held at Saturn/North on the 14th. The meeting opened with the presentation of the **1999 Saturn Homecoming CarClub** picture frame, including a picture of the 1999 CarClub Officers, to Mr. Tom Carpenter, President of Saturn of Columbus. Peggy Williams then presented the **Villa Angela Community Service Award** (Presented to Peggy by Villa Angela and featured in the June 2003 Monthly Planet) to Tom Carpenter (photo below). These items will be displayed at Saturn/North. Stop by and take a look.



The major event for the month of August was a day trip to Rolling Ridge Ranch. See the article on page 3 for more details, including pictures.

#### Looking Ahead

The September meeting will be held on the 11th at Saturn/Southeast at 7:00 p.m. The mini event for the meeting will be guest speaker from **Adventures for Wish Kids**. This organization is Saturn of Columbus’ Charity Partner for Saturn Day at the Zoo this year. It is a 501(C)(3) not-for-profit organization that provides continuing support and lasting memories for children and adolescents with life threatening illness and their families. Come and find out more about this worthwhile charity and **give it your wholehearted support** at Saturn Day at the Zoo. You can also find more information on their web site: <http://www.afwkids.org/>

**Saturn Day at the Columbus Zoo** will be held on Sunday, September 14th. The CarClub will again have a booth and will be offering our CarClub merchandise for sale. If you would like to volunteer to work in the booth, please call the hotline (614-470-3517), send an email to [Saturn@centohiocarclub.com](mailto:Saturn@centohiocarclub.com), or signup at the September meeting. Even if you are not working in the CarClub booth, please **stop by and say hello** to the CarClub members who are there. We look forward to seeing all of you at Saturn Day at the Zoo!

Be sure to read the Events article for more information on the events planned for the next few months, including the **annual CarClub trek to the Saturn Plant** at Spring Hill TN, which is coming up in October.

#### IMPORTANT NOTES

Because the Spring Hill tour is scheduled for the normal time of our October meeting, that meeting will be on the **FIRST THURSDAY, October 2nd** at Saturn/West. This

meeting agenda will include nomination of officers for 2004. Be thinking of whom you would like to nominate to be an officer. If you desire to run for an office, you may nominate yourself.

The last **Adopt-A-Highway cleanup** for the year will be held on Saturday October 4th.

## Keeping in Touch

The CarClub Board would like to hear from you as to what you would like to do. You can talk directly to any Board member, leave a message at the CarClub Voicemail Hotline at 614-470-3517, send an e-mail to the CarClub at [Saturn@centohiocarclub.com](mailto:Saturn@centohiocarclub.com), or submit a suggestion in writing to the suggestion box at any of the regular CarClub meetings.

*Remember that you are the CarClub!*

*Jim*

## CARCLUB EVENTS

### Still in the Rearview Mirror

**BINGO** was held on August 21st at Villa Angela. 25 residents were in attendance with 7 CarClub members and one spouse. Plan to attend out next BINGO on September 18th at 7:00 p.m. Villa Angela is located at 4700 Karl Road.

### Just Ahead Around the Curve

September 14th is **Saturn Day at the Columbus Zoo**. Everyone who has purchased a Saturn in Central Ohio should have received a flyer for the Saturn Day at the Zoo from Saturn of Columbus. If you have not received one, contact your Saturn sales consultant or the Saturn of Columbus retailer where you bought your car. Many of you have attended before, but for those who haven't, we would like to encourage you to join all the Saturn owners for a great time at the zoo. Bring the flyer you receive in the mail with you to get free parking, admission to the Zoo and a free lunch for everyone in your family (up to four people). Many items are given away, and a band provides good music; in addition you get an opportunity to see the new addition to the zoo. We look forward to seeing all the Saturn owners and CarClub members at the Zoo!

September 27th is the date for the trip to **the Hocking Hills State Park**. This will include a hike to Old Man's Cave and a picnic. Wear comfortable shoes since we will do lots of walking. Since we have had so much rain this year, it should be much prettier than the last time we were there. We will meet in the parking lot at Saturn/Southeast at 9:00 a.m. Bring your own picnic lunch and drinks.

Our annual trek to Spring Hill will take place on Thursday October 9th. We will be leaving from the Cracker Barrel on Stringtown Road (exit 100 off I-71, just South of I-270) at 9:00 a.m. If you plan to eat breakfast at the Cracker Barrel, you will need to be finished by 9:00 a.m. and ready to leave. We plan to stop about every two hours so the trip doesn't get quite so tiring. Maps and directions will be given out at the Cracker Barrel.

In Tennessee we will be staying at the:

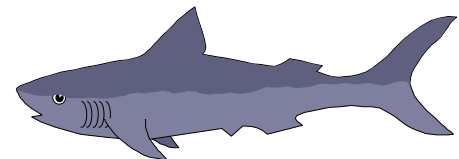
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Several CarClub officers have made their reservation already and we have set aside additional rooms in the name of the Central Ohio Saturn CarClub. The cost will be \$55/night. They have a pool. They said they would hold the rooms until September 1st, but they most likely will have rooms available after that date. When you call to reserve a room be sure to tell them that you are with the Central Ohio Saturn CarClub.

The tour through the Saturn plant will take place on Friday October 10th. Children under 6 are not permitted to go through the plant. There will also be other suggestions of activities to enjoy in the Nashville/ Brentwood area.

### On the Horizon

Nov. 15th is the date for a trip to **Newport Aquarium**, south of Cincinnati. This activity may change since there is concern about the weather. More information to follow in the next newsletter.



Dec. 6th will be the **Holiday Party at the Highbanks Metro Park** (Northern Shelter).

10 a.m. – noon. We will decorate the building to give it a festive Holiday feeling. Feel free to join in and help get the decorations up.

Noon - 4 p.m. Holiday party including food, fun, games, and door prizes.

Dec. 11th will be the **Caroling** meeting at Villa Angela.

Dec. 20th will be the **Columbus “Zoo Lights”** outing.

More details will follow on these outings. Suggestions for other activities are always welcome, please talk with Peggy or Becky, or call the hotline (614-470-3517).

### Custom-Made CarClub Word Search

Thanks to Lowell Lutman for putting together another Saturn Word Search puzzle.

#### Saturn Word Search

Directions: Hidden words listed below run forward, backward, up, down and diagonally. Find each word.

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POLLEN FILTER (ELECTRIC)POWER STEERING  
AUTO DIMMING(REAR VIEW)MIRROR ABS/TC  
POWER DOOR LOCKS FIVE SPEED(AUTOMATIC)  
SIDE IMPACT(STRUCTURAL)BEAMS  
ALLOY WHEELS LOST FOAM CAST ALUMINUM  
FOLD FLAT SEATBACK LOW FUEL INDICATOR

## REST & RELAXATION AT THE ROLLING RIDGE RANCH

On August 23rd, the CarClub met in New Albany and took off for Holmes County, one of the Amish areas of Ohio. The destination was the Rolling Ridge Ranch, which is located just north of the towns of Berlin and Walnut Creek.



Soon after arriving, we boarded a wagon pulled by two horses and set off to see the animals.

The safari is about a mile and a half long, with many stops to feed animals, through 80 acres of natural woods and gently sloping pasturelands. It took about 90 minutes to complete the route.

It wasn't long before we were surrounded by animals of all sorts, from six different continents. They all seemed eager to eat the feed, which was provided by our driver, Ruben. One of the most commonly seen animals was the Vietnamese Pot Belly pig. We saw many, many families of mama and baby pigs running around as we dropped food on the ground for them. The animals were very tame and seemed only interested in the food. They allowed us to pet them, feel their fur and horns, and get lots of very close-up pictures! A few are provided on the next page.

The Rolling Ridge Ranch is a very worth while experience, especially for kids of all ages. You get to experience a close-up encounter with many animals, which you may have only seen in pictures or at a distance in the zoo. In addition to the safari, there is also a petting zoo, which has many smaller animals for the kids to pet, very similar to the one at the Columbus Zoo. There are also some exotic birds and smaller animals in cages. It also has a picnic area, a playground, and a small gift store.

If you get the chance, it is well worth your time visit the Rolling Ridge Ranch.

## SATURN IN THE NEWS

August 11, 2003

### Driving to the eXtreme



The kids really had a great time seeing and touching the animals. Here, a youngster touches a buffalo's head. We found buffalo fur to be very coarse and feel like steel wool.



Lowell and Cheryl Lutman feed two different animals out of the containers provided for that purpose. That way you get to keep your fingers on your hand.



Our driver, Ruben, took this picture of us next to the horses that had taken us around the Ranch.

LOS ANGELES – With rock 'n' roll music in the air, professional riders on BMX bikes, inline skates and skateboards performed breathtaking jumps and stunts over a 2004 Saturn, the official vehicle of the ESPN X Games, to enthusiastically kick off the "eXtreme Safety Challenge." The safe driving skills charity event, sponsored by Motor Trend magazine and Saturn, jump-started an exciting week of ESPN's X Games IX events in Los Angeles. The event was capped off with donations to each of the participating athletes' charity of choice.

Along with select media personalities, ESPN X Games athletes such as BMX star Dennis McCoy and skateboard masters Anthony Furlong and Neal Hendrix gathered at the LA Coliseum to buckle up in Saturn ION coupes. The group first tested their driving skills on the Active Safety course, a series of six stations demonstrating proper use of anti-lock brakes and traction control, as well as lane changes and steering and handling techniques.

After completing the Active Safety course, the participants drove through an Auto Cross course, testing their ability to apply what was just learned. Celebrity coaching and judging was provided by the editors of Motor Trend magazine and professional drivers from the Jim Russell Racing Drivers School.

"While it seems like we brought two very different worlds together – that of the professional driver and the adventure sports athlete – there is a natural relationship between the two when it comes to safety," said Ron Haag, Saturn west region manager. "Regardless of what you do or what you drive, having the right safety equipment and skills training add up to a better performance. At Saturn, we are passionate about vehicle safety and with the help of the X Games athletes and Motor Trend everyone will leave today's event a safer driver."

Participants drove 2003 Saturn ION Quad Coupes outfitted with anti-lock brakes and traction control as well as a number of standard safety and security features that include dual-stage driver and passenger air bags, front seatbelt pretensioners, three-point safety belts for all seating positions and a factory-installed anti-theft system with remote keyless entry, along with an engine immobilizer, which prevents car theft by shutting off fuel to the engine if the correct ignition key isn't used.

## Central Ohio Saturn CarClub Activities Calendar

Date	Meeting / Event	Location	Time
11-Sep-03	Monthly Meeting	Saturn / Southeast	7:00 p.m.
14-Sep-03	Saturn Day at the Zoo	Columbus Zoo	10 a.m. – 4 p.m.
18-Sep-03	Bingo	Villa Angela	7:00 p.m.
27-Sep-03	Old Man's Cave Hike/Picnic	Saturn/Southeast	9:00 a.m.
<b>2-Oct-03</b>	Monthly Meeting & Nomination of Officers	Saturn / West	7:00 p.m.
<b>4-Oct-03</b>	Adopt-A-Highway	Near Frank's Garden Center	9:00 a.m.
9-10-Oct-03	Annual Spring Hill Saturn Tour	Cracker Barrel, I-71, Exit 100	9:00 a.m.
16-Oct-03	Bingo	Villa Angela	7:00 p.m.
<b>8-Nov-03</b>	Saturday Meeting for 4 <sup>th</sup> Quarter	Saturn / West	10:00 a.m.
13-Nov-03	Monthly Meeting & Election of Officers	Saturn / North	7:00 p.m.
15-Nov-03	Newport Aquarium	South of Cincinnati	TBA
20-Nov-03	Bingo	Villa Angela	7:00 p.m.
6-Dec-03	Holiday Party	Highbanks Northern Shelter	12 Noon – 4 p.m.
11-Dec-03	Monthly Meeting / Caroling	Villa Angela	7:00 p.m.
18-Dec-03	Bingo	Villa Angela	7:00 p.m.
20-Dec-03	Columbus Zoo Lights	Columbus Zoo	TBA

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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:  
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