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There is something special about a man (or woman) and his(her) machine that words cannot describe. I work hard all week and look forward to the weekends to rest and get caught up on things. Hopefully I will have time to do thing that are relaxing but with family responsibilities, that gets difficult at times. Not this past weekend though. The weather looked promising all week long for this car show in Sandwich, IL. This was to be my day, well at least the first half of the day. Sandwich is about an hour from my house and that's OK, it gives me an opportunity to

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been to a few car shows in my life and this bag was stuffed with a few papers and a plate. Maybe I am being picky but put a few samples in or something. Anyway, we were able to park our Z's together. Out came the chairs and we were set. There is something about just sitting outside in a chair on a beautiful day with beautiful cars all around. That's relaxing. We got



*Photo by Jeff Pleiter*

drive my Z. Usually when I go for a drive, I have a usual route that involves mostly expressways away from the congestion and some back roads if I can. When drive with friends, it's even better. I decided to bring my '83 280ZXT 2+2, having dusted it off the day before. On the way to the show, the "trusty" smart phone got us to the wrong entrance at the fairgrounds....the gates were locked. So we tried to find another entrance and fortunately we spotted another show car and knew we were close. So we followed them and viola, we were there. I registered and got my empty goodie bag. I'm serious. I have

several compliments from people walking by the Z's. We even complimented ourselves. I have to admit though, I was bit jealous. I was sitting with Jeff Pleiter and Lee Witkowski when Lee complimented Jeff and how he had a nice assortment of Z's, referring to the 1980 Tenth Anniversary that he had at the show and the #1 NISMO at home. Uhhmm, hello!! What about me? Don't you like mine? Are mine chopped liver? Fine Lee...whatever!!

Anyway, the rest of the show was uneventful and the 3 of us even walked together through the swap meet without any insults. We even sat down and had lunch

together on the same picnic table. We talked like nothing happened but deep down inside, I was still hurt. There were plenty of nice American cars at the show and just a handful of foreign cars. If I were to mention the worst part about the show, it was that all the cars were bombarded with maple seeds and some tree sap. At least we had the shade.

As I mentioned before, the day was only half mine. I had to leave at 1 PM because my wife had a shower to go to. So off I was, going solo for the ride home. I had the windows down and after 5 minutes most of the seeds had blown off so I decided to take the T tops off for the first time this year. It was a great drive home, perfect weather, nice roads and the humming of the straight 6. Life is good. I got home right at 2, just like I promised and she was getting into her car as I pulled up. I bet she thought I was going to be late but BAMMM, I was right on time. So there.

Speaking of shows, we will be having our Cruisin Z USA 2014 car show on Sunday, July 13<sup>th</sup>. You should have received an Evite but also look for a registration form soon. It's an interesting story how this location came about. Over the winter, I was having a problem with our fireplace so I placed a service call to A Fireplace Store and More. A very nice gentleman by the name of Hudson came over to repair a gas line located in our basement. It just so happens I keep a lot of spare parts down there a shelves for my Z's. As he was working, he noticed these parts and asked me if they were for Z's. Wow, I was impressed. How did he know that? I found out that he and his brother are big Z fans, having some older ones themselves, though they have not run in several years. We got to talking about Z's as he was doing his work and about the club etc. It turns out that he is involved in setting up a weekly Cruise Night in front of there business during the summer and here we are, now having our own event there. It is in the NW corner of the intersection of Lemont Rd and 75<sup>th</sup> St., next to Advance Auto. You see, it's nice to get to talking with your repair people. Let's hope for good weather. Bring your lawn chair. There is some shopping in the area as well as restaurants, so there's plenty of things to do.

See you at the next event. ~ Ty

#### Jeff Pleiter, V.P of Activities



Recap of past events: As I did not attend any of the May 3 events, I do not have an update on those. There are a few pictures on our website. The Spring Fling was postponed to a date TBD for several reasons – a somewhat light turnout, my navigator was

not available, and the weather had been looking iffy. Turned out it would have been rain free if a little cool. We had six cars at the Sandwich IL AACA Silver Spring Chapter Car Show and Swap meet. The weather was beautiful; we had a spot in the shade. There was good turn of cars at the show, and the swap meet was larger than the show car area. See the pictures in the newsletter, website or facebook page.

Fans at the annual ZDayZ gathering in North Carolina had a world-class view of the Great Smokey Mountains, and were among the first to see the 2015 Nissan 370Z NISMO. Looks pretty cool. Check out Nissan News on the web for pictures and more info. Guess that means the new Z will not be a 2015 model. That's OK. Now that my son has decided to go to the University of Texas at Austin, my money will be going to tuition instead of a new Z. That give Nissan time to come up with a great new Z that I can buy after the Class of 2018 graduates. It also means next year I have a great excuse to go to NISMO fest in San Marcos, Texas which is only about a half hour out of Austin.

As always, keep an eye on the website, [www.windycityzclub.com](http://www.windycityzclub.com), and our windy city z club facebook page for info and updates for the following events:

#### EVENTS Calendar:

**June 13-15. Midwest Z Heritage Fest – Aurora Ohio.** A good group of us will be attending. For those who want to caravan with the group: plan to meet at the Lincoln Oasis (the last Oasis on I-294 before the Indiana line). We plan to leave the Oasis at 9 am sharp on Friday so get there early if you are grabbing gas or food there. Website for the event, including hotel information is at [www.midwestzheritage.com](http://www.midwestzheritage.com). Schedule is:

##### Friday

- 1-8 Registration
- 2-7 Keg and Clean parking lot party

##### Saturday

- 8 am Guided car show parking
- 10 am Judging starts
  - ZCCA rules. Stock, DD & Modified
  - 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> place trophies
  - People's Choice: Generation, Engine
  - Interior, Exterior, & Non-Z
  - 70(!) trophies awarded at the dinner
- 2:30-5 Road Rally
- Awards Dinner
- 7:30-9:30 Casino Night

##### Sunday

- Departures & Informal Breakfast at Bertram

**July 13 Cruisin' Z USA** The host is "A Fireplace

Store and More,” 1202 B, 75<sup>th</sup> Street, Downers Grove.  
Hold this date – more details will be provided later.

**July 19 “The Hawk” Historic Races at Road America.** We usually meet at the Lake Forest oasis and caravan up to the track.

**July 20 Central Z Enthusiasts Car Show in Springfield, IL.** More information is provided in the flier.

**August 5-9. International Z car Convention San Diego, California**

**September 13<sup>th</sup>, (14<sup>th</sup>)rain date – Z’s in the Wood Picnic** Kokomo, IN Hosted by Dave Jarrell with Indy Z car Club. Plan is for food and a band. BYOB. More details to follow.

**September 21, Cantigny Car Show** – This is Rain or Shine. Last year was rain ☹.

**Fall Fling date TBD.** Rescheduled Poker Run put together by Carl Kush.

As always, we will be scheduling other misc events such as cruise nights and other possible driving events. We are open to event ideas. Email me at [villazx10@comcast.net](mailto:villazx10@comcast.net).

**We will be forming a committee to start planning for our hosting of the 2015 Midwest Z Heritage Fest. We’re looking for people to plan activities and take charge of various aspect of the show – registration, cars how, other activites, hotel contact, etc.**

~ Jeff

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If you have photos, articles or Nissan news of interest that you'd like to contribute to the WCZC newsletter, please submit them to [wczc.editor@gmail.com](mailto:wczc.editor@gmail.com) by the 10th of the month.

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## *Windy City Z 2014 Events Calendar*

Date & Event	Venue	Contact Info
May 25 – Sandwich Car Show 8-3pm	Sandwich, IL	
June 13-15 – Midwest Z Heritagefest	Aurora, Ohio	
July 13 – Cruzin' Z Show	A Fireplace Store & More 1202 B, 75 <sup>th</sup> St, Downers Grove	Jeff Pleiter - <a href="mailto:villazx10@comcast.net">villazx10@comcast.net</a>
July 19 – "The Hawk" Historic Races	Road America	Jeff Pleiter - <a href="mailto:villazx10@comcast.net">villazx10@comcast.net</a>
July 20 – Central Z Enthusiasts Show	Springfield, IL	See flier
August 5-9 – Int'l Z Convention	San Diego, California	
Sept 13, 14? – Z's in the Woods Picnic	Kokomo, IN - Indy Z Car Club	
TBD – Fall Fling/Poker Run		Carl Kush





*Photos by  
Jeff Pleiter*



## *Silver Springs Car Show and Swap Meet 5/25/2014*







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# **“Car Show”**

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Shirt Size \_\_\_\_\_

Dual Member's Birthday \_\_\_\_\_

Shirt Size \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail address (please print): \_\_\_\_\_

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 Please remember to keep us updated if your e-mail address changes.

Type of Zs Owned (Please indicate year and quantity):

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300ZX \_\_\_\_\_

260Z \_\_\_\_\_

350Z \_\_\_\_\_

280Z \_\_\_\_\_

370Z \_\_\_\_\_

280ZX \_\_\_\_\_

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- ☐ Trips-Touring
- ☐ Rallying
- ☐ Car Restoration
- ☐ Road Racing
- ☐ Social Events

- ☐ Tech Seminars
- ☐ Hosting a club event
- ☐ Customizing
- ☐ Committee Volunteer
- ☐ Club Representative
- ☐ Leadership Role

*If you have any questions concerning these categories, please call one of the Club Officers listed above.*

Please make your check payable to the Windy City Z Club and mail it with this application to:

WINDY CITY Z CLUB

6770 Aspen Road, Lisle, Illinois 60532

Your membership packet will be sent to you by return mail within four to six weeks