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THE PRESIDENT SEZ Ty Ozgen, President

If you missed the WCZC Birthday Party, I hope you had a good excuse. It was one great

night. Not only was the food plentiful, so were the laughs. It was not me that was getting the laughs that night but our guest speaker Bob Bennett from Bennett Coachworks. We were honored to have Bob and his wife Janelle join us that evening all the way from Milwaukee. It was so much fun to listen to how he started out as a kid working on cars, started his career on racing Datsuns and how he got to be where he is today with his business. It has been a while since we have been up that way to see his shop and he left the door open for us to come up to visit. You can check out his website to see the kind of work he does, from 240 restorations/modifications to Pebble Beach winners. Thanks for joining us.

All of the officers were present and were reelected to their respective posts. Thank you all for your efforts in making this a great club. I guess that is one reason why we have been around for so long. As this year winds down we have to be thankful for another successful Z season.

We had a little bit of everything as far as events are concerned but now it is the slow season. I really do miss the nice weather. On my free time, I'd do odds and ends with the Z's. Maybe clean one, take it for a drive, adjust something etc. Now that they are put away for the winter, I just stay inside...pouting. I think they call that "Seasonal Affective Disorder". I can go to our website and look at all the pictures to make me feel better.

I have to admit we own some pretty cool cars. I really think the "collectability" of the Z's, especially the early 240s, is creeping up. For sale at this very time is a restored early VIN 1970 240Z at \$77,795!! Unbelievable!! From the pictures it looks beautiful but I'll be honest, I do think the price is a bit exaggerated. If it was an untouched low mileage original....well,

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maybe, but still priced high in my opinion. There are many others in the 20k+ range in the first generation. The second generations seen to be up there as well with several lower mileage 280ZX's in the 15k +/- range. The 3^{rd} and 4^{th} generations are <10k and 10-20krespectively for low mileage originals. People who grew up in the '70s knowing these Z's are certainly going to want to relive their youth with these Z's and the price is going to go up. But you know what? We have known about theses great cars for years and how great they are. So there.

I have to mention a picture I saw recently at Discount Tire. I was there getting tires rotated and as I was waiting I noted a picture on the wall reflecting the history of Discount tire and how long they have been around. And what car was on it? A Z of course. It looks like a '79 280ZX. Pretty cool.

As you probably know, we are well on the way in the planning stages for the 2015 Midwest Z Heritagefest this coming June. I know it's a lot of work but it will be a lot of fun as well. We had a good group at our meeting at Jeff and Allies house earlier on the month and got a lot of work done but there is still a lot to do. We still need your help. Keep an eye out for your Evites for more information.

In closing, I wish everyone a great Holiday and a happy and safe New Year!!

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Jeff Pleiter, V.P of Activities



As always, keep an eye on the website, <u>www.windycityzclub.com</u>, our windy city z club facebook page, and the evites for up to date info and new events.

If you have not joined our facebook page, you have missed a 370Z limousine, videos of NISMO Festival in Japan and Adam Levine attempting to sing while being driven at speed in a GTR. I also had a great time following Chris Karl's trip to Japan with Mad Mike and a few others. Did you notice that you can now renew your membership on-line and pay for it with paypal through our website?

2015 Midwest Z Heritage Fest Update: Club officers met recently to work out event schedule and cost details for the event. Not everything is finalized, but we are getting close. Watch for the Heritage Fest to go live soon with a registration form. We will be looking for volunteers at our next general meeting and continuing more planning. Volunteers are needed in various areas:

- Sponsorship Pat Sylvester is taking the lead on this. We have a long list of Z Fest sponsors and just need people to help making contacts. Also if you have any companies who might be interested in sponsorship, let us know.
- Car Show We are looking for a car show lead judge/organizer, and judges. We'll also need people to help with line up and parking on the day of, tallying scores, etc.
- Registration Bob Rosecrans is taking care of pre-registration. Need volunteers to help man the registration desk the day of show.
- Driving Tour need organizer and some driving leads.
- Other Manning raffle prize table, organizing snacks, drinks, car wash, photographer, set up and teardown, and various other duties.

Windy City Z Club General Meetings: The next Windy City General Meeting will be held on January 11, 2015 at 6 pm. The location will be the Buena Beef Restaurant at 305 E. Army Trail Road in Glendale Heights. We have a room reserved. Join us for dinner, socializing and planning for 2015 Midwest Z Heritage Fest. This meeting will be focused on discussing volunteer needs and assigning responsibilities for the planning and on-site tasks. Please let us know if you are interested in volunteering.

Future WCZC Meeting Tentative Dates are February 8, 2015, and March 8 2015.

Chicago Auto Show February 16, 2015. Monday February 16 will be our annual visit to the Chicago Auto Show. Continental Nissan usually gets us free tickets. More details will be forthcoming in the next newsletter in Ty's column. There have been various speculations regarding the next Z. Could we see a concept in Chicago?

NISMO Fiesta April 2015. Weekend of April 25, 2015, San Antonio Texas. I am thinking of going to this and visiting my son in Austin in the same trip. If you have any interest in also going to NISMO fest, let me know. No details are currently available.

Midwest Z Heritage Fest, June 12 to 14, 2015. We are hosting in 2015. Hotel will be the Lisle Hyatt, you can go on-line now and reserve your room for the event. Our website has a direct link to the hotel website to get the discount.

International Z Car Convention July 21-25. Memphis Tennessee. Hotel and event details can be found at: <u>www.zccazconvention.com</u>

As always, we will be scheduling other misc events such as cruise nights and other possible driving events. We are open to event ideas. A few have been sent in and are on the burner. Email me at <u>villazx10@comcast.net</u>.

~ Jeff

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 by the 10th of the month.



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Date & Event	Venue	Contact & other info	
Jan 11 th – WCZC General Mtg	Buena Beef - 305 E. Army Trail Rd, Glendale Hts.	Ty Ozgen – <u>tyozgen@gmail.com</u>	
Feb 8 th ? – WCZC General Mtg	TBD	Ty Ozgen – <u>tyozgen@gmail.com</u>	
Feb 16 th – Chicago Auto Show	McCormick, Chicago	Ty Ozgen – <u>tyozgen@gmail.com</u>	
Mar 8 th ? – WCZC General Mtg	TBD	Ty Ozgen – <u>tyozgen@gmail.com</u>	
Apr 25 – NISMO Fiesta	San Antonio, TX	Jeff Pleiter – <u>villazx10@comcast.net</u>	
June 12-14 – Midwest Z Heritage Fest	Lisle, IL	Jeff Pleiter – <u>villazx10@comcast.net</u>	
July 21-25 – Int'l Z Car Convention	Memphis, TN	Jeff Pleiter – <u>villazx10@comcast.net</u>	





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