



THE PRESIDENT SEZ
Jeff Pleiter, President



If you work in an office that has a fax machine like I do, you know that the faxes also get spam and offers, vacation deals, toner deals, etc. Recently one of the ones that came across the fax machine was touting “Wanted Classic Cars”. The only domestic listed was 1964 to 1969 Mustang. The rest were imports and included Mercedes, Jaguar, Ferrari etc. What caught my attention was “1969-1974” Datsun 240Z showing another sign that the first generation Z cars are on the upswing as collectibles.

It’s the end of February and the forecast today is for a high of 60 degrees – well above normal. I noticed that there were quite a few motorcycles out this weekend. I also saw one nice red street rod driving on the street this morning. I am sure you are getting antsy just as I am to get the Z back out on the street. If it wasn’t for the salt all over the roads, and the fact that the weather is going to turn back to winter yet again in a couple of days, I would have pulled the Z out of storage and been out there with the street rod.

I believe this is the third year that Nissan has been gracious enough to get the club into social media day at the Chicago Auto Show. Social Media Day, which is held on the Friday 8am to 2 pm before the black tie charity event and before auto show opens to the public. This is the first year that my work schedule has allowed me to take advantage of this. This small perk allowed us to get in the show and look around, but we don’t get full media credentials. The great thing is that the big crowds you get on the days open to the public are not there, and you can also get in pretty

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much every car that is usually locked up. People like Jim Davis from Motorweek are walking around. Nissan unveiled the Nissan Armada and a version of the Titan. I am not really a truck guy, so I didn’t spend much time looking at them. There was one red 370Z there, but this was not a highlight of their display. Nissan also had a few “Winter Warriors” there. Nissan had taken three of their SUVs and replaced the wheels with tracks. Looks like perfect for our Chicago winters. They won’t be available for sale of course. A number of our members attended the show on our usual Monday night event thanks to tickets provided by Continental Nissan. See the Windy City Z Club facebook page for pictures from social media day, and our website for the Monday night visit.



Photo by James Snyder

I am looking forward to seeing many of you at our next WCZC meeting on March 13. I am sure Larry will have some more info on upcoming events.

Don’t forget that registration is open for a number of out of town Z events, so it is time to start making hotel reservations and register if you are planning on going. Your fellow Z’ers also like to know who is going.

~ Jeff

Larry Klem, V.P of Activities

Confuzzled (Adjective), the combined state of Confused and Befuzzled. That may best describe this time of year, is it late winter or early spring? I don't know; I'm confuzzled. Surely Chicago weather doesn't help matters 50 degrees to snow and back – what's Z Car owner to do? As holders of these rare and beautiful machines many of us are either trying to wind up off-season work or wondering when we can summerize our cars, change our insurance coverage and hit the road. I have no solid answers to these questions other than to say, wait ten minutes, the weather will change and, I have it on good authority that this summer's Windy City Z Club events are approaching.

As your Director of Activities this is also a time of anticipation for me, the process at this point is one of developing contacts and waiting on schedules to be announced.

I have been reaching out to various organizations to expand and diversify our club's events. The schedule is replete with traditional favorites but we'd like to expand our options and membership base. To accomplish those goals we must recognize that different segments of the Z world have differing interests and we should be able to offer a little of everything. Again, it is challenging to nail down many specifics due to the various event schedules that are still in flux. That being said there is movement on several fronts.

I have been in contact with BVG Motorsports, they would invited us to have a club participation in any of their over 300 Chicagoland events. They have offered to reserve space for club cars with prior notification. BVG is still working on their 2016 schedule, that schedule will be posted at their Web-Site or at <https://www.facebook.com/BGVMotorsports/events>. I have attended several of events last year and was impressed. Once the schedule is announced I will send an update. This would be a good opportunity to both show our Z Cars and fly our new banner!

Ty is reaching out to Turtle Wax about hosting a detailing seminar. At this point we're looking at a Saturday in April. Details to follow but I would expect there might be some swag involved with that event ;)

I contacted the Bridgeview Park District concerning the "The Under the Dome" show, unfortunately the dome was ripped during a storm so they're thinking about moving the show to a park with Food Trucks and

a Movie that will have audio available via radio. Once they have firmed up their plans we can react.

As I've mentioned this is, from a planning perspective, the calm before the storm! I anticipate the next couple of months to be rich with potential events that the club can participate in. As always I welcome any suggestions for events that past your way. Please feel free to e-mail your ideas to me at LPKlem@fleetGPSsolutions.com. I will be updating Glenn Johnson our Web-Master, and posting to our Facebook page as details emerge. Till then, prepare for a full season of Z fun and pull out your detailing brushes, it might get bumpy from here!

~ Larry

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We welcome your photos, articles or Nissan news of interest! Please send them by the 10th to wczc.editor@gmail.com. When submitting photos, please indicate the event and day.

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Boutique



WCZC patch - \$3/ea

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Windy City Z 2016 Events Calendar

Date & Event	Venue	Contact & other info
May 13 – Z General Meeting		
May TBD – Spring Fling		Weather permitting
May 29? – Sandwich Car Show	Sandwich, IL	
June TBD – Midwest Heritage Z Fest	Ohio	
Aug 2-6 – ZCON (Z Car Convention)	Toronto, Ontario	
Aug 14 – Montgomery Fest Car Show	Montgomery, IL	
Aug TBD – Z's in the Woods		Barb & Dave Jarrell's home
TBD – Cantigny Car Show		
Oct TBD – OctoberFest	Continental Nissan	
Oct TBD – Fall Fling		
Nov TBD – WCZC Birthday Party		



Chicago Auto Show



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Wanted Classic Cars

Wanted All:

Porsche:356, 912, 911, 993
1950-1998 Any Condition

Mercedes Benz
1900-1971 Any Condition

Jaguar XK120, XK140, XK150, XK-EType
1900-1974 Any Condition

Ferrari, Lamborghini, Aston Martin
Any Year, Any Model, Any Condition

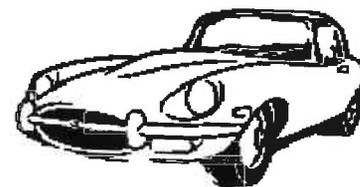
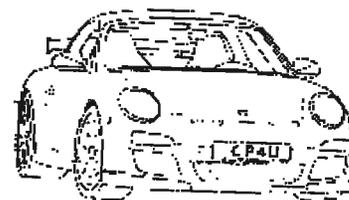
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E-mail address (please print): _____
 Your e-mail address is important because we send the WCZC newsletter and club notifications via e-mail.
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Type of Zs Owned (Please indicate year and quantity):

240Z _____ 300ZX _____
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- \$30.00 for one year (incl. foreign countries)
 - \$50.00 for two years (incl. foreign countries)
 - \$25.00 for one Associate year*
 - \$40.00 for two Associate years*
- *Associates must live at least 300 miles outside Chicago

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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 contact one of the Club Officers listed above.

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